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Supporting Student Success

The Touchet Educational Foundation (TEF) was officially formed as a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization in February 2003. Governed by a volunteer Board of Directors, the Board consists of eight representatives from agriculture, local businesses and alumni. The Touchet Educational Foundation Mission Statement is to provide financial support for Touchet students in pursuit of educational opportunities, and to encourage community support for higher education. The Board members donate hundreds of hours each year to provide leadership in achieving this mission.

2008 - 2009 Board of Director and Representatives



Dave Reppe, President, was born and raised in Klamath Falls, OR. He graduated from Oregon State University with a B.S. in Agricultural Economics. He and his wife Sandy raised two sons that graduated from Touchet High School, Doug in '86 and Darin in '92. Dave also develops and distributes the scholarship applications.



Carol (Riley) Hopkins, Secretary, Touchet High School class of '87, graduated from University of Washington with B.A. in Business Administration. She, husband Chris and their sons Nickolas and Nathan returned to the Walla Walla valley in 2000. Carol has volunteered as the Secretary since 2003.



Doug Loney, Vice President, Touchet High School class of '80, and '86 graduate of Eastern Washington University. He and his wife Roberta are raising two future Touchet High School grads, Ian in '11 and McKenzie in '14. Doug also coordinates the recruitment and engagement of the Student Representatives.



Julie McCubbins, Treasurer, was born and raised in Walla Walla. She graduated from Walla Walla Community College in '82. Julie is married to Michael McCubbins (class of '81). Along with their daughter Cassie (class of '08) they live and farm in Gardena. Julie also coordinates the Oktoberfest auction.



Sharla Wagoner graduated from Washington State University in '77. She and husband Mark (class of '71) own and operate an alfalfa seed farm south of Touchet. They have three grown children, Shayna, Timothy and Alyssa. Serving as the TEF President the past four years she is now the graduation coordinator and a record keeper.



Wendi Kregger was born and raised near San Francisco, CA. She graduated from Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo, CA with a B.S. in Agricultural Business. Wendi is married to Ryan Kregger (class of '92). They live in Touchet where they work on a multi generation farm with their sons. Wendi volunteers coordinating donor agreements and helps with fundraising.



Kristi Scherger was born and raised in Bellevue, WA. She graduated in '87 from Washington State University with a B.A. in Fine Arts. She is married to Jay Scherger and they have one young daughter, Macyn. Together they own and operate Pheasant Creek Golf Course in Touchet. Kristi volunteers creating the newsletter and website.



Jorge Martinez raised in Touchet and graduated from Touchet High School in 2001. After continuing his education at Walla Walla Community College, he is the Golf Pro at Pheasant Creek Golf Course in Touchet. Jorge volunteers with coordination of Oktoberfest and the website.

Touchet Educational Foundation
Dedicated to serving the youth of our community
Class of 2009, 27 students eligible to apply for scholarships

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OKTOBERFIESTA 2008

Mission Statement

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LETTERS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

EILEEN COLLIER "CONTINUING EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP" 2008 RECIPIENT – Sheri Nolan, Touchet High School Class of 2004 Awarded \$1000



Touchet Educational Foundation:

Having received the TEF scholarship my senior year of college at Oregon Institute of Technology (OIT) has been wonderful. During my last year of college in the medical imaging program I am required to complete eleven months of externship. During this time I work forty hours per week in the x-ray department at Legacy Good Samaritan Hospital in Portland, Oregon. I do not get paid for this time because it's educational. I've been at the hospital about 7 months and it has been a great experience. I am so grateful that I was awarded this scholarship. It has made this year financially possible.

OPPORTUNITIES

NEW SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY ** College Juniors and Seniors **

The Touchet Educational Foundation has established a new "Continuing Education Scholarship." This scholarship, in the amount of \$1000, is funded by the Eileen Collier Endowment Fund, which was established in 2006 with the Blue Mountain Community Foundation.

Eileen Cummins Collier passed away in July 2005, at the age of 102, leaving a generous gift of \$17,000 to our Foundation. Mrs. Collier was born February 8, 1903 in Touchet to John R. and Nellie Layman Cummins. She graduated in 1919 from Touchet High School and attended a year at Whitman College. In 1926, she graduated from Washington State College and married Wayne Collier in Touchet. They owned an automobile dealership in Hermiston and eventually retired in Walla Walla. We are grateful to Mrs. Collier for her generous contribution that will benefit so many Touchet students.

Eligibility:

Touchet High School Graduate

Minimum 2.75 college GPA

Junior standing or above at the beginning of the 2009-2010 academic school year

Plan to obtain an undergraduate or graduate degree at a 4-year accredited college or university

The application for the TEF Continuing Education Scholarship is available to download from our website:
www.toucheteducationalfoundation.com

Application Deadline: May 15, 2009

ENDOWMENT FUND DRIVE \$2000 MATCHING GRANT OPPORTUNITY

In 2005, we established our first permanent endowment fund with the Blue Mountain Community Foundation. This is a great opportunity for us to work together to ensure a permanent source of funds for Touchet graduates who wish to pursue higher education.

For several years, we have applied for and received a \$2000 endowment fund "matching grant" from the State of Washington Higher Education Coordinating Board. These matching grants and contributions from TEF supporters have raised our General Endowment Fund balance to over \$16,000.

In 2008, the distribution from the General Endowment Fund was over \$800, which helped fund the scholarships that we awarded to last year's graduating class.

Once again, we have applied for the endowment fund "matching grant." We need to raise \$2000 to meet the State's match. **Please consider making a contribution to our endowment fund drive and help us reach our \$2000 matching grant goal.**

Class Motto

"Each of us has different talents, different dreams, different destinations, but all have the same power to make a new tomorrow."

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Edlyn Dehonor, Sheila Ochoa, Colton Vaughn, Kayla Buckley, Doug Murphy
Mrs. Weaver, Jessica Groat, Michael Samuel, Kevin Ford, Taylor Gregg, Karissa Henzel, Rachel Huesby, Mrs. Lesmeister
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Joe Guardado, Rachel Huesby, Joe Starr, Justin Richards, Justin Grant, Taylor Gregg
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Maria Meza, Tabitha Thompson, Edlyn Dehonor, Kelsey Dorman, Robin Penland, Araceli Mendez

OKTOBERFIESTA 2008

Another successful and fun fundraising event for the Touchet Educational Foundation in 2008. Over 220 people attended enjoying Enchiladas, Rice, Beans, Carne Asada, good company and great music. The senior class slave auction, live and silent auction and raffle items helped raise over \$8,000.

Thank you to everyone who volunteered, donated items, the alumni and community members who make this annual event a success!



Special Thanks!

Senior Slave Auction Supporters raised \$4,375

Cindy Buckley, JB Dorman, Humbert Asphalt, Randy Kessler, Terry Nealey, Kristi Probert, Lisa Sasser, Peggy Vandenberg

Live and Silent Auction Supporters raised \$3,545

Greg Buckley, James Gardner, Chris Hopkins, Tom Jones, Bob Kentch, Dawn Kessler, Ryan Kregger, Mark McCubbins, Mike McCubbins, Scott Plucker, Anna Rea, Margaret Reed, Mark Wagoner, Tim Wagoner

Auctioneer

Mike Mayberry for offering his enthusiasm and generous support

Thank you to the Lions Club for their help and use of the Hall!

Thank you VERY much for donating raffle items, auction items, table sponsorships and supplies for Oktoberfiesta 2008!

Don & Lynda Adams, John & Patty Adams, Baker Boyer Bank, Banner Bank, Big Cheese Pizza, Blue Mountain Dental, Ross & Sandra Bradley, Becky Brashear, Greg & Cindy Buckley, Cubby Enterprises, Darrahs Decorator Center, Gary Dorman, J. B. Dorman, Dutch Brothers, Earl Brown & Sons, Falkenbergs Jewelers, Keylee Gaffrey, Otis Garbe, Gary's Paints & Decorating, Guy & Dana Gregg, Jim & Robin Greene, Marilyn Hines, Leslie Hubbard, Humbert Asphalt & Rock Products, Ice Harbor Brewing, Kevin's Brookside Nursery, L'Ecole No. 41 Winery, Jorge Martinez, Cassie McCubbins, Mike McCubbins, Joye Nelson, Northwest Farm Supply, Northwest Grain Growers, Onion Market, Shelley Perkins, Pheasant Creek Smokehouse BBQ, Sheri Reising, Dave & Sandy Reppe, Dr. Douglas Rietz, Louis & Janice Riley, Terry & Shirley Schaeffer, Tallman's, Three Rivers Winery, Thundering Hooves, Touch of Class, Tumac Machinery, Valley Vision Clinic, Walla Walla Fair & Frontier Days, Walla Walla Farmer's Co-Op, Walla Walla Valley Mobile, Woodward Canyon Winery.



Que buen trabajo de
Carmen Martinez, Celina Castillo
and friends for your hard work to provide us all
with a wonderful home cooked meal!



TRACKING THE INDIANS



LINDSEY SCHUETZ

As a member of the class of 2003, I was in the first class to receive scholarship awards from the Touchet Educational Foundation and the first recipient of the Education Scholarship in memory of Helen Durfee. These scholarships helped me pay for my A.A. degree from Walla Walla Community College. I then continued my education at Walla Walla College where I received a B.S. in Elementary Education. I am now a substitute teacher for Walla Walla, College Place and Columbia Burbank school districts. I love teaching and learn a lot from being in different classrooms, grade levels and subjects interacting with the students and watching them learn. No two days are alike. I walk away with great stories and experiences each day. Teaching has been such a joy and I can't wait to get my own classroom.



Thank you to the Alumni who serve our Country.

We received many heartfelt notes and additional names for our Salute to the Military. Thank you to everyone who took the time to contact us. We would like to keep updating our military information. If you have served, are serving or sign up in the future, please keep us informed. We will add updates in our newsletters. Please see additional names below.

Class of 1931

Allen Stone, US Air Corps

Class of 1933

Seth Simmons, US Army
Erwin Hesser, US Army

Class of 1935

Linden Jacobs, US Air Corps

Class of 1936

Howard Peele, US Navy

Class of 1937

Yvonne Short, US Marines
Merle Wagoner, US Marines

Class of 1939

Robert Wagoner, US Air Force
Margaret Short Olsen,
US Air Nurse Corps

Class of 1940

Cecil Watson, US Coast Guard
James Cummins, US Navy

Class of 1941

Kenneth Byrnes, US Marines

Class of 1944

Lester Cummins, US Navy
Allen Wagoner, US Navy

Class of 1947

Duane Dodd, US Army
Robert Blue, US Air Force
Donald Weaver, US Army

Class of 1948

Claude Worden, US Army
Fred Detering, US Air Force
Leo Charters, US Navy

Class of 1951

Duane Petrie, US Air Force
Jim Haas, US Air Force
Ben Worden, US Navy
Gerald Weber, US Navy
Wes Ulbright, US Army
Vernon Conrad, US Army
Earle Brown, US Army

Class of 1952

Wilbur Garbe, Jr., US Marines

Class of 1973

Ricardo Cruz

Class of 1974

Lester Hersh, US Coast Guard

Class of 1978

Howard Garbe, US Marines

CLASS NOTES

1980s

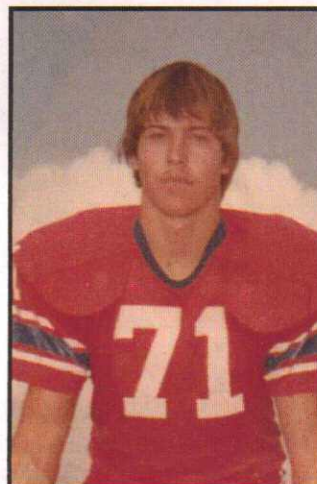
Christine (Kregger) Pincus ('88) and husband Howard are the proud parents of a baby girl, Emma Lauren Pincus.

2000s

Chelsie (Schaefer) Herian ('05), husband Jeff and their son Jett live and

work on the family ranch in Western Nebraska. In December she graduated with a degree in communications.

Miguel Castillo ('05) and Savannah Marick are the proud parents of a baby girl, Makenzie Elise Castillo. They live in Touchet.



Otto Scott Garbe

Class of 1979

February 13, 1961
to
May 9, 2006

Forever In Our Hearts

Submitted by the
Garbe family

Thank You 2008 Donors

For all you have done for Touchet students!

The Touchet Educational Foundation would like to honor all those who have made contributions and chosen to support this work. Your generosity is appreciated and the donations that are received are supporting graduating seniors.

Anonymous	FPL Energy	Loney, Doug & Berta	Touchet Educational
Adams, Alice	Frank, Larry & Nancy	MacMurdo, W.M. & Shirley	Foundation Endowment
Adams, Alvin	Frasier, Fern Dodd	Maiden, Charles	Fund
Adams, Don & Lynda	Fulgham, Richard & Phyllis	Martin, Vernita	Touchet FFA
Adams, John & Patty	Garbe, Dick & Kathy	Martinez, Erica	Touchet Gun Club
Alverti, Darrin & Dawn	Garbe, Henry & Lois	Mayberry, Mike & Patty	Endowment Fund
Anderson, Perry	Gardner, James & Morrie	McCubbins, Mark & Elaina	Touchet Gardena Lions
Archer, Rex & Janet	Ann	McCubbins, Mike & Julie	Club
Archer, Sharlene	Gerla, Sam & Kathy	Merrill, Don & Alma	Touchet School Staff
Babcock, Marian	Gomez, Vincent & Tina	Miller, Rodney & Joan	Tri-Community
Baker Boyer Bank	Gregg, Guy & Dana	Moyer, Travis & Lacy	Homemakers
Baker, Elaine	Groat, Don & Carolyn	Mundun, Gale & Carolyn	Valaer, Gene
Bald Trust	Guardado, Juventino &	Nasburg-Sasser, Lisa	Valley Vision
Boise Cascade	Ericili	Nealey, Terry & Janice	Vandenberg, Tom & Peggy
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Conwell, Archie & Theresa	Hopkins, Chris & Carol	Golf Course	Kathleen
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Cummins, L.W. Scotty &	Humbert Asphalt	Probert, Jim & Kristi	Weber, Larry & Myrna
Maxine	Ingham, Mike & Sharron	Rea, Delores	Weber, Leland & Traci
Deedler, Lynn & Barbara	Ingham, Rod & Pat	Rea, Robert & Anna	Wike, Janell
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Dodd, John	Kentch, Robert & Jacky	Robbins, Vicki	In Memory of
Dodd, Larry & Lonna	Kentch, Roger & Debbie	Saranto, Charles & Sheri	Don Buckley
Borgens	Kessler, Randy & Dawn	Reiswig	Shirley Burnham
Dorman, Gary & Mina	Kiens, Linda	Sauer, Karen	Jerry Close
Dunning, Ron	Kregger, Chris & Lora	Schaeffer, Nance	Rolland Dunning
Durfee, Elbert	Kregger, Marguerite	Schaeffer, Sally	Helen Durfee
Edwards, Evonne	Kregger Ranches	Schaeffer, Terry & Shirley	Arlie Fisher
Elsasser, Sonny & Donnetta	Kregger, Ryan & Wendi	See, Dan & Gayle	Norma Jean Funk
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DATES TO REMEMBER

Touchet School will host its 90th May Day celebration on May 8, 2009 beginning at 10:00am.

The next Touchet "All School Reunion" is scheduled for June 25 & 26, 2010.

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