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11th annual fundraiser*

Scholarship Dinner & Auction

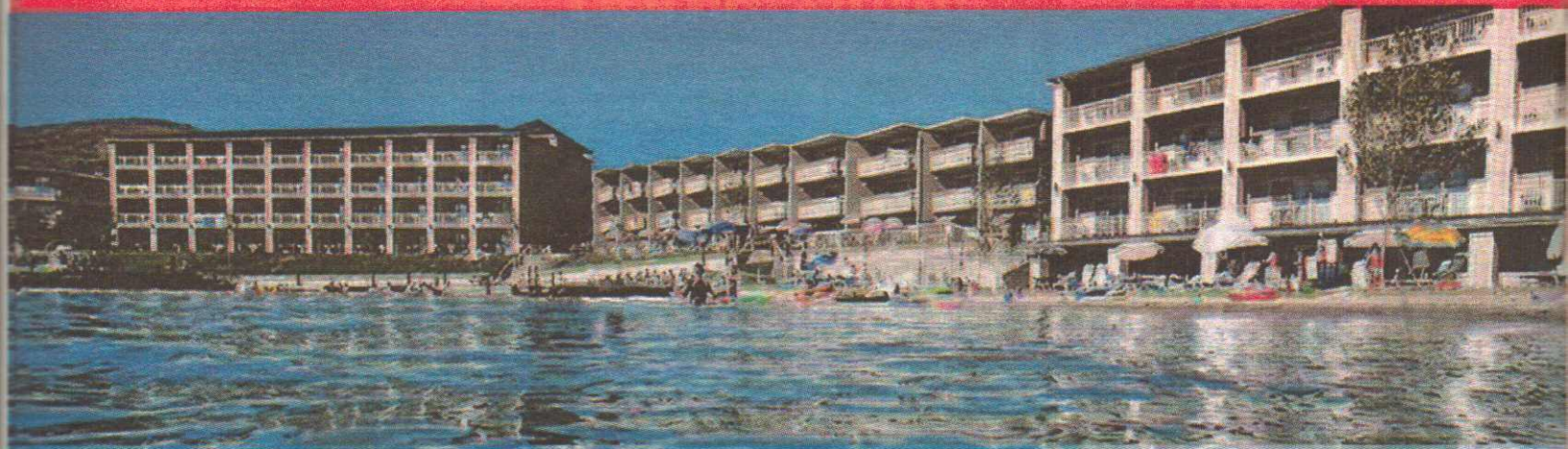


Friday, October 11, 2013 Touchet Gardena Lions Hall 6:00pm-9:00pm

BBQ ● raffle ● □ rent a team of teens

Tickets \$15 donation can be purchased from a Touchet High School senior

GRAND PRIZE: LAKE CHELAN CAMPBELL'S RESORT



Touchet Educational Foundation
Dedicated to serving the youth of our community
11 graduating classes...216 students... \$273,680 awarded in scholarships

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TEF Senior Class Representatives

Each spring, the students in the junior class are invited to apply for a position as a TEF senior class representative for the upcoming school year. Their primary duties are to coordinate TEF sponsored activities and communicate with their classmates and senior parents. Please meet the 2013-2014 TEF Senior Class Representatives.



My name is Mckenzie Loney. I am 17 years old and I am glad to be a Senior Representative for my class during our last year together. Besides being a Senior Representative, I am also an ASB officer for Touchet High School as Marketing Manager. Outside of school I enjoy spending time with my friends, family, and pets. I like listening to music, drawing and writing in my spare time. My plans for the future include graduating from Touchet High School then pursuing an education in the subjects that interest me most, like, Health Fitness and Nutrition or English Language Arts.



My name is Colton Goble I am a resident of Touchet and I attend Touchet high school. I am greatly involved with sports at Touchet. I play football, basketball and baseball. I have been in many different leadership roles such as class

president during my freshman year, Associated Student Body leader of public relations also I have been in leadership roles in my 4-H club. I have been a secretary, sergeant of arms, treasure and reporter for Valley Chapel 4-H club. My experience as a leader will help me be a good representative for my class because I have worked with many different types of personalities and I have always worked through any task and problem that I have been associated with. Finally, after high school I plan on joining the Army and specialize in mechanics.



My name is Shelby Gould, besides school and being a senior representative for the Touchet Educational Foundation, I play volleyball and softball, I am involved with Future Business Leaders of America and the National Honor Society, and I

am also the senior class secretary. Outside of school my hobbies are spending time with my friends and family. I also have a strong love for art, photography, and the outdoors. After graduating from Touchet High School I plan to go to Walla Walla Community College to do my basics, and I then wish to transfer to Eastern Washington University to pursue a degree in either physical or occupational therapy.



Hello, my name is Harlie Schaeffer. I am currently a senior at Touchet High School. I am involved with Touchet FFA and the Touchet ASB. I am also a TEF representative for my class. I have a tremendous passion for volleyball and soft-

ball. I plan on attending Walla Walla Community College for two years and eventually transfer to a university and get my degree in nursing science and work my way up to becoming an OB Nurse.

LETTERS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

TOUCHET EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION BOARD MEMBER

Sandy Reppe was not raised in Touchet, but if you have ever seen her "Touchet Indian Pride" at a football game you wouldn't know it. She moved to Touchet in 1976 and with her husband, Dave, raised two Touchet Indians... **Dug** ('86) and **Darin** ('92). Sandy has been cheering for Touchet kids ever since! She has been a "behind-the-scenes" TEF supporter and volunteer since the Foundation began in 2003. We are pleased that Sandy has agreed to join the TEF Board in an official capacity as a Director, as she continues their proud family tradition of supporting Touchet kids.

Touchet Educational Foundation,
Touchet Educational Foundation for the merit scholarship! It will help me a lot in college. I plan to go on and become an
Sincerely, Kaylee Sewell, Class of 2013

Touchet Educational Foundation Board,
Thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve as a senior rep this year. It has been a good experience. I also would like to thank you for all you do for us Touchet students, without you a lot of us would be a lot worse off.
Thanks again, Justin Casebier, Class of 2013

Touchet Educational Foundation,
Thank you for the scholarships. They will go a long way in paying for my first year of college. I appreciate what you do to help students follow their educational goals. The TEF is a huge benefit to our community.
Thanks again, Rachael Neuschwander, Class of 2013

Touchet Educational Foundation,
Thank you for giving me the opportunity to be a part of the class representatives from the year 2012-2013. It was a great experience for me.
Sincerely, Kristen Warner, Class of 2013

Touchet Educational Foundation,
Thank you for allowing Kristen to participate as a student representative this year. She appreciated it greatly. Thank you for your friendship to her and your encouragement. She will never forget this experience. As her parents, we appreciate your commitment and dedication to our children.
Sincerely, Ken and Kathie Warner



Dear TEF,
I would like to thank you for supporting the class of 2013. Without the support from you, college would be hard. I have decided to attend WWCC this fall to get my AA then I will choose my major. I am looking forward to college. Thank you!
Thanks again, Cori Ochoa, Class of 2103

Touchet Educational Foundation,
Thank you for your generous scholarship of \$1000. As you know, I am planning on pursuing a masters degree in Sports Management through Washington State University, and this scholarship will help me immensely to achieve that goal. I greatly appreciate the support of the Touchet Educational Foundation and feel truly blessed to be part of such a close and caring community.
Sincerely Taylor Gregg, Class of 2010

CONTINUING EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarships - \$500 each

The Class of 2012 who achieved honors after their first year of college, with a cumulative average of 2.75 were eligible for awards from the TEF. Those receiving awards for the 2013-2014 school year are **Alexandra Nasburg, Nicole Brown, and Paige Palmer.**

Addison Doering



Alex Nasburg



Nicole Brown



Paige Palmer



Eileen Collier Scholarships - \$1000 each Eileen Collier, who graduated from Touchet High School in 1919, she left a contribution to the Touchet Educational Foundation in her will when she passed away at the age of 102. This year, we have awarded two Eileen Collier scholarships for \$1000.

The first one is awarded to **Dana Grieb-Filbrandt.** Ms. Grieb-Filbrandt graduated from Touchet High School in 2003. She will be attending Central Washington University this fall as a junior to complete an Accounting Degree.

The second Collier Scholarship is awarded to **Taylor Gregg.** Taylor graduated from Touchet High School in 2010. He will graduate from Washington State University Tri Cities in December 2013 with a Bachelors Degree in History and a Minor in Business. He will start on a Masters Degree in Sports Management at WSU in January 2014.



Making A Difference Scholarship In Memory Of Katie Nolan - \$1000

This scholarship is sponsored by the Nolan family to encourage others to follow Katie's example of service to others, offering hope and inspiration. Katie Nolan was born and raised in Touchet, and graduated from Touchet High School in 1998. She graduated from Philadelphia Biblical University in 2002. She was working on a Master's degree in social work at Portland State University when she died in a climbing accident on Mt Hood in December 2009. This year the scholarship was awarded to Courtney Frazier. Courtney graduated from Touchet High School in 2011, attended Walla Walla Community College for two years, and has now finished her undergraduate degree, graduating from Walla Walla University in June 2013. Courtney plans to attend graduate school at Walla Walla University fall of 2013, working toward a Masters Degree in Social Work. She has volunteered 360 hours for Help-line in Walla Walla and at the Women's Shelter. She wrote, "Giving teen moms hope is something that I fell in love with. This is when I knew that social work was the career for me."

Students received Associate Degrees from Walla Walla Community College in 2013

Chari Milliken

Julian Contreras, Kayla Buckley

Alana Riggie, AJ Smith

Lauren Brashear, Ian Loney

Marie Dowsett, Lexi Sturm

Julian Contreras



A.J. Smith



Lauren Brashear



Alana Riggie



Kayla Buckley



Class of 2013

*Destiny is not a matter of chance; It is a matter of choice.
It is not a thing to be waited for; It is a thing to be achieved.*



BACK ROW

Garrett Gustin, Lyle Dowsett, William Huesby, Vicente Flores, Justin Casebier

THIRD ROW

Octvaio Preciado, Nate Ortiz, Cori Ochoa, Jose Martinez, Jaime Martinez, Jr.

SECOND ROW

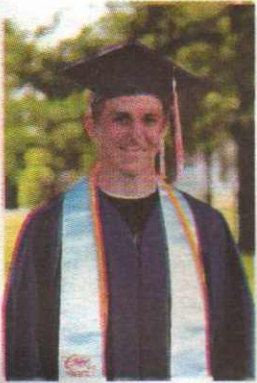
Kristen Warner, Kayla Gutierrez, Lexi Sturm, Joycelin Munden

FRONT ROW

Maria Garcia, Shonee Turner, Kayla Fuentes, Kaylee Sewell, Rachal Neuschwander

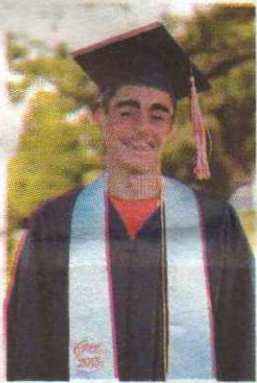
Congratulations!

2013 Scholarship Recipients



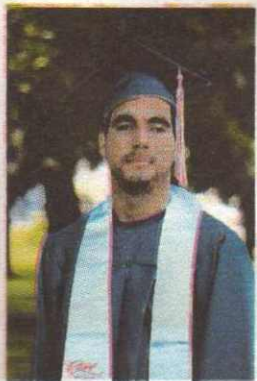
Justin Casebier, Walla Walla Community College

FFA Scholarship in memory of Roy Kregger \$500
FPL Science scholarship \$500
TEF Board of Directors Scholarship \$500
TEF Merit Scholarship \$1000



Lyle Dowsett, University of California Davis

Valedictorian Scholarship in memory of Dave Reppe
\$1000
FPL Science Scholarship \$500
TEF Recognition Scholarship \$500
TEF Merit Scholarship \$1000



Vicente Flores, Walla Walla Community College

Valedictorian
TEF Merit Scholarship \$1000



Maria Garcia, Walla Walla Community College

TEF Merit Scholarship \$1000





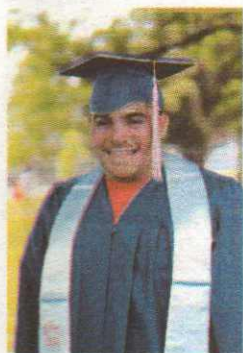
Kayla Gutierrez, Eastern Washington University
 Tri Community Homemakers Scholarship \$500
 TEF Merit Scholarship \$1000



William Huesby, Walla Walla Community College
 Pheasants Forever Scholarship \$500
 TEF Merit Scholarship \$1000



Jaime Martinez Jr., Walla Walla Community College
 TEF Merit Scholarship \$1000



Jose Martinez, Walla Walla Community College
 TEF Merit Scholarship \$1000



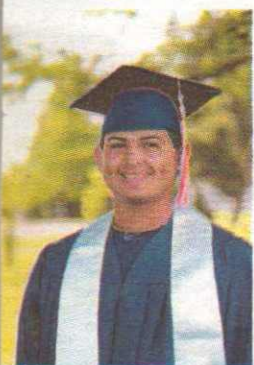
Joycelin Munden, Walla Walla Community College
 TEF Merit Scholarship \$1000





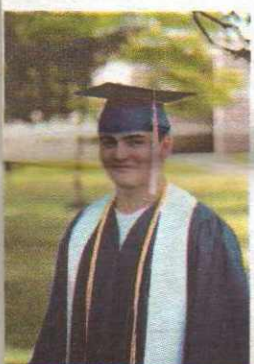
Rachal Neuschwander, Walla Walla Community College

Education Scholarship in memory of Helen Durfee \$500
TEF Recognition Scholarship \$500
TEF Merit Scholarship \$1000



Cori Ochoa, Walla Walla Community College

TEF Merit Scholarship \$1000



Nathaniel Ortiz, Eastern Washington University

Weber Family Volunteerism Scholarship \$500
Athletic Scholarship \$500
Alumni Scholarship \$500
TEF Recognition Scholarship \$500
TEF Board of Directors Scholarship \$500
TEF Merit Scholarship \$1000



Octavio Preciado, Washington State University

Medical Science Scholarship in memory of
Robert McCubbins \$500
TEF Recognition Scholarship \$500
TEF Merit Scholarship \$1000



Kaylee Sewell, Walla Walla Community College

FBLA Adams Family Scholarship \$500
TEF Merit Scholarship \$1000





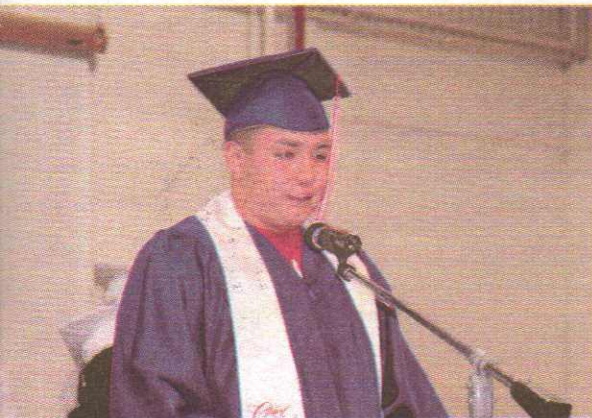
Lexi Sturm, George Fox University

Gun Club Salutatorian Scholarship \$750
Leadership Scholarship \$500
FFA Scholarship in memory of Leon Mayberry \$500
TEF Recognition Scholarship \$500
TEF Merit Scholarship \$1000



Kristen Warner, Oregon Institute of Technology

Friendship Scholarship in memory of Robert McCubbins \$500
TEF Recognition Scholarship \$500
TEF Board of Directors Scholarship \$500



TRACKING THE INDIANS

Joe Haggberg, ('08) This past May Joe graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in Electrical Engineering from the University of Portland and also completed the US Air Force ROTC course earning a commission as a second lieutenant. He starts work for the Air Force doing research and development in early September. He is also engaged and plans to be married March 19, 2014. Next August he plans on pursuing his Master's Degree in Engineering. He thanks the Touchet Educational Foundation for their support in his aspirations for college. He is proud to be from a community which encourages success through the joys of learning and rewarding hard work. Whether its on the sports fields to the hay fields or in the classrooms, Touchet taught him how to learn and to lead, and be grounded and well rounded.

Brian Pisca, ('08) graduated from Western Oregon University on June 15, 2013 with a major in Criminal Justice and a minor in Business. He is currently completing his practicum with Bureau of Land Management in Salem Oregon. While completing his degree he had the pleasure of pitching for the Western Oregon University Wolves a Division 2 team. You can also find him coaching a baseball team for the city of Dallas, Oregon or playing for the Salem Gamecocks.

Brian pictured with his mom, Chirsty Adams, ('81)

My name is **Mary Linda Solis**. I was raised in Touchet and attended the school from K-12. I graduated with the class of **2009**. I wasn't too sure what was going to become of me after high school, but I definitely knew that I wanted to attend college. I wanted to be the first in my family to go forth and graduate with a BA Degree. I was late to decide on what school I wanted to attend, but finally decided to go to Eastern Oregon University to continue with my softball career. I played softball my freshmen year, but decided it was too much after I declared my major my sophomore year of college. I wanted to be an educator and knew that a Spanish major would be well recognized with the way that things are today. So I went ahead and worked on my major, as well as taking translation classes so that I could have options after graduation. Aside from my major I also received a minor in ESOL. Now that I have my degrees I am hoping to move to Reno, Nevada in September where I have a job lined up as a part time ESOL teacher. I also have an interview coming up, to translate for the Reno County Court. I really want to take that job, given that I have worked in offices before and I love the work. I also like to model and will be doing that locally in Reno as a hobby, for a well known photographer. Right now I am helping out at the Walla Walla Fairgrounds Office. As soon as that is done I am off to Reno to get **REAL LIFE STARTED!**

Shari Milliken, ('06) received her Early Childhood Education Degree from Walla Walla Community College and will be attending Eastern Washington University working toward her Bachelors Degree in Children's Studies. Her daughter Arian, who is pictured here with Shari, just started preschool.



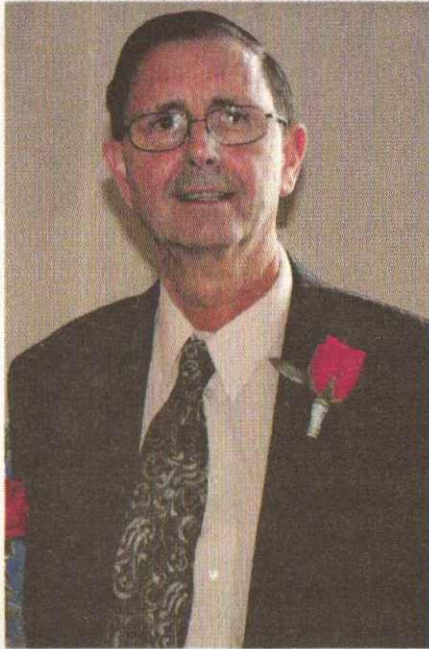
Carley Frazier, ('11) graduated from WWCC with an associate's degree in June, and will be attending Central Washington University this fall pursuing an education degree in mathematics. Carley has been an active member of the WWCC rodeo team traveling all over the northwest to compete.

Yuri Can, ('10) will be a senior at WSU this fall finishing up a major in Spanish, and minor in French and getting an education certification. She hopes to fulfill her student teaching through Teach for America or AmeriCorps. These programs allow students to work and train in low income areas.



Susana Martinez ('08) is attending Eastern Washington University and is a senior working on getting a Bachelors in Children's Studies.

IN REMEMBRANCE



DAVE REPPE

On March 26, 2013, the Touchet Educational Foundation, Touchet School and our community lost a long time friend, Dave Reppe. He served on the Touchet Educational Foundation Board of Director from its beginning in 2003, and as President from 2007 until 2012. Dave was so proud of TEF's work to provide scholarships to help Touchet students attend college. As a tribute to our dear friend the TEF was honored to award the class of 2013 Valedictorian Scholarship in Dave's memory.

David Craig Reppe, age 65, of Touchet passed away at the University of Washington Medical Center in Seattle after a courageous battle (and victory) over cancer. Dave was born June 28, 1947, Klamath Falls, Ore. To Chester and Elaine Cummins Reppe. He attended school there, graduate in 1965, from Henley High School he participated in band and wrestling. Dave had a lifelong passion for agriculture, starting as a 4H youth in the fourth grade with sheep and dairy cows, working as a box boy at a local grocery store to pay for grain and hay for his animals. He attended Oregon State University in Corvallis, where he was a member the Kappa Delta Rho fraternity, graduating in 1969, with a degree in agricultural economics.

On March 18, 1972, Dave married Sandra MacDougal Hanson in Walla Walla. In 1976 they moved to Touchet, where they raised two sons, Douglas and Darin. After farming for a number of years in the Touchet area, he later went to work for the Postal Service, working as a rural carrier out of Walla Walla, until retiring in 2010.

Dave served as President of the Touchet Educational Foundation and also was a member of the District 4 Washington State Rural Letter Carriers Association. He and his wife enjoyed traveling to many national convention sites throughout the country, as well as a number of casinos throughout the Northwest. He was an avid sports fan and especially enjoyed following the Oregon State Beavers, Seattle Mariners and the Touchet Indians. The ever supportive father, he took tremendous pride in following both of his sons in athletics, first as players and later as coaches. He was an annual supporter of the 4H and FFA livestock sale at the Walla Walla fair. Dave was especially fond of gardening and his flowers and his vegetables were always tops.

In 2012 he surprised his wife with a 40th anniversary celebration, and then in May, they were surprised with their induction into the Touchet Hall of Fame at Touchet's annual May Day Festival. In July, he proudly served as best man at his son, Darin's wedding.

After many years of treatment for leukemia, Dave and Sandy headed to Seattle to begin the process for bone marrow transplant in August 2012. The consummate gambler was willing to try the unproven trial drugs in an effort to beat the disease, and, on March 14, 2013 we received the news that Dave had beat cancer. The labs reported zero cancer cells. Unfortunately the process had left Dave susceptible to infection, and, he passed away of organ failure 52 days post transplant.

He is survived by his wife, Sandy, at their home in Touchet; sons, Doug (Daronna) of Kennewick and Darin (Yvonne) of Davenport; grandsons, Trey and Tye of Kennewick and Michael and Ryan of Key West Fla., and Spokane; sisters Marlys (Allen) Hobson of Roseburg, Ore., and Maralee (Jeff) Lawson of Hillsboro, Ore., and, numerous very special nieces and nephews. The graveside service was held Tuesday, April 2, 2013 in College Place. A celebration of life potluck luncheon followed at the Touchet Gardens Lions Hall. Memorial contributions may be made to the Touchet Educational Foundation to further the education of Touchet