

TOUCHET EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

TRIBAL TIMES



The Advanced Placement Biology class of Touchet High School traveled to the Oregon Coast for an extended field trip. Students left early on Thursday, March 10, 2011 and returned to Touchet on Sunday, March 13, 2011. This year is the 5th annual trip to the Pacific Ocean for the AP Biology class.

This is an exciting opportunity for Touchet students to receive an educational experience they will remember for a lifetime. Participants are required to observe and record observations and conclusions from daily activities and labs. Two of the 12 required Advanced Placement [®] labs were conducted on the trip with other lessons administered also.

Day one of the trip included a long bus ride to Nehalem Bay, Oregon. During the trip, visits and lessons at Bonneville Fish Hatchery and Multnomah Falls were included in the travel; the day ended with water collection samples taken from Nehalem Bay and the Pacific Ocean. The samples were used to determine primary productivity of the two ecosystems on day two of the trip.

On day two of the adventure, students analyzed water samples taken from day one. They investigated, observed and classified organisms in tide-pools, and tested temperature effects on

respiration rates of macro-invertebrates. The night ended with free time to explore beach front ecosystems and a discussion of data analyzed from the daily labs after dinner surrounding the campfire. Additionally, students discussed diversity within a rainforest environment as they journeyed through old growth forest while walking to the tide-pools.

During day three of the expedition, students awoke at 7:30 AM and prepared for a long day (180 miles round trip) to visit and observe marine organisms in the Oregon Coast Aquarium at Newport, Oregon. Students recorded observations, took pictures or videos of, and classified the marine organisms within the aquarium. Since the AP Biology students return, they have been the educating the Touchet elementary on the diversity of life found in marine and estuary environments and of the discoveries they made during their trip to the ocean. Day three ended with the nightly campfire observations and discussions of the daily activities.

Day four concluded with cleaning of the YURTS (Year-around Utility Recreational Tents), packing of equipment into the school bus and preparation for the long journey home.

Each student gained a wealth of information. Their studies ranged from salmon rearing and migration to animal diversity within intertidal zones of oceans. Hopefully, with help and support from the Touchet Community, this trip will continue to be an annual event for years to come.



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6th Annual Dunning Irrigation Alumni Football Game



Friends and supporters gathered on Saturday, October 23, 2010 to watch former Touchet Indian football players compete in a flag football game. The first three quarters were played before the Touchet vs Garfield/Palouse high school football game, with the 4th quarter played at half time. A good time was had by the former players and spectators.



Red Team Players Marshall Byerley, Juan Castillo, Sonny Elsasser, Jose Godinez, Josh Heid, Jorge Martinez, Jessie Solis, Tim Wagoner

White Team Players Mike Adams, Vader Castillo, Jose Contreras, Ron Dunning, Taylor Gregg, Drew Heid, Saul Martinez, Brandon Zaro

Thank you to Ron Dunning for his generosity and support of the annual Touchet Alumni football game.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Teacher and coach, Wayne Dickey, is retiring from teaching after 40 years, the last 32 years having been at Touchet Schools. He has taught many subjects, including math, history, Contemporary World Problems and P.E. The biggest change he has seen in teaching over the years is the advances in technology, which he finds fascinating. He has fond memories of his students and remembers each class and their unique attributes. Although he has been an exceptional teacher, he is probably best known for his coaching of championship football and baseball teams. He has been a positive role model and mentor for the many young men and a couple of young ladies, that have played for him. Mr. Dickey and his wife, Nancy are looking forward to traveling and visiting their children often in California and Arizona. Mr. Dickey also hopes to keep doing some coaching .

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We will miss you, Mr. Dickey and we wish you the best in your retirement.

OPPORTUNITIES

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY College Juniors and Seniors

For the fourth year, the Touchet Educational Foundation will be offering a "Continuing Education Scholarship" to past Touchet graduates. This scholarship, in the amount of \$1000, is funded by the Eileen Endowment Fund.

Eileen Cummins Collier left a generous gift to the Touchet Educational Foundation when she passed away in 2005. This allowed us to establish the endowment fund in her name with the Blue Mountain Community Foundation in 2006. Mrs. Collier graduated from THS in 1919, attended a year at Whitman College, finally graduating from Washington State College (WSU) in 1926. We are grateful 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 2011-2012 academic school year Plan to obtain an undergraduate or graduate degree at a 4-year accredited college or university

To request and application email Dave Reppe at: repped@msn.com

Application Deadline: May 13, 2011

OKTOBERFIESTA 2010

Another successful and fun fundraising event for the Touchet Educational Foundation in 2010. Over 220 people attended enjoying homemade 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 \$14,047.

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 \$3,025

Ken & Judy Frazier, Marilyn Hines, Craig & Tami Hodnefield, Randy & Dawn Kessler, Doug & Berta Loney, Mark & Alaina McCubbins, Tom & Peggie Vandenberg, Don & Polli Weaver



Live and Silent Auction Supporters raised \$3,852

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

Auctioneer Randy Grudzinski for offering his enthusiasm and generous support!



Class Motto "Life is not about finding yourself, it's about creating yourself."



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TRACKING THE INDIANS

CLASS NOTES

2000s

Nathan Carlisle ('00) and wife **Ashley (Durfee) Carlisle ('02)** welcomed a daughter, Piper Joy born in December 2010. Piper joins her big sister Cadence who is 3 years old.

Miguel Castillo ('05) and Savannah Marick welcomed a daughter, Sophia Elena born in December 2010. Sophia joins her big sister Makenzie who is 2 years old.

Adalberto (Vader) Castillo ('06) graduated from Walla Walla Community College with an AA in Carpentry

Victor Velazco ('07) graduated from Walla Walla Community College with an AA in Carpentry.

Sergio Velazco ('07) graduated from Walla Walla Community College with an AA in Carpentry. Sergio and Marlenne Rodriguez welcomed a son, Chris born in September 2010.

Kelsey Dorman ('09) and Jose Contreras ('10) welcomed a son Anthony Bennett born in February 2011.

IN MEMORIUM

1930s

Lavina Mayer ('35) Everett Brock ('37) June Slater ('39)

2000s

Josh Zahl ('05)

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