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Friday, October 1, 2010

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Adams Family

Mission Statement

To provide financial support for Touchet students in pursuit of Educational opportunities, and to encourage community support for higher education.

LETTERS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Touchet Educational Foundation:

Thank you very very much for the beautiful pictures and album. Sharla does such a beautiful job with her camera. Nancy and I have gone through the album several times. There's a lot of great memories for me over these past 30 years. WOW did those 30 years go by fast! Thanks again.
Wayne Dickey

Touchet Educational Foundation:

Thank you for the opportunity to work with you as a 2009-2010 Senior Class Representative. I have learned a lot from you about how to organize an event and make it a success. I can not thank you enough for your support of the seniors at Touchet High School. Without your organization, many of my classmates would not have even considered applying for scholarships or asking for help with paying for college. You are greatly appreciated for everything you have done for us. Thank you again.
Tierra Kessler, '10

Touchet Educational Foundation:

Thank you for all of the time you put in for us Touchet graduates. Thank you for caring so much for the community. Thank you for raising money for us so that we can go to college and fulfill our goals. Thank you once again.
Yuri Can, '10

Touchet Educational Foundation:

Thank you very much for the scholarship. I started my externship and all is going well. I am really enjoying putting everything I have learned over the last four years to use while still learning so much more everyday from the sonographers and radiologists at the hospital. Again thank you for the financial contribution that is helping me to meet my educational and career goals.
Natalie Durfee, '06

New Continuing Education Scholarship Established College Juniors and Seniors

Making A Difference Scholarship In Memory Of Katie Nolan



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 was lost in a climbing accident on Mt. Hood in December 2009. Katie was a true servant of all people. After graduating from college, she taught single moms at an alternative high school in Philadelphia. She traveled to Nepal and India to work with the destitute and dying. She moved to Portland, Oregon and worked for Catholic Charities to help homeless women and children stand on their own and find work and shelter. Katie volunteered with Transitions Global to

help fight sex trafficking and the exploitation of women and children. She gave hope and inspiration to all. This scholarship in Katie's memory will be awarded to a student who has a history of service to others. Applicants must have a minimum of junior standing, should be planning a career in medicine, education, social work, or another service related field. In addition they should show dignity and respect for all people. Most importantly they should follow Katie's example to be an inspiration and a giver of hope to those they come in contact with.

CLASS OF 2010

“The past is my heritage, the present my responsibility, the future my challenge.”



BACK ROW

ReAna Butler, Krisztian Vegh, Tuff Goble
AJ Smith, Travis Fowler, Kevin Ford,
Kelsy Cardwell, Jana Klapkova

MIDDLE ROW

Elizabeth Goforth, Jessica Holmberg,
Charlie Perkins, Bo Segerman, Kyle O'Brien,
Marshall Byerley, Zoe Weaver, Haley Owens

FRONT ROW

Jose Contreras, Brenda DeHonor, Yuri Can,
Elizabeth Pedroza, Warunee Teeradatchusak,
Alana Riggle, Sally Hong, Tierra Kessler,
Kira Flagstead, Schae Richartz,
Gustavo Rodriguez, Jr.

The Touchet Educational Foundation awarded \$28,200 at the Touchet High School graduation held on June 12, 2010. This included the Continuing Education Scholarships highlighted on page 10. Each senior who submitted a completed application received a scholarship award. Founded in 2003, the Touchet Educational Foundation has awarded scholarships to 143 Touchet graduates for a total of \$165,880.

The following awards were presented to the class of 2010:

Elizabeth Pedroza, Valedictorian, University of Washington



Dale Cummins Memorial Scholarship \$1,000
Medical Science Scholarship in memory of Robert McCubbins \$500
FPL Energy Science Scholarship \$600
TEF Merit Scholarship \$700

Tierra Kessler, Salutatorian, Oregon State University



Touchet Gun Club Scholarship \$750
Leadership Scholarship in Memory of Paul and Wilbur Garbe Jr. \$500
FPL Energy Science Scholarship \$600
FFA Scholarship in memory of Ron Dunning Jr. \$500
FFA Scholarship in memory of Roy Kregger \$500
59ers FFA Scholarship in memory of Leon Mayberry \$500
TEF Board of Directors Scholarship \$350
TEF Merit Scholarship \$700

ReAna Butler, Pacific Northwest College of Art



TEF Recognition Scholarship \$500
TEF Merit Scholarship \$700



Marshall Byerley, Eastern Washington University



Merit Scholarship \$700

Yuri Can, Washington State University



Tri Community Homemaker's Scholarship \$500
TEF Recognition Scholarship \$500
TEF Merit Scholarship \$700

Meghan Cantrell, Walla Walla Community College



TEF Recognition Scholarship \$500
TEF Merit Scholarship \$700

Kelsy Cardwell, Walla Walla Community College



TEF Merit Scholarship \$700

Jose Contreras, Walla Walla Community College



TEF Merit Scholarship \$700

Brenda DeHonor, Walla Walla Community College



TEF Recognition Scholarship \$500
TEF Merit Scholarship \$700

Kira Flagstead, Rocky Mountain College



Science Scholarship in Memory of
Justin Shurtleff \$700
TEF Board of Directors Scholarship \$350
TEF Merit Scholarship \$700

Tuff Goble, Walla Walla Community College



Recognition Scholarship \$500
TEF Merit Scholarship \$700

Elizabeth Goforth, Walla Walla Community College



TEF Merit Scholarship \$700

Jessica Holmberg, Walla Walla Community College



TEF Merit Scholarship \$700

Kyle O'Brien, Walla Walla Community College



TEF Merit Scholarship \$700

Schae Richartz, Blue Mountain Community College



TEF Merit Scholarship \$700

Alana Riggle, Walla Walla Community College



TEF Merit Scholarship \$700

Gustavo Rodriguez, Jr., Walla Walla Community College



Education Scholarship in Memory of
Helen Durfee \$500
Athletic Scholarship \$500

Michael Samuel, Walla Walla Community College



TEF Merit Scholarship \$700

Bo Segerman, Walla Walla Community College



TEF Merit Scholarship \$700

AJ Smith, Walla Walla Community College



Friendship Scholarship in Memory of
Robert McCubbins \$500
TEF Board of Directors Scholarship \$350
TEF Merit Scholarship \$700

Zoe Weaver, Blue Mountain Community College



Alumni Scholarship \$500
TEF Merit Scholarship \$700

Touchet High School Reunion Saturday, June 26, 2010



1930's



1940's



1950's



1960's



1970's



1980's



1990's



2000's

REMEMBER THE PAST...SUPPORT THE FUTURE



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Touchet Hall of Fame

In 2009 the Touchet School's FEAST team (a teacher leadership committee) created a special honor for community members past and present in the Touchet Hall of Fame. A member of the **Touchet Hall of Fame** is someone nominated by the community to honor a person from Touchet, past or present. This person should exemplify qualities of leadership, dedication, honor, integrity and the intangible "Touchet Pride." Touchet Hall of fame members will be honored each year at the annual May Day celebration. Nomination forms are available by contacting Touchet Schools at 509.394.2352 or emailing Gary Dorman at dorman@touchet.org.



Dick Hanson is the 2010 Touchet Hall of Fame inductee. He is a citizen who exemplifies our small town spirit. Dick's family history is closely connected to the history of Touchet. He descended from two of the founding families of Touchet, was raised in Touchet, chose to raise his 5 daughters here, and has enjoyed watching his grandchildren raised in Touchet. His paternal grandfather Herbert H. Hanson played a key role in the establishment of Touchet and his maternal grandfather B.E. Slater began farming in the area in 1909. His father, Pete Hanson, and mother, Verna Slater Hanson, were both born and raised in Touchet. He graduated from Touchet High in 1953. Dick was a very typical Touchet student; he played football, basketball, and was the catcher on the baseball team. He played trumpet in the band and was the May Day King in 1953. His Touchet education served him well. Upon graduation he attended and graduated from Perry Technical Institute in Yakima, Washington, and began his electrical career wiring control panels on airplanes for Boeing Corporation in Seattle. While working in Seattle he met his future wife Mary Haberlin

and they married in September 1958. Dick and Mary both worked for Boeing and lived in Seattle. With his wife and first two daughters in tow, Dick returned to Touchet in 1963. In 1969 Dick began working for the Walla Walla County Road Department where he remained until his retirement in 2000 after serving 30 years.

Dick served Touchet as an upstanding citizen through numerous volunteer activities. One of the ways Dick gave a lifetime of commitment was through volunteering for the Touchet fire department. He volunteered for 33 years and served as fire chief for 30 years. Dick retired from the fire department in 1999. He had a reputation for being willing to help and acted quickly and efficiently. Many Touchet citizens are thankful for his service, leadership, and common sense in emergency situations. Volunteering for the same position for 33 years exemplifies remarkable commitment, excellent leadership skills, decision making skills, and people skills.

Dick Hanson was a Lion's Club member and he and his wife were the parade chairs for the Walla Walla Fair and Frontier Days Parade for over 20 years. He was honored for his volunteer service as parade chairman with an Achievement Award in 1997. He is also a lifetime member of the Elks.

Dick gave to the Touchet community by serving on the school board for 20 years. Ask any board member who has served their school district – serving for 20 years is a long time. Such service requires dedication, management skills, and the ability to earn and keep the community's respect. Throughout Dick's years of service for the school he acted as a guardian to maintain many opportunities available to Touchet students. He values the education he benefited from as a Touchet student in the early 1940s and embraces the opportunities unique to small schools where students can participate in all three season sports, band, and various organizations like FFA, FBLA, Knowledge Bowl, and ASB. His defense of small school, community minded ideals is evident in his decisions as a school board member and his involvement with his children's and grandchildren's education. His leadership on the school board helped sustain the Touchet Spirit through many tough years.



Dick and Mary have been avid supporters of Touchet schools since their children started school in 1965. He awarded THS diplomas to all five of his daughters, watched 3 of his grandchildren graduate from Touchet, and hope to watch 4 more through their years at Touchet. He and Mary initiated the Homecoming Football hunt, they are Touchet Educational Foundation supporters and are generous members of the Booster Club. They have spent many evenings the past 45 years cheering on Touchet athletes. Dick's commitment to our community and school is ongoing today, you'll often see him and his wife at sporting events, concerts, award ceremonies, and other school events. He continues to be involved in school activities and has been employed for Touchet Schools as a bus driver for the past 10 years. A perfect job for a man so committed to his community and school.

Touchet has created the Hall of Fame to honor community service minded individuals, people like Dick Hanson who work for their dollar, give their time to their community to help sustain and promote the old-fashioned, small town spirit that Touchet embodies: he has been a leader, a co-worker, a negotiator, a friend, and most of all – an excellent role model for our community.

Thank you for your years of service. Let's welcome and honor our Hall of Fame, good ole hometown hero, Dick Hanson.



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TRACKING THE INDIANS

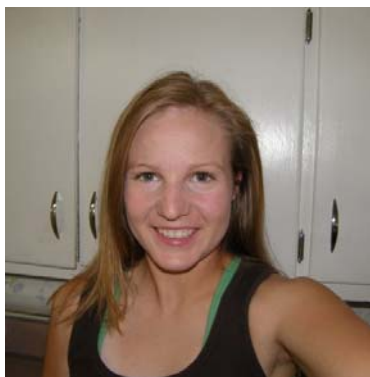
The Touchet Educational Foundation will feature you!

Just fill out the information below and we'll publish it in our newsletter.

Name: _____ Year Of Graduation: _____
 (please include your maiden name)

Finally get a job? Write a best seller? A new baby in the family? Let your fellow Indians know!

TRACKING THE INDIANS



Eileen Collier Continuing Education Scholarship \$1000
Awarded to Natalie Durfee - class of 2006

I have completed my junior year at Oregon Institute of Technology (OIT). I will be doing my externship at Providence St. Mary Medical Center in Walla Walla. I feel fortunate that the Walla Walla Valley has this hospital to offer training to complete my education. This portion of my schooling will be working in the Medical Imaging Department gaining hands on experience to prepare me to enter the job market. This part of my education will be mainly clinical training, but I will also be completing online testing and reports from OIT. After completing my education I hope to return to the Walla Walla Valley to work and serve in my community.



Making A Difference Scholarship In Memory Of Katie Nolan \$1000
Awarded to Mindy Nolan - class of 2004

I am finishing up my second year of Physical Therapy school at the University of Puget Sound. My internship this summer was at Kadlec Medical Center in Richland. I was working in the inpatient rehabilitation department and I am very excited to begin the process of working with my own patients. I have one more year of school and then I will finally begin my career as a physical therapist. I have not yet decided where I want to work but I am hoping that my internships will allow me to discover my passion.

CLASS NOTES

1990s

Mark Beaman ('93) and wife Kate welcomed a baby boy, Pierce Beaman, May 14th, 2010. The Beaman's are living in Willits, California and both Mark and Kate work in the wine industry.



Shayna (Wagoner) Hutchens ('98) and her husband Will, welcomed a son, Kellen Robert, born in Portland, Oregon, December 28, 2009. Kellen has a big sister, Miriam, who is 3 years old.

2000s



Jose Godinez ('02) graduated with honors from the University of Washington (UW) with a double major in Spanish and Comparative Literature. While at UW, he was a member of the 2003 Husky Football team as a linebacker. He also participated in an internship teaching ESL (English as a Second Language) in Ocotlán, Jalisco, Mexico. He was involved in a Direct Exchange program from the University of Oregon where he studied Castilian at the Universidad de Guadalajara. He chose Ocotlán and Guadalajara not only because of the concurrence between the schools and the compelling program of study, but also it was an opportunity to be near his then girlfriend and now wife, Sonia, who has been extremely supportive of all his aspirations.

After graduating from UW he worked as the Site Director of the Millennials Program in Prescott, Washington. Currently employed by Walla Walla Community College he is a Financial Aid Specialist while working on his Master in Business Administration (MBA) through Washington State University (yes, he's a Cougar!) with an anticipated graduation date of 2011. He is also working on his third baccalaureate degree in Accounting.



Casey Richards ('02) graduated with a Bachelors Degree in Children's Studies from Eastern Washington University in 2007 and was a substitute teacher for the Walla Walla and Touchet School District until March of 2010. She recently gained employment in April with the Oregon Child Development Coalition working as the Education Coordinator for the Head Start Program. She supervises approximately 13 teachers and teacher's assistants in their program. She helps coordinate developmentally appropriate practices and activities for their classrooms, assists with the development of the curriculum as well as review and approve teacher's weekly lesson plans and activities. She absolutely loves her job, but really misses working directly with the students in a classroom environment. Last summer she traveled to China to teach English as a second language. I truly enjoyed the experience, but was excited to return home. Some of my hobbies include: snowboarding, doing crossword puzzles and riding my street bike. She recently took her boyfriend Mitch skydiving for his birthday, and they had a great time!



Jason Sansom ('05) has returned from being stationed in Virginia as a Naval Police Officer. He will be attending Columbia Basin College in the fall of 2010 to study the field of Fish and Wildlife. He is currently living in Touchet.



Joe McDole ('05) recently graduated from Eastern Washington University in June with a degree in criminal justice. He is applying for police jobs across Washington state and is considering applying to the Air Force security forces. He is currently Operations Manager for a security company in Spokane.



Lacey Mayberry ('05) graduated from Lewis-Clark State College in May 2010 with a B.S. in Business Administration and is living in Lewiston, Idaho. She landed a job in August 2010 at Washington State University, in Pullman, as a Human Resource Consultant Assistant. She is really enjoying her job and learning so much! Since being out of school, her first school free summer has been spent traveling to Touchet to see her mom and dad and competing in barrel racing as a member of the Idaho Cowboys Association (ICA), an amateur rodeo association and jackpots around Lewiston.



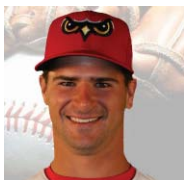
Bailey Brashear ('06) graduated from the University of Puget Sound, Tacoma, with a double major in International Business and Japanese Studies, with an emphasis in Asian studies. She will continue studying the Japanese language this fall in Tacoma.



Imena James ('07) is a new mom of son Tristen Xavier James who is 5 months old. She is a full time student at Eastern Washington University. She is majoring in Children Studies with a minor in American Indian Studies. She is happily pictured here with her son and his dad Jose.



Sadie Short ('05) attended Walla Walla Community College (WWCC) and played basketball and then transferred to Lewis Clark State College also playing basketball. They went to nationals twice and she was All-American her junior year. She received her bachelors in Kinesiology. Currently she is the manager of Hahn Event rentals in Lewiston, Idaho and is going back to school to be a nurse at WWCC-Clarkston campus.



Drew Heid ('07) was drafted in the 9th round by Los Angeles of Anaheim and is currently playing for the Orem Owlz. He has been their starting left fielder all year and is leading the entire Angels organization with a .351 batting average. He attended Walla Walla Community College and then transferred to Gonzaga. At Gonzaga he made the All West Coast First Team two times plus several regional and national weekly awards during that time.

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Oktoberfiesta Glasses Available

Please support the Touchet Educational Foundation by purchasing your limited edition pint glass for \$15.

The glasses will be available for sale at the entrance of the Touchet Gardena Lions Hall, Friday, October 1st beginning at 6:00pm.



October 1, 2010 3:00 PM Touchet Homecoming Football Game