



2018 Senior Tea – White Pass Scholarship Recipients

**White Pass
Scholarship
Fund**

*Helping students achieve
their educational goals*

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Moving Forward with Gusto!

by Susan Fortin, Committee Chair

Welcome

One year ago, we crafted our 1st White Pass Scholarship newsletter. We publish this second edition with great enthusiasm. WOW, what a year it has been! You'll see through the content in this newsletter that together we are making a difference in the lives of our youth as they plan their post-secondary path.

Our Mission and Our Success

Our mission is to continue to raise funds and help youth graduating in the White Pass School District to achieve their educational goals. From community colleges, universities, vocational schools, certification programs and trade schools, we support students as they seek the post-secondary options that best meet their goals. Realizing that just "leaving the valley" is a huge step for many students and their families we have increased our support through check-ins and informal mentorships. This intentionality has caused us to see more students enrolling and sticking with it – knowing that they have a community behind them!

Sharing our Success is Opening Doors

You'll read about our current short-term and long-term financial plan under Funding News (page 3).

When I joined the Scholarship Committee nearly 20 years ago the thought of a "long-term financial goal" was unheard of. Thanks to the generous support of community, alumni and friends we have entered a new realm of possibilities! A \$10,000 check landed in our mailbox this December. It turns out that an alum, living in Seattle, was able to do a corporate match through her employer. As she scrolled through the online donor site, "Benevity" she saw White Pass Scholarship Fund as an option and decided to give back. The word is out! As good stewards of your contributions we are helping kids achieve their goals. Together we are building a strong future.

Join Us

If you are local, please consider joining our committee. If you are an alumnus who received a White Pass Scholarship, please share your story. Success breeds success and the more our current students hear of stories of the WP educational legacy, the more motivated they become for their own future. Finally, and of critical importance is your continued support through annual giving. Your donations make our work possible. Thank you!



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Scholarship Recipient Spotlight

by Larkin Farrish – 2017 Recipient

"I was extremely fortunate to receive the White Pass Scholarship. I have been using the scholarship money to pay my tuition. The less student loans I have to take out the better! I am currently a sophomore at Washington State University, studying Apparel Merchandising. I can genuinely say I love my degree, going to class every day excites me. I hope to work in either Portland or Seattle and become a buyer for textile development. This past summer I decided to take a leap and study abroad. I chose Florence Italy because of their fantastic fashion school and how close it is to many other European countries. I will be here in Florence for four months. I am planning a few trips and hope to see as much as possible! I really appreciate the White Pass scholarship and my community's support! Thank you so much!!"



One of many Auction Items



Auction 2019

by Bonnie Sniezak

Auction! Auction! Auction!

Our White Pass Scholarship auction is the bread and butter of funding for our scholarships. Every year in March our auction is a festive event in our community. Many businesses donate goods and services for our attendees to bid on. Our committee and awardees are beyond grateful for the generosity of our donors. We provide a fantastic meal and this year we are trying a new dessert auction. We are super excited to witness the live bidding of our top desserts, after dinner the winners of their desserts can eat them at their table. Our community members look forward to this night where we all come together to support our current graduates in their

future education pursuits. We honor our donors by highlighting them in our program and we endlessly thank our auction attendees for participating. It's a fantastic evening and fun for all. We are proud to say since our auction is currently entering its sixth year, we have earned a total of over sixty thousand dollars. We plan on continuing this path, we love being a highlight of people's evening and continue to allow our event to be a night people can be proud to support our community youth.

Donate!

by Judy Roberts

Now is the time to donate. We have a lot of options for you from funding current year scholarships to helping secure the future of the White Pass scholarship program by investing in our Legacy Fund. Your White Pass Scholarship Committee is happy to work with you. For example, a recent donor gave us \$20,000 to be used over 4 years, for students going into science, technology, engineering and math. An Alumni supported our programs with a \$10,000 check. With these donations we're excited to continue funding 4-year scholarships and use auction money to build our Legacy Fund. Donating is a great way to support our community and we can work together to ensure students receive help in areas that are important to you.



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Put your ad or message here. Buy an ad space for \$100 to support this newsletter to go out as a community mailer and generate more support for the White Pass Scholarship Fund. Contact Sherry Brown to be added.
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If you haven't had a chance to look at our Facebook Page, you're missing out on seeing over 100 White Pass Scholarship Fund recipients and what they're doing now. The Facebook site also shares our events and photos of our auction items and we'll be adding an album of our donors soon. The Web site has information on how to donate, how to apply for a scholarship, past Newsletters, and a list of donors. We're always making improvements. Check us out at www.facebook.com/whitepasssscholarshipfund/ or www.whitepasssscholarship.org



One of our recipients: Spencer Meade Class 2007, Bellevue Police Officer

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Funding News

by Sherry Brown

2018 was another banner year with a total income of over \$85K. We awarded \$37,957 to 12 2018 graduates and had several firsts. We awarded our first four-year scholarship of \$2,500 per year in the memory of Nancy Quinn. We also awarded our first scholarship to a home school graduate. And finally, we awarded our first Fresh Start Scholarship.

To build on our success, we are working toward the following funding goals:

1. Build short term savings to \$80,000 to fund large graduate years.
2. Build a Legacy Fund to \$600k to decrease reliance on annual fund raisers.
3. Expand current scholarship programs.

If you have any questions regarding our programs, please contact Sherry Brown at sherrybrown89@msn.com.



Jada Williams, the 1ST Fresh Start scholarship recipient

Ordinary Income/Expense	Jan - Dec 18
Income	
43400 · Direct Public Support	61,403.82
45000 · Investments	
45020 · Dividend, Interest (Securities)	1,126.16
45030 · Interest-Savings, Short-term CD	158.49
Total 45000 · Investments	1,284.65
49000 · Special Events Income	
49010 · Special Events Contributions	1,241.02
49020 · Special Events Sales (Nongift)	16,715.65
49025 · Auction Ticket Sales	2,720.02
49060 · Car/Truck Raffle Income	700.00
49065 · Auction Raffle	1,106.00
Total 49000 · Special Events Income	22,482.69
Total Income	85,171.16
Gross Profit	85,171.16
Expense	
65000 · Operations	
65020 · Postage, Mailing Service	323.42
65025 · Fees	411.65
65050 · Auction Expense	3,952.70
65060 · Raffle Expense	146.22
65000 · Operations - Other	112.87
Total 65000 · Operations	4,946.86
65200 · Scholarships Awarded	27,434.00
Total Expense	32,380.86
Net Ordinary Income	52,790.30
Net Income	52,790.30

Fresh Start Scholarship

by Marty Fortin

The White Pass Scholarship Committee has set aside funds to support White Pass High School graduates who did not apply for a post-secondary grant to further their education when they were graduating. Two \$500 scholarships are available each year to those who now want to pursue educational opportunities at Centralia College East. Please contact us for an application or pick one up at CC East in Morton.

Volunteer!

by Van Anderson

Looking for a rewarding way to have tons of fun, make friends in the community, and have a tremendous impact on local youth? Volunteering for the White Pass Scholarship Committee should be right up your alley! Each year, dozens of volunteers get their feet wet helping with our auction and dinner – whether working behind the scenes to make sure every auction item has its place, or going out in the community to get donations and sell dinner tickets. Anyone from the most introverted organizer to the most gregarious glad-hander can find their calling. Each spring, Committee volunteers looking to positively engage students work through scholarship applications and conduct interviews with our graduating seniors to ensure that they have the resources to follow their educational dreams. Whether it is working behind the scenes to help grow the funds that support for our community's students or pounding the streets to help gather donations, volunteering with the White Pass Scholarship Committee is sure to be a fun and rewarding experience for all. Please contact a committee member or just show up at our meetings on the first Monday of the month.



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