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Twelve Scholarships Totaling \$12,000 Awarded

by Ann Krause, Scholarship Committee Chairman

Approximately 25 years ago an idea was proposed to begin a Creston Alumni Association with the intention of providing scholarships for our Creston School graduates. We have continued to build on that vision with great success. This year the Creston Alumni Association awarded seven scholarships totaling \$12,000, bringing the grand total of scholarships awarded in 25 years to \$285,985.

Three scholarships of \$2200 each were awarded to the following graduating seniors; Wyatt Corrigan, planning to attend Brigham Young University-Idaho; Evan DeBord, who plans to attend a welder training program in Spokane, and James Manchester, who will attend Eastern Washington University.

Four former recipients were awarded scholarships of \$1350 each to continue their education: Ireland Corrigan, studying social work at Brigham Young University-Idaho; Crystal Manchester, pursuing an education degree at Eastern Washington University; Danielle Nelson, studying Communication Sciences at Eastern Washington University and Carson Odegaard, majoring in Technology Education at Central Washington University.

We also are pleased to extend congratulations to Reanna Best, who recently graduated from Gonzaga University with a degree in Sociology and Criminal Justice.

These scholarships make a profound impact on these students and their lives. With your monetary support our students will continue to accomplish their goals and dreams.



YOU make the difference! Your dues and donations keep us going! Thank You!

Our newsletter is sent to over 554 folks which could bring in over \$5000 in dues alone if everyone paid their annual \$10 dues. Today we have 64 paid members. We hope you'll send in your dues today!





The three 2020 graduates receiving scholarships this year are James Manchester (above), Evan DeBord. and Wyatt Corrigan.

From the President

Hello Creston Alumni!

Typically, this letter is a happy correspondence to fill you in on all the things we're planning for the reunion, but this year has been anything but typical. It is with much sadness that I'm writing to tell you that due to circumstances out of our control, we have to cancel this year's reunion and dinner. There is no way for us to know if we will be allowed to gather in large groups by September or if we'd even be able to utilize the school building. That being said, we still want and need to provide scholarships for our kids and we can make that happen!

We need you now more than ever and since we have the most generous donors out there (all of YOU!), we know we can still provide a great scholarship opportunity for our graduates. We can't get together for a meal and celebration, but we can still raffle off some fantastic prizes! We are once again blessed to have a beautiful quilt donated by Shelley Sieverkropp, a PowerXL smokeless indoor grill, and the ever popular one night's stay with dinner at Northern Quest. So please, please make sure you still send in your dues, send in your donations, send in your raffle ticket choices—our kids are counting on us!

The incredible donations you send to our scholarship fund get disbursed every year to graduates who are so lucky to be a part of this big family that has been taking care of each other for 25 years! We're keeping our fingers crossed that life can go back to normal and next year we can plan an extra special celebration for 25+1 years of our association!

The Board would like to extend our most sincere gratitude to all of you for helping us prove that a small community can indeed do great things and this Association will continue to prove it year after year, even in the face of a pandemic. Stay safe, stay healthy, and hopefully we'll see you next year in person.

Sincerely,

Amanda DeBord

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Pick-Your-Prize Raffle

Shelley Sieverkropp is donating a vintage quilt which has a log-house pattern in red, white and black. The photo above shows the pattern. This is her eleventh beautiful quilt she has quilted and donated to us! Thank you Shelley!

Northern Quest Casino & Resort is offering again their generous donation of a one night stay with dinner for two.

Our association purchased the PowerXL smokeless indoor grill from Amazon. You can check it out there if you are not familiar with indoor grills.

All proceeds from our raffles support the Creston Alumni Scholarship Fund. Buy your lucky ticket now on the annual dues form at the end of the newsletter. Remember to mark the prize or prizes that you hope to win! Good luck!

Per your request for those who prefer to pay online, we are now set up to receive your dues and donations through PayPal!

Because we are a registered 501(c)(3) charity, we are receiving a reduced rate of 2.2% + a \$0.30 transaction fee. We are asking you to include these fees with your donation. I have given some examples in the chart below for different amounts one might be sending. PayPal will keep the fees and only the donation will be deposited into the Creston Alumni bank account.

Please also indicate what your donation is for on the message line (dues-D, scholarship fund-SF, endowment -E, or raffle-R). For example, for a \$50 donation - you could type in D-\$10, SF memorial for Joe Smith-\$30, R-quilt-\$10

Our account name is "Creston Alumni Association" and it is under our email, crestonalumniassociation@gmail.com.

The easiest way to access our paypal account once you are in Paypal is by inputting our email address which should bring up our account so that you can make a donation.

We're hoping to see lots of dues and donations coming in, especially from the younger alumni. We need to build up our membership! Thanks for your support!

Donation + Fees	Send
10.00 +.22 +.30 =	\$10.52
20.00 +.44 +.30 =	\$20.74
30.00 +.66 +.30 =	\$30.96
40.00 +.88 +.30 =	\$41.18
50.00 + 1.10+.30 =	\$51.40
60.00 + 1.32+.30 =	\$61.62
70.00 + 1.54+.30 =	\$71.84
80.00 + 1.76+.30 =	\$82.06
90.00 + 1.98+.30 =	\$92.28
100.00 +2.20+ .30 =	102.50

In Fond Remembrance

The following alumni and staff have recently passed away.

Marilyn Baugh	5/24/2020	
Creston Teacher-30 years		
Colleen Denison	5/14/2020	
Class of 1977		
Dale Duvall	6/10/2020	
Class of 1951		
Tim Hall	6/13/2020	
Class of 1979		
Marlene (Bean) Hickman	4/4/2020	
Class of 1965		
Michael Kunz	3/20/2020	
Class of 1941		
Gale Palmer	6/10/2020	
Class of 1951		
Debra Pankey	9/18/2019	
Class of 1973		
Jo Robertson	5/15/2020	
Class of 1948		

Creston Alumni Association Annual Dues		
Name(s)	2020 Alumni Dues (\$10)	
Address	(Alumni couple (\$15) Scholarship Donation	
CityStateZip	Endowment Donation	
PhoneEmail	Pick-Your-Prize Raffle (Mark below)	
Mark the prize you want to win: Quilt Northern Quest Stay	PowerXL Smokeless (\$5 each) Indoor Grill	
	Total Amount	
Donations may be made to the Scholarship or Endowment Fund as a memorial to:		
You may also give an honorary donation "in honor of" someone living to:		
Please make check payable to the Creston Alumni Association and mail with this form to: Joanne Hopkins, 35841 Welch Creek Road N, Creston WA 99117		

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