

## PHILIPSBURG AREA EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION NEWSLETTER



### 2018 Award Recipients

**Maggie Althaus**, daughter of Terry Althaus and Maureen Connor, and 2016 graduate of Granite High School, is the recipient of the Sharon Christenson Service Recognition Scholarship (\$1000). Maggie has completed her second year of study at Carroll College-Helena in pursuit of studies in plant ecology.

**Sara Burgmeier**, daughter of Victoria and Vincent Burgmeier, and 2018 graduate at Drummond High School, is the recipient of the Jan Bowen Service Recognition Scholarship (\$1000) and the Jon Manke Memorial Scholarship (\$250). Sara plans to attend Montana Tech and major in biology with a pre-professional health specialty.

**Emily Canfield**, daughter of Jenny and Cory Canfield, and 2018 graduate at Granite High School, is the recipient of the Will Wyatt Memorial Scholarship (\$500). Emily plans to attend Montana Law Enforcement Academy in Helena to pursue a career in criminal justice.

**Jaden Comings**, daughter of Brande and Shawn Comings, and 2018 graduate and Valedictorian at Granite High School, is the recipient of the Marletto Family Scholarship (\$3000) and the KPK Trust Scholarship (\$3000). Jaden plans to attend Montana Tech and pursue a career in environmental engineering.

**Sydney Cutler**, daughter of Jody and Mike Cutler, and 2018 graduate at Granite High School, is the recipient of the Eik Family Scholarship (\$1000) and the Leipheimer Family Scholarship (\$1000). Sydney plans to attend Montana Western PIMA Medical Institute to pursue a career as a veterinary technician.

**Tara Dunkerson**, daughter of Theresa Loobey and Steve Dunkerson, and 2016 graduate at Granite High School, is the recipient of the Jon Manke Memorial Scholarship (\$1000). Tara has completed her second year of studies and plans to attend the Montana State University Nursing Program in 2018.

**Colton Grange**, son of Teresa and Matt Grange, and 2018 graduate at Granite High School, is the recipient of the Rose and Thomas Brogan Scholarship (\$1500). Colton plans to attend Montana Tech and pursue a career in petroleum engineering.

**Brianna Jesse**, daughter of Lisa Villa and Keith Jesse, and 2010 graduate at Drummond High School, is the recipient of the Jon Manke Memorial Scholarship (\$500). Brianna is attending the Highland College Radiologic Technology Program in Butte.

**Susanna Kielley** daughter of Teresa and Edward Kielley, and 2018 graduate at Drummond High School, is the recipient of the PAEF Board of Directors Scholarship (\$1000). Susanna plans to pursue veterinarian medicine studies at Washington State University.



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**Mitchell Monaco**, son of John and Teresa Monaco, and 2017 graduate of Granite High School, is the recipient of the Jon Manke Memorial Scholarship (\$250). Mitchell has completed his first year at the University of Montana and is pursuing biology with a specialty in pharmaceutical studies.

**Spencer Parke**, son of Eaf and Tiffany Parke, and 2018 graduate at Drummond High School, is the recipient of the Bales Family Good Samaritan Award (\$500).

**Kristen Piippo**, daughter of Matthew and Carlee Piippo, and 2017 graduate of Drummond High School, is the recipient of the Jon Manke Memorial Scholarship (\$500) and the Molteni Scholarship (\$500). Kristen has completed her first year of studies at Utah State's pre-health program in pursuit of becoming a physician's assistant.

**Morgan Radtke**, daughter of Nancy Jo and Bradley Radtke, and 2018 graduate at Drummond High School, is the recipient of the Marletto Family Scholarship (\$2000). Morgan plans to study biology at the University of Montana and pursue a career as a medical doctor.

**Brooke Rouse**, daughter of Sara and David Rouse, and 2018 graduate at Granite High School, is the recipient of the Will Wyatt Memorial Scholarship (\$500), the David Rouse Memorial Scholarship (\$500) and the Bales Family Good Samaritan Award (\$500). Brooke plans to attend Montana State University and pursue a career in hospitality management.

**Jenny Williams**, daughter of Joan and JD Williams, and 2018 graduate at Granite High School, is the recipient of the Commander Bernard J. O'Rourke Scholarship (\$1000). Jenny plans to attend the University of Utah and pursue a career in environmental law.

### Writing Contest Winners

PAEF sponsors writing contests for students in grades 7 through 11. Application forms and information are provided through school personnel and on the [paefmt.com](http://paefmt.com) website. Winning students do not receive cash awards; rather, contest awards are maintained in PAEF's endowment fund until the students graduate from high school. At that time, students designate the post-secondary institution to apply the awards.

11<sup>th</sup> graders **Sara Kielley** and **Madison Huckfeldt** are the \$500 winners of the 11<sup>th</sup> grade community service and essay contest. The intent of this contest is to get students writing, learning and looking forward to the next level of training needed to be successful adults, while learning the importance of giving back to their communities.

10<sup>th</sup> graders **Emma Grange** and **Darby Danishanko** are the \$250 winners of the 9/10<sup>th</sup> grade essay contest to compare technical certification with university education. The intent is to encourage students to explore the benefits of post-secondary education, comparing and contrasting two types of credentials, and then making an argument based on research data – getting students at an earlier stage in high school to start thinking about going to college or vocational training.

7<sup>th</sup> grader **Elizabeth Perry** is the \$250 winner of the Keith Graybeal Memorial Scholarship writing contest. The intent of this 7/8<sup>th</sup> grade contest is to show living in a small town has impact on the way children perceive their place in the world and their plans for further education and life. One student essay from each Granite County middle school is chosen by their school's selection process and forwarded for final evaluation and award through a scholarship committee. The award is maintained through PAEF's endowment fund until the student graduates from high school.

#### **Go Small or Go Home**, by Elizabeth Perry, Graybeal Scholarship Essay Winner

*Small towns are intriguing to many, some people wondering who would want to live somewhere so isolated, other wondering why they can't be here enjoying everyone's company. Our small town, it's definitely interesting and beautiful. Our little town may sometimes be chaotic, but when it is, we come together as a community, supporting each other.*

*A very primary advantage of living in a modest area is that you have a better chance of knowing everybody. In a large town, someone doesn't usually have this luxury. Some people may not consider this a luxury, but it truly is. Developing unbreakable bonds means that you are always looked after. You have probably been building tightly woven relationships with friends since your very childhood. And they will never give up on you, even if you give up on yourself.*

*Our dreams aren't crushed in a small town, but merely promoted. Your friends, your true friends, will advocate for whatever you want to do, whether or not they think that you really can do it, and they should support you every step of the way. There are always big dreams in a small town with a big heart, proving that you really can do anything.*

*Many people in large towns very rarely seem to improve; mainly just reliving their lives every day, while for us, everyday's an adventure, and excitement that is just around the corner. You don't just go to work. Say you work in town, you meet your friends all day long and get the news that wasn't quite news yesterday. You get to see the side of almost every story, if you play your cards right. And drama? Sure, there's drama, but eventually, we all sort it out together.*

*A small town is understandable, but only to those who can live in the moment, enjoys the day, or love someone forever. Only those who can allow good people to influence their lives will ever understand the small town we have here in Drummond, the most beautiful luxury anyone can ever enjoy.*

**Come on — be part of the movement! Volunteer or think about becoming a donor.**

Our PAEF Board of Directors manages funds and activities throughout the year; and notably, they receive no money for their services. These are community members who believe their service and contributions of time and energy will improve the quality of our citizens' lives. We are continually looking for representation from across the county to serve with our Board of Directors. In addition, we seek volunteers for our fund-raising activities and projects with kids. Currently, we are seeking representation from Drummond and Helmsville. If you have an interest in serving your community as a PAEF representative, please contact: Tom Hood 859-3789 or Sue Huffman 859-0141.

Two new members have joined the PAEF Board of Directors: Jackie Walters and Cheryl Locke.



Cheryl Locke



Jackie Bohrsen Walters

**Medical Training Program – Free to Granite County Residents**

Partnering with the Granite County Medical Center (GCMC), PAEF is offering a **FREE** training program for three areas of medical service: medical assisting, emergency medical services and veterinary assisting. The 8-month program consists of online coursework, hands-on learning activities, volunteer service and field trips. The program shall be delivered through field experts and computers are available at GCMC for coursework. Online courses can be completed at your own pace; other activities shall be scheduled for group and individual instruction. Upon completion, residents will be prepared for job application or entry to a higher level of medical training. High school students may qualify for school credit and volunteer hours. Funding for this year's program is made possible through the Steele Reese Foundation – *2018 Idaho and Montana Grant Program*.

Eligibility includes any Granite County resident who earns less than 25,000 annually and high school students (16 years and older). There are 12 to 15 openings beginning September 5, 2018. To apply, contact Program Coordinator, Kristi Mainwaring at (406) 210-7228 or [mainkris1@gmail.com](mailto:mainkris1@gmail.com)

**UPCOMING EVENTS: Fundraising for Scholarships. Come Out and support our efforts!**

- Summer Concert Concessions – August 18, 2018
- Pint Night at the Philipsburg Brewery – September 27, 2018

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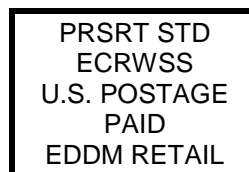
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#### **INSIDE THIS NEWSLETTER: 2018 AWARD WINNERS**

Through generous donations and fundraising activities, PAEF was able to award scholarships worth over \$22,000 to 20 outstanding students at its 18th Annual Scholarship Reception in May of 2018. This reception represented the culminating activity of a year-long scholarship process and measured the Foundation's progress in fulfilling its mission to support the efforts of Granite County students engaged in educational activities. Good Luck to all our recipients as they pursue their educational goals!

#### **2018 PAEF Award Recipients**

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Colton Grange	Madison Huckfeldt	Brianna Jesse	Sara Kielley
Susanna Kielley	Mitchell Monaco	Elizabeth Perry	Kristen Piippo
Spencer Parke	Morgan Radtke	Brooke Rouse	Jenny Williams

#### **FREE TO GRANITE COUNTY RESIDENTS -- MEDICAL TRAINING**

One-time training opportunity for medical assisting, veterinary assisting or emergency medical services, look inside for more information.