



Fundraising Scholarships

2010 NEWSLETTER



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“Recovery”

In our 2009 Newsletter to you, we noted the Charles Dickens quotes of “the best of times” and “the worst of times.” Since the collapse of the economy in October 2008, the scholarship association has maintained its composure, refrained from impulsive decisions, and continued methodically its fundraising activities. The word that best describes our present financial status is recovery.

To begin, we sent out the 2009 newsletter in April and you responded with upwards of \$6,000. Our initial application to Metro for a grant was denied, but a second appeal in December resulted in a grant of \$2,500. Recently, the Peninsula Optimists (who have contributed over \$35,000 since 1984) gave the association \$2,000. NW Natural has continued its corporate support by processing our past newsletters at a considerable saving to TRWSA. Wells Fargo added another \$1,000 and another \$1,500 came from the Oregon Community Foundation. Donna Welsh of the McCrea Foundation provided \$2,000 to our endowment as a first time donation and Donna continues to monitor and help with basic supplies for two 2009 recipients attending Oregon State University. Oregon State University provided \$40,000 in matching scholarships for the TRWSA recipients. Throughout the year we receive contributions from the community.

At our last board meeting in January, the treasurer reported our principal fund at \$155,284.51 with \$6,500 in scholarships outstanding. Some recipients have had to delay college entrance due to family circumstances. Our conservative investments continue to grow incrementally which assures us that our patience, perseverance, and carefully directed fundraising efforts have resulted in a guarded recovery.

Given growth in the market and continued fundraising efforts, we can appreciably increase the principal fund and thereby increase the scholarship awards.

20 Productive Years

On October 26, 2010, TRWSA will observe its 20th birthday. On October 26, 1990, Teddy Roosevelt’s birthday, the Roosevelt student body was informed that the Theodore Roosevelt Women’s Scholarship Association (TRWSA) had been officially established as a scholarship fund designated specifically for graduating female seniors at Roosevelt. It was festive day for the girls at Roosevelt. Twenty years later the TRWSA continues to advance its mission in helping graduating senior girls with their post-secondary education expenses.

During these 20 years, 57 students have been recipients of scholarship funds. The cumulative worth of this scholarship fund can be summarized with these figures:

Principal Endowment Fund	\$155,000
Amount of Scholarship Awards	\$102,500
OSU Matching Scholarships	<u>\$ 40,000</u>
Total Cumulative Worth	\$297,000

What began as a contribution of \$100 from a retiring Roosevelt faculty member has reached a cumulative worth of over a quarter million dollars. This has been the work of community, alumni and friends, and corporate and private sponsors. We must always extol the untiring efforts of present and past board members who have worked perseveringly to develop the principal fund from the initial \$100. It has been an outstanding community effort for a noble cause.

During these years, we have received recognition from Phi Delta Kappa the national professional association in education and three timely articles in the Oregonian. In its June 2009 article, the newspaper reported, “For the first time at Roosevelt High School, the girls were on a par with the boys in receiving special scholarship money.” Part of the money came from Oregon State University, which matched the TRWSA grant given to two of the five seniors.

Over the years, the financial needs of the students at Roosevelt High School have grown. The student body faces many challenges, including financing college education. Thanks to all our loyal contributors, we are able to help deserving students achieve their dreams of higher education. Happy 20th Anniversary TRWSA.

The following criteria is used in awarding scholarships from application through interview. We have shared this information with you in a past newsletter but in general terms. We continue to refine internal procedures and to review and weight each category annually based on our review of the total application process.

<u>Criteria</u>	<u>Description</u>
Financial	Scholarship makes a difference
Attendance	Responsible student.
GPA/Curriculum	Grades reflect commitment/Curriculum is rigorous.
ACT/SAT	ACT/SAT reflects aptitude & potential for success.
Volunteer/Work	Time and effort spent giving to the community.
Volunteer/Work	Time and effort well spent.
Essay Content	Essay reflects commitment & intent.
Essay Syntax	Essay written with care.
Interview	Candidate poised, professional, responses clear & complete.
Plan/Direction	Candidate has a sensible plan & direction for success.

Since its establishment in 1990, the TRWSA has been required to carry out three objectives: fundraising, internal board operations, and scholarship selection. TRWSA is a working board, and past and present members have fulfilled numerous roles to complete its mission. The primary function is fundraising for without the funds there can be no scholarships. Once the Board determines the funds available for scholarships, a thorough process is followed to ensure that applicants meet the established criteria from the application through the interview to the final selection. Lastly, the Board must complete any number of tasks to fulfill the previous two objectives. Skills of all kinds are necessary to complete our primary mission: Scholarships. All who serve on the Board, volunteer time and service, and that is why 99% of all funds collected are placed in the principal fund. Anyone interested in serving on the TRWSA Board is encouraged to write a short letter of application to the address provided in this newsletter.



Photo courtesy of Brent Wojahn/The Oregonian

Theodore Roosevelt Women's Scholarship Association 2009 recipients are (clockwise from top left) Emily Walters, Fakiya Omer, Berenise Delgado, Zoraida Navarrete and Anthea Vang.

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www.TRWSA.org

FOUNDING BOARD MEMBERS - October, 1990

Betty Crofoot, George Hysmith, Sharon Freeman,
George Galati, Everett Jack Jr., Patrick Hoffert

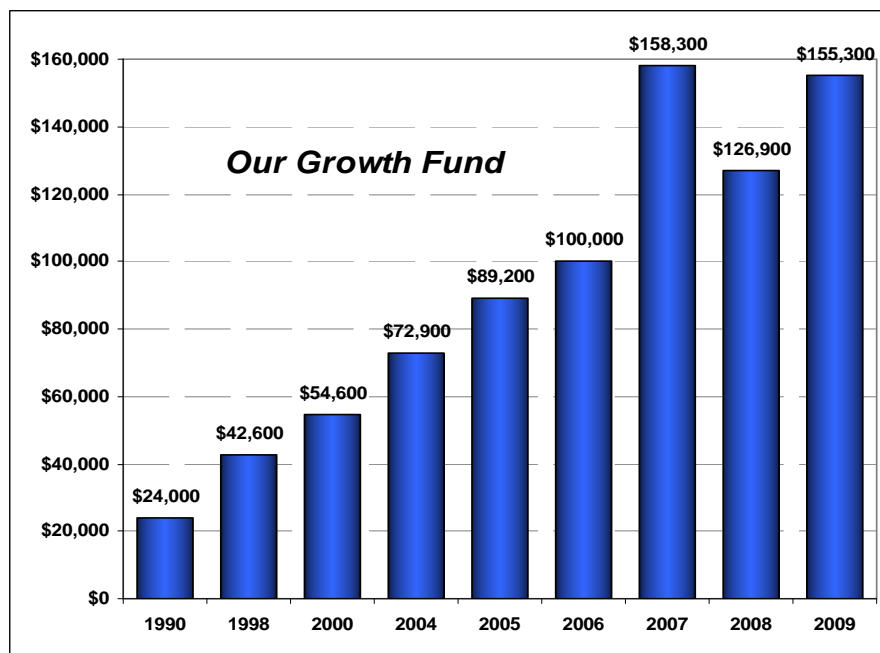
PREVIOUS TRWSA BOARD MEMBERS:

Linda Anderson	Sandi Hansen	Pamela Maxwell
Ellen Bussing	Patrick Hoffert	Lorraine Miller
Jenny Cole	Judith Holmboe	Mike Noce
Betty Crofoot	George Hysmith	Mary Norquist
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TRWSA SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

2009:	Berenise Delgado Anthea Vang Emily Walters Zoraida Navarette Fakiya Omer	Oregon State University Oregon State University Clark Community College Undecided Portland Community College
2008:	Alishia Carroll Samantha Davis Blanca Flor Avila Guzman Amber Howard Kimberly Hyatt Maricruz deJesus Martinez Laura Wells	Portland State Portland Community College Undecided Portland Community College Warner Pacific Portland Community College Portland State
2007:	Sarah Wilhelm Sasha-Eden Preston Jessica Montoya Wendy Phouthairath Mercedes Cooper Mary McCloud	Eastern Oregon State University Undecided Portland State University Portland State University Concord Career College Portland State University
2006:	Kabale Ali Meymuna Bonyo Kimberly Neal Meryl Six Vansee Yaxeulue	Portland Community College Portland Community College Willamette University Southern Oregon State University Pacific NW College of Art
2005:	Nicole Duncan Stacy Long Joanna Phan Vanity Saechao Fayise Waritu	University of Oregon Oregon State University Portland State University University of Oregon Portland Community College
2004:	Caroline Ngre Marina Baranova Ratsamy Phouthirath Guadalupe Garcia Chavez Amelia Vang	Portland State University Portland Community College Portland State University Portland Community College Oregon State University
2003:	Shayla Anderson Phoebe Keever Winnie Huang	University of Oregon Randolf-Macon Womens College Portland State University
2002:	Robin Secherest Malia Bruni Irina Baranova Grace Bluin	Oregon State University Chaminade University Honolulu Mt. Hood Community College Willamette University
2001:	Arielle Lemrick Phatthavong (Noy) Navong Liliana Barrios	Portland State University Portland State University Portland Community College

2000:	Rebecca Cooper Sarah Duncan Michelle Miller	Concordia University University of Oregon Portland State University
1999:	Karissa Dunbar Jill Sinnott	Lewis & Clark College Pacific Christian College
1998:	Jill Erceg Heather Wood	Portland State University Portland Community College
1997:	Katie Bessman	Portland State University
1996:	Sally Bachman	Montana State University
1995:	Katie Culligan	Willamette University
1994:	Mira Bastrica Womack	OHSU (Nursing)
1993:	Leanne Mills Crosby	PCC Dental Assistant
1992:	Ami Linstrom Green	University of Portland
1991:	Colleen Slattery	Stanford University



Starting in 1984 with a \$100 donation, TRWSA placed its funds with Bank of America. As of this past year, the funds are with Merrill-Lynch.

**Have you considered
including the TRWSA in your will?**

You may send donations and bequests to:

**Roosevelt High School TRWSA
6941 N. Central
Portland, Oregon 97203**

Your contribution is tax deductible
(EIN #93-1076235).

**Does Your Employer have a United Way Campaign?
Write in: Theodore Roosevelt Women's Scholarship.**

HELP SHAPE THE FUTURE!

Please consider a donation to Theodore Women's Scholarship Fund.

We all know times are difficult for many right now. This is especially true for many of Theodore Roosevelt's senior women as they are trying to plan their futures with minimal financial support.

Your tax deductible gift, no matter how small or how large, will help a young woman build her future.

A donation form is included below for your convenience.

Thank you for your support.

A Letter From A TRWSA Scholarship Recipient:

TO THE WONDERFUL DONORS WHO HELP THEODORE ROOSEVELT HIGH SCHOOL WOMEN PAY FOR COLLEGE:

Hello, my name is Emily Walters. In June 2009 I graduated from Roosevelt High School, not only looking forward to my next big step in life but knowing that I was a huge part of representing young women at Roosevelt High School.

Ever since I learned about the TRWSA my freshman year, I knew that I wanted that scholarship more than anything. Come senior year, all my success paid off and I received a \$2,000 TRWSA scholarship. That money has helped me substantially at Clark College in Vancouver, WA where I am currently taking pre-requisites to enter Medical Radiography degree program.

This scholarship has taught me many things, the value of money, and if you do your best in everything you do it pays off in the end. This scholarship taught me to manage my own finances and even cut out unnecessary costs from my budget.

Without the donations from generous donors, women would not have their very own scholarship to look forward to receive. I am so proud to be a Rough Rider and to have equal opportunity between every student is majorly important with today's economy.

Thank you so much for donating and giving Roosevelt women the chance to succeed in college and show what Roosevelt prepared us for. If it weren't for you, no one would get the chance to find out how smart Roosevelt women are. I can't thank you enough! Thank you for giving us a voice.

Sincerely,

Emily Walters
2009 TRWSA Scholarship Recipient

YES! I want to give Roosevelt women the best educational opportunities possible.

\$500 \$250 \$100 \$50 \$_____

Name _____

Phone or email _____ RHS Alumnus (year) _____

Address _____ City/State/Zip _____

I want to help by volunteering for this team:

(Please circle) Special Events, Communications, Fundraising, Scholarship Selection, Class Reunion TRWSA liaison.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Your contribution is tax deductible (EIN #93-1076235)

Make checks payable to:

Theodore Roosevelt Women's Scholarship Association (TRWSA)

Mail to:

Roosevelt High School, TRWSA, 6941 N. Central, Portland, OR, 97203