

The Mudd Nick Foundation

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2015 Mudd Nick Golf
Tournament & Charity
Auction

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September 19, 2015 !!!



Mudd Nick Foundation Annual Golf Tournament, Dinner and Charity Auction September 19 and 20, 2014

For over 25 years, people associated with the Mudd Nick Foundation have celebrated the third weekend in September with a Friday dinner, 18-hole golf tournament on Saturday, and dinner and charity auction that evening. The 2014 event was a complete success in terms of surpassing the fund raising goals set by the Board of Directors and providing attendees with a satisfying, fun and inspiring experience.

The dinner on Friday for golfers and their guests was prepared by Flying Elephants Deli in Portland and hosted by the Anne and Eli Shapira Foundation, which is a generous supporter of the Mudd Nick Foundation.

Saturday, September 20th turned out to be perfect golfing weather – clear and sunny. 78 players matched skills in the 18-hole tournament on our local Manzanita Golf Course. Winners were treated to top notch prizes that night.

It was, however, the Saturday evening festivities in which the true meaning of the event became fully evident. Over 200 people packed into the North Coast Recreation District gymnasium for the dinner and charity auction. Smoked salmon and tri-tip beef were prepared by local smoker, Tom Moore and his trusty assistants, Jim Hickey, and Board members - Tim McCarty and Brad Mudd.

Attendees bid on 171 silent and live auction items valued at \$36,116, which were donated by generous individuals and merchants. The live auction was moderated by Doug Nicholson, and Jim and Brad Mudd. We held a raffle for a queen-size authentic hand-made Amish quilt and 50-50 raffle, as well as sold flashing Blinky pens identifying the wearers as special donors.

Besides engaging in lively conversations, attendees were treated to a short video produced by Board member Larry Schaeffer. The film demonstrated the impact Mudd Nick Foundation-sponsored programs have on the youth in North Tillamook County. Surely tears came to the eyes of many.

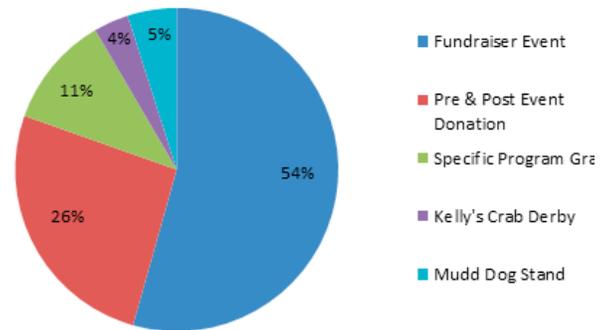
It is the volunteers who made the event possible at all and proceed so smoothly. Special pals, Kim Miller and Kris Troutman prepared the appetizers and salad and organized the helpers and servers. It is remarkable that over 230 hours of labor were donated by our selfless volunteers – community members, parents, principals, teachers, and students.

The Mudd Nick Foundation is all about passion, passion for serving the children in our area. We are now approaching over \$1,000,000 in donations since the Foundation's inception, and these contributions make

dreams come true for so many youngsters. When good people with a shared passion come together, great things become possible, great things become a reality.

The Board was happy to celebrate the Foundation's success with its donors at the 2014 event. Thank you for making this event so successful and exceeding our expectations.

Fundraising Categories as a Percent of Total Funds



22 Years Serving Children of North Tillamook County

Jim Mudd and Doug Nicholson, friends since their days at Oregon State University, decided to start a coed golf tournament in 1990, which they christened the Mudd Nick Invitational. A Duck dressed as a Beaver became the logo because of the numerous University of Oregon and Oregon State University alumni participating in the event.

The tournament was popular from the start and, as the years passed, the event grew in size. Lynn Mudd, Jim's wife, saw the needs in the community and viewed having a higher purpose as essential. She suggested that the event be transformed into something that contributed to the local community, rather than simply the fun of attendees. As a result of Lynn's influence, the Mudd Nick Golf and Charity event was born in 1993. Invitees and participants began donating to support selected programs for children in the North Tillamook area. Initially,

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Donors are Treasures

The Mudd Nick Foundation could not fulfill its mission without the open hearts of our treasured donors. Over the years, we've been fortunate to have so many people understand the importance of the Foundation's work and answer the call for assistance. The special people who donated in 2014 are listed below. We are grateful for their support on behalf of all the children in North Tillamook County the Foundation serves.

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We apologize if we inadvertently omitted any donor.

2014 Event Volunteers

Planning and executing the annual event could not be possible without the efforts of many volunteers. During the event alone, the total number of hours that volunteers worked was in excess of 225. Some tasks included: configuring and setting up computers; loading tables and chairs and transporting them between Neahkahnie High School and North Coast Recreation District (NCRD); setting up tables and chairs at NCRD and breaking them down after the event; directing parking; preparing appetizers and salad; plating food; serving guests; bussing tables; washing dishes; general cleaning; bartending; running errands; and helping monitor the auction tables. Heidi Buckmaster offered use of her truck and trailer.

Below is a list of volunteers who offered their time and energies to make the 2014 Mudd Nick Foundation Dinner and Charity Auction so successful. We apologize if we inadvertently missed anyone who volunteered before, during or after the event.



Neahkahnie High School Choir
 Michael Simpson
 Connie Helleison
 Cindy and Jack Kenne
 Beth Gienger
 Steve Baertlien
 Darren Hastings
 John Wheeler
 Kim Miller
 Michael Hithe

Kris Troutman
 Angle Honts
 Lydia Felley
 Kristi Woika
 Erin Hanson
 Janmarie Nugent
 Ashley Patterson
 Ali Duer
 Carol Kearns
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 Ruben Bitts

Sarah Crow
 Marisa Bayouth
 Lorena Giles
 Kathy Kammerer
 Kathryn Harmon
 Shannon Mulcahy
 Charlene Gernert
 Sue Gray

PX2 – The Friends Camp Experience

On April 25, 2014, fifteen students from Neahkahnie Middle School and two from Neahkahnie High School arrived at the Twin Rocks Camp in Rockaway Beach to participate in a life changing weekend experience sponsored by the Mudd Nick Foundation. These young adults were about to embark on a two day, two night journey into PX2 - *the Path to eXtreme Success*, developed by the Pacific Institute. They would participate in a simple, structured process designed to build their understanding of how the human mind works, how a person thinks and how those thoughts affect how the person acts. The PX2



tools and techniques help students understand how habits, attitudes and beliefs may stand in the way of recognizing and releasing our inner potential. The PX2 process teaches goal setting, self-reflection and self-evaluation, leading participants to recognize that all individuals are responsible for their own actions. By accepting responsibility, participants are better equipped to make sound decisions and better choices in life. The goal is for each student to leave the PX2 training with knowledge and skills needed to take control over his or her own future by changing old habits, attitudes, beliefs and expectations; the motto being - Let the "true you" shine!

The PX2 weekend experience was planned and facilitated by two North Tillamook County teachers, Joan Henderson and Donna Miller, who are trained in the PX2 curriculum. They carefully developed activities and lessons that encouraged cooperative skills, social bonding and self-reflection that enhanced each of the twelve PX2 lesson sessions. The students also had opportunities each day to have fun participating in Twin Rocks Camp activities such as canoeing, hiking, Frisbee golf, shuffleboard, basketball and just hanging out together. Meal time with fabulous food was a definite favorite for all.

The Mudd Nick Foundation's mission to broaden the horizons of children, teach them the fundamentals of lifelong stellar citizenship, and to provide life expanding experiences was certainly met for these young adults by giving them this opportunity to become a PX2 graduate.



Personal Thank You

The Mudd Nick Foundation Board received the following letter from a grateful student in October 2014 after she attended a 4-H summer camp:

Dear Mudd Nick Foundation,

Thank you so much for the scholarship you gave to me so I could go to the 4-H summer camp. I had a blast shooting archery, going on the huge swings, and canoeing on the lake. I especially loved the themed meals and the dance that was held at the end of the camp. This was my first trip and last year at camp as I am in eighth grade, and I was so sad to have to leave. I wish it could last all year. I am so happy that you provided me with the opportunity to go to camp. I am thoroughly disappointed that I won't be able to go back as a counselor and try to provide the same amazing experience I had at camp. Sadly I will be moving out of state. I absolutely loved camp, and again am so grateful for the scholarship you were able to grant me. I hope that 4-H camp will be able to continue giving other kids amazing experiences for many years to come!

*Sincerely,
Emma Hammond*

New Baseball Field

Neahkahnie Youth Athletics is coordinating a donation drive to raise over \$18,000 to develop a regulation Little League baseball field at the old dilapidated ball field located behind the Neahkahnie School District administration offices. The field will have a water absorbing composite infield, dugouts, improved back stop, and a fenced outfield for use starting in the spring of 2015. The Mudd Nick Foundation will be a contributing funds. If you would like to make a special donation directed towards the baseball field renovation, please send a check to the Mudd Nick Foundation, PO Box 250, Manzanita, OR 97130 in care of Baseball Field.

Currently the boys and girls use the girls' high school softball field which has shorter base paths, lacks a pitcher's mound, and is fraught with scheduling conflicts. The new field, which is being developed with volunteer help and materials (many donated at cost), will enable Neahkahnie Youth Athletics players to have better practices and schedule some home games instead of having to play all games in Tillamook.

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Fall Press Day

On November 12, 2014, Neahkahnie High School Journalism Club and yearbook staff students attended Fall Press Day at the University of Oregon in Eugene thanks to the Mudd Nick Foundation. The day-long session in which over 700 students from around the state attended, featured a variety of journalism-related workshops led by professionals in the field. Based on their specific interests, students and advisers were able to take part in three from over two dozen workshops offered.

Because of the distance and early start of the event, the Mudd Nick Foundation funded an overnight stay at a motel near the campus, along with meals, registration fees and transportation – an all expenses paid field trip at no cost to parents.

Three students made the trip along with second-year Journalism Club adviser and former North Coast Citizen newspaper editor and general manager Dave Fisher.

"It was a fun and educational event, an event certainly worth the time and money," said Fisher, a graduate of University of Oregon. Mr. Fisher

gave students a tour of the campus. "A lot has changed over the years, but a lot remains the same. For me, it was like stepping back in time and it was the first time any of these Neahkahnie students had visited the University of Oregon campus. Thank you Mudd Nick Foundation for making it all possible."

Neahkahnie High School juniors John Nissen, Victoria Elligsen and Richard Bain smile for the camera from the steps of Deady Hall during a tour of the University of Oregon campus prior to Fall Press Day held November 13, 2014.



Dear Mudd Nick Foundation,

Thank you for generously funding Neahkahnie High School Journalism Yearbook Club's time at Fall Press Day that was held at the University of Oregon. As Editor-in-Chief of the Private's Code at school, I wholeheartedly valued the experience of learning about interviewing skills and how to write a gripping article, all the while meeting new people with a shared interest in journalism. I'm inspired and excited to make a better publication for my school.

Sincerely,

Victoria Elligsen

Let's Learn to Swim

For years and years, the Mudd Nick Foundation has supported the North Coast Recreation District (NCRD)/Nehalem Elementary School Swim Instruction & Water Safety Program that seeks to and succeeds in making our local youngsters water safe. Below is a letter of appreciation to the Mudd Nick Foundation:

“Once again, thank you for designating \$1,000 to go to the NCRD/Nehalem Elementary School Swim Instruction & Water Safety Program.

Because of your support in honoring our request, we are able to continue impacting the lives of the children of our community with valuable lifesaving water skills. In addition, your donation also supports the provision of the Adaptive Swim Class which is offered to the children of District #56 in need of this healthful, specialized Aquatic Program.

With enthusiasm and eagerness the School Swim Program began this fall 2014. As aquatic professionals we are committed to preventing drowning in our community. We believe with education, training, and learning to r.e.s.p.e.c.t. the water, that preventing drowning is within our reach. The students are thrilled to be back for another year of fine tuning swim skills and water safety.

Your Foundation should feel proud and honored in knowing that this program which has endured for over 80 years is still alive due to community support and generosity such as yours. Mudd Nick's legacy prevails throughout our coastal community! What a wonderful Foundation! Thank you so much.

Sincerely,

Sue Dindia-Gray, Aquatics Program Manager, North Coast Recreation District, October 31, 2014”

The Fourth of July Poster

Art Happens owner Bonnie Speer and the Mudd Nick Foundation joined forces to commission Gabe Calkins, a freshman at Neahkahnie High School, to paint the 2014 Manzanita Fourth of July Poster.

The Foundation awarded Gabe \$250 for his creativity and efforts. Local businesses in Manzanita sold printed copies of Gabe's poster

over the summer months. Nearly \$1,000 was raised from the poster sales and given to the Mudd Nick Foundation.

The Mudd Nick Board of Directors tip their hats to Gabe, Bonnie and the local merchants who made this donation possible. We have decided to incorporate creating this Poster as an annual fund raiser.



S.H.E. Warriors - Fleet of Foot

S.H.E. Warriors is an extra-curricular club organized and staffed by local volunteer coaches dedicated to transforming 4th and 5th grade girls into avid, successful runners. These female coaches serve as positive role models for these young girls. What follows is a letter from the coaches:

Dear Mudd Nick Foundation:
As our third season comes to a close we want to say a giant thank you! We had 12 girls complete the season and just ended in July with our home event, the Manzanita Beach Run & Walk. For the first time ever we had girls train to do both the 5k and the 10k! And they did it!

This season we taught the girls about running basics, nutrition, hydration and stretching; how to have healthy relationships with boys, other girls and themselves; not spreading rumors; self-respect; and other great topics. Janice

Gaines, a local athlete and spa owner, came and spoke with the girls about pushing themselves and pacing. We also followed the formal Couch to 5k training program with great success. Our runners were more in shape than ever before. We especially appreciate the approval of the last minute field trip to Hillsboro that we did this summer. The girls got to experience a track workout with a personal trainer, see and shower in a big city gym, eat lunch at Chang's Mongolian restaurant, and get pre-race pedicures and manicures. Those were new experiences for all of the girls. We wish you could have seen the excitement in their faces that day.

Thanks again for the funds to support our club. We couldn't have created this club or these experiences for our Warrior girls without you. It has been



a truly life changing experience for them, their families and for us as coaches.

With deep appreciation,

The S.H.E. Warrior Coaches – Erin Hanson, Kristi Woika, Jennifer Holm and Kris Troutman - March 31, 2014"



Oregon Leadership Institute

On the weekend of November 2 and 3rd, the Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) Club from Neahkahnie High School participated in its first Oregon Leadership Institute in Bend, Oregon. Students acquired leadership skills through a variety of workshops presented by successful business leaders from the state of Oregon. Students learned the importance of dressing for success, interview tips and techniques, and gained insight from top industry leaders on how to effectively seek employment and build a career path. On Sunday evening, students



partook in an etiquette dinner and practiced proper behavior for a professional dinner meeting, all while enjoying a hearty meal and interacting with students from across the state. Monday morning FBLA members attended workshops and the closing session. During the last presentation, keynote speaker, Kent Butler, emphasized the importance of "doing what you can, with what you have, right where you are." He focused on motivating and inspiring the students in his audience to reach for the top, set goals, and follow through to reach their dreams.

Ways to Donate

You can support the work of the Mudd Nick Foundation in the following ways:

- Mail a donation to Mudd Nick Foundation, PO Box 250, Manzanita, OR 97130
- Drop off a donation at the Mudd Dog Stand
- Leave a tip in the donation jar at the Mudd Dog Stand
- Visit www.muddnickfoundation.org and click on the **Donate** button to contribute via PayPal
- Donate an item for the silent or oral auction thirty days prior to the annual auction and dinner event
- Direct your United Way donation specifically to the Mudd Nick Foundation

Thank you in advance for your generosity!



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Blazer Game Was Awesome

On October 12, 2014 fourteen 4th and 5th grade students from Garibaldi Grade School accompanied teacher Ann Harper and parent Scott Ernst (a former GGS student) to a Trailblazer basketball pre-season game, compliments of the Mudd Nick Foundation. The students gathered at the school and rode a small school bus to the Moda Center in downtown Portland.



Entering the Rose Center property was so exciting for the children. All but one had only seen it on television and they loved every bit of it. Before they entered the Moda Center, several of the students ran through the water fountains trying to outsmart the jets of water. There were many smiles and laughs as they made their way to the entry doors with their tickets held tight in their fists.

Upon entering the facility, the students were awestruck by its size and the number of people surrounding them. Because the tickets they had were extra special, the group had to ride up in an elevator reserved only for a lucky few. They were treated to seats in one of the suites on the 200 level of the arena. A private waiter took their orders from the menu and the students filled up on hot dogs with all the trimmings, along with bottomless bowls of popcorn, snack mix, and peanuts.

The arena was filled with sights and sounds unlike any they would see on the Oregon Coast. There was a flying car dropping leaflets onto the crowd, music playing when the Blazers took a time out, activities taking place on the court, announcers sharing the play-by-play action, banners of lights surrounding the room, and giant screens to bring the action close. The students could barely sit still during the game because of all the excitement. They cheered for the Blazers throughout the game, especially at the end when they beat their opponent.



After leaving the arena, all the students ran through the fountain jets, most getting more than a little wet. They never complained once about being wet and cold on the bus ride home, though. The excitement of the night kept them warm and happy. It was a memorable experience for all! The students returned to the school at nearly midnight on that Sunday night with smiles that never faded. They so appreciated this wonderful gift made possible by the Mudd Nick Foundation that will be remembered for a very long time.

22 Years *(continued from front page)*

we sponsored a month long summer art program and built a skate ramp adjacent to North Coast Recreation District in Nehalem, both of which are going strong today. Donations were consistent and momentum began to build.

In 2006, the Mudd Nick Foundation was formed as a 501(c)(3) non-profit and a board of nine directors was selected to develop a Vision, Mission, Guiding Principles and Objectives. Our theme and goal became "Changing Children's Lives Today and Tomorrow." The Invitational Golf Tournament evolved and in recent years has drawn approximately 80 players.

Over the last nine years, in excess of \$1,000,000 has been raised to support 30 to 50 programs annually. We have collaborative partnerships with the superintendent of Neahkahnie School District 56 and principals of the two grade schools, one middle school and one high school. Teachers request support for specific events and programs and the Foundation's Board of Directors selects those to fund. Also supported are programs that cover multiple schools, North Coast Recreation District, and special needs children. The Foundation does not support any tax funded programs or existing programs or events.

As a way of expressing their gratitude for being able to participate in Mudd Nick Foundation-funded programs, local school children can participate in the Junior Mudd program, which provides an opportunity for them to help the needy and elderly in the community. Former and current Mudd Nickers raise money and offer new and exciting ideas. This develops their leadership skills and sense of community, connectedness and mutual responsibility.

The Mudd Nick Foundation is an all-volunteer organization, with only one person who is paid on a part-time basis to coordinate programs. Children participate in all events and programs free of charge. In 2014, we had another strong fundraising year and supported 64 programs for the 2013-2014 school year, providing nearly 3,000 life expanding opportunities for the children in our community. During the 2014-2015 school year we will support over 50 programs.

The passion for positively impacting the lives of children in this region is burning brighter than ever in the hearts of the Board members and volunteers associated with the Foundation, and this fire will keep the Foundation moving onwards and upwards.

We thank all of our donors and volunteers for their generous and ongoing support! When you make a donation, please remember that the Mudd Nick Foundation has 501(c)(3) tax exempt status for your tax return purposes.

Please consider joining us to celebrate our 23rd anniversary at this year's annual event on September 19, 2015 and making a donation to the Mudd Nick Foundation on behalf of the wonderful and deserving children in our community. Your contribution will make tangible and meaningful differences in their lives.

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Keynote Speaker Manzanita Mayor Garry Bullard



We were honored to have Manzanita Mayor Garry Bullard as the keynote speaker for our annual event in September. His words of wisdom so resonated with the audience that he received a standing ovation. This important and relevant message follows in its entirety.

Introduction —Why I'm Here

When Jim Mudd asked me to speak at the Mudd Nick Foundation Auction I was a bit taken aback. I asked him what I could possibly add that hadn't been thought of already. His answer was classic Jim Mudd: "You'll think of something and keep it short and snappy." So I hope to accomplish at least the second half of his assignment.

Reflection. After reflecting on it for a while (that's code for after it bugged me long enough) here are the thoughts I intend to put before you:

- Premise 1: Life is a series of crossroads of good and bad choices which we stumble through on a crooked path. Those choices can move us along toward a richer, fuller life or put us on a path to blind alleys and trouble.
- Premise 2: In making these choices we are influenced by a host of factors like, family, parental guidance, if any, capacity for learning, education, ambition and so forth. The list is endless. But one of the most important factors is what we experience early in life. Our early life experiences open us up to possibilities which either nurture or stunt our ability to make good choices later in life.
- Reflect: I ask you to take a moment to dig down and ask yourself what was it that opened you up to the possibilities? Experiencing possibilities early in life is the mission of the Mudd Nick Foundation.

Discussion —Personal Experience

- Each of us must speak from personal experience on this subject. Each piece in the mosaic of life is one-of-a-kind. So I speak from my own experience. I grew up in the Great Depression and WW II. We didn't have much. But we never went to bed hungry. For grade school there was enough cash for new blue jeans and tennis shoes now and then and something better to wear to church. So life was

ok. It was a decent but fairly shallow foundation for life.

- But there were undiscovered possibilities out there: It was a mother who saw to it that I went to Saturday matinees at the Goodman Children's Theater in Chicago and was determined that I would be the first in the family to have a college education from a first rate university. It was a grade school teacher who organized field trips to performances of the Chicago Symphony; it was an 8th grade teacher/school principal who told my parents I had possibilities but was lazy and wouldn't amount to anything if I didn't get my fanny in gear. They were on my case from then on. It was a father who taught me about hunting and fly fishing and showed me how to get to Wrigley Field on my own. (The Cubs remain a lifetime of devotion and unfulfilled possibilities.)
- Consider the Experienced-Based Mission of the Mudd-Nick Foundation.
- Fill in the blanks based on your own experiences. A lot of kids today are not as fortunate as we have been. And kids today are bombarded with negative and destructive distractions. Providing positive experiences outside their usual routine is what the Mudd Nick Foundation does for young people in this community. Mudd Nick Foundation is an organization that is devoted to providing kids with experiences that present a wide range of possibilities. It is not education in the institutional sense nor should it be. But it is highly educational in the most positive, possible sense. It is vital because positive experiences cause all of us to aspire to repeat and expand them. That leads to desire, to dream, and to achieve. It works.

Conclusion

We can be part of this noble cause. Or we can sit on the sidelines and wait for the government or some social program to do what is a personal and community responsibility. If we sit it out it will be a long wait of wasted opportunity to present the possibilities. Lending a hand, in whatever degree, is also one of those adult choices we all have in life. It could not be for a better life-changing cause than the Mudd Nick Foundation."



"A hundred years from now....it will not matter what my bank account was, the size of my house or the car I drove....but the world may be different because we were important in the life of a child!" —Forest E. Whitcraft

Create a Meaningful Legacy through a Bequest

For over 22 years, the Mudd Nick Foundation has been offering children in rural North Tillamook County life expanding experiences. We're passionate about broadening children's perspectives, inspiring them to fulfill their potential, and helping to encourage them into becoming good citizens of the local, national and global societies. This work requires ongoing financial contributions from donors, like you, who understand the importance of the Mudd Nick Foundation's mission.

Help us thrive into the future through a commitment made today. Your planned charitable gift of cash, securities or other assets can provide you with tax benefits and help sustain the excellence of the Mudd Nick Foundation. Two simple ways include:

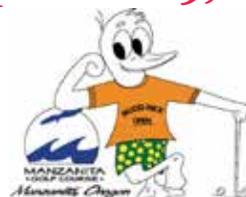
- Name the Mudd Nick Foundation in your estate plans with a gift of cash or securities, or
- Name the Mudd Nick Foundation as a beneficiary of an IRA, retirement plan, or life insurance policy.

For more information about the Mudd Nick Foundation Bequest

program and specific language to include in your estate-planning documents, contact John Isbell, Treasurer of the Mudd Nick Foundation – (503) 329-2599 or john@muddnickfoundation.org.

We encourage you to solicit advice from your financial advisor in setting up the type of bequest that is the most advantageous for your family. The Mudd Nick Foundation is a 501(c)3 charitable organization.

Save the Date!
September 19, 2015



**2014 Mudd Nick Golf
Tournament & Charity Auction**

"The Give Back"

During the evening of the 2014 annual charity auction and dinner, Kris Grasseth a volunteer parent, presented the Mudd Nick Foundation with a check for \$834. This money represented a donation made by the Neahkahnne High School graduating class of 2013. The class had a reserve of funds that classmates agreed would be best utilized by donating it to the Mudd Nick Foundation. On behalf of the students, Mrs. Grasseth explained,



"This is a 'give back' from the class in appreciation for all the years of Mudd Nick Foundation giving. We hope it will help future kids like it helped us."

This donation touched the Foundation's Board members and reinforced that the Foundation's mission is being fulfilled. Young people who benefited from Foundation-sponsored programs while they were growing up felt it was important to give back in order to enable other children in North Tillamook County to share in the bounty. The Foundation is helping create a new generation of donors who understand what it takes to perpetuate and keep such a worthy charity viable.

Honoring Friends We Lost in 2014

In 2014, the Mudd Nick Foundation lost two of its most beloved and loyal supporters. We celebrate them and their association with the Foundation.

Al Ward

We affectionately called Al – Sarge – because he was a 30-year career master sergeant. He was tough and funny, and the guy with whom you would want to share a foxhole. Al was a person on whom you could always depend. Al loved people and, in turn, people loved Al. Late in life, he met and married Rose and the two made a lovely pair. They had a wonderful, though short ride together. Al filled a room with his powerful, benevolent presence. He will be missed.

Barbara Peck

Barbara was a 1936 graduate of Oregon State University, a centenarian, and an avid supporter of our Foundation. She served as the chair of the Norton Peck Foundation that has given generously over the years to the Mudd Nick Foundation. She leaves behind her loving daughter Susan and son-in-law Richard. It is so easy to picture Barbara's beautiful, smiling face and her feet tapping to the music playing at the Mudd Dog Stand. Barbara was a special girl. She will be missed.



Funding for School Programs in the 2014-2015 School Year

The Mudd Nick Foundation Board of Directors allocated approximately \$91,000 to fund at least 50 programs or events during the 2014-2015 school year. The breakdown is depicted in the following chart. Adhering to its mission and being a good steward over the donations collected, it is clear that the Foundation spends only a small percentage to administer the organization and the bulk of funds on the children of North Tillamook County.

Proposed Programs for 2014-2015 School Year

Middle School

- Day of Service
- 8th Grade Oregon State University Field Trip
- Evergreen Air & Space Museum
- Battle of the Books
- Bridge to Education

Garibaldi Elementary School

- Battle of the Books - 4th and 5th graders
- Oregon Children Theatre - 1st grade
- Oregon Children Theatre - Gordon's 2nd grade
- Oregon Children Theater - Lambert's 2nd and 3rd grade
- Portland Children's Theater and Dinner - 3rd graders
- Elsimore Theatre in Salem - 3rd and 4th graders
- OMSI School Assembly - Kindergarteners
- OMSI Museum & Planetarium - 4th and 5th graders
- Trip to Cheese Factory - Kindergarteners
- Blazer Game

Nehalem Elementary School

- Tillamook Pioneer Museum & Library – Kindergarten and Kindergarten/1st grade
- Discovery Village Children's Museum - 1st grade
- Oregon Children's Theater and Lunch - Grades 2/3
- Columbia Maritime Museum and Lunch - Grades 2/3 and 3/4
- Lewis & Clark Adventure on Sternwheeler and Dinner - Grades 4/5
- Portland field trip includes live theater, lunch, Powell's bookstore - Grades 4/5
- Battle of the Books - Grades 4/5
- Art Moms
- OMSI School Assembly "Wild Weather Show" - All grades
- Neahkahnie High School
- Women in Construction Trades - 16 students
- Fall Press Day for Journalism Class
- Student Council Leadership Conference - 25 students
- Medical Explorer trip to Tillamook Hospital

North Coast Recreation District

- Lap-A-Thon
- Forest to Sea
- Theater Day Camps
- Summer Art Camp
- Swim Lessons for Home Schooled Children

Special Needs

- 3 iPad Apps for Special Needs Children at Middle School and iPad and software for High School Children
- Purchase Sensory Pit for Middle School
- Great Big Art Mash (GBAM)
- GBAM - Junior
- In-service Day for disabled students
- Neahkahnie Elementary School - additional technology and apps; iTunes gift cards
- Buddy Walk
- Mt Hood Kiwanis Camp Special

Multi-school

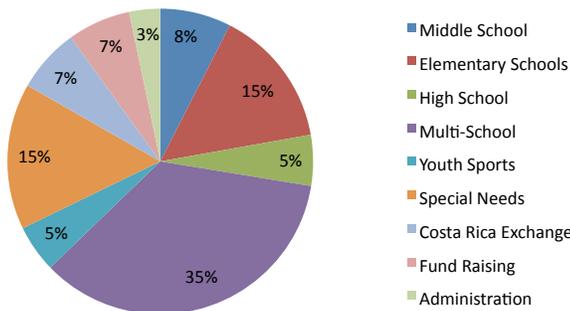
- Sports Program
- S.H.E. Warriors
- Oregon Writing Festival
- Bay City Arts
- Oregon Coast Children's Theater
- PX2 Training
- 4H Camp
- Costa Rica Student Exchange
- Fourth of July Poster

Volunteer! It's fun! There are many ways to volunteer and help make a difference for the children in our community. Visit our website at www.muddnickfoundation.org for more information.

**So far during the early part of the 2014-2015 school year, the following programs took place:
Programs Completed to Date in 2014-2015 School Year**

School	Program	Number of Children who Participated
Multi-School	S.H.E. Warriors	14 girls
	Neahkahnie Youth Sports Boys' Football	
	Neahkahnie Youth Sports Girls' Volleyball	
	PX2	17 girls and boys
Garibaldi Grade School	Blazer game	14 girls and boys
Neahkahnie Elementary School	Art Moms (started in Sept. 2014 and continues throughout the school year)	180 girls and boys
Neahkahnie High School	Oregon Leadership Institution/Future Business Leaders Association	21 girls and boys
	Fall Press Day for Journalism students	5 girls and boys

Proposed Program and Non-Program Spend Percentage for 2014-2015 School Year



The Mudd Nick Foundation provides hundreds of opportunities for the children in our community to participate in life expanding activities.



Changing Children's Lives Today & Tomorrow

Mudd Nick Board of Directors

The role of Board members is critical for the smooth functioning of the Foundation, its fundraising efforts, and allocation of donations to programs for children in this community. Board members serve on a volunteer basis and devote their time throughout the entire year on various administrative activities.

2014 Board of Directors

- President – Lynn Mudd
- Vice President – Jim Mudd
- Treasurer – John Isbell
- Secretary – Monica Isbell
- Program and Fundraising Coordinator – Sheri Atteridge
- Board Member – Tim McCarty
- Board Member – Bradley Mudd
- Board Member – Doug Nicholson
- Board Member - Larry Schaeffer
- Board Member – Owen Nicholson (Emeritus)
- Board Member – Embry Savage (Emeritus)

2014 Persons of the Year

The Mudd Nick Foundation Board of Directors selected Dave and Ellen Dukehart as the 2014 Persons of the Year for their tireless devotion to the Foundation's mission to serve the children of our community.



Dave was a classmate of Jim Mudd at Oregon State University, and their close friendship continues to this day. He and Ellen joined the Mudd Nick Foundation Board of Directors in 2006 and subsequently provided guidance to mold the Foundation's mission and goals and create the structure, processes and procedures that enable the organization to function professionally and efficiently. Dave and Ellen's experience in donor management and fund raising techniques has been instrumental in achieving a higher level of donations each year. The Foundation would not be as successful today without the careful stewardship of the Dukeharts.

In May 2014, Dave and Ellen officially retired from the Foundation's Board, but remain enthusiastic volunteers and generous donors.

We thank Dave and Ellen for the many years and countless hours of work they have dedicated to the Mudd Nick Foundation and children of North Tillamook County.



Our mission is to broaden the horizons of deserving children in Greater Nehalem Bay and North Tillamook County. We provide life expanding opportunities primarily for targeted grade and middle school children through special non-school sponsored experiences away from home.

Our programs are targeted to teach children the fundamentals of lifelong stellar citizenship by encouraging them to:

- Be responsible for their individual actions
- Respect themselves and others
- Maintain high integrity
- Exhibit socially accepted behaviors
- Expand their life experiences, minds and curiosities
- Have fun but act responsibly

Visit our website to register online for our annual golf tournament and charity auction, to donate items for our auction, to make a donation or to volunteer!

www.muddnickfoundation.org



Making a Difference—Having an Impact

Mudd Nick Foundation Website

Recognizing that the Foundation's website was outdated and cumbersome to update, the Board of Directors endorsed a complete redesign using modern, easy-to-use software. New content has been uploaded to the website. It is the Board's goal to keep the content fresh and informative to make the website more inviting to interested parties.

This secure website has the capability to accept donations via PayPal and enables viewers to register and pay for the annual golf tournament and charity auction dinner event. People can also sign up to volunteer through the website.

We invite you to take a look at the website and welcome your feedback on how to improve upon it.

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On Friday, September 18, 2015, the Foundation will host an informal reception and announce the golf teams.

The annual golf tournament, dinner and auction event will be held on Saturday, September 19, 2015.

Visit our website to learn more, register and pay online, and donate items for the live and silent auctions.

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