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**Tony Pendleton**

**Washington Trust Bank** announced the addition of Tony Pendleton to its Central Oregon Small Business Banking Team in Bend. He will serve as a vice president and small business banking relationship manager.

With over 20 years of banking experience, Pendleton will be responsible for helping small business clients with their banking needs by providing a wide range of services and products offered by Washington Trust. Pendleton previously served as a relationship manager for Washington Trust Bank's Central Oregon Commercial Team. In this role, he was responsible for working with commercial clients to tailor solutions to their financial needs, including lines of credit, real estate financing, and equipment purchasing.



**Laura J. Harward**

The **Family Access Network (FAN)** announced that 27 Central Oregon graduating high school students have each received a \$2,000 scholarship to pursue their post-secondary education. This is the fifth year that FAN is able to provide this opportunity to students through the **Laura J. Harward Scholarship Fund** with a record number of recipients.

The 27 scholarship recipients will pursue studies across a diverse range of fields, including culinary arts, welding and manufacturing, engineering, sports management, pre-medicine and many more areas of study. Recipients worked closely with the FAN advocate in their high school to apply for the scholarship. Names of the 27 students will remain anonymous to allow for confidentiality as FAN clients.

The **Oregon Manufacturing Extension Partnership (OMEP)** announces the hiring of **Jeff Schneider** as principal consultant, revenue services, who will help run OMEP's Sandler sales training practice and help clients increase revenue via training, coaching and consulting; and **Tim Johnson** as senior consultant and regional engagement specialist, who will serve manufacturers throughout Central and Southern Oregon, helping strengthen workforce development, leadership capability and regional partnerships.



**Jeff Schneider**



**Tim Johnson**

Schneider has been in sales and sales leadership his entire career. He held a range of sales management positions (including at KTVZ, Bend's NBC station) prior to launching his own Sandler franchise in Portland in 2006. With Sandler, Schneider has trained hundreds of companies and thousands of salespeople on Sandler's trusted advisor method for selling. His expertise includes areas such as sales strategy and skills, business development strategies, negotiating, sales leadership training, sales and sales management recruiting, hiring assessments, customer success training, sales compensation, executive coaching and keynote speaking.

Schneider will work closely with the OMEP team of consultants to help manufacturers in Oregon expand their businesses. He will also offer Sandler services to companies and individuals in diverse industries and geographies.

Johnson brings more than 15 years of experience in workforce development, leadership coaching, business development and community engagement. Most recently, he led workforce and leadership development initiatives for Fortis Construction, helping strengthen workforce pipelines, training programs and employer partnerships across multiple states. His expertise includes workforce development, leadership coaching, community engagement, partnership development, business development and strategic planning.

Johnson will work closely with OMEP's consulting team to help manufacturers attract, develop and retain talent while strengthening relationships with businesses, workforce partners, educational institutions and community leaders throughout the region. Tim holds a degree in Speech Communications from Oregon State University and brings deep relationships across Central and Southern Oregon.



**Kaitlyn Coburn**



**John Brewer**

**Kernutt Stokes** announces that **Kaitlyn Coburn**, CPA and **John Brewer**, CPA have been promoted to partner.

Coburn has been with Kernutt Stokes since 2015 and provides audit and assurance, and business consulting. She leads the firm's construction niche team and is known internally as the firm's "A&A futurist," focusing on innovative technologies and solutions to improve efficiency and client service. Coburn is a member of the Oregon Society of Certified Public Accountants, the Association of International Certified Professional Accountants, the Oregon Columbia Chapter of Associated General Contractors and the National Association of Women in Construction. She earned her bachelor of science in accounting, cum laude, from Oregon State University and leads the firm's Lake Oswego office.

Brewer has been with Kernutt Stokes since 2013 and specializes in tax consulting, compliance and business consulting services. He is known for his proactive approach to tax planning and enjoys helping clients navigate complex financial challenges with practical solutions. Brewer is a member of the Oregon Society of Certified Public Accountants and the Association of International Certified Professional Accountants. He earned both his bachelor's degree and master of accountancy from the University of Oregon and works out of the firm's Corvallis office.

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**NuScale Power Corporation (NYSE: SMR)** (NuScale or the Company) recently welcomed two new members, **Stuart A. Harshaw** and **Dr. Dale E. Klein**, to its Board of Directors. The NuScale Board now comprises nine directors, eight of whom are independent, further reinforcing the Company's strong leadership and long-term strategic direction.

Harshaw is the president and chief executive officer of Nickel Creek Platinum Corp. and president of Stuart Harshaw Consulting. He brings more than 35 years of leadership experience in the mining industry, including extensive expertise in engineering, procurement and construction models. Previously, Harshaw held senior leadership positions with Vale S.A. and Inco Ltd. He also serves on the boards of several mining and resource companies, providing strategic guidance on regulatory, technical and operational matters. Harshaw holds a bachelor of science in metallurgical engineering from Queen's University and a master of business administration from Laurentian University.

Dr. Klein is Professor Emeritus in Engineering at The University of Texas at Austin and brings more than 40 years of technical expertise and nuclear industry experience. He previously served as chairman of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission and as assistant to the Secretary of Defense for Nuclear, Chemical and Biological Defense Programs. Internationally, Dr. Klein serves on nuclear oversight and advisory committees in the United Arab Emirates and Japan. He has also served on the boards of public companies in the energy and utility sectors. Dr. Klein holds a Ph.D. in Nuclear Engineering from the University of Missouri-Columbia.



**Stuart A. Harshaw**



**Dale E. Klein**



**Jonathan Moore**

As the **Central Oregon Symphony** looks ahead to a new chapter following Maestro Michael Gesme's extraordinary 30 years of leadership, we are excited to welcome **Jonathan Moore** as our next music director and conductor. Moore brings a deep passion for orchestral music, artistic collaboration and community engagement, and we look forward to the energy and vision he will bring to the Symphony in the seasons ahead.

While we celebrate all that Gesme has meant to this organization, we are equally excited for the future and for the continued growth and musical excellence that lies ahead under Moore's leadership.

**Bend-La Pine Schools** Superintendent Steven Cook recently announced the hiring of new principals to lead W.E. Miller Elementary School and Sky View Middle School. Both will begin July 1.

**Jessica Scott** has been named principal of William E. Miller Elementary School, following Jennifer Johnson's retirement. Scott has been serving as assistant principal at Miller since January. Previously she served as assistant principal at Juniper Elementary School and in student services at Elk Meadow Elementary School. Over nearly 20 years in education, Johnson has worked as a classroom teacher, student services leader and building administrator.

**Monica Hanson** has been named principal of Sky View Middle School, replacing



**Jessica Scott**



**Monica Hanson**

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Julie Stroinski, who is moving to a similar role with Bend-La Pine Online.

Hanson is completing her fourth year as assistant principal at Mountain View High School. Prior to joining Bend-La Pine Schools, she held several leadership roles with Summit Public Schools in the Bay Area, including time as a principal and assistant principal. She began her career as a Spanish teacher and brings experience in restorative practices, instructional leadership, relationship building and whole-child student support.



PHOTO | COURTESY OF BEND CHAMBER

The Bend Chamber, in partnership with Taylor Northwest, recently celebrated the Leadership Bend Class of 2026. On June 2, 32 participants completed the nine-month program and joined a network of 758 alumni who have graduated since 1993.

This year's class represented a wide range of local industries, including business, education, healthcare, nonprofits, public service, finance, architecture, engineering and the arts. Participants completed more than 90 class hours focused on the opportunities and challenges shaping Bend and Central Oregon, along with four impact projects supporting local nonprofits.

Leadership Bend Class of 2026 graduates include: **Lindsay Atagi**, Pacific Source Health Plans; **Brian Barks**, Systems West Engineers; **Tyler Beelar**, Roth Home; **Marco Bester**, Otak, Inc.; **Sonia Capece**, NeighborImpact; **Shelby Carter**, U.S. Bank; **Sierra Cullen**, Bryant, Lovlien & Jarvis; **Cornelius Edison**, Lift Fitness Studio; **Matt Ertle**, PrideStaff; **Lauren Evans**, LRS Architects; **Bola Gbadebo**, Bola Films LLC; **Jona Gómez**, Deschutes Defenders; **Kenny Hadden**, Edward Jones; **Katie Hall**, Hennebery Eddy Architects; **Alex Harrison**, Skanska Building USA; **Alice Ivie**, Boys & Girls Clubs of Bend; **Corey Johnson**, City of Bend; **Kayla Martin**, Bend-La Pine Schools; **Jodelle Marx**, FM Civic; **Kolleen Miller**, Upper Deschutes Watershed Council; **Reed Newcomer**, Evolve Engineering; **Colleen Prinster**, Bend Chamber; **Allison Randels**, Therapy with Ally; **Cassidy Riordan**, Apollo Mechanical Contractors; **Morgan Schmidt**, American Red Cross; **Kourtney Strong**, BBT Architects; **Charlie Stuermer**, Northline Wealth Management; **Jill Vaughan**, Taylor Northwest; **Elyse Vukelich**, City of Bend; **Erin Weber**, Black Diamond Financial; **Nathanael Werner**, Sage Architecture; and **Helen Wiersma-Koch**, Central Oregon Community College.



**Mary Wunderle-McIntosh**

The Oregon Academy of Family Physicians (OAFP) announces **Mary Wunderle-McIntosh**, MD, as its 2026 Doctor of the Year, recognizing her outstanding dedication to patient care, medical education and rural health care across Oregon, and welcomes its new president and board leadership.

Dr. Wunderle-McIntosh has spent nearly two decades with Samaritan Health Services delivering compassionate, full-spectrum care to patients of all ages in Lebanon and Corvallis while helping train the next generation of family physicians, exemplifying the clinical excellence, continuity and community connection at the heart of family medicine.

Colleagues describe Dr. Wunderle-McIntosh as compassionate, attentive and deeply committed to understanding the unique needs and circumstances of every patient she serves. She treats patients and teaches students and residents to treat patients, in all stages of life - from newborns through geriatrics (birth-to-earth), including prenatal care. In addition to providing thoughtful, individualized care, she is recognized for fostering a supportive environment for staff and colleagues, treating team members with the same kindness and respect she extends to patients.

Dr. Wunderle-McIntosh has also played a significant leadership role in medical education and residency training. As the first site director of Samaritan's rural family medicine clinical training site and the program's sole family medicine-obstetrics faculty member for many years, she served as the only female faculty member modeling comprehensive women's health care within the residency program. Her influence continues through the many physicians she has trained and mentored who now care for patients throughout Oregon and surrounding communities.

Currently serving as associate program director of the family medicine residency program, Dr. Wunderle-McIntosh supports comprehensive, full-scope training for medical students and residents, with a particular focus on women's health and rural practice.

Beyond her clinical and educational leadership, Dr. Wunderle-McIntosh remains actively engaged in her community through volunteer work in local schools, support of youth activities, participation in community events and advocacy for patients and families.

According to colleagues, one word consistently defines Dr. Wunderle-McIntosh: kindness. Whether caring for patients, mentoring learners, leading colleagues or serving her community, she reflects the core values of family medicine through relationships, trust, continuity and care across generations.

New 2026 OAFP president **Eric M. Wisner**, MD, FAAFP, practices at the Oregon Health & Science University (OHSU) Primary Care Clinic in Gabriel Park. He earned his medical degree from the Lewis Katz School of Medicine at Temple University and completed his family medicine residency at the Allegheny Health Network Medical Education Consortium (SVH) Program (both in Pennsylvania). Dr. Wisner also completed an obstetrics fellowship in Spokane, Washington. Dr. Wisner joined the OAFP Board of Directors in 2020 and serves on the OAFP Commission on Education. He holds several leadership roles at OSHU, including serving as director of the Oregon Area Health Education Center, assistant dean for rural undergraduate medical education and assistant professor in the Department of Family Medicine.



**Eric M. Wisner**

The new members of the OAFP Board of Directors are:



**Gary M. Plant**

**Admir Seferovic**



**Christal V. Crooks**

**Andrew Chang**

**Gary M. Plant**, MD, FAAFP, practices with the Madras Medical Group. He earned his medical degree at East Tennessee State University (ETSU) Quillen College of Medicine, and completed his residency at the ETSU Quillen College of Medicine (Bristol program). Dr. Plant has served as a delegate and alternate delegate at the AAFP Congress of Delegates, as past president of the OAFP Board of Directors, as a member of the AAFP Nominating Committee and as chair of the Congress of Delegates Reference Committee on Practice Enhancement. He was named OAFP Family Doctor of the Year in 2020.

**Admir Seferovic**, MD, DABFM, FAAFP, earned his medical degree from Louisiana State University School of Medicine in Shreveport and completed his residency at the Louisiana State University Shreveport Program. He serves on the OAFP Finance Committee and holds leadership roles as Graduate Medical Education Committee Chair and

Regional Director of Undergraduate Medical Education at Providence Health & Services - Oregon. He is also an Associate Professor in the Department of Medical Education at the University of South Florida Morsani College of Medicine.

**Christal V. Crooks**, MD, practices with Kaiser Permanente's Center for Black Health and Wellness in Portland. She earned her medical degree from the University of Central Florida College of Medicine and completed her residency at the ETSU Quillen College of Medicine (Bristol program). Dr. Crooks serves on the

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Health Impacts Task Force and has represented OAFP at the National Conference of Constituency Leaders (NCCL) as the BIPOC Physician Representative and as the Women Physician Representative.

**Andrew Chang, DO**, practices direct primary care at the Bayberry Clinic in Portland. He earned his degree from the Des Moines University College of Osteopathic Medicine and completed his residency at the MercyOne North Iowa Medical Center (Waterloo program). Dr. Chang represented OAFP at NCCL as the New Physician Representative and as the LGBTQ+ Physician Representative.

Seventeen accomplished young musicians aged 11-21 have been awarded scholarships from **Sunriver Music Festival**. Young Artists Scholarship awards are for private music lessons, summer music camps/conservatories or for college tuition up through one master's degree. This year's intense audition process welcomed three string players, one oboist, three vocalists, five pianists, one trombonist, one guitarist, one saxophonist, one trumpeter and one percussionist, all from Central Oregon!



2026 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS | PHOTOS COURTESY OF SUNRIVER MUSIC FESTIVAL

Congratulations to **Clark Adams**, viola, age 17; **Brandon Allen**, piano, age 11; **Ellie Cape**, piano, age 15; **Lauren Chaiet**, trumpet, age 19; **Marcus Chih**, piano, age 11; **Casselin Clark**, violin, age 12; **Fiona Curley**, soprano, age 21; **Charlie Del Mar**, percussion, age 15; **Aaron Goyal**, guitar, age 18; **Spencer Holliday**, piano, age 19; **Juliana Ives**, oboe, age 17; **Malia Larson**, saxophone, age 19; **Lucinda Mone**, mezzo-soprano, age 20; **Megan Nave**, violin, age 15; **Matthias Santucci**, piano, age 21; **Ava Swetland**, soprano, age 19; and **Henry Tee**, trombone, age 13.

could not speak for themselves.

**Jennifer Johnson**, a perioperative nurse in Madras, was recognized for her great attitude, dedicated safe patient practices and compassion.

**Amanda Noland**, a nurse in Prineville, was recognized for providing compassionate care for a patient in need by organizing donations of food and hygiene supplies all while treating this individual with "kindness and compassion and allowing the patient to have their dignity."

**Miata Winders**, a nurse in neurosurgery, was recognized for her tremendous attention to detail, critical judgement and "unwavering dedication to doing what is right for the patient."

The three nurse leaders earning DAISY honors are:

**Tim Adkisson**, a nurse leader from Bend, was recognized for his exceptional leadership serving as the night lead administrator for the hospital, jumping in to help with whatever is needed – from admissions and IT to codes and policies, going above and beyond.

**Will Bean**, a nurse leader in Madras, was recognized by several caregivers for his ability to lead with compassion and integrity, with one team member saying he leads with heart, but also with purpose, balancing kindness with accountability in a way that earns deep respect from his team.

**Jodel Jencks**, a nurse leader in primary care, was recognized for her exceptional problem-solving skills and kindness to those around her.



MID OREGON LA PINE BRANCH TEAM ACCEPTS BUSINESS OF THE YEAR AWARD | PHOTO COURTESY OF MID OREGON CREDIT UNION

**Mid Oregon Credit Union's** La Pine branch was recently recognized as the 2025 Business of the Year by the **La Pine Chamber of Commerce** for their continued engagement within the community of La Pine supporting schools and parks as well as offering exceptional customer care.



(L-R) NURSES SAMMI BOLEY, MARIA GODLEY, JENNIFER JOHNSON, AMANDA NOLAN AND MIATA WINDERS



2026 HEALTH HERO AWARD WINNERS | PHOTO COURTESY OF DESCHUTES COUNTY



(L-R) NURSE LEADERS TIM ADKISSON, WILL BEAN AND JODEL JENCKS | PHOTOS COURTESY OF ST. CHARLES HEALTH SYSTEM

Eight nurses from **St. Charles Health System** recently earned DAISY Awards for Extraordinary Nurses, recognizing the outstanding, compassionate nursing care they provide patients and families every day. The nurses, who represent all four St. Charles hospitals in Bend, Redmond, Madras and Prineville, were recognized with a ceremony on their respective units and presented with a certificate, a pin and a "healer's touch" sculpture by their hospital's chief nursing officer and chief nursing executive.

The direct-care nurses earning DAISY awards are:

**Sammi Boley**, a nurse in Bend, was recognized for her unwavering support for patients, including her recent efforts to support an individual who was in the unit for months after being attacked and Boley made "incredible efforts to ensure this patient was well cared for" and "Boley's compassion for (them) is the reason this patient's future has hope."

**Maria Godley**, a nurse in Redmond, was recognized for her extraordinarily compassionate care, in particular for her efforts to advocate for a patient who

The **Deschutes County Board of Commissioners**, the **Public Health Advisory Board** and the **Behavioral Health Advisory Board** announced this year's Health Hero Award winners.

The 2026 Individual Health Hero Award winner for Public Health is **Dr. Randy Jacobs**, and the winner for Behavioral Health is **Lindsey Overstreet**.

Dr. Jacobs served as the volunteer medical director for Shepherd's House Ministries since 2016, helping countless community members until he retired this year.

A licensed clinical social worker, Overstreet is the pediatric behavioral health manager at Mosaic Community Health. She has played a key role in developing and expanding school-based substance use services for youth in Central Oregon.

The 2026 Organization Health Hero Award winner for Public Health is **Bend Ophthalmology**. The winner for Behavioral Health is **Shepherd's House Ministries**.

Bend Ophthalmology partners with Volunteers in Medicine to provide specialty eye care to patients who would otherwise have little to no access to it.

Shepherd's House Ministries provides services to people experiencing homelessness in Central Oregon.

Save the date for the **Sunriver Art Fair**: August 7-9. The art fair, held outdoors in the Village at Sunriver, is a nationally recognized, juried fine arts and crafts event. The fair is a favorite for local Sunriver and Central Oregon residents, as well as summertime visitors.

The art fair jury selected more than 80 artists in a wide range of mediums: ceramics, glass, jewelry, painting, photography, sculpture, textiles, woodworking, drawing and mixed media. Artists selected come from across the western states. With a mix of old favorites and new discoveries, there's something for all styles and budgets. You can preview the artists at [sunriverartfair.org](http://sunriverartfair.org).