

The Key Connection

News and Events

Puget Sound Association of Phi Beta Kappa

Pathfinder Award presentation Tuesday, November 17, 7:00 p.m.



Each year the Puget Sound Association of Phi Beta Kappa honors individuals, organizations, or institutions with our Pathfinder Award. The award reflects the imagery on the Phi Beta Kappa key — a hand pointing to the stars. It honors those who encourage others to seek new worlds to discover, pathways to explore, and untouched destinations to reach. This year we are honoring three organizations with our Pathfinder Award.

Hopelink, for its education programs helping immigrants, refugees, and high school students.

Path With Art, for using creative engagement to help those recovering from addiction, homelessness, and trauma.

AAUW, for its **Tech Trek Program** helping middle school girls explore STEM fields in a fun and supportive setting.

At this virtual event you will have the opportunity to learn more about these organizations and ask questions.

Please register to attend by emailing pugetsoundpbk@gmail.com. A Zoom link will be sent to you closer to the event.

If you have any questions, please email Linda Willenberg at lwillenberg@comcast.net or call her at 425-641-1606.

Virtual tour of Henry Art Gallery’s Costume Collection Tuesday, December 8, 12 noon

You are invited to join us for a virtual conversation about the Henry Art Gallery’s Costume Collection with Ann Poulson, associate curator of collections. She will be showing photos of costumes from the collection. The emphasis will be on women’s and men’s apparel from the early and mid-20th century in Europe and the United States. Please visit henryart.org for additional information about the museum and their exhibits.

The event is free, but donations to the Henry are welcome. You can donate at henryart.org/support/donations.

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**Phi Beta Kappa Anniversary Social
Thursday, December 3, 7:00 p.m.**

Please join us for a virtual networking social on Thursday, December 3, at 7:00 p.m. as we celebrate the 244th anniversary of the Phi Beta Kappa Society. This will be an opportunity to come together and get to know other Phi Beta Kappa members in the Puget Sound area. Feel free to enjoy your favorite happy hour food and beverage during the social.

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PSA-PBK scholarships

PSA-PBK runs three scholarship programs for undergraduate and graduate students at the University of Puget Sound (UPS) and the University of Washington (UW). We are happy to announce the 2020–2021 awardees.

The students who received the Oppenheimer Undergraduate Scholarships of \$2,000 each are:

- Michelle Kofman, UPS: psychology; gender and queer studies
- Soncirey Mitchell, UPS: English
- Grace Moussa, UPS: exercise science
- Sophie Paul, UPS: music performance; English

Applicants meet GPA and financial need requirements, and write an essay on the question “What book has influenced your college career most, and why?”

The Ernest R. Stiefel Graduate Study Award of \$4,500 was given to:

- Madison Rose Bristol, UW: master of marine affairs; master of public administration

Applicants must be members of Phi Beta Kappa elected at UPS or the UW who are beginning graduate or professional school at either institution during the academic year. We request a personal letter detailing their educational and career goals, work experience, and any significant personal adversity, economic issues, or disabilities. The scholarship committee ranks applicants on the social utility of their goals and financial need.

The Myra Lupton Scholarship in the amount of \$3,000 is awarded to a first-generation student at UPS or the UW. “First-generation” is defined as having parents or guardians who have not received an associate’s or bachelor’s degree. The essay topic for this year was “How has your experience as a first-generation student informed your goals and aspirations for college and beyond?” The generous support of Susan Lupton allowed us to give two Lupton scholarships recently:

- Emily Rathburn, UPS: psychology, Spring 2020
- Sergio Alfonso Manzo, UW: accounting, 2020–2021

We would like to thank the scholarship committee members for their dedicated work throughout the year. They are Karrin Klotz, Barbee Pigott, Louise Richards (chair), and Marcie Stone.

Thank you to our donors

The Puget Sound Association of Phi Beta Kappa gratefully acknowledges the following individuals for their generosity. Their contributions support our undergraduate and graduate scholarships, our High School Book Awards, our Humanities Achievement Awards, our Pathfinder Awards, and speakers and events throughout the year.

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High School Book Awards

Our High School Book Award recognizes academic excellence and introduces graduating seniors to Phi Beta Kappa's core values of knowledge, wisdom, intellectual honesty, broad interests, trust, integrity, and responsibility. An essential part of the initial planning for the Puget Sound Association of Phi Beta Kappa in 1952 was the awarding of book prizes to selected high school students to encourage a love of learning.

This year we awarded 69 books to selected graduating high school seniors in the Puget Sound area. They were either delivered to the students by their high school staff or mailed to their homes. The book that we awarded this year was *Educated*, by Tara Westover.

You are invited to join our Facebook group

In 2019, we created a new Facebook group. The group enables Phi Betes to connect with one another more easily, especially those who have recently graduated or are new to the area. While the group's administrators will regularly post reminders about upcoming events hosted by the association, individual members are encouraged to actively participate in the group and create their own events as well. (Please note that this group is different from our Facebook page, [Facebook.com/PSAPhiBetaKappa](https://www.facebook.com/PSAPhiBetaKappa), and that following or being a member of one does not automatically sign you up for the other.)

If you are interested in joining the Facebook group, please go to tinyurl.com/psapbk-fb and request to join the group. In addition, any members who would like to contribute to maintaining the page and/or organizing future events may email Linda Willenberg at lwillenberg@comcast.net or call her at 425-641-1606.

Your PSA-PBK board and committee members

Linda Willenberg, president; Benjamin Lukoff, vice president and electronic communications coordinator; Terry Jankowski, secretary and archivist; Howard Johnson, treasurer.

Other board members include Karrin Klotz, Harrison Owens, Margaret Palmquest, Louise Richards, Amy Ryken, Doris Stiefel, Moira Tamayo, and Dennis Yamashita.

Non-board committee members include Leslie Holmes, Victoria Lightner, Joan Peterson, Marcie Stone, and Barbee Tucker-Pigott.

Amy Davis is our administrative assistant.

President’s Message

Thank you for your membership in and support of the Puget Sound Association of Phi Beta Kappa. Your dues and contributions fund our scholarships, High School Book Awards, Pathfinder Awards, Humanities Achievement Awards, and member events. In the past we have held cultural, educational, and social events throughout the year. We held our last in-person event on March 5, when we visited the Burke Museum of Natural History and Culture at the University of Washington.

On October 17, we had a virtual event to welcome new Phi Beta Kappa initiates. We shared information about PSA-PBK and offered an opportunity for the initiates to connect with other Phi Betes.

We are pleased to have scheduled some more virtual events. If you have suggestions for future events, please email me at lwillenberg@comcast.net or call me at 425-641-1606.

Linda Willenberg, President

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