

# Mayor's Awards



## Couple

If you haven't heard, PCEI Executive Director, Tom Lamar and PCEI Membership Coordinator, Aly Bean (now Lamar) were married on Earth Day, Sunday, April 22nd at the Palouse Ice Rink in Moscow. Before the wedding, Moscow Mayor Nancy Chaney announced that Aly and Tom received the Mayor's Earth Day Award in the category of "Couple", and in recognition of "valuable contributions that foster environmental sustainability through conservation, recycling, reuse, construction design, and public education." This photo and award shows their commitment to reducing, reusing and recycling.

Tom and Aly celebrate having only an 18" cube of trash after their 300+ person wedding. Photo: Tammy Bean (Aly's sister)



Village Bicycle Project's David Peckham in Ghana, Africa sorting bikes. Photo: PCEI

## Village Bicycle Project

We are pleased to announce that Mayor Chaney awarded PCEI's Village Bicycle Project (VBP) with the 2007 Mayor's Earth Day award! Represented by project founder, Dave Peckham, the award recipient "demonstrated a commitment to environmental conservation and awareness" in the category of "Community Project." The VBP has been making a positive impact in Ghana, Africa for the past 8 years. Improving quality of life by providing residents with a means to get to work, the market, and home, the VBP is an essential part of Ghana's success. Currently VBP is preparing three shipments of bicycles to Ghana. Please take time to learn more about the VBP and what you can do to help <[www.pcei.org/vbp](http://www.pcei.org/vbp)>.

## Clean-Up

On Saturday, March 31st, for the third year running, PCEI organized the triple-award-winning Pullman Stream Clean-Up. PCEI partnered with the City of Pullman, GroundWorks, the Palouse Conservation District, Washington State University's Cougar Pride Days, and 109 community volunteers. We pulled five cubic yards of trash and about one US ton of recyclable material from about four miles of the South Fork Palouse River and Missouri Flat Creek. PCEI's efforts won the WSU "Bread-Line" Award for having the greatest volunteer turnout, and the WSU "Down and Dirty" Award for working in the most challenging worksite.



John Sudgen and Talina Gossen accept an award from Pullman Mayor Glenn Johnson. Photo: PCEI

## Who's who at PCEI

Thomas C. Lamar  
Executive Director

Denise Whaley  
Receptionist

Alycia R. Lamar  
Membership Coordinator

Laurie Gardes  
Financial Manager

Tracy Brown  
Watersheds Program Director

Greg Fizzell  
Education Program Director

Erin Rishling  
AmeriCorps Placement Director

Sara Robson Cucksey  
Watersheds Project Manager

Courtney Rush  
Volunteer Coordinator

Colleen McColl  
AmeriCorps Placement Coordinator

Rachael Goetzelman  
AmeriCorps Placement Coordinator

Jake Smulkowski  
Environmental Education Specialist

Karla Bradley  
Member Support Assistant

AmeriCorps Members

Education

Jim Ekins  
Erin Gerhardt  
Heidi Weaver

Watershed Restoration

Will Fontaine  
John Sudgen  
Talina Gossen  
Isaak Julye

Mobile Environmental Education Corps

Mary Catherine Fitzsimmons, Debi Bean,  
Britt Forsberg, Sara Melaneen, Sarah Sla-  
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## Summer 2007 Events Calendar

### June

June 16, Saturday: Watershed Work Day, Rose Creek, 10:00am  
June 20, Wednesday: PCEI Board Meeting 6:30pm  
June 23, Saturday: Learning Nursery Plant Sale, 10:00am  
June 30, Saturday: Watershed Work Day, Partridge Creek, 10:00am

### July

July 21, Saturday: Watershed Work Day, Rose Creek, 10:00am  
July 14, Saturday: Membership Party, Patty's Mexican Kitchen, 4:00pm

### August

August 15, Wednesday: Midsummer's Nights Dream  
August 25 & 26, Saturday & Sunday: PCEI Non-Profit Booth at the Palouse Mall

### September

September 1, Saturday: Learning Nursery Plant Sale, 10:00am  
September 8, Saturday: Pickin' in the Pasture Bluegrass Festival (tentative)

\* Please see our web calendar for more details: <www.pcei.org/calendar.htm>

\* Work Days and Plant Sales are from 10:00am – 2:00pm.

Contact Courtney Rush, Volunteer Coordinator (208) 882-1444 or <crush@pcei.org>

## PCEI Wish List Summer '07

- 2 person 3-season tents (3)
- Camping stove (2)
- Camping cookset (2)
- Spatula (2)
- Mixing spoon (4)
- Plates (8)
- Silverware (for 8)
- Mugs (8)
- Cart for hauling plants
- Wrench set
- Adjustable wrench
- Straw hat (5)
- Rain pants (5)
- Spatula (2)
- Rain jackets (5)
- A pair of waders
- Diesel pick up truck
- Hydromulcher/seedler
- Flatbed trailer
- Apple laptop
- Laser jet printer
- Outdoor storage shed
- Weed whacker

If you have a wish list item to donate or would like to donate money to purchase an item, please contact Sara Cucksey at <sara@pcei.org>.

## Support PCEI!

- Please contact me about volunteering
- Friends of the Palouse-Clearwater \$150
- Palouse Protector/Family \$75
- Basic Membership \$35
- Limited income/Student \$15
- Additional gift of \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- Please keep my membership anonymous
- Please direct my gift to the following program:
- Environmental Education
- Community Garden
- Watersheds
- VanPool/Transportation
- Endowment gift of \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- Capital campaign gift of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Yes, I want to renew my membership

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# UPDATES

## Pantry Garden Update

By Issak Julye, AmeriCorps Nursery Garden Technician

Everything is growing in our Pantry Garden this season—including the Pantry Garden itself! With the help of dozens of volunteers, shovels, a tractor and a huge mound of homeless topsoil, we have nearly doubled the size of our Pantry Garden. This will translate into double the amount of fresh produce we are able to grow for the Backyard Harvest and community food banks. The starts are in the ground, the seedlings are coming up and we're just waiting for the long days of summer to take care of the rest. Well, there's always weeding to do. Any volunteers?

## Learning Nursery Update

By Issak Julye, AmeriCorps Nursery Garden Technician

Besides the emerging leaves painting our hillside with the lush greens of spring, there have been plenty of recent changes in the Learning Nursery. Visitors will notice the nearly ten thousand plants (yep, count 'em sometime!) have been completely reorganized into a new system that should encourage even more learning to take place in the nursery. How'd we do it? The plants are oriented on our hillside nursery in relation to the ecological zone in which they would naturally grow. This new ordering has riparian species like willows and alders in the lowest portion of the nursery, and more drought tolerant, upland species like ponderosa pine in the uppermost section of the nursery. With the addition of new interpretive signs for each species, the learning should never cease in the Learning Nursery! So come join us at one of our plant sales this summer (dates listed on our calendar), spend an afternoon with our wonderful indigenous flora and maybe even take a few home for your yard and garden.

## Message from the Board President

By John Thielbahr, PCEI Board President

The staff of PCEI is hard at work, with the valuable help of our volunteers, restoring and preserving important watersheds and unique habitat in our region, work which benefits all of us as we adapt to the challenges of climate change. Recently, I had the privilege of accompanying Watershed Program Director Tracy Brown on a field visit to the Rose Creek Preserve with Fayette Krause of The Nature Conservancy of Washington. Located just outside of Pullman, the Rose Creek Preserve is owned by The Nature Conservancy, but is under contract with PCEI to restore aspen groves and other native plant species, control weeds and non-native plants, and maintain the Preserve trail for visitors. The work that Tracy and her staff has done already this season drew praises from Fayette, and the beauty of the Preserve was evident everywhere.

Later, after Tracy and Fayette had left, I stayed to enjoy nature at its finest. I startled a huge owl in a Ponderosa Pine, or more accurately, it startled me. But this wise creature was something to behold as it flew off to find another sanctuary. A deer then wandered through and settled into a hiding place somewhere on the Preserve. Birds were everywhere and plants were in bloom. The Rose Creek Preserve is a special place, and I hope it stays that way. There is development risk all around the Rose Creek Preserve and around other unique habitats on the Palouse, which threatens these ecosystems. More on that in my next letter. Thank you for your continuing financial and volunteer support of PCEI.

## Willow Grove at Rodeo

We would like to thank Patrick Venzke for his leadership in donating to the Palouse-Clearwater Environmental Institute in honor of his wife, Willow. Willow Venzke is the daughter of PCEI Members, Bill London and Gina Gormley of Moscow. The donation has been used to establish the "Willow Venzke Native Willow Grove" at our Nature Center located at 1040 Rodeo Drive in Moscow. The grove consists of 28 native willow trees planted in conjunction with our wetlands. The plaque reads: "This grove of native willow trees serves as an environmental education classroom and a source of propagated plantings for stream restoration projects throughout our region." It is dated February 28, 2006, Willow's 28th birthday. For more information on how you can make a lasting impact by donating to PCEI in honor of a loved one, please contact Tom Lamar. In the mean time, come out to PCEI this summer with your family and have a picnic near our newly planted willow grove and wetlands.



Gina Gormley, Willow Venzke, and her daughter sit behind Willow's new plaque at PCEI. Photo: Tom Lamar

# Thank You For Your Hard Work!

## Outgoing staff

We have had the opportunity to work with some incredible staff members over the years and it is with sadness we see them off, but with pleasure that we learn of their new endeavors. A very big, heartfelt THANK YOU goes out to staff members extraordinaire:

Tiffany Cooper Carpenter (Outreach Program Director)  
Eric Carpenter (Director of K12 Education)  
Cece Connors (Office Manager)  
Michelle Hazen (AmeriCorps Placement Coordinator)

Thank you for your hard work and commitment to PCEI, you will be missed!

– your PCEI family



PCEI staff make silly faces while reading. Photo: Aly Lamar



Volunteer Randy Stevens with the first frog of Spring.  
Photo: Will Fontaine

## Way to Go Stream Team!

The Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) in Idaho chose PCEI's restoration work at Robinson County Park to include in this year's "Outstanding Projects" section of the DEQ's annual report to EPA and Congress!

Our Watershed Restoration team not only exceeded the standards set by DEQ, but also provides the type of recognition that other non-profits need to leverage diverse funding for education and restoration work in the future.

Great job Watersheds Program. Thank you for all your hard work!

## Making Marshes

By Will Fontaine, AmeriCorps Member/Watersheds Technician

On a cold and cloudy day the nylon traps yield only a few insects. The boatmen flail their lengthy appendages as their environment drains from beneath them and they wait helplessly to be counted, removed, and returned home. On warmer days the traps hold handfuls of slippery long toed salamanders. Perhaps the critters grew smarter, waiting for the sun, unwilling to let their curiosity of two convex holes get the better of them one more time; or maybe it's just cold.

The newly created wetlands on our Rodeo Drive campus are rapidly filling with life. The bare soil is sprouting the assortment of native grasses, which we over-seeded time and again. Camas bulbs collected from the path of a highway project join this spring surge of growth. A donated grove of Mackenzie and Coyote Willows adorns the banks of our uppermost pond, pleased that they finally found their place.

Habitat for the amphibians that live at The PCEI Nature Center underwent some drastic changes last fall. Wetland creatures will now be able to migrate their way through five new wetlands and swales. With our combination of setting traps and dip-netting (following the acclaimed agitate and swoop methodology), we found frog and salamander eggs in all but one pond. While planting native trees and shrubs volunteers came across our first adult pacific tree frog of the season, and with any luck tiger salamanders will emerge in our inviting marshes.

We transplanted bulrush from the Stateline wetlands. Upon the warming of spring these confused roots will soon establish, moving us even closer to a lush riparian habitat. The new life taking hold should make for quite a scene as it unfolds. As always, you are welcome to come and see for yourself.

# Thank You For Your Support!

## TerraGraphics Wetland Named at PCEI's Campus

A generous donation of in-kind environmental engineering services by TerraGraphics Environmental Engineering Inc. has led PCEI to name the new wetlands on our campus in honor of the twenty year old Moscow based company. In 2006, TerraGraphics donated a total of nearly \$25,000 in engineering training work to the Palouse-Clearwater Environmental Institute on three separate stream restoration sites. The donated engineering work took place on Three Mile Creek near Grangeville, Deep Creek near Potlatch, and the South Fork of the Clearwater near Kamiah.

"We were thrilled to receive this donation of services, and honored to extend this name as a token of thanks to our friends at TerraGraphics," said PCEI Executive Director, Tom Lamar. TerraGraphics Environmental Engineering was founded in 1984 as a majority woman owned consulting firm offering specialized environmental services in five major areas:

- \* Brownfields/Redevelopment
- \* Environmental Science
- \* Environmental Engineering
- \* Hydrologic Services
- \* GIS/Database Management

TerraGraphics now has offices in Kellogg and Boise, with nearly 100 employees around the state. Other contributors to the TerraGraphics Wetlands include: the Idaho Department of Fish and Game, the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Five Star program, and several individual donors.



A March 29, 2007 planting of the Willow Venzke Native Willow Grove at the TerraGraphics Wetland at PCEI's rodeo Drive campus. Photo: PCEI

There continue to be opportunities for future donors to invest in benches, an observation deck, pathway improvements, and other amenities for the wetlands and the overall Nature Center. Please contact Tom Lamar to inquire about these opportunities <lamar@pcei.org>.

## MaryJane's Farm Sets the Standard

By Aly Lamar, Membership Coordinator

When I spoke with Sunny Cook on the phone about MaryJane Butters wanting all of her staff to become members of PCEI, I initially thought Sunny meant that MaryJane was going to encourage all staff members to join their local environmental institute on their own. A couple of weeks later when I received a check large enough for her 9 staff members to have a basic membership for a year, I was pleasantly surprised!

We greatly appreciate the support of MaryJane's Farm as seen through this bold action. We hope that other businesses will follow suit and encourage their staff to become members of PCEI by purchasing introductory gift memberships. In honor of this fantastic show of support by MaryJane's Farm, I would personally like to invite any business owner to purchase PCEI Memberships at a discounted rate. For every three memberships you purchase, we will give you a gift card to the Café Silos!

This is a great way to support your local environmental institute that has been cleaning up Paradise Creek for over 17 years, utilizing thousands of community volunteers in meaningful projects that benefit the community, and has been "connecting people, place and



Mary Jane Butters, founder of PCEI.  
Photo: MaryJanesFarm.org

## Local Business Support

Another fantastic local business helping to support our community is Café Silos. Located between Styner and Travois Way, just south of the Troy Hwy, Café Silos is a community gathering location. Owners Rob Davis and Brenda VonWondruska have let PCEI utilize their coffee shop seating area for the showing of Anayme (the Village Bicycle Project movie), for a fundraiser during the art opening of local artist Anna Brewer, and as a meeting space for a variety of other PCEI events. Thank you to Anna Brewer for the generous donation from your artwork sales! And a special thank you to Rob and Brenda for matching every \$10.00 gift card PCEI purchases for employee incentives, with \$10.00 to the same cause! If you have not visited The Café Silo's, we recommend a smoothie, a latte or a pannini, yum!

## Way to go Environmental Education!

The U.S. Forest Service awarded several local organizations, including the Palouse-Clearwater Environmental Institute (PCEI), a competitive national grant on Tuesday, May 22, 2007. At a special event in Washington, DC, Richard Louv, author of *Last Child in the Woods*, announced the 24 recipients, out of 250 national applicants. By awarding funds totaling more than \$500,000 for 24 projects around the country, the Forest Service is taking steps to help remedy the disconnect between nature and children as reported in Louv's book. Partners will provide matching or exceeding funds, resulting in a total of \$1.5 million flowing into the "More Kids in the Woods" effort. PCEI has taught the youth of our community for over twenty years, encouraging students to study their environment and recreate outdoors. This grant will help us continue our summer programs with the Moscow School District's Adventure Club where we kindle a renewed interest in learning, recreating, and working in the outdoors. Congratulations PCEI Education Program!



Youthful energy cleaning up Hogg Creek at the Paradise Creek Clean-Up. Photo: PCEI

## Cleaning Streams

By Jim Ekins, AmeriCorps Member/Community Outreach, PR

On Saturday, April 21st, PCEI, the City of Moscow, Moscow Recycling, Latah Sanitation, and 125 volunteers from all over the community teamed up for the 17th Annual Paradise Creek Clean-Up. This year the Clean-Up included Hogg Creek, a tributary of Paradise Creek. We removed 1,920 pounds of trash and 221 pounds of recyclable materials such as glass, cardboard, plastic and paper.

A free pizza lunch was made possible by donations from Pizza Hut, Pizza Perfection, Dominos, and Papa John's for all volunteers. These stream cleanup events could not happen without the dedication and commitment of the community and the ongoing support of the cities of Moscow and Pullman and businesses like Latah Sanitation, Inc. and Moscow Recycling. The entire community benefits from improved water quality, better wildlife habitat, improved public safety and a more beautiful waterway. PCEI plans to continue to organize annual stream clean-ups as long as necessary.

The stream cleanup was advertised by the Palouse Earth Day Association (PEDA). The goal of PEDA is to encourage diverse groups to collaborate and schedule Earth Friendly events in a way that allows more people to participate in more events. Volunteers at all PEDA advertised events could enter to win earth friendly prizes like a scooter, an energy audit, and t-shirts.

## ENVIRONMENTAL

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### Local

A \$15,000 grant to PCEI from the 2006 Resource Conservation Challenge Funding Program of the US Environmental Protection Agency will benefit the Moscow community. The money will allow the Moscow Food Co-op to purchase a composting tub, enabling them to compost most of their kitchen waste! PCEI will work with Moscow Recycling Center to develop an educational program using the composter as a central focus to teach youth and adults about waste reduction. For more info see <<http://www.pcei.org/education>>.

### Regional

In a proposal recently funded by the Blitt Foundation (Seattle), Community-Minded Enterprises (C-ME) a grassroots, nonprofit based in Spokane, C-ME, will collaborate with PCEI on methods for local production and distribution of biodiesel fuel. We are proposing to use both waste vegetable oil, as well as oil from regionally grown oilseed, and possibly oil from algae used to treat wastewater. Details on this collaboration will unfold over the next several months. Please look for updates at <<http://www.pcei.org/water/biodiesel.htm>>.

### National

Currently, Focus the Nation, an education initiative, is creating dialogue on campuses and in communities by sponsoring talks and debates focused on "Global Warming Solutions for America" and engaging faculty and students at over a thousand schools in the United States (K-12 through university). These efforts will culminate in a non-partisan "national symposia" on January 31, 2008. For more information on how you can participate: <<http://www.focusthenation.org>>.



## PCEI Birdboxes for Volunteer Bucks!

PCEI is furthering volunteer opportunities by selling exclusive hand-painted birdhouses, on SALE for \$35 each. They can be mounted in your backyard to create instant habitat for nesting native birds. The birdhouses are on display and available for purchase at PCEI or Sister's Brew Coffee House. For more information, contact Courtney Rush <crush@pcei.org>.

## The Path of the Yellow Brick Road

By Jess Helsley, PCEI Volunteer

It was not too long ago while sitting in a board meeting; young Dorothy could not help but be overjoyed by the immense kindness expressed by all of PCEI's donors. While Dorothy pondered aloud various ways in which PCEI could express their gratitude and appreciation to those donors, the Cowardly Lion stated "That is quite simple we must build them a yellow brick road!"

Although the bricks are not yellow, the plan has been born! PCEI volunteers Meika Weiner and Jess Helsley, as well as PCEI staff have been eagerly working on developing a donor recognition brick pathway. After a generous donation of bricks, drawings, and number crunching, the design was complete. The bricks will be laid over crushed stone and encased in sand from the Gertrude Danielson Perrine house porch to the permeable pavement driveway. This method of brick laying does not utilize mortar allowing for the removal of solitary bricks so that they can be artistically etched with donor names. The pathway will be edged with flowerbeds and planted with native vegetation. Brick is one of the world's oldest and most enduring building materials. There is truly no better way to recognize our phenomenal donors than to permanently display their contribution. Look for the pathway, and take this wonderful opportunity to become a part of the Rodeo Campus yourself!

## UI Students and Greeks get dirty with PCEI!

By Courtney Rush, Volunteer Coordinator

PCEI staff and AmeriCorps members have been trying to master a whole new vocabulary recently, but it's all Greek to us! Multiple fraternity and sorority chapters at the University of Idaho and Washington State University have attended PCEI volunteer events this past semester. Whether they were planting and seeding at Deep Creek, near Potlatch, picking up trash along Paradise Creek, or erecting the new rose arbor and raspberry trellises at the Moscow Community Garden, these students packed a lot of energy and power into their projects. The students' interest was stirred by a "Greek Outreach" campaign launched by Courtney Rush, PCEI Volunteer Coordinator, and Kim Johnson, PCEI outreach volunteer. The two Greek Alums ventured to campus weekly to introduce PCEI's mission and the importance of being environmentally invested in the community. Their efforts paid off; dozens of Greek volunteers came out to events, expressed interest in internships and AmeriCorps opportunities, and learned about PCEI and current environmental issues in Moscow. Even more students from the UI joined forces with PCEI on Saturday April 28th for "Saturday of Service". The day consisted of multiple projects at PCEI's Rodeo Campus and the Moscow Community Garden. Projects included: weeding bulb beds, building a rock terrace in the Pantry Garden, extending "LaMirac Creek," and potting over 900 native plants and cuttings. We greatly appreciate the enthusiasm of active university students who are advocates for service.

### Walking Path Brick Donors

Gifts of \$500.00 or more as of June 14th, 2007

Greg Fizzell	Tiffany Cooper & Eric Carpenter
Jean Rudolph	Heather & Mark Seaman
LeeAnne Eareckson	Barbara & Richard Wells
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If you should be on this list and aren't, please contact Tom Lamar.

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## PCEI people to brag about

### Member:

MaryJane Butters  
Owner, MaryJanesFarm

MaryJane Butters has been a member of PCEI since our inception, as she is also our founder! (for more info: <[www.pcei.org/history](http://www.pcei.org/history)>) MaryJane has been an active member of PCEI, donating to various projects and most recently, treating her 9 employees to a basic PCEI membership! (see page 5 for details).



### Volunteer(s):

Meika Weiner &  
Jessica Helsley



Volunteering at PCEI has been a wonderful experience for Jess Helsley and Meika Weiner. They have learned much about how non-profit organizations operate. This experience was made possible through a University of Idaho service learning course. Jess and Meika have been designing a brick pathway at the Gertrude Danielson Perrine house. (see page 7 for

### Landowner:

Bob Rylaarsdam

Bob Rylaarsdam was born and raised in Grangeville and has been farming and ranching for most of his life. The PCEI creek restoration and wetland enhancement project is currently being implemented on his Three Mile Creek property, situated just outside of the City of Grangeville.

Mr. Rylaarsdam was integral in allowing PCEI to design a large wetland on the upstream portion of the project, which has already become a haven to many area waterfowl. Mr. Rylaarsdam is also a key player in the ongoing weed control program on the project site. Thank you



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