



**Pendleton Round-Up & Happy Canyon  
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**Round-Up & Happy Canyon Hall of Fame announces scholarship recipient**

PENDLETON, Ore. – The Pendleton Round-Up & Happy Canyon Hall of Fame, in coordination with the contact personnel of the Pendleton Round-Up and Happy Canyon, has selected Binita Shrestha of Hermiston as the recipient of a \$2,500 college scholarship.

The Pendleton Round-Up & Happy Canyon Hall of Fame Contract Personnel Scholarship is made possible through the generous contributions by the contract personnel of the Pendleton Round-Up and Happy Canyon and the Board of Directors of the Pendleton Round-Up & Happy Canyon Hall of Fame. Applicants must have a minimum 2.0 GPA and plan to attend Blue Mountain Community College during winter term.

Shrestha is a second-year nursing student at Blue Mountain Community College in Pendleton. She has a 3.51 GPA and aspires to be a geriatric nurse to work with the elderly. Shrestha had a standout application with her essay in response to the question of “Why are the Pendleton Round-Up and Happy Canyon important to you and to the City of Pendleton?” She wrote the significant positive impacts both the Round-Up and Happy Canyon make to the City of Pendleton as well as throughout the state.

Shrestha, who is originally from Nepal, moved with her husband, Dovinda, to Hermiston in 2019 when he took a position with Oregon State University Hermiston Agriculture Research & Extension Center. The couple have two children, Eva, 8, and Kush, 1. Shrestha will be recognized during the Hall of Fame’s arena presentation during the Wednesday performance of the Pendleton Round-Up on Sept. 14, although she is unable to be there in person.

The Pendleton Round-Up & Happy Canyon Hall of Fame was established in 1969 with a mission to protect and promote the history and heritage of the Pendleton Round-Up and Happy Canyon by recognizing individuals, animals and the Indian culture of Eastern Oregon through events and a museum. The Hall of Fame is managed by an independent Board of Directors, all of whom are volunteers with the Pendleton Round-Up and/or Happy Canyon. The Hall of Fame and museum is located at 1114 SW Court Ave. in Pendleton, across the street from the Pendleton Round-Up Grounds. Entry to the Hall of Fame and museum is by donation, and the museum is open daily during Round-UP week from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Those interested in membership to the Hall of Fame or making a donation should contact Membership Director Leslee Williams, [ruphalloffame@gmail.com](mailto:ruphalloffame@gmail.com).

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