

Taryn Harkness – Granddaughter of Richard Gardinier

I just finished my second year at the University of Washington and will be graduating in the Spring of 2020.

I'm majoring in Interdisciplinary Visual Art with a focus in drawing and photo media. This spring I placed first in the category of Drawing and Painting at the UW's annual Maker's Summit. Recently I also started working for The Daily, the student newspaper, as a photojournalist. My drawings are often influenced by photography, and vice versa. I'm beginning to explore the personal meaning and context of my work, as well as what it can do.

This year I was accepted into the entrepreneurship minor. I'm excited to learn the business skills to support myself as an artist, should I decide to do freelance work



Jerissa Fisch – Granddaughter of Walt Fisch

I was born and raised in Wenatchee, WA and have always had a passion in agriculture. This is what brought me into the wine industry and all it has to offer.

I'm a current junior at Central Washington University majoring in global wine trade with a minor in wine events and tourism. This major gives a global aspect of the wine industry to prepare me for a job in wine marketing, sales, management, and more.

After this next winter I will have finished my bachelor's degree and will be ready to enter the working world full time.



Lindsey Grace Ferguson – Granddaughter of Buck Armstrong

I am a second-year veterinary student at Oregon State University with a passion for teaching and research, and I hope to research reproductive disease and fertility as an academic veterinary pathologist. I have spent most of my college career working on research projects at OSU to understand connections between animal and human reproductive health and the environment, including studying reproductive hormone receptor function in corals and sea anemones, and investigating how a dietary supplement could maintain fertility with age in humans by acting on circadian clock-regulating gene expression in the ovaries of killifish as models. I also spent last summer researching the regulation of chromosomal crossovers that are formed during egg and sperm production in mice at Cornell University, and I spent a term in Panama City, Panama investigating environmental effects on larval barnacle survival with the Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute. This summer I will study genetic determinants of pancreatic cancer and gain experience in necropsy and diagnostic techniques in a variety of animal species as part of a Veterinary Diagnostic Pathology Fellowship at Johns Hopkins University. I will also spend a week in Washington DC and Plum Island, NY discussing diagnosis and control of foreign animal diseases that would be detrimental to our economy and health if introduced to the US as part of the USDA APHIS Smith-Kilborne Program.

Aside from research and pathology, I also love teaching and outreach, which I stay involved with by organizing the OSU vet school's annual Pet Day fundraiser and outreach event, giving tours as a tour guide for the college, speaking with camps and interviewing applicants as a student ambassador, leading activities and translating materials to Spanish for an afterschool program for local elementary schoolers to see themselves as scientists and veterinarians, organizing trips and wet labs for my peers in the Laboratory Animal and Animal Research Club, and coordinating a team of first year veterinary students to provide around the clock support for critically ill foals in the large animal hospital. After vet school, I hope to enter a pathology residency/PhD. I am very thankful for the Retired Washington State Patrol Employees Association's financial support.



Ali Brandt – Granddaughter of Ken Lofquist

I am finishing up my junior year at Whitworth University. I am working on earning a degree in Biochemistry with minors in mathematics and biology. This year I had the opportunity to fly to Orlando, Florida with my research professor, Dr. Wheeler, to present the findings of my research in a poster called Unexpected Failures in Quasiracemate Crystallography at the Spring 2019 American Chemical Society's National Meeting.

I continue to represent my school as a varsity member of the women's golf team. This year I qualified for the Northwest Conference tournament where my team placed 3rd.

In addition to my coursework, I have continued my weekly volunteer work at the Sacred Heart Medical Center Emergency Room.

I appreciate the continued support from the Retired Washington State Patrol Employee Association. This scholarship helps me to buy my textbooks, lab equipment and supplies.

