

**Whitney Benefits  
commits \$25.3 million  
to Sheridan College. A2**



## 2019 WHITNEY BENEFITS COMMUNITY REPORT

### LASTING IMPACT Whitney Scholars share stories of success



"The process was so easy the first time. I went back and asked them for a second loan to help me get my master's."

Kyle Warnke



"I actually got married right before I started the dental hygiene program, so I was out from under my parents. My husband and I were young newlyweds and trying to put myself through the last couple years of school, and the Whitney loan made that a lot easier."

Molly Kane



"Knowing that I have less financial burden because of their interest free loans has made it not only an attainable dream but has made my dreams come true."

Tommi Ritterbusch

As the Whitney Scholars program continues to grow, Whitney Benefits would like to thank all Whitney Scholars for their support of Edward A. Whitney's educational mission in our local communities.

The imprint of over 6,000 alumni of the Whitney loan program since 1927 is unmistakable in the community and the influence is far-reaching. In this past year, Whitney Benefits has heard many inspirational stories of the impact a Whitney interest-free student loan has made.

We wish to recognize your pursuit of creating a culture of commitment to education and giving back to the community. Watch for further development of this program and know that your feedback is valuable as Whitney seeks to find new ways to better equip our community with education and career resources.

Whitney hopes to be in touch with those that the organization might have lost contact with. Please send in your current contact information. There is a form that can be completed on the Whitney website at www.whitneybenefits.org.

If you would like to share your story of educational and career growth through the help of a Whitney loan please contact us at the Whitney office at 307-674-7303.

### Interest-free student loans help individuals achieve dreams

The Whitney student loan program provides interest-free student loans to Sheridan and Johnson County high school graduates.

Since inception of the program in 1928, through June 30, 2019, the corporation has loaned 6,029 students approximately \$45,228,499.56. For the fiscal year that ended June 30, 2019, Whitney approved interest-free loans totaling \$2,226,844.79 to 103 students; 74 students received loans for the first time and 29 students had received loans previously.

As of June 30, 2019, Whitney has provided \$12,333,447.43 in student loan monies loaned and/or committed to Sheridan and Johnson

County students.

Whitney Benefits uses an online student loan application process that is also mobile device friendly. The Whitney staff presents

the student loan program information each year at the Sheridan and Johnson County high schools' financial aid nights in an effort to inform the community about this unique and valuable opportunity.

For the 2019-2020 school year, undergraduate students may be eligible to borrow a credit limit up to \$24,000, up to \$6,000 per academic year.

Whitney Benefits acknowledges and thanks the Homer A. Scott and Mildred S. Scott

Foundation for their past \$250,000 gift to further the commitment to provide interest-free student loans.

#### Interest-Free Loan

- Online application
- Up to \$24,000 for undergraduate and vocational students
- Up to \$40,000 for graduate students



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Sheridan College student Anthony Kluesener makes the catch during a skill game for Whitney Days: Midnight Madness at the Bruce Hoffman Golden Dome Wednesday, Sept. 18, 2019.

### Community celebrates Whitney Days

Sheridan College hosted the second annual Whitney Days event week at Sheridan College to honor Edward A. Whitney and his legacy of support of higher education in Sheridan County. The events were a combination of informative, educational and fun events that sought to educate residents of Sheridan County and Sheridan College students and staff about Whitney's life and legacy.

During the week of Sept. 18-22, 2019, Sheridan College hosted a Coffee with the President event, men's and women's soccer games played on the Maier Soccer Field, the Pat Hamilton Memorial Rodeo, a block party in the Bruce Hoffman Golden Dome parking lot and participated in the Sheridan County Chamber of Commerce Third Thursday Street Festival in downtown Sheridan.

## EDWARD A. WHITNEY: A LEGACY OF GIVING

Sheridan area benefactor Edward A. Whitney willed his estate to establish Whitney Benefits Inc., creating the first educational foundation in Wyoming. According to his original trustees, Whitney spent three decades of his life planning his gift to the people of Sheridan County. He made extensive investigations in the East as to how trust funds were structured for education, and repeatedly asked his three associates, later to become the trustees of his estate, for suggestions.

The foundation was established in 1927, ten years after his death in 1917, as provided by his will. In the years since the establishment of the foundation, the earnings from the trust have

**"My estate does not belong to me; I'm only its steward: it belongs to the people and I dare not be careless with it."**

Edward A. Whitney

provided over \$45 million in interest-free loans to over 6,000 local students, contributed over \$97 million to Sheridan College, provided over \$11.7 million to the YMCA, built Whitney Commons Park and the Sheridan Ice Rink, established the Whitney Center and benefited the area and its people in many other ways.



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Above left: This undated photo shows Sheridan area benefactor Edward A. Whitney as a young man. Above right: Whitney is pictured with some children during a trip to Japan in 1902.



# ‘Commitment, cooperation, compromise’

## Recent land swap benefits Sheridan community, future

In the summer of 2019, Whitney signed documents assisting in a community partnership that involved a property exchange between Casey Osborn's family, Sheridan College, The Hub (Sheridan Senior Center), Sheridan Economic and Educational Development Authority, the city of Sheridan and Whitney Benefits.

The exchange involved three parcels of land covering a total of 31.03 acres and four buildings. Sheridan College accepted the Osborn land gift located on Solutions Way. The Hub accepted the Whitney property located next to The Hub. The Osborn family accepted the First Light facility located on East Brundage Street. This cooperative endeavor is an outstanding example of what makes Sheridan such a special place.

The Whitney Benefits Foundation anticipates continuing opportunities with many partners. The new site of Sheridan College will be used as a central location for career training (construction technology and future innovative educational technology).

SEEDA's board agreed to the exchange of the First Light Early Childhood Education Center for 5 acres of land on the western side of the former EMIT site on Solutions Way.

That land and the 26 acres of land on Solutions Way was then gifted to Sheridan College. The 26-acre site included the 25,000-square-foot building for the construction technology program.

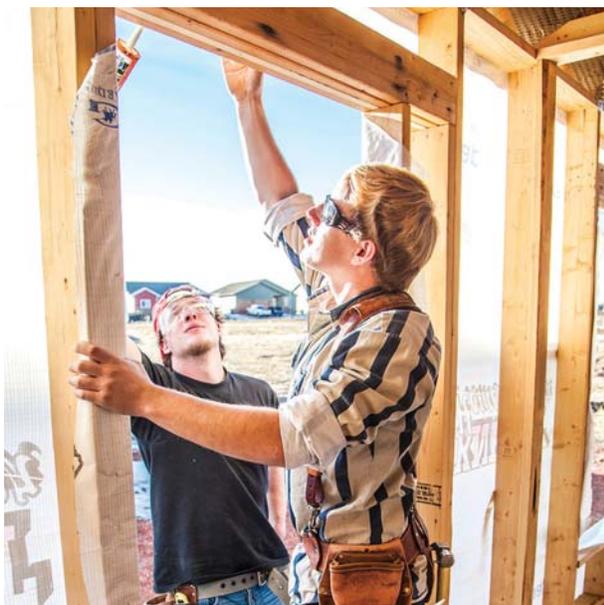
This agreement involves the three factors for any success, commitment, cooperation, compromise.

- Commitment by all parties to provide opportunities for education, economic development and better services for senior citizens and educational opportunity for construction technology students at Sheridan College.

- Cooperation between the Osborns, Whitney Benefits, Sheridan College, SEEDA and the City of Sheridan.

- Compromise by all involved to successfully complete this exchange opportunity.

This agreement provides immediate and long-term possibilities for the Sheridan community. Whitney's property gift was valued at \$480,000. Whitney would like to thank the many people that made this exchange a reality. Thank you.



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## Whitney Second Century Legacy Grant funds college into future

In 2018, Whitney Benefits announced a gift of \$11,369,000 to Sheridan College in remembrance of Edward A. Whitney who passed away 100 years prior. In 2019, \$1,370,000 was paid for this gift.

The gift is to support faculty in several academic areas including: agriculture, machine tool technology, welding technology, diesel technology, general and visual arts, the CNA program and music. These programs were all selected as potential growth areas and align with regional economic development priorities.

Also included in the grant is support for

marketing and recruitment as well as funding for the creation of a student success program modeled from the current TRIO program at Sheridan College.

This program will improve student persistence and completion by utilizing a contemporary mentoring model that goes beyond traditional advising to include comprehensive service, from selecting a career path through acquiring the first job upon completion.

The Whitney Second Century Legacy grant added 18 full-time positions and one part-time position at Sheridan College.



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## Ag pilot program

In 2018, Whitney Benefits approved funding for a three-year agricultural education pilot project at Sheridan College. In 2019, \$16,723 was gifted. This project will allow agriculture students the opportunity to get hands-on experience in several different project aspects.

Agriculture student Lexi Pierce carries a fluorometer to collect data at the orchard at Sheridan College Tuesday, July 24, 2018. The orchard contains 35 trees and 28 shrubs.



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Former Sheridan College President Paul Young gives a speech thanking the Whitney Foundation, the Watt Foundation, the Sheridan College Board of Trustees and Porter Construction for the part they played in bringing the new Tech Center to fruition Wednesday, Nov. 7, 2018.

## Whitney Benefits commits \$25.3 million to Sheridan College

In 2014, Whitney Benefits committed to the largest gift in the history of Sheridan College in the amount of \$25.3 million. In 2019, Whitney continued to fund this extraordinary gift with a grant of \$2,129,093.

The commitment from Whitney Benefits to Sheridan College included the necessary \$1.3 million required to complete the \$8 million

Mars Agriculture and Science Center renovation project, \$16 million to support the renovation and expansion of the fine and performing arts wing of the original Whitney Building, \$2 million to support infrastructure and parking improvements on the main campus and \$6 million for approximately half of the Tech Center renovation and expansion project.

### How do Whitney's overhead expenses compare to other nonprofit organizations?

(All general and administrative expenses as a percentage of non-charitable use assets with an asset size of \$100+million)

**National Average = 1.5 percent**

**Whitney Fiscal Year 2019 = 0.65 percent**

## Whitney Foundation continues certification for fiduciary excellence

Investment Stewards is based on fiduciary practices that seek to increase long-term investment performance by diversifying the portfolio across multiple asset classes and peer groups, evaluating investment management fees and expenses, and selecting or terminating Investment Managers.

Investment Stewards, such as Whitney Benefits Trustees and staff, have the primary responsibility for effective management and the adherence to investment fiduciary practices. Benefits of fiduciary assessments include: establishing evidence that Whitney is following a prudent investment process; increases long-term investment performance by identifying appropriate procedures for diversifying the portfolio across multiple asset classes

and peer groups, evaluating investment management fees and expenses and selecting and terminating Investment Managers as appropriate.

This fiduciary practice uncovers investment and procedural risks not previously identified, which assists in prioritizing investment management projects. This practice encourages Whitney to compare its practices to peers, and assists in establishing benchmarks to measure Whitney's efforts.

Whitney Benefits places the highest fiduciary importance on having the best practices in place. By its certification, Whitney can validate its adherence in fiduciary management and demonstrates that Whitney trustees and staff regard independent oversight of its financial activities as paramount.

Information on these fiduciary practices can be viewed by clicking on Whitney's on-line CEPFEX certificate at [www.whitneybenefits.org](http://www.whitneybenefits.org).



**Investment  
Steward  
Certification  
Validated  
Oct. 22, 2019**



## Whitney supports new residence hall at Sheridan College

In September of 2018, Whitney Benefits committed \$7.1 million to Sheridan College for the construction of a 100-bed residence hall. The new structure will be called Centennial Hall in recognition of the 100-year legacy of Edward A. Whitney's generosity. The payments will be made over a 25-year time frame.

The total project cost is \$9 million with the remaining \$1.9 million being paid for by revenue from resident students. The new Centennial Hall will include three floors with traditional rooms, common lounges and study rooms. It is located just east of the Thorne-Rider Campus Center.



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# JACK CHASE

A legacy of family, ranching and community service



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Retired Whitney Benefits Trustee Jack Chase passed away Sept. 5, 2019, surrounded by his loving family.

Among his tremendous list of accomplishments, Jack served on the Whitney Benefits Board of Trustees for 42 years, from 1972 to 2013. To date, he is the longest serving trustee.

As a board member, Jack was very instrumental in starting the ice rink in Sheridan, now known as the Whitney Rink in the M&M's Center. Jack was extremely competitive and loved most sports, but hockey was his favorite. In 2006, Sheridan Hockey gave him an award as "the Most Inspirational Player."

His contributions to the Sheridan community were many and he is greatly missed.

# WHITNEY BENEFITS TRUSTEES

## The service continues

Mr. Whitney specifically stated in his Will that, "The corporation trustees, acting as such, shall receive no pay for their services, as it seems to me that the selection and honor of serving on such a board for such purpose would, with the opportunity given to benefit the youth of their own county, attract men of ability and influence who would find the work a labor of love, so to speak, and would willingly fill the office of advisors and directors of the paid working officials into whose hands they commit the actual working out of their plans and instructions."

Since 1927, when Whitney Benefits was created, 101 dedicated individuals have served on the Whitney Benefits Board of Trustees. All together, the Whitney Trustees to date have dedicated over 1,122 years of service supporting education and building our Sheridan community.

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**Dave Kinsley 2018-Present**  
**Doug Hockett 2019-Present**

## Whitney Community Advisory Group

The Whitney Community Advisory Group was created in 2004 to provide input from various community members about current Whitney projects and events. The group helps to oversee operations at Whitney Commons and Whitney Plaza.

The current 2019 Community members include: Bill Gatley, Steve Carroll, Mark Demple, Pete Eliason, Judy Stallman and John Standish.

## Whitney staff

The Whitney staff follows the direction of the Board of Trustees to further the philanthropic ideals of the Whitney Foundation based on Mr. Edward A. Whitney's will.

**Patrick Henderson**  
*Executive Director*

**Janet Barnes**  
*Administrative Coordinator*

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*Student Loans Administrator*

**Craig Achord**  
*Controller*

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*Alumni and Donor Coordinator*

**David Lind**  
**David Sanders**  
**Aaron Leach**  
**Danielle Daniels**  
*Maintenance Staff*

# WHITNEY COMMONS PARK: A SPACE FOR SHERIDAN

Whitney Commons, an interactive park located in the center of Sheridan between the Sheridan County Fulmer Public Library and The Hub on Smith at 320 West Alger Ave., has something for everyone to enjoy.

Several features include a universally accessible play structure designed for fun and safety, large turf areas supporting any number of informal leisure activities, the popular water spray grounds, an amphitheater and plaza area, a new pavilion, vintage lighting illuminating pedestrian walks and bike paths, the Dorothy King reflective flower garden and closed

circuit cameras providing park security and online viewing.

Bronze art pieces reflecting and honoring Whitney's life have also added beauty and interest to the park. Whitney Benefits is working on completion of a new pavilion in the center of the park where patrons can enjoy shade for special events and daily use.

Whitney Commons is a safe, clean and fun environment for families and the Sheridan community to enjoy.

Whitney Commons is also a perfect location for many private events including weddings, birthday parties and

reunions. The unique features are a perfect environment for a variety of events. In 2019, Whitney Commons hosted class field trips, Cloud Peak Volleyball Club volleyball tournaments and camps, a wedding, class reunions and a private kids party in the west park turf area. Class field trips and an engagement party were held in the reflective flower garden. Senior yoga, the Sheridan Shakespeare Company community theater performance and a private wedding were held in the plaza and amphitheater areas and birthday parties and school class parties at the playground and sprayground areas.



## Relay For Life: Cancer Awareness Fundraiser

Relay For Life of Sheridan and Johnson County was held at Whitney Commons on June 22, 2019. Relay For Life provides an opportunity for community members to gather together to remember, celebrate and fight back against cancer. There were approximately 200 people in attendance and \$46,700 was raised. This event was a celebration of the year long fundraising and is the signature fundraiser event for the American Cancer Society, which strives to make a global impact on cancer. The event honors all cancer survivors with a survivor dinner and special survivor lap at the beginning of the event. Survivors and those lost to cancer are honored and remembered during the Luminaria Ceremony, which takes place at dusk. This year, the Sheridan Jaycees hosted the first ever Glow Run in Sheridan as a part of the Relay For Life. The Glow Run began at 10:30 p.m. with the start and finish line at Whitney Commons.

## WYO Rodeo Boot Kick-Off

The Chamber Ambassadors and the Sheridan WYO Rodeo Board kicked off the 2019 Sheridan WYO Rodeo Week with the annual Boot Kick-Off event on Tuesday, July 9, at Whitney Commons park. Congratulations to all of the winners this year! There was a great turnout and some stiff competition. The winners were: STICK HORSE BARREL RACES: Age: 1 and younger: First place: Livia Bertalot, Second place: Micah Star, Third place: Petra Gnehm. Age: 5-6: First place: Bodie Kistler, Second place: Kienna Ard, Third place: Boone Porter. Age: 7-8: First place: Jaren Kukal, Second place: Frank Restuccio, Third place: Ashton Porter. BOOT KICK OFF: Age: 9-12 - Girls and Boys: First place: Landon Selcher, Second place: Finn Stalick, Third place: Nick Mauck. Age: 13-17 - Girls: First place: Alissia Dominguez, Second place: Autumn White, Third place: Kaylee Chase. Age: 13-17 - Boys: First place: Aiden Selcher, Second place: Hayes Hustin, Third place: Simon Tenglensan. Age: 18

and up - Women: First place: Sarah Rawlings, Second place: Nicole Pearce, Third place: Staci Helfferich. Age: 18 and up - Men: First place: Justin Rohrer, Second place: Zach Heid, Third place: Justin Heid. CHAMBER AMBASSADORS CHALLENGE: The Chamber Ambassadors competed against the Sheridan Jaycees in the Ambassadors Challenge. The Chamber Ambassadors beat the Jaycees ending their two year winning streak this year.

## 8th annual Sheridan County Chamber of Commerce Brewfest

The Sheridan County Chamber of Commerce hosted the eighth annual Suds 'n Spurs Brewfest at Whitney Commons Aug. 24, 2019. Whitney Commons was the perfect venue for this event, which had 1,300 participants and raised around \$43,000. This is the major fundraiser for the Chamber of Commerce with funds dedicated to furthering the missions of their volunteer committees and to education and training opportunities for the Sheridan business community. They had 25 brewers from Wyoming, Montana, South Dakota, Colorado, Michigan and Kansas, including Sheridan's own Black Tooth, Luminous and Smith Alley breweries. Brewers competed in a judged competition in best IPA and a People's Choice Award. Winners were Wind River Brewery from Pinedale, Wyoming, for Best IPA and 2 Bassett Brewery from White Sulphur Springs, Montana (their owner was born and raised in Sheridan) for the People's Choice Award.

## Out of the Darkness Suicide Walk

The ninth annual Out of the Darkness Walk was held Sept. 14, 2019, at Whitney Commons park. The event was hosted by the local chapter of the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention to raise awareness of and funding for suicide prevention resources and efforts in Wyoming. Around 360 people participated in the walk, which started and ended in Whitney

Commons park and over \$43,000 was raised for suicide prevention. This walk provides the community with an opportunity to come together to bring HOPE, remember loved ones and shine a light on the stigma that surrounds suicide and mental health problems.

## March Against Family Violence

October is National Domestic Violence Awareness month. The Advocacy and Resource Center in Sheridan and the Compass Center for Families teamed up to hold the "March Against Family Violence," which was held Oct. 12, 2019, at Whitney Commons park. The Advocacy and Resource Center in Sheridan provides assistance to victims of all violent crimes in Sheridan County that may not have anywhere else to turn or may need support navigating the criminal justice system as a result of the violence. The march aims to raise awareness of family violence and to show that healthy families make a healthy community.

## The Link: Partners in Pink 11th annual Run/Walk

The Link - Partners in Pink 11th annual run and walk was held on the morning of Oct. 19, 2019, beginning at 10 a.m. The race started and ended in beautiful Whitney Commons park and once again, fall weather in Sheridan was spectacular. This community event offered a 10K run, a 5K run/walk and a 1.5-mile walk. The Sheridan Memorial Hospital Foundation has organized the breast cancer awareness event annually for the last decade. Originally, awareness was combined with a goal to raise funding for new mammography technology, and most recently, 3-D equipment. This year, all efforts and proceeds were focused on the message of cancer screening and early detection for all types of cancer. A record number of more than 620 individuals registered, with an estimated 700 actual participants. In addition to racers, over 100 volunteers from all over the community played a significant role with the success of this

11-year celebration. Those involved included SMH employees, First Federal Bank & Trust, Sheridan College nursing students, Sheridan College men's basketball team, members of the Sheridan College TRIO Club, Wyoming Girls School and WYO Rodeo Royalty. Students from Sheridan High School included Student Council, FBIA, cheerleading team, Sheridan Junior High School Honor Society and many others. Proceeds from the day are expected to near \$60,000 and will be used to support cancer screening and early detection for patients at SMH.

## Whitney Plaza

Whitney Plaza offers retail, office and residential property and has nearly 500 parking spaces for various community and business uses. The Whitney Plaza Owner's Association has extended complimentary use of the Whitney Plaza parking lots during Sheridan's annual WYO Rodeo parade and for multiple community events. The design of the buildings in Whitney Plaza reflect that of properties located in Sheridan's historic downtown business district. For more information on Whitney Plaza please visit the Whitney Benefits website at [www.whitneybenefits.org](http://www.whitneybenefits.org).

## The Gift of Water

In 2019, Whitney Benefits gifted the city of Sheridan in excess of 60 million gallons of stored Park Reservoir water to assist in watering Sheridan's parks, pathways and greenways, including the Sheridan Recreation District's Thorne-Ridder Park, Oatts Baseball Complex, Dan Madia Soccer Field and the elk pasture irrigation and restoration project at Kendrick Park. The water for Blacktooth park was added in 2019. Additionally, Whitney contributes water to the University of Wyoming Science and Research Center located at Whitney's Adams ranch for students and educators with experimental test plots, grape vineyards and crop irrigation.