



# the Foundation *Flyer*

## Obituary for Jim Mudd

**James "Jim" Malburn Mudd, the self-proclaimed 'Manzanita Man of the Century', was born February 28th, 1941 to Jane Crossley and Malburn Mudd in Vancouver, Washington. Growing up as an only child, he was given the life skills that shaped his values and contributed towards his vibrant storytelling and love of music.**

Jim was a "Beaver Believer", a devoted fraternity brother of Beta Theta Pi, and a sports enthusiast. During his college years, he met the love of his life, Lynn Newberg, who was his 'girlfriend' for the past 53 years.

Jim adored his three children, Bradley Mudd, Holly Mudd Ferber, and Michael Mudd, as well as his five grandchildren, Abigail Mudd, Max Ferber, Carly Ferber, Charlotte Mudd, and Samantha Mudd. His life was devoted to his family, community, music, friends, and faith. As Jim often said, "Life doesn't get any better than this."

Jim spent over 30 years with Bridgestone/Firestone, where he traveled a great deal, including trips to Chicago, which is where his love affair with Chicago style hotdogs began. He was able to combine his love of cooking, zest for conversing, and passion for live music at his local hot dog cart, Manzanita Mudd Dog. He lived by the motto, "Never Trust a Skinny Chef".

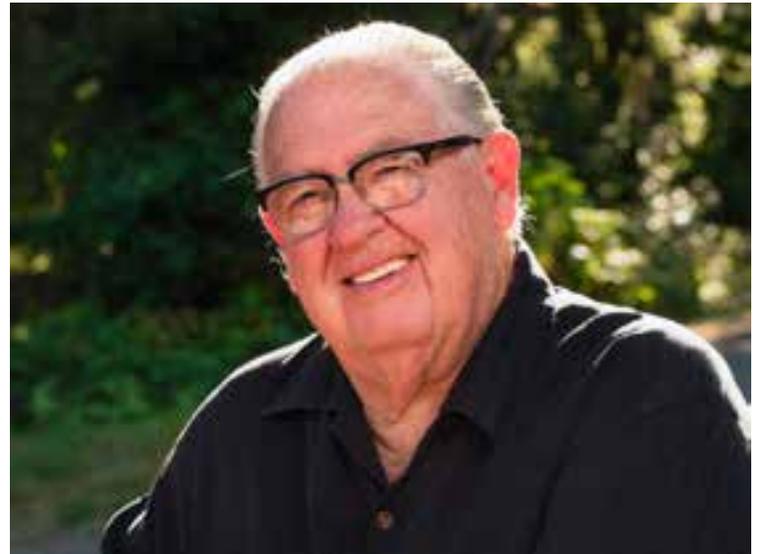
As a Master Mason, Jim went on to become a Shriner. His passion has always been to make people happy and improve children's lives. He co-founded the Mudd Nick Foundation, which provides children in the North Tillamook County with life-changing enrichment and educational opportunities. Jim was the proud recipient of the Governor's Volunteer Award for Lifetime Achievement as well as the Citizen of the Year Award in Manzanita, OR.

Jim Mudd passed away in the presence of his loving wife and children in Phoenix, Arizona on October 1, 2018. He was the real deal.

Friends and community joined his family at the Neah-kahnie High School Gym on October 27th, 2018 to celebrate his life, followed by a gathering at the Nehalem Community Recreational District to remember the unofficial mayor of Manzanita.

In lieu of flowers, we ask that you consider instead a donation to Jim's passion, the Mudd Nick Foundation. <http://muddnickfoundation.org/>

—Abby Mudd, Granddaughter of Jim Mudd



*Jim Mudd, February 28, 1941 - October 1, 2018*

Over the years I discovered that Jim was one of the most enthusiastic and optimistic people I ever knew. I loved receiving his phone calls and meeting him in person, as his wide smile and bear hug felt so good. When he conversed with a person, he made the person feel he or she was the most important human alive at that moment. It was genuine; never an act. Jim valued people and made sure they felt it.

Jim was passionate about the children we serve. He was passionate about life in general - always upbeat and outgoing. Being engaged with people, especially children, was like food and air and water to Jim. It defined his life.

I learned so much from Jim both as a leader and a person. He freely complimented a job well done and displayed gratitude easily. Being a team player, he could be diplomatic and compromise when needed, but also stuck to his principles and wouldn't back down if he was convinced his idea would benefit the Foundation. He was inspirational and charismatic. And his zest for life was infectious.

Jim's death reminded me how fragile, tenuous and precious life is and how important it is to live it fully, as he did each day. He demonstrated why service to others is so important. The community's outpouring of grief is evident of how widely his touch extended.

**Some of you may be wondering about the future of the Mudd Nick Foundation. Rest assured, that though the Foundation will never be the same without its heart and soul, Jim left a legacy and an organization that is on solid ground. The needs of the children in our community have not changed just because Jim's physical presence is gone. Our mission will continue to be fulfilled in honor of this great man. That is my personal mission and commitment.**

I am grateful that Jim was a part of my life. I wish I could have had him longer. I mourn him. We all mourn him. He is worthy of our sorrow. You can read the eulogies by family and friends on the Foundation's website.

—Monica Isbell, Mudd Nick Foundation Board President

### Board President's Message and Thoughts about Jim

In 2013, Sheri Atteridge recruited me to serve on the board of the Mudd Nick Foundation. I first met Jim Mudd at the Friday dinner of the annual fundraising event weekend. As I sat listening to Jim explain the Foundation's mission and his hopes for the future, the character of the man was apparent. I sensed that his capacity to care was genuine and endless. It felt good to be around him. His soft sell worked on me and I came away excited about joining an organization that did so many positive things for the children of North Tillamook County. I admit that I wanted some of Jim's fairy dust sprinkled on me.

## The Celebration of Jim Mudd's Life

**Jim Mudd and the Mudd Nick Foundation's impact on the community of North Tillamook County was in full display at his memorial (Celebration of Life) service on October 27th at the Neah-Kah-Nie High School gymnasium. Over 600 people filled the bleachers and chairs on the floor. Besides his family and many lifelong friends and fraternity brothers, the gymnasium was filled with community leaders, coastal friends, and parents, many accompanied by their children, whose children have participated in the Mudd Nick Foundation's Learning Experiences over the years. The family was overwhelmed by the outflowing of love and compassion towards Jim that has permeated throughout the community.**



*Jim, Lynn, Brad, Holly & Michael Mudd*

The pastor of Jim's Manzanita church, Reverend John Olson, began the service with a fitting welcome and prayer. Jim's children, Brad, Mike, and Holly followed with remembrances of their dad. Brad said: "There's was no one more prepared for his own funeral than my father. He talked about what he wanted his service to look like, with several different bucket list items that for some were hard to cross off. But, we were able to gather his friends and family for the party of the year, or should I say the party of the century!" As Brad recalled, "Dad had a strong moral compass. As I was growing up, Dad would constantly remind us 'That's not how the Mudds do things.' He gave us an incredible blueprint on how families should be. The number one thing was confidence. We always knew we would be okay if we failed. We never had to worry about the tough times, since we knew our family would make everything okay. He always made us feel things were a joint effort rather than being on our own."

The life lessons that Jim instilled in his children were formalized in a book he wrote 30 years later. As Mike Mudd conveyed in his speech, "The book was a collection of stories compiled under three themes: Social, Hard Work, and Honesty. Social was about how you treat someone. One story recounted Dad inviting a friend over and as I (Mike) went to open the door, Dad stopped me and said when you open the door you introduce yourself, look him in the eye, shake his hand and invite him in. Once your new friend is inside, you ask him what kind of the drink he would like." For those lucky enough to have Jim serve you a hot dog on Laneda Avenue, you know that nobody made you feel more welcomed than Jim."

The second theme was Hard Work. Mike said, "Dad always had chores for Brad on me on Saturday mornings and his way of how the chore should be completed ... because he said that is how the Mudds do things. Dad said you never ask someone to do something unless you are sure that they'll do it. Holly

missed out on many chore assignments because Dad wasn't sure he could make her do it!" Seeing Jim with his granddaughters, you know girls had a special place in Jim's heart. As a Board member, I can attest that Jim was always complementary of the many hours of volunteer work put in by the Board.



His calls or hand-written thank you notes were all the reward we needed to put in the effort to help make the Foundation successful.

The third theme was Honesty. "Always tell the truth," he told me (Mike). "If you tell the truth, no punishment will come to you from us. Your integrity is more important than any of your mistakes." Jim made sure integrity is embedded in the Foundation's Learning Experiences and how we treat our many wonderful supporters. Jim reminded us that you acknowledge their contributions with a personal thank you. Jim was proud to say to supporters that 80 percent of your donations will go to fund our Learning Experiences for children of North Tillamook County.

Daughter Holly talked about Jim's love of music. "He played the ukulele, banjo, and guitar and sang like a song bird. He spent hours in his later years perfecting songs on the guitar. Whenever you'd walk by the living room, he'd summon you to listen to him. He especially liked singing to my girlfriends. He would look them straight in the eye, and that's when they fell in love with him. That's why so many of my pals are here today. He made everyone feel special."

We all know the special place Lynn played in his life. He recanted many stories of how Lynn transformed a party-oriented fraternity guy into a successful student. Holly said, "Mom was his life. She was the wind beneath his wings. They had a true partnership. He would say daily, 'Isn't your Mom beautiful?' He adored her." He affectionally referred to Lynn as "mother." Mother got blamed for being a spend-thrift and keeping him in check, but you knew he held her with deep love and respect. Using his words, "She was THE REAL DEAL."

Jim loved the stage whether it was serving hot dogs, introducing the golf groups, or running the live auction at the Foundation's annual September fundraising event. He was both charming and passionate about all he did. He always conveyed the right motivational message that inspired people to open their wallets for a good cause. I always enjoyed watching Kelly Laviolette and Jim prompt people to donate to the Mudd Nick Foundation at the annual Crab Derby at Kelly's Brighton

## Jim Mudd Field

The Neah-Kah-Nie School District Board of Directors voted Monday, December 10, to name the youth athletic field, located at the Neah-Kah-Nie School District main office in Rockaway Beach, Jim Mudd Field. School board members expressed their gratitude to Jim Mudd and the Mudd Nick Foundation for the long history of providing learning experiences for children in North Tillamook County. As a way to recognize Jim's volunteer work and dedication to improving the lives of children, school board members voted unanimously to honor Jim's legacy with this special honor.

The external vision of the Mudd Nick Foundation: "Our vision is that the children in our community become life-long stellar citizens who expand their life experiences, minds, and curiosities; accept responsibility for their actions; treat themselves and others with respect; maintain high personal integrity; exhibit socially-accepted behavior, and have fun!"

Jim Mudd Field is an extension of the Mudd Nick Foundation's vision: a safe environment where children can have fun and expand their life experiences.

Jim Mudd Field was recently renovated with the assistance of Neah-Kah-Nie Youth Athletics, Mudd Nick Foundation, Rockaway Beach Lions Club, and many others.

Jim Mudd Field is used extensively throughout the year for athletic practices & games. Community members also ac-



*Jim Mudd Field at Neah-Kah-Nie School District in Rockaway Beach*

cess Jim Mudd Field in a variety of ways.

A dedication for Jim Mudd Field is scheduled for 2019. If you would like information about the Mudd Nick Foundation, please go to: [muddnickfoundation.org](http://muddnickfoundation.org)

*—Paul Erlebach, District 56 Superintendent*

Marina. When I heard that Kelly and Jim were going to people to seek donations for our 2018 Golf and Charity Event, I had empathy for those who were on their hit list. They would consider themselves lucky if they still had loose change left in their pocket after the pair left!

Following Jim's kids, Jack and Katie Buddeke sang one of Jim's favorite songs Somewhere Over the Rainbow, which brought tears of sadness as well as happiness in people throughout



the gymnasium knowing they were celebrating the life of GREAT man who made a positive impact on all who knew him or benefitted from the Foundation he co-founded with Doug Nicholson.

More remembrances speeches were made by family members: son-in-law Steve Ferber, and grandchildren Abby Mudd, Max Ferber, and Carly Ferber. You can view their eulogies on line at [www.muddnickfoundation.com](http://www.muddnickfoundation.com).

As the Mudd Nick Foundation has touched the lives of all Neah-Kah-Nie school district children from kindergarten through the 12th grade, the entire 20-member high school choir attended to sing Seasons of Love. After eulogies by close friends

Mike Youngquist, Jim McPoland, Doug Nicholson, John Isbell (delivered by Ken Resnick), and Monica Isbell; the 25-member High School band played Salvation is Created. The Celebration ended with additional reflections from Reverend John Olson.

Granddaughter Abby probably said it best in her eulogy, "The most important lesson I learned from my grandpa ... is to be active in every moment. Don't be passive through all your experiences. He always said, 'life can't get any better than this.' He lived with so much zest for life and accomplished so much over the years. He is one of my role models, and with all those lessons he has taught me, I hope we all continue to follow in his footsteps."

Paul Erlebach, superintendent of Neah-Kah-Nie School District 56, said, "The ceremony enabled the community to gain insights on Jim Mudd as a father, grandfather, businessman, and friend who has had a tremendous impact on giving back to the community he called family."

From the gymnasium, many joined the family at North County Recreation District for drinks and food, and to share stories about Jim. People filled the many rooms of the facility until late in the evening enjoying the company of friends, many of who traveled from towns and cities across the United States.

Do you think Jim had something to do with the Beavers football team overcoming a 28-point deficit that day to beat Colorado in Boulder?

Jim, you will be missed but your love and passion will be forever in our lives. You were THE REAL DEAL!

*—John Isbell, Mudd Nick Foundation Board Treasurer*

*The Mudd family wishes to thank the following merchants who donated food and beverages for Jim's memorial:*

*The Lighthouse – 10 pizzas and a keg of beer*

*McDonald's Wholesale in Eugene – 40 lbs. of fruit and vegetables*

*Nehalem Bay Winery – a case of wine*

*San Dune Tavern – a case of wine*

*Marzano's – fresh baked cookies*

## Treasurer's Corner

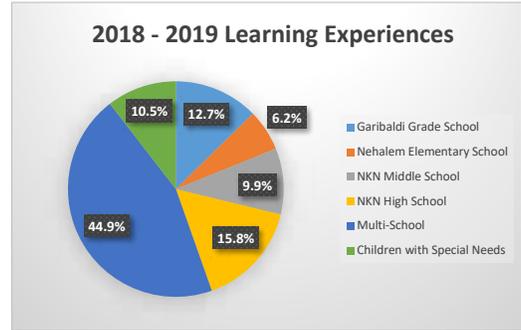
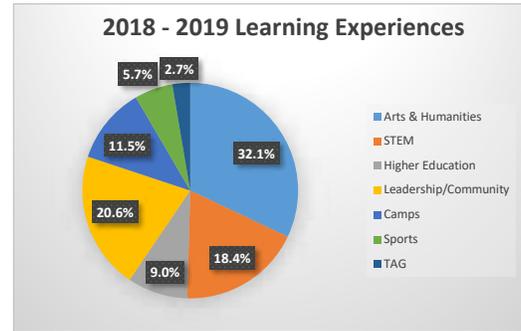
The week following our 2018 annual fundraising event, Jim Mudd was overwhelmed to learn the event revenues were \$83,600. A tremendous **THANK YOU** is extended to those who attended and bid on the outstanding assortment of live and silent auction items including the numerous \$250 Help a Child donations, bought Blinkies and 50/50 raffle tickets, and from our generous event sponsors. Jim wanted to know if I thought we would have a record revenue year. I told him it was unlikely we would eclipse our 2016 record year of \$203,000; but we could now expect a GREAT year, to which he said "WOW, isn't that wonderful!"

Thanks to the **\$16,555** the Foundation has received to date in donations to **Jim's Remembrance**, our revenues, with year-end In-Kind donations, reached a record **\$210,000!** Jim would be blown away by the amazing support given to provide live changing experiences to children in North Tillamook County.

Thanks to the numerous volunteer hours donated by our Board members and other wonderful people, approximately 80% of our donations go directly to fund our Learning Experiences and provide a reserve to maintain the quality of life-changing experiences for the children we serve.

### Learning Experiences

The Mudd Nick Foundation will allocate over **\$123,000**, which includes over \$12,000 for children with special needs, in **Learning Experiences for the 2018-2019 School Year and 2019 Summer**. In addition, we expect two students to qualify for the Costa Rica foreign exchange program for next summer, which is separately funded by an anonymous Foundation donor.



The two charts above show the funded Learning Experiences by Category and by School. Multi-School includes our marquee PX-2 three-day camp, 4-H camp, Summer Art Program, the Missoula Children's Theatre camp, and Forest-to-Sea camp operated by North County Recreational District.

—John Isbell, Mudd Nick Foundation Board Treasurer

## 2018 -2019 Learning Experiences

Number of participants in (parenthesis)

### Elementary Schools

**Community Arts Project** (170) – School-wide learning about artists and time periods, and the opportunity for students to use their creative skills in creating art through guided art lessons

**STEM & Science Fair** (170) – School-wide science fair to inspire students with science, technology, engineering, and math activities and stations

**Portland Newmark Theatre & Lunch in the Park** (64) – 2nd and 3rd graders

**Train Ride (Garibaldi to Rockaway Train Ride) Around our Community** (64) – 2nd and 3rd graders

**Exploring the World Around Us** (40) – Kindergarteners and 1st graders

**Oregon State Capitol** (73) – 4th and 5th graders learning how laws are made and state history

**Battle of the Books Competition** (50) – 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders reading books from list provided by State of Oregon and team competition about their readings

**Tillamook Forestry Center** (73) – 4th and 5th graders learning about the life cycle of salmon and forests

**Oregon Bird Man Assembly** (170) – School-wide assembly learning about the habits of wild birds

**Restaurant Invasion** (195) – Exposure of students at all grade levels to finer dining and new foods as taught by local chefs

**Oregon Children's Theatre Jason and the Argonauts, Lunch, Buy Books at Barnes & Noble** (42) – 5th graders

**Art Moms** (195) – monthly art instruction from local artists for all grade levels

**Gilbert House Children's Museum in Salem** (25) – 1st and 2nd graders

**Science Field Trip to OMSI** (66) – 3rd and 4th graders

**Columbia Maritime Museum & Haystack Rock Awareness Program** (25) – 1st and 2nd graders

**Raise Fish Fry** (25) – 4th graders raising fish fry in class and releasing them in local streams

**Fire Department, Tillamook County Library, Nehalem Bay State Park** (45) – Kindergarteners and 1st graders

### Middle School

**Oregon Children's Theatre Jason and the Argonauts, Lunch** (81) – 7th graders

**Oregon State University** (65) – 8th graders experiencing campus life and learning about STEM careers

**Newport Aquarium** (70) – 6th graders

**Talented and Gifted Camp** (20) – 7th and 8th graders given unique learning experiences by Portland Saturday Academy Group

**Trail Blazer Game** (25) – students attending pre-season game at Blazer skybox arranged by Bucky Buckwalter and hosted by the Blazers

## **OMEA District III Band Festival (32)**

**Doernbecher's Children's Hospital (20)** – giving Honor Society students who have raised money for Doernbecher to see children with dire medical needs

**Women in Trades (30)** – giving 8th graders exposure to trades traditionally under-served by women

**Tech Club Lego League & Mini Maker Faire (20)** – supporting after school robotics club's competition and attending Faire showcasing inventions, creativity, and resourcefulness

### **High School**

**Future Business Leaders Association State Tournament (30)** – participation in the Oregon FBLA State Conference

**Robotics (15)** – students who have developed robots participating in FIRST Tech Challenge League

**Talented and Gifted Camp (8)** – exposing students to high-level thinking activities with like-skilled peers

**Career Expo in Portland (120)** – exposing students to careers and post-secondary options

**In-School Music Workshop (30)** – guest musicians coming to the school to enhance students' musical instrument abilities

**Western Oregon University Anatomy Visit (12)** – giving 11th and 12th grade students exposure to a real human cadaver as part of their health science studies

**Oregon State and Volleyball Game (25)** – NKN girls volleyball team watching OSU match and meeting players and coaches

**ASPIRE (70)** – series of experiences helping students prepare for post-high school life

**Art Literature Partnership (12)** – broadening students understanding through visual and written artistic creation

**Oregon Music Education Association District III Band Festival (30)**

**CTE Field Trip (15)** – helping students learn about careers in the construction trade and training opportunities

**Mock Interviews (230)** – providing practice and building confidence in completing job applications and interviewing process

**Cezar E. Chavez Leadership Conference (15)** – providing cultural awareness, pride, and how to make college an option for Spanish-speaking students

**Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership Conference (1)** – student with leadership skills meeting similar gifted students from around the state

**Medical Explorers (5)** – observing and experiencing careers in the medical field

**Outdoor Club (14)** – connecting students' understanding and appreciation of the outdoors to enhance their nature writing skills

**Engineering Expo at Oregon State University (5)** – seeing senior engineering projects and learning about engineering careers

**Fish Hatchery (17)** – 11th and 12th grade students augmenting their classroom studies of salmon life cycle and survival by visiting the Nehalem River fish hatchery

### **Multi-School**

**PX2 Weekend Camp (30)** – available to all 7th graders interested in learning the power of positive thinking and ways to

open the door to positive thinking and creating an avenue to make and reach goals

**4H Camp (30)** – week-long summer camp in the Salem area for boys and girls

**Missoula Children's Theatre (60)** – open to all children interested in having a week-long theatre experience including auditions, rehearsals, and a final production attended by the community

**NKN Youth Athletics (100)** – donation to an organization providing structured competitive sports for children from 3rd to 6th grades

**Summer Art Camp (65)** – three, one-week camp for campers age 5 to 12 with hands-on creative art projects and team building activities

**Roland Smith Author (580)** – assemblies at the elementary and middle schools providing literacy enrichment in both reading and writing which is followed up by teachers incorporating these learnings into their teaching curriculum

**Oregon Writers Festival (30)** – grades 4th thru 12th from across the state of Oregon gather in small groups, listen to published authors talk about their craft, share their work with peers from other schools, and compose new pieces in workshops run by local authors and teachers

**Portland Opera to Go (440)** – middle and high school English Language Art classes receiving 30 minutes of instruction by the actors prior to the performance of Puccini's *La Boheme* at the school

**S.H.E. Warriors (20)** – girls recreational running group providing training for 5K races and instruction on developing a healthy lifestyle

**NCRD Swim Program (200)** – donation to support swim instruction for children at NCRD

**Forest to Sea Summer Camp (25)** – Children ages 7 to 10 learning about the connections between people and the natural world

**Gardening and Cooking Day Camp (24)** – introducing children to farm-to-table concept, plus hands-on activities, and exploring the science behind food

**Emergency Preparedness Camp (15)** – giving children the skills to handle emergencies

### **Special Needs**

**Great Big Art Bash (18)** – Funded by MNF, Bay City Art Center and volunteers providing a comprehensive art and music week-long day camp, while providing nearly 25 hours of respite care relief for parents

**Paddle Boat Trip on Nehalem Bay (12)** – giving children experience in paddling kayaks and teaching water safety

**Think College Inclusion Oregon (6)** – trip to Portland State University to learn about its special program for students with special needs who desire to further their education after high school

**Newport Aquarium (12)** – fun outing to enjoy and experience this outstanding aquarium, while practicing appropriate social skills in a public setting

**Gales Camp (1)** – children and teenagers with Type 1 diabetes from all over the Pacific Northwest have a blast while connecting with other kids living with the same challenges

**Camp Taloali (1)** – camp for the hearing impaired

—John Isbell, Mudd Nick Foundation Board Treasurer

## Another Successful Annual Fundraising Event

On September 15, 2018 over 130 supporters attended the Mudd Nick Foundation's annual fundraising event at the North County Recreation District gymnasium and 54 participated in the golf tournament. Donors bid on an array of silent and live auction items, which resulted in the Foundation raising a near record amount of funds that will be allocated to Learning Experiences to broaden the perspectives of the students in District 56 during the 2018-2019 school year and summer 2019.



*Grace Miller, Jim Mudd & Animesh Patel*

During the festive evening, board president Monica Isbell welcomed the attendees, explained how the Foundation is on firm financial footing, and thanked donors for their generosity. Co-founders Jim Mudd and Doug Nicholson and Brad Mudd, board vice president, presented awards for the golf tournament. Singers from the Neah-Kah-Nie High School choir gave an inspiring performance. Pastor John Olson gave the invocation. Jim and Lynn Mudd presented the 2018 Jim and Lynn Mudd Service to Children Award to District 56 Superintendent Paul Erlebach for fostering such a close partnership between the schools and the Foundation. High School students Grace Miller and Animesh Patel spoke eloquently about how the Mudd Nick Foundation has impacted their lives during their school years.

The evening event concluded with a rousing live auction conducted by Jim and Brad Mudd and Doug Nicholson. Many of the live and silent auction items were donated by members of the Providence Health and Services team of nurses under



*Jim & Lynn Mudd*

the leadership of Deborah Burton, Vice President and Chief Nursing Officer

The Mudd Nick Foundation thanks its board members and the many volunteers who helped plan and execute this successful event that raises funds for the children in our area



*2018 Annual Golf Tournament*

who are so deserving of our caring and interest. Lists of volunteers and those individuals and merchants that donated silent and live auction items are included in the newsletter to recognize them and to express our gratitude.

*—Monica Isbell, Mudd Nick Foundation Board President*

***The Mudd Nick Foundation provides hundreds of opportunities for the children in our community to participate in life expanding activities each year.***



*Changing Children's Lives Today & Tomorrow*

**“** The Mudd Nick Foundation fundraising dinner is an event that I look forward to every year. It not only benefits the kids in giving them experiences, but it also gives me an opportunity to witness first-hand the kindness and power that our community has to offer. I am a volunteer for this wonderful event and am thankful for its many gifts.”

*—Shannon Mulcahy, Parent, School Staff Member  
Silent Auction Item Donor*

# Auction Donors for Mudd Nick Foundation 2018 Annual Golf Tournament and Charity Fundraising Event

Art Happens	Handy Creek Bakery	Nehalem Lumber Co.	Skip Rognlien
Bahama Mama's	Highlands Golf Club	Bill & Kathy Nicholson	Rob & Angelle Soans
Bistro Restaurant	Irish Table	Doug & Michele Nicholson	Chad & Candace Spencer
Blaine & Susan McElfish	John Isbell	Eric & Sara Nicholson	Bill Stoller
Blue Heron French Cheese Company	Jeffrey Hull Gallery	North County Recreation District	Sunset Vacation Rentals
Joey Brister	Kathy Shaw Art	North Coast Watchman	Szygy
Bunkhouse Restaurant	Kendra's River Inn	OffShore Grill & Coffee House	Tempus Cellars
Deborah Anne Burton	Nancy & Richard Kiebertz	Oregon Coast Lavender	The Ocean Lodge
Buttercup	Kimmel's Hardware LLC - True Value	Oregon Coast Scenic Railroad	The Roost
Ross Chapman	Dan Kress	Pacific Seafood	The Polynesian Resort
Tim Chryst	Left Coast Siesta	Julia Parazin	Tillamook Farmer's Co-op
Cloud & Leaf Bookstore	Lodge at Columbia Point	Pelican and Piper LLC	& Country Store
Coast Cabins	Michael & Joanne Love	Charles & Amanda Perkins	Tradewinds Motel
Columbia Bank Manzanita Branch	Lum's Auto Center	Jim Peters	Trillium
Linda Cook	MacGregor's Whiskey Bar	Pirates Cove Restaurant	T-Spot Yarn Gifts & Chocolates
Creative Fabrics	Manzanita Clean	Portland Trail Blazers	Unfurl
Dennis' 7 Dees Seaside	Manzanita Coffee Company	Dan Rice	Vacation Villages of America
Marta DeVolt	Manzanita Lighthouse Pub and Grub	Elaina and CJ Robinson	Lynn & Amy Villemyer
Dixie's Vino	Manzanita News & Espresso	Recology	Wanda's Cafe
Donovan & Micheal Wabs	Donald & Janice Markle	Roby's Furniture	Warehouse 10 Market
El Trio Loco	Marzano's	Rosenbergs Builders Supply	Lularoe Julee Ward
Elite Car Wash	Tim McCarty	Mike & Kathy Rulli	Wheeler Marina
Finnesterre	Katie McRae	Salt & Paper	Wheeler on the Bay Lodge
Flamingo Jims	Mingo West	Jorge Salmeron	Melani Mangum-Williams
Four Paws on the Beach	Tom & Andie Moore	Salmonberry Saloon	Ken & Anna Wilkes
Garibaldi Charters	Mo's Seafood Restaurant	San Dune Inn	Wisteria Chic
Garibaldi House Inn & Suites	Mother Nature's Fresh foods	Shay Bradshaw-Scharbach	Homer & Janet Wood
Garibaldi Museum	Moxie	Schwietert's Cones and Candy	Yoga Roots Studio
Garibaldi Portside Bistro	Myrtlewood Factory	Sea Glass Virtual Services	Yolk Restaurant
Hal's Emporium	Nehalem Bay Winery	Sisters and Pete's Coffee and Treats	



***It doesn't get any better."***

***—Jim Mudd***

## 2018 Event Volunteers

Alejandro Quintana-Rios	Garrick Gordon	Michael Hithe
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Carol Mahoney	Kim Miller	Ruth Weston
Charlene Gernert	Kris Troutman	Sasha
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Chris Moncrieffe	Kristi Woika	Sophie Geiger
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## 2018 Golf Tournament Volunteers

Heather Shurford	Bill Nealeigh	Dick Bremmer
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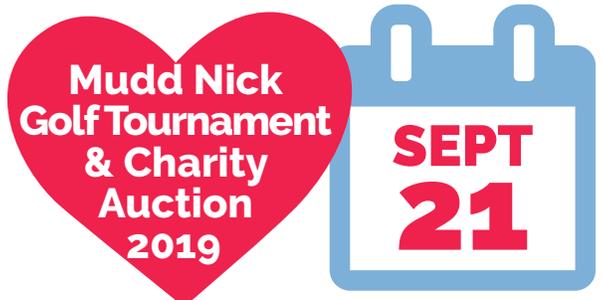
*We apologize if we missed recognizing any of our volunteers. Thank you for your efforts.*



I love seeing all the folks who support the Mudd Nick Foundation. It was my pleasure to help with the dinner as a way of supporting the foundation."

*—Lydia Felley, Teacher*

## Save the Date!



## Paul Erlebach, Recipient of the Jim and Lynn Mudd Service to Children Award 2018

At the Mudd Nick Foundation's annual event in September, Jim and Lynn Mudd presented the *Jim and Lynn Mudd Service to Children Award* for 2018 to District 56 Superintendent Paul Erlebach for his outstanding work and partnership with the Foundation. Mr. Erlebach was selected as the Neah-Kah-Nie School District Superintendent July 1, 2012. "I am honored and humbled to receive such a prestigious award. I am a firm believer in the purpose, mission, and vision of the Mudd Nick Foundation. The Foundation and Neah-Kah-Nie School District have a long history of collaborating to ensure children in North Tillamook County reach their potential and pursue their dreams. Both the Foundation and School District stress the value of collaborating with community partners in their missions. The Neah-Kah-Nie School District is committed to the sustainability of the Mudd Nick Foundation."

—Monica Isbell, Mudd Nick Foundation Board President



Jim Mudd, Lynn Mudd & Paul Erlebach

## Buckwalter Visits Nehalem Elementary



Bucky Buckwalter Visits Nehalem Elementary Fourth Graders

October 24, 2018 was a special day for Tracy DeGandi's fourth grade class at Nehalem Elementary. Bucky Buckwalter, former Portland Trail Blazer Vice President of Basketball

Operations, NBA Executive of the Year Award recipient, NBA coach, and inductee of the Oregon Sports Hall of Fame, visited Mr. DeGandi's class on behalf of the Mudd Nick Foundation. Bucky shared with students highlights from his long history with the Trail Blazers, playing high school basketball at La Grande High School, and the importance of a high-quality education.

“It was really cool learning about the Blazers and getting the posters from the championship team!”

—Jonas Weiss, Student

Students thanked Bucky for organizing countless Mudd Nick Foundation sponsored trips for students and staff to watch the Portland Trail Blazers. Students presented Bucky with a Neah-Kah-Nie High School sweatshirt. Bucky added to Mr. DeGandi's collection of Trail Blazer memorabilia with a gift of two team photos from the 1990s.

—Paul Erlebach, District 56 Superintendent

“Having our superintendent bring Bucky made a huge impact on my class of Blazer fans. He answered many questions and made it a point to tell them how important their education is. This also gave them a chance to thank one of the supporters of the Mudd Nick Foundation, in person, for sending many of them to a Blazer game last year.”

—Mr. DeGandi, Teacher



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### Save the Date!



## 2019 Mudd Nick Golf Tournament & Charity Auction

## Learning About College



*Neah-Kah-Nie High School Special Education Students at PSU*

On Friday, June 1, 2018, six students travelled to Portland State University (PSU) to learn about the Think College Inclusion Oregon program the school is developing. The students were able to meet up with Max Halverson, a 2017 Neah-Kah-Nie graduate and former peer mentor, for a campus tour. Dr. Ruth Falco and Sue Bert, former PSU advisors and instructors of Stacey Dills (Special Education Director) and Kelly Thayer (Neah-Kah-Nie High School special education teacher), met with the students to share about this new and exciting program. The students finished with a trip to the bookstore to purchase PSU clothing souvenirs and a lunch stop at Subway. This trip was made possible through the continued support of our local Mudd Nick Foundation. A special thanks is extended to Julie Chick, parent and FACT Coordinator, for chaperoning along with Kelly and Stacey. Information about the program can be found at <https://www.pdx.edu/career-and-community-studies>.

*—Debbie Sherman, Mudd Nick Foundation Program Coordinator for Children with Special Needs*

## Adventures Without Limits

Adventures Without Limits (AWL) says it all; there are no limits on what we can do!

Families from Neah-Kah-Nie joined each other on a misty morning at Nehalem Bay to seek out limitless adventure. Arriving early with some excitement and perhaps even a little fear of the unknown, family members slowly and methodically transformed from landlubbers to well-suited paddlers. Dressed for the cold-water temperatures and guided gently by the AWL crew, kayaks filled with partners and embarked around the Bay for an adventure that proved more than a beautiful outing. For some, this was a first time on the water or in a kayak, and personal self-accomplishments were plentiful.

The Mudd-Nick Foundation along with FACT Oregon sponsored the family networking day. This opportunity to get outdoors locally, enjoy each other's company and stretch individual comfort zones was readily met by 15 Nehalem area residents, all of whom experience disability. "There is no better way to grow than to embrace what we have locally, dive into the experience, and do it with friends," says FACT Oregon Coastal Program Coordinator Julie Chick.

FACT Oregon is a part of the Oregon Council on Developmental Disabilities' Consortium of Family Networks who believes disability is natural, peer support is empowering, and all families have valuable experiences to contribute to their community. FACT Oregon's mission is to empower families experiencing disability in their pursuit of a whole life by ex-



*Neah-Kah-Nie Families at Nehalem Bay Seeking Adventure*

panding awareness, growing community, and equipping families. [www.factoregon.org](http://www.factoregon.org)

Adventures Without Limits provides access to outdoor adventure to all people, regardless of their ability level, socioeconomic status, gender, ethnicity or age. The best part is that everyone is welcome - no gear or experience necessary! For more about their adventures including rafting, hiking, paddling, snow and more see: [www.awloutdoors.org](http://www.awloutdoors.org)

*— Julie Chick, FACT Oregon Coastal Program Coordinator*

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## Bay Ocean Water Study Field Trip

The intention of this field trip for 7th graders was to begin a tradition of scientific study of a natural area near our school. Cape Meares Lake is located due south of the Bayocean Peninsula Park, an area equally rich in wildlife and historical interest. The day was split into three stations:

- Station 1: Kayaking provided by Tillamook Kayak on Cape Meares Lake, where students were trained in water and boat safety, and given kayaking instruction before heading out on the water.
- Station 2: A hike into nearby Bay Ocean Peninsula Park to learn about the history both human and natural of the park. Clair Thomas TOSA for the Tillamook School District provided interpretive information to share the rich natural and human history of the area. In addition, Christine Hoyt of Friends of Netarts Bay provided on-site education about growing oysters in our bays and why water quality is so important.
- Station 3: Tillamook Estuaries Partnership and SOLVE provided macro and micro plastics education on the beach, and our students participated in a survey of these plastics. Plastics contamination may be one of the largest environmental issues our students will face.



*Geocaching on Bay Ocean Spit*

Lunch was provided by Manzanita Deli (Little Apple) and a parent Patrick Sullivan and Kathryn Harmon filled in any remaining gaps. Lunch went so smoothly that we were able to finish up and head out to our remaining afternoon activities early. All activities went unbelievably smoothly, and the many experts who came to share their passion for the North Oregon Coast and the environment were truly appreciated.



*Kayaking Provided by Tillamook Kayak on Cape Meares Lake*

The weather was absolutely fantastic, mostly sunny with a brisk breeze to cool us down. Students participated in four activities on the Bay Ocean Spit on Tuesday. They got to hold oysters and look at baby oysters in a microscope all while overlooking the oyster fields of Tillamook Bay. Students used GPS devices to geocache for items all around the entrance to the park and learn about the natural and human history of the Bay Ocean Spit. Students watched osprey dive for fish while kayaking on Cape Meares Lake, formed a flotilla, learned to use oars in tandem, and many learned how to get back in a kayak once it has flipped over. Students worked with SOLVE and the Tillamook Estuaries Partnership to sieve for microplastics - we found nurdles! And learned what they are and participated in a survey of larger ocean debris on the beautiful beach.



*Sifting for Microplastics*

Many thanks to the Mudd Nick Foundation, TEP, SOLVE, EPA et al and Kristi Foster, Friends of Netarts Bay and Christine Smith, Clair Thomas - Tillamook S.D., Tillamook Kayak and Marc Hinz, Jay Rocca and Will Crook Staff chaperones, Neil Patel and Jake Shipman -Barbeque experts, and the many parent chaperones who helped make the day a fantastic experience.

*—Kathryn Harmon, Neah-Kah-Nie High School Librarian*



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## Great Big Art Mashup 2018

Summer of 2018 marked the 7th annual Great Big Art Mash (GBAM) summer camp. The camp is a collaborative project organized by the Bay City Arts Center (BCAC) and funded by the Mudd Nick Foundation.



*Make a Boat Art Project*

The project was created to provide comprehensive art education to youth with special needs, while providing nearly 25 hours of respite care relief for parents. This camp was initially developed in 2012 by Bay City Arts Center Founder Helen Hill and Board Past President Dia Norris. Through the hard work and dedication of these women, the program was a success from initial implementation.

GBAM provides a week-long art experience for students with special needs and culminates with a community performance and dinner for youth participants, their families and community members. The camp includes visual performing art activities and instruction, group play and leisure, and nutritious meals and snacks. One of the most highly anticipated projects is the “Make a Boat” art project. This is an annual art activity at the camp where we bring in local woodworkers Bill Sherman and Tim Roch to provide power tools and construction support to the students while they build wooden boats from scratch. Each camper creates a wooden boat of his/her own design and then we race them as a group down the stream at the local Bay City Park.

GBAM affords a safe, well supported environment for students with diverse needs to explore, share, learn and create with a focus on fun rather than an end product. Youth are encouraged to let their inner artist shine while working with a variety of art mediums that stimulate the mind and provide specialized learning tools and textures targeted towards the individual needs of each participant.

Due to the very generous support of the Mudd Nick Foundation we have been able to enhance the program by hiring enough highly trained and experienced staff with specialized credentials and certifications in the Special Education field to provide a minimum of a 1 to 2 ratio of instructors throughout the camp. We have also transitioned to providing meals catered by Pacific Restaurant in downtown Tillamook. The Pacific Restaurant chefs have a clear understanding of the dietary restrictions needed to support the youth participants in GBAM and have developed a menu for the camp which provides nutritious options that are creative and tasty. Many of the students are introduced to foods that they have never eaten in their own homes and are excited about the new flavors and textures that they experience each day. Pacific Restaurant also provides all the food for the final performance meal on Friday night of the Camp.

In 2017 GBAM was awarded a grant from Trust Management to purchase African Drums for the camp. Historically we have borrowed these instruments from local schools and we are fortunate to now have a set of our own. Drumming is a cornerstone of the camp along with dancing. The past two years



*Getting Ready to Sail a Boat of Her Own Design*

we have been fortunate to have highly talented instructors with dance instruction expertise lead the students in a choreographed dance performance, which when coupled with the drumming has led the students to a very well-rounded music and visual performance learning experience.

The BCAC is so very grateful to the Mudd Nick Foundation for continued support of GBAM. We would not have the ability to continue this vital community program without your support and from the bottom of our hearts we thank you!

— Leeauna Perry, Director of the Bay City Arts Center

## LEGO Tournament

The FIRST LEGO League qualifying tournament on December 8th at Intel was challenging to say the least. Our six teams came to competition to show off the work they did this Fall and left a little more knowledgeable about how much dedication it takes to compete against incredible Willamette Valley teams that eat, sleep, and breathe this competition. Unfortunately, we will not be sending any of our teams on to the State Competition this year. But we learned a lot about being a team, and had fun meeting other teams, sharing our projects and robots with the judges, and having a day dedicated to all things LEGO robotics.

Teams traveled from judging room to competition table to practice table all day desperately trying to refine their programs and present their best work to the judges. Each team had four opportunities to attempt to solve missions on the performance field with autonomous programs they designed specifically for their robot. The beautiful amphitheater at Intel really gave the event power, and comfortably sat all involved with the competition. It was fun to see students step up and try new things and watch the “got it” moment of clarity when they realized what needed to be done to help their team next.

I was thankful that so many parents were able to attend to support their kids, cheering at matches and judging sessions alike, the kids noticed, and it mattered. Saturday was Payton O's birthday, and since we had so many cupcakes (many thanks Olson parents) we were able to share them with other teams as well as our own six teams! In return, we sang Happy Birthday to Payton not once but twice. The deep blue frosting dyed everyone's teeth and smile blue, (some more than others). I think Payton appreciated the attention and enjoyed having everyone around on his birthday. He created a LEGO high five machine that allowed him to give robot high fives all around the room during the competition that lightened everyone's mood.

Mark Balmer coordinated pizza lunch for everyone on all our teams - he purchased one of each type of pizza from the menu, so opening every box was a surprise. Picky eaters had to rush from table to table to ensure they got the slice of their choice. It was a fun day despite the early realization that we were not as developed as the teams against which we competed. We were asked, “How big is your school?” When we replied that our school had 200 students, the response inevitably was, “We have 1,000 students at our school, and we are the only team from our school!” We were lucky to provide so many Neah-Kah-Nie students with access to this competi-



*LEGO Robotics at Intel*

tion, and so many came away with thoughtful insights that have already informed our process moving forward to next year.

We would be remiss to not give a thorough thank you to our sponsors - ODE, ORTOP, and the amazing Mudd Nick Foundation. In addition, Upper crust Pizza provided pizza for our work day sessions - donating pizza or providing it at a significant discount. Due to this amazing community we were able to take six teams to competition this year, what an amazing feat! A perhaps not to be repeated feat, but Mark Balmer reminds me that this is what I said last year about four teams. Also, many thanks to our coaches/mentors/experts: Cliff Tuttle for his weekly dedication to Tech Club, his endless patience, and for helping students own their solutions to problems they faced; Maria Fagen for showing up every week and bringing her “mom” skills to bear with a very challenging team; Neil Patel for being our Aerospace Engineer expert, and giving endless project advice for teams; Mark Balmer for coordinating lunch for 40 people at qualifying and co-coaching the unique Rebel Fleet team. Thank you all for making this day possible! If anyone wants to sign on for next year, we meet every Wednesday after school and could really use more dedicated coaches to work with each team individually.

*—Kathryn Harmon, Neah-Kah-Nie High School Librarian*

## The Missoula Children's Theatre – June 18 to 23

To say Missoula Children's Theatre, the nation's largest children's touring theatre, was a success might be an understatement! We had 51 children participate in the week-long camp and a nearly standing room only performance Friday night. It was so amazing to see so many grandparents, parents, siblings, aunt, uncles and people from the community come out to support these kids. Their performance was awesome, and every child had a blast. I had so many parents come up to me and thank us for putting this together. Lots of parents and kids asking about next year already!

As I said over and over all week and weekend, none of this would have been possible without the generous support of Mudd Nick Foundation. Thank you so much!

*—Kiley Konruff, North County Recreation District Coordinator*



*Missoula Children's Theatre*

## Art Camp 2018

The Mudd Nick Foundation Art Camp 2018 was a great experience for all involved. There were over 50 campers, ranging in age from 6 to 12. We had three junior high and one high school volunteers help, and a Neah-Kah-Nie High School senior volunteer used this camp as an opportunity to complete her senior project. All the volunteers are previous Art Camp campers.

One of the best feelings I get from camp every year is the camaraderie and individual growth of each person who is involved. The week inevitably starts out with several kiddos being shy and not even sure if they want to be there - their parents signed them up. A few kids want to be there, but don't know what to expect. And then there are those who have been before and are ready and excited. By the week's end with all the group activities and art projects, all the kids leave with great memories, new friends, and some special artwork.

This camp not only allows children to be creative in their artistic expression, it enables them to feel creative and have a really great time. They gain confidence and new ways to express themselves, individually and within a group. We thank the Mudd Nick Foundation over and over for the many years of financial support to enable so many children to have this



*Children Ages 6 to 12 Participating in Art Camp 2018*

experience. The effects of this camp continue for many years after, as campers become volunteers and volunteers use this as a stepping stone for higher education.

*— Charlene Gernert, Art Camp Teacher*

## First Tech Challenge Robotics Team

In late November, the North Coast League of First Tech Challenge (FTC) Roboteers held its third qualifying match at Tillamook High School. Our rookie Neah-Kah-Nie High School team (#14687, Goblet of Wires) once again had its highest scoring match, doubling that from Meet Two. Newly added functionality was responsible.

We were ranked first after the last meet, but our competitors also are making progress and as a result, we dropped a notch to now be ranked second within the league. That said, our last match of the day was our strongest on record. Despite assorted equipment (or design) failures, we reclaimed our Number 1 ranking for the league.

The Oregon FTC administrator reported that our rookie league is progressing at a pace comparable to others statewide, so we're optimistic that we'll remain competitive.

We will be working over the holiday break as we incrementally improve our robot and skills. On January 18, the league will hold its championship tournament at Tillamook High School. The public is welcome and encouraged to come see what these committed students are doing.

Neah-Kah-Nie's team participates as an after-school elective



*North Coast League of First Tech Challenge Roboteers*

through gracious community support, including that of the Mudd Nick Foundation. We thank you.

*—Evan Solley, Mudd Nick Foundation Supporter*



The Mudd Nick Foundation has a huge impact on Nehalem Elementary School. Each and every student has at least one learning experience each school year...from traveling to Portland to see a play, to going to the zoo, to learning how local farms operate, to visiting the Fire Station. Students are exposed to things they might never see or learn about if not for the Mudd Nick Foundation."

*—Kristi Woika, Nehalem Elementary School Principal*

***Volunteer! It's fun!***

## **Calling Volunteers**

**Please consider volunteering to serve on a Mudd Nick Foundation committee: Fundraising, Finance, Communications, Learning Experiences, and Governance.**

***We need your expertise and enthusiasm.***



***Please contact Monica Isbell  
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## **What Guides the Mudd Nick Foundation**

**PURPOSE:** The purpose of the Mudd Nick Foundation is to provide learning experiences that stimulate children to aspire to their greatest potential and to pursue their dreams.

**MISSION:** Our mission is to broaden the horizons of all children in North Tillamook County through programs in collaboration with our community partners.

**EXTERNAL VISION:** Our vision is that the children in our community become life-long stellar citizens who expand their life experiences, minds and curiosities; accept responsibility for their actions; treat themselves and others with respect; maintain high personal integrity; exhibit socially-accepted behavior; and have fun.

**“** I volunteered for the Mudd Nick Foundation dinner because of the impact the foundation had on my life growing up here in Nehalem. The Foundation provided me with so many memories and amazing opportunities I never would have had otherwise. I was able to experience the PX2 conference as a 6th grader in Seattle, Washington. This was an experience I have never forgotten. Now, as a teacher for the same area, I am able to watch the impact it has on the children I am teaching. We are going to be taking our fifth-grade students to a play, lunch, and to a bookstore in the spring. For some of these students, this an opportunity that wouldn't be possible if it were not for the Mudd Nick Foundation. They give to our community time and time again, and for that, we are so grateful.”

*—Kristina Burdick, Nehalem Elementary School Teacher*

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## **2019 Mudd Nick Golf Tournament & Charity Auction**

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it will not matter what my bank  
account was, the size of my house  
or the car I drove...but the world  
may be different because we were  
important in the life of a child!"*

*—Forest E. Whitcraft*

*We will miss you. Rest in peace.*



*In Memory of Jim Mudd  
1941-2018*