

Centralia College Receives Donation of Waterfall

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The Centralia College campus has a new pondless waterfall at the entrance of Washington Hall.

The waterfall was a donation from Judy (Greeley) Hendrickson, a Centralia College graduate from the class of 1963.

“What a surprise to have an alum call and inquire about a waterfall on campus,” Julie Johnson, the director of donor and alumni relations, said in a statement. “Judy saw an opportunity to ‘touch’ students – enhancing their educational experience here as well as benefiting the community with a beautiful waterfall.”

The waterfall was designed and installed by Dan Leal, the owner of Northwest Projects, and his team.

It required nearly 30 tons of rock and stone to build. It is equipped with a dry river bed, including three stone benches and plantings.

Hendrickson has made several donations to the Centralia College Foundation since 2008, including funding for music and criminal justice scholarships.

“As I have had successful careers, I felt that it was important to give back – not just to education, but to other areas as well,” Hendrickson said in a statement. “Although students got

something out of the scholarships, I didn't personally feel any connection or permanence. Hence, the concept of a waterfall that would be there for many years.”