

Carberry Elementary October 12th School Board Presentation

Request: Naming the walking path at Carberry to be “Pete’s Path”



Walking Path History and Funding

- Katie Walton and Mayor Petrie started fundraising several years ago with Jump Rope for Heart fundraiser and the Mayor's Walking Challenge.
- Great start!
- During my first year at Carberry, I was made aware of the desire for a pathway for the community as well as for our students to be able to calculate how fast they are.
- We know that education is the most important thing that we can offer our students and physical fitness is part of that education.
- It is often swampy in our field because of the high water table so students are limited to the blacktop.
- Walking or running before ISAT testing is a great way to increase blood flow for better test results.
- People in our community can benefit from walking in a safe environment.
- Getting to the small playground and swings, students have to walk through grass which is sometimes wet.

Along comes Pete



This is our second year to have the privilege of working with Pete Goers. This amazing first grader has been a source of inspiration not only to the team of special education providers at Carberry, but to the entire school. Pete's mother, Lara Goers states that he gets excited each morning about going to school and is eager to get started. He has great attendance. Once at school, Pete is greeted by an amazing paraprofessional, Donna Hauser.

Pete loves music and is very good at letting his educators know what his favorite songs are! He also loves being outdoors on the playground and we are so excited and grateful for the new walking path that allows him access to this very important part of the day...recess!

Pete was one of the first students to make his way around the new path after it's completion in August and continues to enjoy making "laps" around the grounds. This is a great way for Pete to interact with other students and socialize with his friends at school. The path also allows easy wheelchair access to the swing and playground area which is a favorite destination for Pete.

Along with the entire student body, we celebrate this wonderful addition to our school and offer a big "Thank-You" to all who made it possible.

Sincerely,
Ivy Snow, Donna Hauser, and Carberry Special Education Team





Swing that Pete likes for recess. It was difficult getting his walker through the grass, so he inspired us to get our walking path figured out.

Funding Sources to complete the project. It took \$32,300 to pave the path.

Mayor Petrie, Mayor's Walking Challenge funds

Katie Walton, Jump Rope for Heart fundraising

Carberry PTO, Miranda Wright, PTO president, funded several thousand dollars as well

Blue Cross of Idaho Foundation, Courtney Frost - online tonight (Funded \$17,000 and when we needed more, Courtney and BCofI stepped up)

Carberry staff have helped along the way with the fundraisers to make this happen.

An anonymous donor purchased a Buddy Bench to go along the path for students to sit on if they want someone to ask them to play. This is also a bench that community members can utilize when walking.

Gem County Foundation for purchasing a decorative rock, if approved.

Parker Meyers and Meyers Lawn Service and Landscape for repairing our sprinkler.

Josh Rountree and Emmett Maintenance department.



Path was marked out during April and May when students were home because of Covid.





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Walking path was completed in August and Pete was one of the first to walk around the path.












With Pete being the inspiration to get the path complete, Carberry would like to name the path Pete's Path and add the caption "Inspiring Potential" with the date of Oct. 2020. This will be written on a rock that will be at the beginning of the path with the buddy bench next to it.



PETE'S PATH

INSPIRING POTENTIAL

OCT. 2020



Mayor Petrie presentation of Gem
Community Gem Award to Pete
for his inspiration to the Carberry
Staff.

City of Emmett



Gem Community Gem Award


The Mayor of Emmett takes pleasure in naming

Pete Goers

A GEM COMMUNITY GEM. First and foremost, Pete is well-named. He constitutes one of the most energetic "goers" around the Carberry School facility. He inspires all who encounter him. With his infectious smile, undaunting spirit and eagerness to tackle each new day, Pete is a model for all students in time management and goal attainment. Like most Idahoans, Pete loves the outdoors. But Pete also has an appreciation for the Arts, especially Music and the Sciences with a focus on technology. Nevertheless, once the work is done, one will find Pete making a beeline for the swings just to see how high he can go. Without question, Pete Goers is well deserving of having the Walk Path named in his honor. He brings great credit to himself, his family and his school. Pete Goers is entitled to be named a Gem Community Gem.

GIVEN under my hand this 12th day of October 2020, in the Great City of Emmett, Idaho.

Mayor Gordon Petrie
City of Emmett



Thank you for your time and effort
on the School Board. It is now
your opportunity to make
something AWESOME in 2020.