

## SANDOVAL COUNTY FAIR BOARD

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Paula Enyeart grew up in Garrison, North Dakota. Where she spent most of her childhood on the shores of Lake Audubon in rural Garrison. She loved the outdoors. Paula began working as a nurse's aide while still in high school at the Garrison Hospital. She earned her nursing degree from University of North Dakota. Then she spent three years in the Peace Corps in the Andes Mountains above Quito, Ecuador. She even wrote a book about her experience in the Peace Corps, titled "Squished Potatoes". I would encourage everyone to read this book, to see what she did while in the peace corps. She put herself through Yale University to earn her nurse practitioner degree.

Paula came to Cuba area in the early 1990's. When she first came to Cuba she worked for the local clinic (PMS), school nurse and eventually opened her own clinic "Paula's Practice". She loved gardening, taking care of animals and writing. Paula started the Torreon Wolfpack 4-H Club and was involved with it up until her passing. Paula would camp at the fairgrounds with the 4-H kids every year during the fair. She would always say "It sure would be nice if there were showers here at the fairgrounds during the fair for the people camping and a playground for the kids."

Paula Enyeart was an outstanding member of our community, fair board, and county. She served as a 4H leader for over twenty years, and served in various positions on the Sandoval County Fair Board, including President. Paula believed that every young person could succeed, and she worked tirelessly to make large impacts through small deeds.

One of the biggest projects that Paula talked about and pushed for was a building that had shower facilities at the fairgrounds. As a Fair Board, we could not think of a better way to honor her legacy than by naming the new recreation building after her. By creating the Paula Enyeart Recreation Building, we would be honoring the life of a woman who served our community every day, and memorializing the good deeds and hard work that she put into creating a better tomorrow for our youth.

I've never met a person who didn't like Paula. Everyone had something nice to say about her. I would like for the commission to consider naming the new recreation center, "The Paula Enyeart Recreation Center".

Sincerely,

Timothy L Johnson

Sandoval County Fair Board President