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Dear Friends and Supporters of the Community Foundation:

It has been an honor for me to serve these last two years as Board Chair of the Community Foundation of Fayette County. I have been privileged to work with a wonderful board of directors and dedicated staff who are committed to maintaining and growing the CFFC. Please join me in welcoming the next Board Chair, Jim Foutz. All of

### What is a Community Foundation?

We are a nonprofit organization where anyone with a generous spirit can turn for professional assistance to make sure that every dollar you give can have the biggest positive impact on our community.

At the Community Foundation, we support the organizations and people that you want to support - providing hot meals to seniors, connecting children with positive role models, aiding the sick, bringing beauty through the arts, offering scholarships to our best and brightest....

The Community Foundation of Fayette County (CFFC) was founded in 1999 by a group of community leaders including John Buchanan. Charles Cluss, Lee Frankhouser, Albert Skomra, Lynda Waggoner, the late philanthropist, Robert Eberly, Sr., and three of the regional family foundations — Benedum Foundation. Richard King Mellon Foundation, and McCune Foundation. It was their intent to create hope and generosity through a charitable foundation with a focus on Fayette County to improve and enrich the quality of life for all

#### **COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF FAYETTE COUNTY**

## A Look Back and Forward from the Board Chair



Valerie Bacharach

us believe in the mission died four years ago. It of the CFFC, which is to gave us a way, during a help define charitable needs, connect donors with causes that matter to them, support nonprofit organizations, and invest charitable assets to make the community a better place to live. Funds create scholarships, award grants, and provide opportunities to give to people and/or organizations that are important to donors. Mv husband and I began a fund when our vounger son, Nathan,

time of terrible grief, to honor his memory. It allowed us to give to a cause, Imagination Library, which was important to our son. He often charitable investments spoke of having children for pooling and manageof his own and of reading his Dr. Seuss books to them.

Becoming a donor is a way to honor and remember the people who are, and always will be, a part of our lives. It gives us all a way to give to even persons of modback to the community

in which we live.

As we continue into our second decade, we can do more for the community where we live, work and raise our children by directing ment by our Community Foundation. The Community Foundation accepts gifts of all amounts County. and has developed a basis for starting a new named fund at a level that makes it accessible est income and wealth.

I invite the community of Fayette County to become involved by contacting the CFFC to find out more about becoming a donor.

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It is a way for all of us to give back to the people and organizations that matter most and to improve the lives of all who live in Fayette

Sincerely,

Valerie Bacharach **CFFC Board Chair** 2012-2013

### **Mission** statement

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### CFFC

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#### residents.

The Foundation has grown since its founding in 1999. and the mission has expanded beyond guiding donors with charitable giving and providing support to nonprofits to also include a leadership role in assessing and responding to Fundraising Professionals. the County's needs, and bringing donors together for collaborative approaches to philanthropy. The funding base has expanded, as well, with the addition of agency endowments and with new donors and creative programs that have enhanced the ability to provide service to the region beyond Fayette County.

CFFC now holds over 100 funds and \$10 million in assets, has attained national accreditation from the Council

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on Foundations, and, in 2009, was named the Outstanding Foundation in Western Pennsylvania by the Association of Americans are generous people. We all give - about \$225 billion a year! At the Community Foundation of Fayette County, we make your giving go further.

Most of our donors that you see listed in this annual report are small donors – we offer professional investment management and deep knowledge of our region's needs so that giving can be coordinated for the greatest benefit. And for large donors who might be

tempted to set up a foundation of their own, we are that foundation – we provide the infrastructure and reporting you need to meet the complex legal requirements a foundation must follow without having to set up and maintain an office on your own.

The Community Foundation of Fayette County is led by a volunteer Board of Directors. Our Board members are not paid; instead, they make personal contributions to our Capacity Fund, and many have established named Funds in their areas of interest.

Our donors' investments are pooled and invested

conservatively by large, professional advisory firms to strive for maximum returns at a controlled cost.

Our daily operations are managed by a professional staff with deep roots in the community and decades of ex- in whatever manner suits you. perience in the nonprofit sector whose work we support. That experience is available to you to help you make decisions about your own giving and ensure the legacy that is most meaningful to you.

The Community Foundation of Fayette County is one of over 700 community foundations across the country, all independent and operated with their own Boards and local focus. CFFC is one of those foundations that has earned accreditation from the national Council on Foundations, demonstrating that we follow and apply professional practices and standards. Inspiring confidence and trust from our donors and the

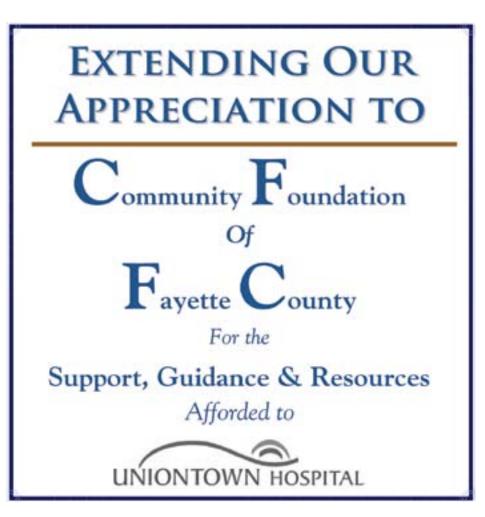
community we serve is the hallmark we strive for as a community foundation.

We hope to inspire you as vou read this report to do good in some way - large or small, visibly or anonymously, If you are already a donor or contributor to the Community Foundation, thank you.

We hope you will feel inspired after reading about our past year to join with us again in making even more of a difference in the coming years.

If you would like to make a gift to The Community Foundation of Fayette County, please make your check payable to CFFC and mail to: CFFC, 2 West Main Street, Suite 101, Uniontown, PA 15401. You may also make a gift on-line at www.cffayettepa.org.

If you have any questions or would like additional information, please call the office at 724-437-8600.



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- Scholarships are available and veterans may be eligible for aid.
- The campus' new Center for Adult Learners gives adults a place to gather and socialize or study.
- · And adults who may need assistance gearing up for college-level classes can benefit from special transition classes in math and English provided free on campus.

Call 724-430-4124 to talk with our adult student counselor or visit fayette.psu.edu/Adults.



Current CFFC staff from left to right in the photo above are Renee Couser, grants coordinator, Glenn Valdiserri, finance director and Lee O'Neil, bookkeeper.

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The officers of the Community Foundation of Fayette County are (Seated L-R): David Callahan, Secretary, James R. Foutz, CPA, Vice Chair; Valerie Bacharach.

Standing are (L-R): Directors: Philip S. Rishel, Jean Braun, M.D., Lynda Waggoner, Joshua Swimmer and John Sunyezc, M.D. Absent from picture: Brian Boyle,

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## New Funds Created in 2012

#### Dr. Dennis F. Brestensky Scholarship Fund

The Dr. Dennis F. Brestensky Scholarship Fund: to be used for a Fayette County resident attending or planning to attend Penn State University, Fayette – to Fayette County non-profits serving basic human \$75,000 to support the Jefferson team and other authe Eberly Campus.

The Candidate must have a 3.3 GPA or higher and demonstrate financial need.

Preference will be made to students pursuing a bachelor of arts degree.

#### Richard H. BurklandCharitable Fund

Richard H. Burkland Charitable Fund: to be used for general charitable purposes.

#### The Idea Fund

The Idea Fund: to be used for grants for teachers at St. John the Evangelist Regional Catholic School and Geibel Jr. Sr. High School.

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#### The Charity Fund

The Charity Fund: to be used for grant awards needs as recommended by the donor.

#### McMonagleCharitable Fund

McMonagle Charitable Fund: to be used for general charitable purposes as recommended by the donor.

#### The Connellsville Rotary Club

The Connellsville Rotary Club: to be used for scholarships for the Connellsville Area School District.

#### **Charitable Fund of Specialty Conduit and** Manufacturing, LLC

in teaching, and to expand the horizons of students. purposes as recommended by the fund's donor.

#### **Brownsville Central Park Project Fund**

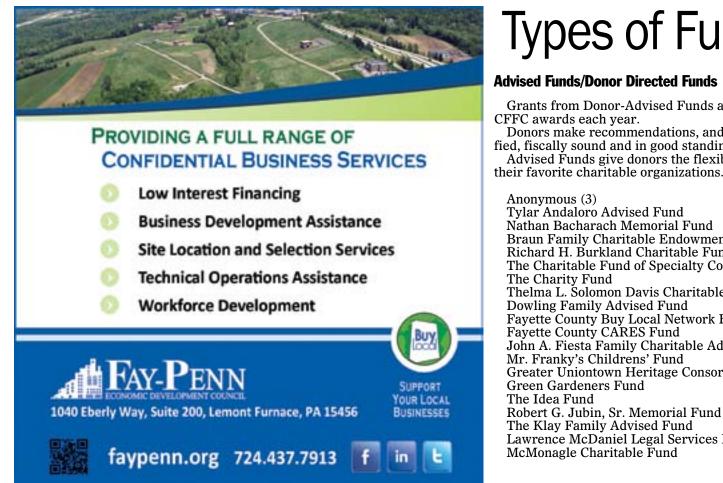
Brownsville Central Park Project Fund: is to raise thorized participants and is limited to design and construction of the Brownsville Central Park.

#### **Brownsville Free Public Library** Permanent Fund

Brownsville Free Public Library Permanent Fund: to be used for the support of The Brownsville Free Public Library, and any charitable purpose consistent with the purpose of the Fund.

#### The Procyk Family Fund

The Procyk Family Fund: to be used for early dis-tributions to the Metropolitan Archdiocese of Pitts-Charitable Fund of Specialty Conduit and Manu- burgh, Sisters of the Order of St. Basil Mount Saint



## Types of Funds Offered

Grants from Donor-Advised Funds account for the majority of the grants

Donors make recommendations, and CFFC ensures that grantees are qualified, fiscally sound and in good standing.

Advised Funds give donors the flexibility to direct their funds to support

Braun Family Charitable Endowment Fund Richard H. Burkland Charitable Fund The Charitable Fund of Specialty Conduit & Manufacturing Thelma L. Solomon Davis Charitable Fund Fayette County Buy Local Network Fund John A. Fiesta Family Charitable Advised Fund Greater Uniontown Heritage Consortium (State Theatre) Permanent Fund Robert G. Jubin. Sr. Memorial Fund Lawrence McDaniel Legal Services Fellowship Fund

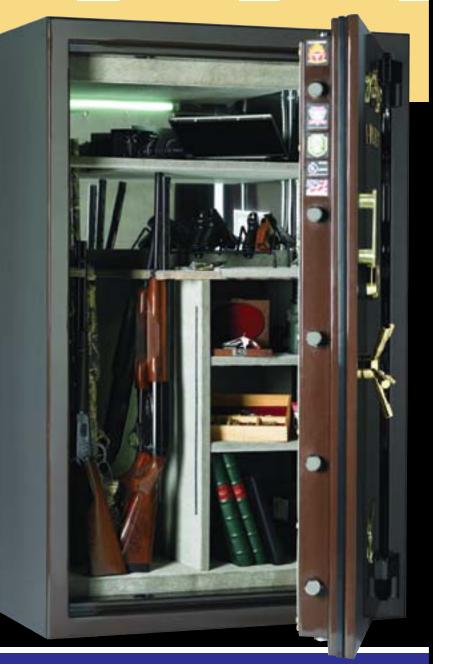


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Nelson Foundation Fund Stephen A. and Rita P. Peters Permanent Fund Rotary Club of Uniontown Educational Fund Franklin K. and Jean H. Smith Family Fund Swimmer Family Advised Fund

#### Scholarship/ Educational Awards

Scholarship funds can be designated to recognize academic achievement and/or to assist those with financial need. Funds are often created to honor a specific individual, award academic accomplishments or community service. They may also be directed to benefit those attending a specific school or schools.

Tylar Andaloro Memorial Endowment Fund Betty Bayne Barnes Scholarship Fund for Women

**Rinehart Memorial Fund** Dr. Dennis F. Brestensky Scholarship Fund The Legacy Scholarship Fund of Ernst Gottlieb Braun Jim and Barb Browne Family Fund Michael S. Carbonara Memorial Educational Fund Career and Technical Education Scholarship Fund CFFC Board of Directors Scholarship Fund Connellsville Rotary Club Allen Craft Memorial Scholarship Fund Cupelli Family Charitable Fund Lulu A. Dudley Scholarship Fund Robert E. and Elouise R. Eberly **Foundation Fund** Fayette County Community Service All-Stars Fund Beverly Fazio Advised Scholarship Fund for Nursing Sgt. Eric Hull Memorial Fund George M. and Anna W. Hochheimer Educational Fund Alfred E. Jones, Jr. and Anna B. Jones Charitable Fund Melvin J. and Beatrice Vance Keller Memorial Scholarship Fund

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Scholarship Fund Virginia Springer Memorial Scholarship Fund Darrell L. and Norma R. Uphold Family Scholarship Fund Thomas A. Waggoner, III Charitable Fund Wolford Swimmer Memorial Scholarship Endowment Edward T. Yezioro Memorial Scholarship Fund

#### **Designated Grants**

Donors can establish this type of Fund to provide automatic distributions to designated organizations each year.

Blaney Fund for the State Theatre Center for the Arts Carroll Cemetery Fund Carnegie Free Library of Connellsville Margaret E. Crawford - James

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## How you can make a donation to the Community Foundation

If you would like to make a gift to The Community Foundation of Fayette County, please make check payable to CFFC. Complete and return the form to: CFFC, 2 West Main Street, Suite 101, Uniontown, PA 15401. You may also make a gift on-line at www.cffayettepa.org

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### Funds

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**Evans Finley Memorial Endowment** Fund **Fayette County Community Trust** Endowment **Fayette Friends of Animals Fund** Charles H. Gorley Permanent Fund Helen V. and Julian E. Grubb Memorial Fund Laurel Highlands Academic Foundation Fund Walter D. and Linda G. Smith Fund for CIS of SWPA, Inc. Mary T. Page Memorial Endowment The Procyk Family Fund St. Peter's Anglican Church Capital Advised Fund Uniontown Area Community Charities Permanent Fund Uniontown Public Library Permanent Fund by Mary E. and the late Charles B. Cluss Uniontown Public Library Permanent Fund by Harry Esbenshade Family

#### **Agency Funds**

Funds are created by nonprofits to support their work in perpetuity. CFFC holds and invests these funds and provides an annual return to the organization.

This type of fund allows the organization to securely plan annual budgets.

	Big Brothers-Big Sisters of the Lau-
	rel Region Permanent Fund
	Steve and Helen Blazek Memorial
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	Peters Lutheran Church
-	Bridgeport Cemetery Fund
-	Brownsville Free Public Library
	Permanent Fund
-	Bruning Fund for the Girl Scouts of
	Western Pennsylvania
	Communities In Schools Fund
	Crime Victims Center Fund
	Eberly Family Permanent Fund for
	Girl Scouting
	Fayette Cooperative Extension
	Endowment
	Fayette County Community Action
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	Fayette County Fair Fund
	Highlands Hospital Endowment
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St. Peter's Church Permanent Fund St. Peter's Lutheran Church Permanent Fund Three Rivers Community Foundation Fund Touchstone Center for Crafts Endowment Uniontown Public Library - Eberly Endowment Fund United Way Permanent Fund Westmoreland-Fayette Boy Scouts of America Permanent Fund YMCA Permanent Fund

#### **Field of Interest Funds**

Donors decide the interest area of the fund, such as education, arts, animal welfare or scientific research, and the Foundation awards grants to effective organizations and programs in the selected field. Community Beautification Fund Mary and John J. Depcrymski Memorial Fund

**Unrestricted Funds** 

Designed for donors without a specific designation for their giving.

Fayette County Charities Endowment Kerr Family Charitable Endowment Gilbert M. Thompson Fund Uniontown Area Community Charities Fund

#### **CFFC Capacity Fund**

For donors not ready to create a fund, or who want to join forces with other donors, the CFFC Capacity Fund helps us achieve the greatest possible impact.

These gifts power our competitive grantmaking program allowing CFFC to invest in the most effective organizations in the County, respond to emergencies, and provide for changing needs over time.

#### Scouts of Flow Through Funds

andThis fund works for donors planninga short term, non-permanent charitableFund fordistribution or are hosting a fundraiseror special event. The CFFC Staff assistssionwith back-office support and administration. Funds are then distributedv Actiondirectly to the identified charities.

Brownsville Central Park Project Fund
Community Reinvestment Fund – Buy Local Project
Fayette County Colon Cancer Net- work Fund
Imagination Library Advised Pass Through Fund

### \$250,000 given since 2009 Community Foundation Post-Secondary Scholarships

From 2009 to 2012, The Community Foundation of Fayette County has awarded over \$200,000 post-secondary scholarships to over 250 students!

Fayette County residents may apply for a variety of CFFC scholarships based on criteria, which may include academic accomplishments, community service, financial need, etc. Scholarship applications are available on-line in December and in local high school guidance counselor offices. Applications must be post-marked between January 2 and April 1. For

more information and complete list of scholarships available, please visit www.cffayettepa.org.

The Community Foundation of Fayette County is approved for participation in the PA Higher Education Assistance Program, PATH (Partnership for Access to Higher Education). If a student receives a scholarship through CFFC they may be eligible to receive a matching scholarship through PATH. This extends and adds to the benefit of our donors' awards for deserving students.

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### Community Foundation of Fayette County

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## **Career, Technical Education Scholarship** Fund Promotes Skilled Workforce

Ron Sheba and his wife, Pat, believe that technical education and technical careers are undervalued in Fayette County, and their scholarship through the Community Foundation of Fayette County, the Career and Technical Education Scholarship Fund aims to remedy that.

Even though skilled technicians provide society with lifesaving requirements, such as heat in the winter and effective brakes in vehicles. Ron Sheba said high school graduates often overlook careers as technicians when

"It's very evident for me and my wife that we need skilled people in this county. It makes it run. It makes it go. And I want to try to attract more talented students to attend career and technical schools."

#### Ron Sheba

deciding what to do with their futures.

"It's very evident for me and my wife that we need skilled people in this county. It makes it run. It makes it go. And I want to try to attract more talented students to attend career and technical schools." said

Sheba, who worked at a career and technical school himself for 10 vears. Ron Sheba said the

need for a skilled workforce is more pressing than ever in Fayette County

As baby boomers retire, and more and more

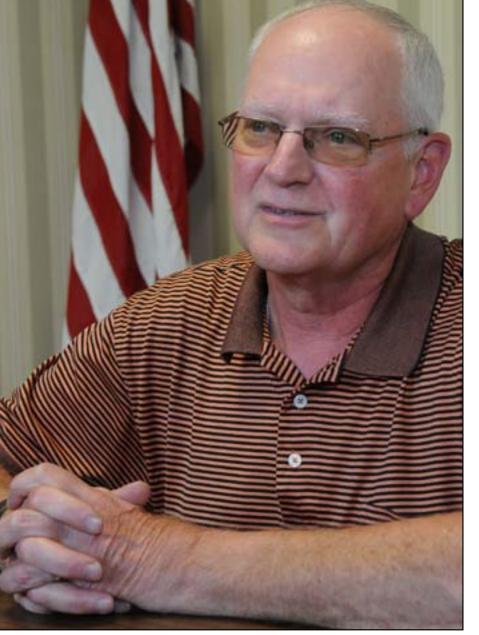


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**Ron Sheba** 

talented young people are going into jobs in business and related fields that require college degrees instead of technical training, there will be what he called a "skills gap" between the

iobs that must be done and the workers who are trained to do them. The scholarship, he

hopes, will bridge the gap. He said the choice to

work with the CFFC to

develop the Career and Technical Education Scholarship Fund was an easy one, thanks to the faith he and his wife have in its abilities and its credibility within the community.

## **Funding Opportunities Community Foundation Offers Grants, Scholarships**

#### **Competitive Grants:**

**EITC Tuition Assistance:** 2012, CFFC awarded over 80 students more than Business contributions to EITC support Fayette \$74,000 to attend the school of their choice. In Throughout the year, the Community Foundation County children through Pennsylvania's Educarequests proposals from nonprofits, sometimes in addition, because of CFFC's partnership with the broad focus areas and other times within specific Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency tional Improvement Tax Credit program. The EITC (PHEAA) and the Partnerships for Access to Highareas. A grant-review committee evaluates the proprogram provides tuition assistance for Fayette er Education (PATH), students planning to attend a posals and makes recommendations for funding. County students in grades Pre K and K-12 attending college in Pennsylvania may be eligible to receive a participating/eligible private or parochial school. As grant opportunities become available, they are an additional matching grant through the PATH posted on our website at www.cffayettepa.org, the program.

CFFC e-Newsletter, and local newspapers.

#### **Post-Secondary Education Scholarships:**

Applicants must be Fayette County residents. In



Foundation of Fayette County.

#### **Donor Advised Grants:**

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These grants are made possible by donors who create a Donor Advised Fund at the Community Foundation. For more information on how to create a Donor Advised Fund, please contact the CFFC Office at (724) 437-8600.

For details on the scholarships available, please visit our website at www.cffayettepa.org. Applications will be available on our website in December and must be post-marked from January 2 through April 1.

a contribution is Lisa Brown (left), manager at First Nigagra Bank, Uniontown. Receiving the contribution is Marilyn J. McDaniel, former CEO, Community

## Scholarship Helps Scholar **Athletes Advance Their Education**

When local business owner Allen Craft died eight years ago, his daughters, son-in-law Jim John and Craft's widow, Tessie, wanted to do something to honor his memory.

"He'd always been very generous. He was always giving donations mainly to try to help underprivileged kids and local high school students," said John.

The family decided to begin with an annual Allen Craft Memorial

Golf Outing and use the remaining proceeds to

capable people."

fund the Allen Craft Memorial Scholarship

"They have the right end game in mind-

academic careers. It's nice to know, when

helping local students advance their

you're doing all this hard work, that

# we're putting the money in the hands of Jim John

Craft Memorial Scholarship Fund.

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The scholarship

is awarded annually

through the Community

Foundation of Fayette

County to a scholar/ath-

lete from Laurel High-

lands High School seek-

ing a college education.

Craft's own daughters

Laurel Highlands sports,

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In its eighth year, the

golf outing has been a

tremendous success so

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John said, "We've had

probably a hundred golf-

father was as well.

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eight years. "And, in eight short years, we've raised around \$115,000," said County, every little bit

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Jamie Kubina (left), Wendy Moore, Tessie Craft, Jill John and Jim John of the Allen

John. "It's amazing how the people support it every year," Tessie Craft said.

Craft and John say the golf outing is a perfect were actively involved in way to both give back to the community and remember their husband and father.

"It's a chance to get together one day a year, have a little fun — that's what he would want and then know that all the money goes to a good cause.

"Obviously, in Fayette people."

## Man Establishes Memorial Scholarship To Honor Sister, Advance Education

Dr. Asa Springer was the youngest of 10 siblings growing up on 999 acres on Coolspring Street outside of Uniontown, and is the last one living, at the age of 88.

In his youth, his older sister, Virginia Springer — he called her Ginger — was his caretaker and friend.

In a poem written for her funeral, Springer described his sister and their childhood this way:

Two kids born up in the hills Among the many rocks and rails. One was older and more trustful I was younger and robustful. One dav aoina home from school I waded through a little pool. Wet shoes, wet socks, oh what a shame **But Ginger always** took the blame. Nursina was her destiny. Medicine was left to me. Full of humor, full of love God receive her up above.

With funds she left to him after her death. Springer established the advance the education of in a health-care field.



Dr. Asa Springer

Virginia Springer Memorial Scholarship Fund to remember her and

Laurel Highlands High School graduates who wish to pursue a career

He, along with his daughter Pam Simpson, worked with the Community Foundation of Fayette County to get the Virginia Springer Memorial Scholarship Fund off the ground and collect applications.

After her days caring for the young Asa Springer were over, Virginia Springer was a nurse who served in World War II and received a master's degree of public health

administration at the University of Michigan.

She spent much of her career as a nurse in Richmond, Calif., while Asa Springer, also attended Michigan - practiced medicine in the state of California until his retirement.

Because there's a strong family background in medicine in the Springer family, it was a logical choice to award a scholarship to students who wish to enter the

health-care field.

Springer aims to have the scholarship award go to two students a year one for the scholastically talented young person with a grade-point average of 3.5 or higher, and another for a student facing a financial hardship that might be a barrier to receiving higher education.

Applications and information are available online at www.cffayettepa.org/scholarships.

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### Parents, Memories of Fayette County Honored With Scholarship

Brothers Morrow and Dan Jones speak warmly of their father, a man of many interests who called himself a "country lawyer and a Sunday painter.'

In addition to his former law practice across from the Fayette County Courthouse, Alfred Jones Jr. painted and sculpted

It was in his memory — and their mother's that the Jones brothers created the Alfred E. Jones Jr. and Anna B. Jones Charitable Fund.

"Our parents were both born in Uniontown, and lived most of their lives here. This was always home for them. Even at age 90, our father was talking

"Vocationally speaking, it's a tough choice to say, 'I'm going to do this. I'm going to be an artist.' But if there's anyone out there, we would like to know about it."

#### **Morrow Jones**

about moving back here. There's quite a pull,' said Dan Jones.

The fund, through the Community Foundation of Fayette County, awards scholarship money to students of the arts, to memorialize their father's love of art, and nursing students, to honor their mother's tireless hospital volunteer efforts. The Jones brothers hopes for an increased are also hoping to use the money to provide grants to community

arts organizations in Fayette County. Though every year brings an abundance of promising applicants for the nursing scholargarner applicants from

ship, it's been difficult to budding artists. Morrow Jones, a former high school teacher who taught photography, English and filmmaking, demand from perspective art students, though he understands why

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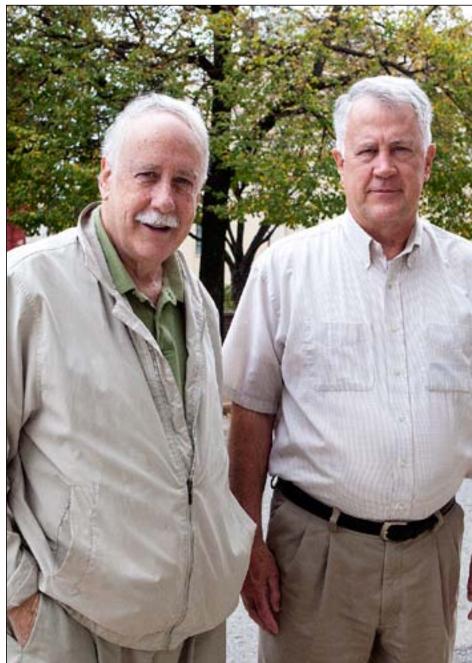


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Morrow and Dan Jones

there is a shortage of scholarship applications in the arts.

"Vocationally speaking, it's a tough choice to say, 'I'm going to do this. I'm going to be an artist.' But if there's anyone out there, we would like to know about it," Morrow

Jones said. Although the Jones brothers both moved from Fayette County after high school, and now live in Harrisburg and Connecticut, respectively, they feel a tug similar to what their father experienced.

Morrow Jones said. "The American experience of community gets harder to maintain as the economy changes. Family scatters for education reasons, job reasons. But we're still pretty well rooted here. There's a tug."

## Fayette Young Professionals Try To Keep Community-Minded Members in Area



**Devan White** 

For the Fayette Young Professionals, the central mission is to keep motivated, communityminded young people from leaving Fayette County, where their talents and knowledge are needed.

The Community Foundation of Fayette County, said Fayette Young Professionals President Devan White, has been instrumental in helping to achieve that goal.

In the spring, the Fayette Young Professionals and the CFFC partnered for the "Bringing it Back Campaign", a mixer

that brought together scholarship recipients and young professionals to emphasize the importance of education and funneling the benefits of that education back into the area.

The Favette Young Professionals is also developing a yearly

"The idea is that the Community Foundation encourages local students to go to college, and then our job at Fayette Young Professionals is to say, 'go off to college, gain knowledge, explore the world, then come back to Fayette County."

**Devan White of the Fayette Young Professionsals** 

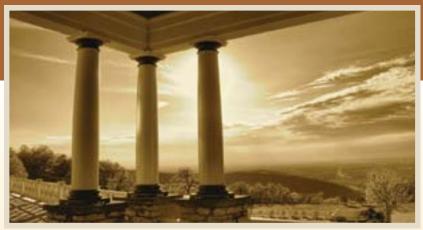
scholarship fund for a high school student who will illustrate, in an essay, why and how they will come back after college to make Fayette County a better place.

In addition, the CFFC helped the Fayette Young Professionals establish a flow-through fund at the foundation, which holds grant monev and donations and

takes care of behindthe-scenes recording for auditing and tax purposes. When the Fayette Young Professionals was a fledgling organization, the help sorting through financial reports was sorely needed.

"The Community Foundation was a saving grace for us," said White. "I think for any start-up group that is just getting off its feet. it's a great option. It saved the Young Professionals, as far as I'm concerned."

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## **Brownsville Free Public Library Explores Renovations Thanks to Endowment**

Brownsville is in the midst of a project to revitalize its downtown. and Kristina Haluska, director of the Brownsville Free Public Library, said the library has plans to undertake renovations of its own, thanks to an endowment from a patron and investments through the **Community Foundation** of Fayette County.

Wish-list improvements include a new children's area on the main floor, with restrooms accessible to the physically disabled and "(The library renovations) will be such a good thing to go along with everything else that's happening in Brownsville. It will provide so much room, if we see all of it come to fruition. It'll be a real boon to the library."

#### **Barbara Carroll**

space for story hour and other programs. Haluksa said the li-

brary also is in talks to expand to the piece of property next door to the current facility.

Built as a library in 1927, Brownsville Free Public Library hasn't closed its doors since. "(The library renovations) will be such a good thing to go along



Kristina Haluska, Brownsville Free Public Library Director, and Barbara Carroll, Library Board President.

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Barbara Carroll, president of the Brownsville Library Board. In addition, the money invested through the CFFC will go toward

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everyday operations and smaller changes such as more energy-efficient lighting and a new boiler.

Haluska and Carroll said speaking with Marilvn McDaniel, former **CFFC Executive Direc**tor, helped them understand what's possible for the library's future. "Investing that money

show that our community is worth it."

with the CFFC has been

changes, and has opened

"It's been a big year

Carroll added. "It's

just so helpful to have

people to guide you and

give you hope. And to

a catalyst for a lot of

a lot of possibilities."

said Haluksa.

for us.'



When Chevron first entered the region in 2010, it established the Chevron Community fund to "identify nonprofit organizations and share our commitment to making a difference in the lives of people in Fayette County," said Mikal Žimmerman, Policy, Government and Public Affairs Representative for Chevron.

Because Chevron was new to the community and unsure how to pinpoint areas of need, Zimmerman said the CFFC was essential to efforts to help.

By offering historical context and insight into local organizations and their success rates, the CFFC was able to guide Chevron's donations in the right direction.

Much of Chevron's community investment goes toward STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) education and workforce development, but in Fayette County, Chevron decided to focus on basic human needs and quality of life initiatives. As such, its donations support

### **Chevron Community Fund Targets Quality of Life Initiatives**

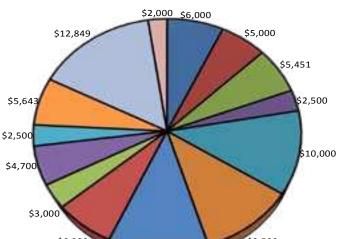
Seated (from left) are Erica Miller, State Theatre; Marilyn Weaver, Wesley Health Center; Beth Maruskin, Dress for Success; Kristen Tunney, Geyer Performing Arts Center. Standing are Mikal Ann Zimmerman, Chevron; Phil Savini, Brownsville Area School District; Debra Lynn Mason, Seton Hill University; Richard G. Watson, St. Vincent College; and Valerie Bacharach, CFFC Board Chair.

"It's not a flash-in-the-pan effort by any means. (Volunteering) allows us to make a generational impact on the community where we're working."

> Mikal Zimmerman, Policy, **Government and Public Affairs Representative for Chevron.**

medical care, food banks, local theaters and parks, and mentoring programs such as Big Brothers Big Sisters.

Chevron's goal, said Zimmerman, is to establish partnerships that extend beyond a one-time financial investment to include volunteer efforts and person-to-person interactions as well. This will help to create lasting positive effects in Fayette County, said Zimmerman.



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Muriel Nuttall, Fayette Chamber of Commerce executive director.

### **Redstone Community** Fund Supports **Fayette Education**

Education is a cornerstone of growth in Fayette County. That's why The Redstone Foundation, set up through the Fayette Chamber of Commerce as a civic community educational foundation, has sought to offer financial support to educational initiatives for more than a decade, said Muriel Nuttall, chamber executive director.

Scholarships, teaching excellence awards, student awards and career fairs for eighth grade students have

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"Instead of grants. we have projects. We devise projects, and I go out and seek funding. We bring the money in and put the money right back out into the community."

> **Muriel Nuttall, Fayette Chamber of Commerce** exectuive director



The Wolford Swimmer Memorial Scholarship has offered me a relief I so desired. I have been able to pursue my education in Meteorology without worrying about financial hardships. My scholarship has given me the freedom to become active in many organizations at CalU. The aid that I have received through this scholarship has made my dream of a college degree possible. Now, there is nothing standing in the way of my success! **77** 

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The generous scholarship that I received from the Community Foundation of Fayette County has allowed me to focus on my education with less financial burden. My first semester in the engineering program at the University of Pittsburgh has been an enormously valuable experience thus far. I am extremely grateful to the CFFC for recognizing my efforts and for their continued support of higher education. ??



Brittany Kusniar – Class of 2015 Student Honors Advisory Board (SHAB). President

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all benefited from Redstone Foundation funds, which are donated from the business community in Fayette County.

Because the chamber is a not-forprofit instead of a nonprofit, it does not receive grant money, said Nuttall.

Other programs supported by The Redstone Foundation include Fayette County Television, fall and spring food drives and maintaining the park

at Eberly Square in Uniontown.

Nuttall says working with Robert Eberly and the CFFC was instrumental to the development of The Redstone Foundation, and that partnership with the CFFC continues today.

"The Redstone Foundation and the CFFC have sat down together in some form hundreds of times over the vears.

"Even though our foundation is not a granting foundation, we sit down with the CFFC and share information and ideas and recognize needs that we see in the community.

"We sit down as partner and say, 'Here's a need. Let's see how we can fill it," the Executive Director said.





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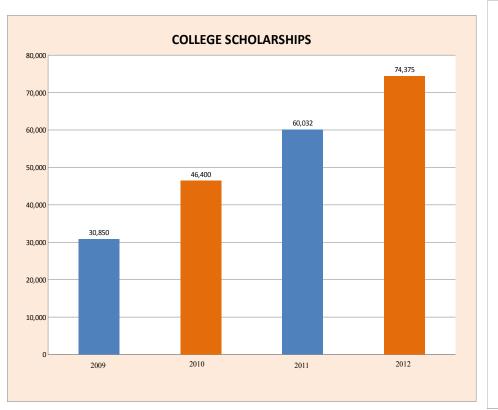


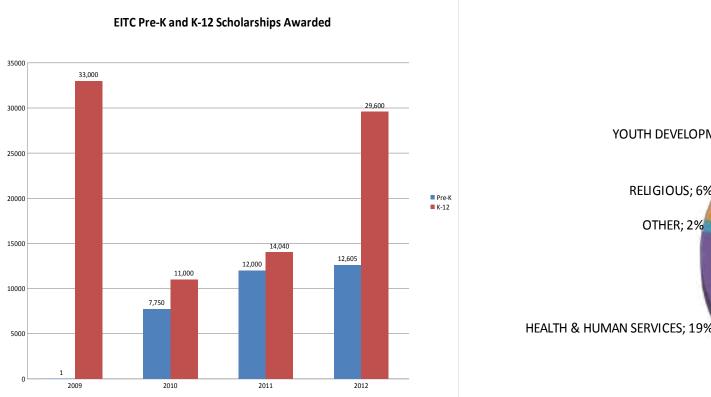
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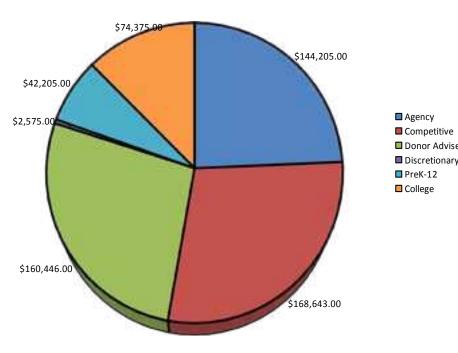
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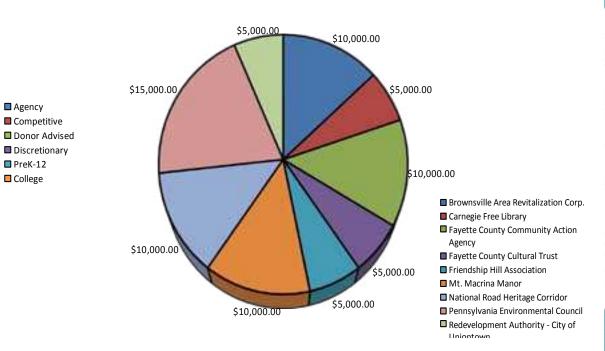
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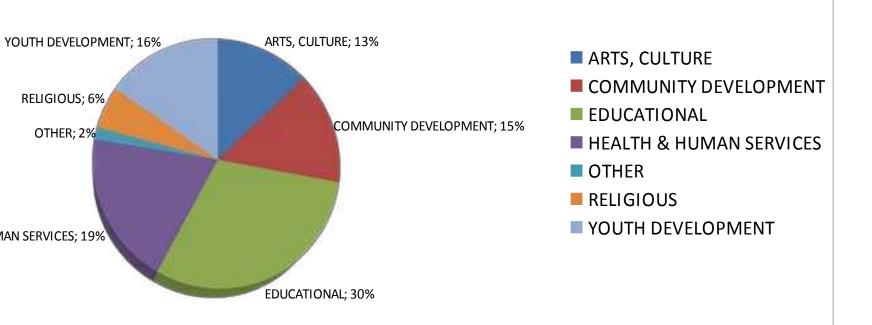


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Contributions, bequests and grants	\$ 542,291	\$ 401,437	\$ 470,910	\$ 1,414,638	
Interest and dividends	11,656	35,356	109,639	156,651	
Administration fees	133,494			133,494	
Fundraising, net of \$19,999 in direct expense	14,426		100 - 100 - 100 - 100 - 100 - 100 - 100 - 100 - 100 - 100 - 100 - 100 - 100 - 100 - 100 - 100 - 100 - 100 - 100	14,426	
Realized and unrealized gains on investments	29,687	41,167	253,096	323,950	
Net assets released from restrictions Change in beneficial interest in	707,504	(548,450)	(159,054)	•	
irrevocable trusts	<u> </u>		2,677,053	2,677,053	
TOTAL SUPPORT AND REVENUE	1,439,058	(70,490)	3,351,644	4,720,212	
EXPENSES					
Grant-making expenses	1,202,238	-		1,202,238	
Management and General	293,987			293,987	
TOTAL EXPENSES	1,496,225			1,496,225	
OPERATING CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	(57,167)	(70,490)	3,351,644	3,223,987	
NET ASSETS TRANSFERS	48,979	<del></del>	(48,979)		
NET ASSETS CHANGE FOR YEAR	(8,188)	(70,490)	3,302,665	3,223,987	
NET ASSETS - BEGINNING OF YEAR	92,751	.1,535,364	3,341,306	4,969,421	
NET ASSETS - END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 84,563</u>	\$_1,464,874	5 6,643,971	<u>\$ 8,193,408</u>	



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#### LIABILITIES

alents	\$ 858,618	Accounts payable and accruals	\$	68,124
– grants	66,380	Grants payable		16,436
– other	40,353	Deferred revenue		104,778
	\$ 8,074,824	Gift annuity payable		21,312
	7,727	Agency endowments	3.	,343,403
& improvements				
lepreciation of \$94,338	1,194			
Irrevocable Trusts	2,698,365	TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$3	3,554,053
		NET ASSETS		
		Unrestricted		84,563
		Temporarily restricted	1	,464,874
		Permanently restricted	<u>6</u>	<u>5,643,971</u>
		TOTAL NET ASSETS	\$	8,193,408
	\$ 11,747,461	TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$1	1,747,461

## Morgan Stanley

Retirement planning College savings plans Comprehensive financial planning

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## Scholarship Helps Women in **Albert Gallatin Continue Education**

Dr. Denise M. Martin and her husband, Jeff, have deep roots in the Albert Gallatin Area School District. They both attended school there, and went on to work in the district as well — Jeff Martin as a high school English teacher for 35 years and Denise Martin in several roles, culminating in serving as district superintendent.

"My office was actually where I went to kindergarten," said Denise Martin.

After their retirements, the Martins made ing back to the residents Dr. Denise M. Martin

"There are a lot of scholarships for high school seniors, but we wanted to fund a niche that was not previously funded. A lot of the women who apply are going back to school and have kids at home. They have one college degree and want to go further."

#### Jeff Martin

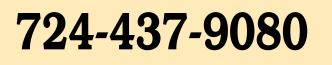
school district. "It's our way of giv-

it a priority to give back, who supported us and and sought to identify an employed us through the under-served need in the years," said Jeff Martin. To that end, in 2009 the Martins created the



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Dr. Denise M. and Jeff Martin

Scholarship Fund, with help from the Community Foundation of Fayette County.

Specifically for women living or working in the school district who seek post-graduate schooling in education-related fields, the scholarship helps to promote women in leadership roles and help ease the burden of school costs.

"There are a lot of scholarships for high

school seniors, but we wanted to fund a niche that was not previously funded.

"A lot of the women who apply are going back to school and have kids at home. They have one college degree and want to go further," said Jeff Martin.

"There's not a lot of scholarships available for these women, so this filled a void," said Denise Martin.

Scholarship recipients go on to study in fields such as physical therapy and speech therapy, education and nursing.

The Martins said they're always searching for scholarship applicants. Applications are available online at the CFFC website for women who live and work in the Albert Gallatin Area School District who wish to continue their education.



### Community life



Above: Volunteers establish a community garden thanks to funding provided by Chevron through the Community Foundation of Favette County. The Community Foundation of Fayette County helps define charitable needs, connects donors with causes that matters to them, supports nonprofit organizations, and invests charitable assets to make the community a better place to live

### St. John the Evangelist **Regional Catholic School Receives Idea Fund Grant**

gional Catholic School was the grade in writing and presentfirst recipient of an Idea Fund ing puppet shows for their grant through (CFFC). Catherine Poninsky, a first grade teacher at St. John the Evangelist Grade School received funding for her application, "Creative Play and Puppet Theater."

According to Poninsky, "This grant has given us the opportunity to add a new dimension to our Fine Arts program. It will enhance the creativity of our students by using their imagination in its various forms.'

The project will involve

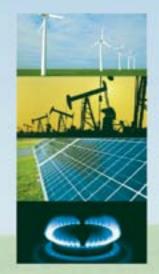
St. John the Evangelist Re- students in Pre-K through 6th classmates and the entire student body.

The Idea Fund was created by a local donor to foster teacher creativity at Geibel Middle-High School and St. John the Evangelist Regional Catholic School.

Applicants must demonstrate a willingness to move outside the box to enrich the learning experience. engage students actively and use the materials to impact a significant number of students.



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