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“For it is in
giving that we
receive.”

~ Francis of
Assisi

Guests Get Groovy at Generations Dinner



Our second annual Generations dinner was a blast from the past for many! Guests were encouraged to dress up in their favorite era and decorate their tables. With music throughout the ages, fun quizzes and a live auction, the fundraising event was fun and successful!

Prizes were awarded for best dressed (Nancy Riley), best decorated table (United Way of Scott County), youngest person in attendance

(Jonathan Rhodes), oldest person in attendance (LaVerne Dunn), winner of the table quiz (Alcorn, Sage, Schwartz & Magrath), sponsor drawing (Scott County Sheriff's Posse) and attendee drawing (Sue Collins).

This night would not be a success without the support of many people! We would like to show our gratitude to our sponsors: Alcorn, Sage, Schwartz & Magrath; Greater Scott County Chamber of Commerce; Morgan Foods; Scott County Economic Development Corporation; Scott County School District 2; Scott County Sheriff's Posse; Scott Memorial Hospital; Scottsburg Kiwanis Club; and United Way of Scott County.

Our caterer even got in the spirit of decorating the serving tables with 8-track tapes (remember those?). Jan Collins and her staff with Country Classics always provide delicious food.

Heather White captures the moments with her photography skills; Ryan and Stacy Payne bring in the big bucks through their auctioneer services. Lastly, our Board of Directors, committee members and staff spend a lot of time demonstrating their commitment to the Foundation all year long!





John Wittich's Legacy Benefits Englishton Park

New endowment fund will support camp scholarships for at-risk youth

A new fund to benefit the Englishton Park Summer Camp program will carry on the legacy of "Chief John," a former camp counselor who passed away this year after a short battle with cancer.

John Elliott Wittich worked his first summer at Englishton Park in Lexington in 1978. He had just finished his junior year at Hanover College. He was a psychology major, but wasn't sure what he wanted to do following graduation. Dr. Rawson, psychology professor at Hanover College, knew John as a very energetic and dedicated student. As a founding member and director of the Englishton Park Children's Program for many years, Dr. Rawson encouraged John to apply to work there.

"In John, Dr. Rawson saw a talent John didn't see in himself yet," said John's wife, Tami.

John worked at Englishton Park during the summers of 1979, 1980 and 1982. While at Englishton, John found his life's passion. He now knew he wanted to work professionally with children. John graduated from Hanover College in 1979 and he earned a master's degree in school psychology at Miami of Ohio University in 1982. For the next 33 years he worked with children with various learning challenges. He became a trusted support for their parents as well.

"Working with children was not just his career, it was his life and passion," said Tami. "Even when he was on vacation, he would carry his clipboard, creating new and meaningful ways to work with the students.

John was diagnosed in April 2015 with colon cancer. He had retired from Lakota Schools in West Chester, Ohio, but had been re-hired by Talawanda Schools in Oxford, Ohio. When word spread of his diagnosis,

John received hundreds of cards and letters from colleagues, parents, friends and family sending him their hopeful words for a recovery. Words such as "thoughtful, kind, loving, funny, and inspirational" were used again and again to describe their recollection of John's influence in their own life. Colleagues shared their memories of how his kindness had left such a positive mark.

John only lived three months following his diagnosis. He died July 9, 2015. He left behind his loving wife of 34 years, his children, Alexandra, Kelsey and John Kenneth; two grandchildren, and many other loving family members, friends and colleagues.

Soon after, Tami decided to contribute the gifts made in memory of John to the Scott County Community Foundation, to establish the Chief John Memorial Campership Fund. Earnings from the fund will benefit Englishton Park, so that at-risk youth will continue to receive life-changing experiences that John himself was able to provide when he was a camp counselor there.

"John loved Englishton Park," said Tami. "He would be so proud of the camper scholarship that his family set up to honor him. His memory will live on through this scholarship."

All donations to the Chief John Memorial Campership Fund will be matched 50 cents for every dollar through a matching grant opportunity from Lilly Endowment, which will end March 31, 2016. Donations can be made to the Scott County Community Foundation at PO Box 25; Scottsburg, IN 47170. For more information, call 812-752-2057, email info@scottcountyfoundation.org or visit www.scottcountyfoundation.org.



\$1.25 Million Potential for Scott County

Lilly Endowment matching grant opportunity available



The YMCA pool. Backsacks of food for hungry children. Free preschool for children in Lexington Township. Robotics equipment for youth in 4-H. Free books for children from birth through age five. Safety equipment for local police and sheriff's departments. After-school program for students. Staff to train volunteers for abused and neglected children. Greenhouse to teach the importance of agriculture to students. Campaign to fight poverty.

What do these all have in common? They are just a handful of many grants that were awarded in the community during the last two years through our Community Grants Program. They were all made possible through unrestricted funds from donors who understand the importance of changing needs in Scott County.

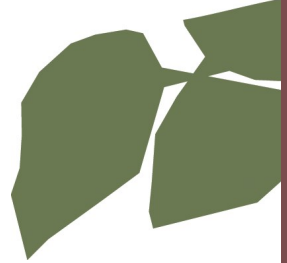
Each year our grants committee receives numerous requests for worthy programs and projects but doesn't have enough funds to fully support them all. But with a \$500,000 matching grant from Lilly Endowment, you can help increase our grantmaking by 20% every year!! That's an extra \$50,000 in grants and scholarships awarded to our community! Upon

meeting the match, this can bring \$1.25 million to Scott County!

Lilly's matching grant will allow donations to our unrestricted funds to be matched dollar for dollar. Funds that have a specific purpose, such as scholarships or to support local charities, can also benefit from donations matched 50 cents for every dollar.

Thirty years ago, we probably weren't talking about the problems of childhood obesity or the need for rural internet access. We know the needs of the community are changing - and we need your help to meet these needs.

This is an incredible opportunity that won't last much longer! The last day for matching is March 31, 2016. Be a part of the vision, be a part of the giving, be a part of the solution.



Your Community Bank Establishes Fund

ment, YCB's gift of \$5,000 will be matched with \$5,000 for the unrestricted fund, which will support community needs every year.

"We are excited to partner with the Scott County Community Foundation, an organization that has done so much for Scott County," said Whitlock. "At Your Community Bank, we understand the importance of investing in these types of efforts that benefits the community both today and in the future."

"Your Community Bank has always cared about building relationships in Scott County, and this is another great example of their commitment to Scott County. This investment increases the quality of life for all of our residents," said Toppe. "We appreciate the generosity of the bank and their employees and we look forward to our continued partnership."

Your Community Bank Regional President Syd Whitlock and Financial Center Manager Amberley Kendall present Scott County Community Foundation Executive Director Jaime Toppe (middle) a check

for \$5,000 to establish the Your Community Bank Fund. Through a matching grant opportunity from Lilly Endow-





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YGC Welcomes New Members

Our Scott County Youth Grant-making Council has greatly increased its membership, adding 15 new youth to its Community Service Committee. This brings the total youth involved in learning about philanthropy to 52! In addition, six members were named as “voting” members, where their new roles will include grantmaking and fundraising in addition to community service and leadership activities. Hannah Brown, Makalynn Brown, Hannah Dickerson, Sara Edwards, Ally Justice and Lyla Waskom were all welcomed.

New community service committee members include: Becky Foster, Emily Foster, homeschool; Addie Borden, Mia Collins, Melea Luttrell, Vienna-Finley Elementary; Nick Henderson, Austin Middle School; Jenna Buckner, Macy Funk, Eric Marcum, Ethan Mullins, Scottsburg Middle School; Paige Barrett,

Taylor Funk, Taylor Means, Jake Murphy, Sarah Thomas, Scottsburg High School.

New officers were voted on and include: Kaleb Mount, President; Evan Howser, Vice-President; Isaak Mount, Treasurer; and Eliza Mount, Secretary.

YGC members had the opportunity to meet each other and work on their team-building, communication and leadership skills at a low-ropes course at Country Lake Christian Retreat.

They have several upcoming activities to keep them busy. Along with monthly service projects, and a restaurant night fundraiser at Jeeves, they hosted their first annual Austin vs. Scottsburg alumni basketball game fundraiser at Meyer Gym, which was attended by over 2,000



people!

The YGC appreciates your support in all their activities. Through a grant from Lilly Endowment, all donations to their endowment funds will be matched 50 cents for every dollar through March 31, 2016.. Earnings from the YGC's endowment fund and Terry Fewell Memorial Youth Fund support grants for youth projects.