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Thoughts From Our Chairman

Dear Friends of the Foundation,

If you were asked to name a few of the greatest inventions and innovations of your generation, what ideas might come to mind? Several years ago, I had the opportunity to visit a national landmark showcasing several of the world's great ideas: the Edison and Ford Winter Estates, located in Fort Meyers, Florida. The landmark honors the innovation and creativity of Thomas Edison and Henry Ford, and includes tours of the Edison and Ford Museum and Research Laboratory. In his lifetime, Edison was attributed with 1,093 patents, and the widespread impact of his inventions and innovations (including the long-lasting, practical light bulb, record player, telegraph, telephone, and x-ray machine) have had, and will continue to have, tremendous impact in the lives of countless individuals, generation after generation.

It has been written that on Edison's eightieth birthday, he was asked which of his inventions he considered the greatest, and without hesitation, he replied "The research laboratory." While not everyone may have understood his reasoning, Edison understood that great ideas, great impact, and great success do not result from working as an individual, but instead results from working alongside passionate individuals who share with, inspire, and challenge one another.

The Community Foundation continues to embrace the opportunity to work alongside members of the community to showcase, honor, and ensure lasting commitment and positive impact. As a board member of the Scott County Community Foundation for the last six years, and as a life-long member of this community, I've considered it a privilege to serve in an organization of individuals who passionately care for the future of Scott County. As we continue to engage in our mission of preserving charitable gifts to strengthen Scott County, we hope that you, too, will share with others (and with us) the stories of great ideas, great impact, and great success created through the generosity of others. And for anyone wishing to support the future of Scott County, a gift to the Scott County Community Foundation today can have tremendous impact for generations to come.

And as I end my final "Thoughts from Our Chairman," I'd like to conclude by welcoming incoming SCCF Board Chairman, L.L. Lowry, as well as summer interns Logan Wells and Kelsie Collins. I'd also like to thank Lynda Phillips for serving the youth of our county this past year as a Community Foundation intern in the role of Career and College Counselor at Scottsburg and Austin high schools. Lastly, I'd like to thank Jaime Toppe, Charlotte Boswell, and Debbie Heacock for their dedication to

the success of the Foundation, Community Foundation com-



mittee and board members for providing insight, time and quidance year after year, and all who faithfully commit to the future of the community through contributions of charitable gifts. Great ideas, great impact, and great success at the community level are not possible without the contributions of many, and your contributions to the Scott County Community Foundation allow for tremendous impact in the lives of countless individuals, in countless ways, generation after generation. Thank you for your continued support!

Looking forward,

ADAM GIBSON
CHAIRMAN

"We all die. The goal isn't to live forever. The goal is to create something that will."

~ Chuck Palahniuk, novelist

Former Board Member Verle Pearcy Passes



Verle Pearcy, a former board member for the Foundation, passed away on June 4 at the age of 83. He was married to Doris, and retired from banking. He was a member of First Christian Church, a U.S. Navy veteran of the Korean War, and was active in the community through several clubs and organizations, including Scottsburg Kiwanis Club and Little League.

Verle served on the Community Foundation Board in its early years, serving from 1997-1999

until his move to Florida. He was active in fundraising efforts for the Foundation.

"Verle was the first person we met from Scottsburg when looking for a place to start the business," said Becky Wolf, founding board member. "At that time he was the President of Scott County State Bank. He was

instrumental in arranging financing for not only our business but our home as well."

"He and Doris made sure we were introduced to a lot of people through the then Newcomers Group," shared Becky. "It was a monthly informal get together for us to interact with others that were new to the community at that time."

"In our early years in Scott County, Verle and Scott County State Bank supported all of the organizations that are still active in Scott County from the formation of the Scott County Chamber of Commerce to the Community Foundation," said Becky.

"He enjoyed his service on the Board," said his wife Doris. "He felt it was very beneficial to Scott County. He was a big supporter of the Foundation."

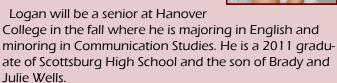


Summer Interns Hired to Assist with Community Projects

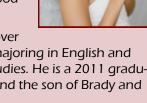
A grant from Lilly Endowment has provided the opportunity for the Scott County Community Foundation to hire two new interns. Logan Wells is working as the Education Assessment Project Coordinator, taking on duties to assist schools, community boards

and committees with educational programs. He is collecting data from various programs throughout the county in order to improve educational outcomes for the community. Kelsie Collins is working as the Health Assessment Project Coordinator, where her duties involve assisting the work done on a special project that will gather information regarding health resources (family violence, substance abuse, mental health, socioeconomic factors including education, nutrition and exercise) in Scott County. Both will be providing infor-

mation for the Scott County Partnership's Youth/Education Committee, the Get Healthy Scott County Committee, and the Community Foundation/United Way's Early Childhood Committee.



Kelsie is a sophomore at Taylor University in Upland. She is majoring in psychology, minoring in studio art and will graduate in May 2017. She is a 2013 graduate of Scottsburg High School, and the daughter of Kevin and Kim Collins.



New "Generations" Dinner Celebrates Impact

Question: Who was the lead actor in the 1949 war film "Sands of Iwo Jima"? Find out the answer and more at our upcoming fundraising event!

We will host a "Generations" dinner this summer to celebrate the impact that past and current generations will have on future generations. The event will be held Saturday, August 23 at 5:30 p.m. at the Mid-America Science

This fun-filled night will feature music from different eras, quizzes, prizes and more. Attendees are invited to dress up in your favorite generation, and even decorate your

table to match, with prizes to be awarded. There will be a live auction with auctioneer Ryan Payne, and includes big-ticket items such as Disney World tickets, Belle of Louisville cruise, Horseshoe Casino package and much

Dinner will be provided by Country Classics. Tickets can be purchased for \$15, and reservations will be taken until Friday, August 15.

We hope you will come help us honor our donors, volunteers, and nonprofits, who are all making a difference for generations to come!

"The Scott County

Over \$138,000 Awarded During Community Grants Program

We have awarded over \$138,000 in grants to several local agencies during our 2014 Community Grants Program. Organizations receiving grants include: Austin Elementary School, Big Brothers Big Sisters, CASA of Scott County, Englishton Park, Gleaners Food Bank, Lexington Good Faith Preschool, Scott County Family YMCA, Scott County 4-H, Scott County Partnership, Scott County Sheriff's Posse, United Way of Scott County, and Work One. For a full list of the grant purposes and photos, please visit our website.

The grants were made possible from the Donald R. Collins Sr. Family Fund, Terry Fewell Memorial Unrestricted Fund, Addie Mae Graham Memorial

Fund, Lauren Graham Memorial Fund, Hazel and Lowell Lowry Sr. Memorial Fund, L.L. and Juanita Lowry Unrestricted Fund, John and Janice Martin Unrestricted Fund, Dr. William and Diann Scott Unrestricted Fund, Scott County Immediate Response Fund, Scott County Memorial Fund and the Community Enrichment Fund.



Scott County Family YMCA CEO Ryan Penrod accepts a check for \$30,000 from Mollie Collins and Kevin Collins, on behalf of the Donald R. Collins Sr. Family Fund. Through the family's membership in the Forever Tree Society, earnings from the fund are able to support specific possible without the charitable agencies each year.

"Once again I would like to take this opportunity to thank all committee members for their efforts, time and discussions throughout the entire process," said Grants Committee Chairperson Hank Jentzen.

"This year we were able to make a bigger impact funding various projects in our community."

"All this would not be generosity of people who establish funds

and those who donate money to the SCCF. I also want to thank the board members for their support and those who had the foresight to establish the Community Foundation."

Community Foundation would like to congratulate those who have received funding and thank all the applicants for their desire to make Scott

Hank Jentzen Grants Committee Chair

County a better place

to live."

Scholarships Awarded to Students During Ceremonies

Almost \$49,000 has been awarded to students this year to assist with their pursuit of higher education. The students were honored at their high school awards ceremonies, and several donors were on hand to see the impact of their gift. More information can be viewed on our Facebook page and website.

The following students were awarded scholarships:

Alice and Gerald Miner Memorial Scholarship(\$4,000): Amanda Amick (Scottsburg High School)

Carol Pettit Memorial Scholarship (\$500): Ashley Elliott (SHS)

Greater Scott County Chamber of Commerce (\$500): Kevin Jentzen (SHS), Hunter Spencer (Austin High School)

Charles G. Nolan Memorial Scholarship (\$500): Emily Ashley (AHS)

Christie Crafton Memorial Scholarship (\$500): Ashley El-

Dale McNeely Memorial Scholarship (\$10,000): Lauren Howser (SHS); (\$9,000): Maddie Collins (SHS)



Emily Ashley and Phyllis Calvin

Epply Shields Memorial Scholarship (\$4,000): Anna Hall (SHS)

Jayce Stallings Memorial Fund (\$1,000): Taylor Jeffries (AHS)

Lilly Scholars Endowment Fund (\$600): Maggie White (AHS) and Lauren Howser

Mary Elizabeth-Virgil S. Miller Memorial Scholarship (\$2,500): Maggie White and

Phyllis Calvin Educational Endowment Fund (\$500): Emily Ashley

Robert Comer Memorial Scholarship (\$500): Anna Hall

Scott Memorial Hospital Guild Brunton-Mumford Memorial Scholarship (up to \$5,000): Karissa Light (SHS)

Shelley Comer Akers Memorial Scholarship (\$500): Anna

Timothy Michael Wolf Memorial Scholarship (\$5,000): Mollie Collins

Walter S. and Clarice (White) Bridgewater Memorial Scholarship (\$750): Emily Walker



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YGC Hosts Annual Dinner; Honors Youth

The Scott County Youth Grantmaking Council hosted their annual dinner in June, where they honored this year's grant recipients, highlighted their accomplishments for the past year, and awarded the first-ever Helping Hand award to a deserving student.

Over \$5,800 was awarded for youth-related projects, including Austin Middle/High Schools, Greater Scott County Chamber of Commerce, Lexington Good Faith Preschool, Scott County 4-H, Scottsburg High School Pep Band, Scotts-



burg High
School Show
Choir, Scottsburg Kiwanis
Club, Special
Olympics,
United Way
of Scott
County and
Vienna-Finley
Elementary
School.

Graduating seniors
Sera Craig, Lauren
Howser and Kevin
Jentzen were honored
for their service to the
YGC, and Kevin was
also given the Goody
Two-Shoes Award for
volunteering the most
hours to the YGC.



Ashley Martin, a student at Vienna-Finley, was honored with the Helping Hand award for her philanthropic efforts with Ashley's Coat Drive, which provides money and coats for the Clearinghouse.

YGC members will continue with a busy summer, having just attended the yearly statewide conference in Indianapolis. They have an upcoming service project helping to pack backpacks for children in foster care through Project T3, and will have a fun, team-building day at Country Lake Christian Retreat before the start of school.