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# Scott County Community Foundation

# Community Connection

New Series of Nonprofit Workshops Announced

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Attendees at a recent session on strategic planning listen to tips from June Miller.

In an effort to assist nonprofits with capacity building, we will be hosting quarterly lunch and learn sessions. Board members, volunteers and staff of nonprofit organizations are highly encouraged to attend.

The first session, "Fundraising...A Closer Look" will be held Nov. 8 from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. at the train depot, 90 N. Main St. in Scottsburg. Get ready to take a closer look at what it takes to raise money for your nonprofit. In this fast paced, interactive workshop, participants will take a closer look at factors that exist in nearly every successful fundraising effort, along with fundraising tools and resources. You may be reminded of some old favorites, and new ideas that you may not have considered will be introduced. Included will be a closer look at getting members of your Board of Directors willingly involved in effective fundraising. Come prepared to ask questions, to learn and to enjoy yourself.

Future topics include "Grantwriting 101: Getting Started" on March 14; "High Trust Leadership – The Heart and Soul of Success" on June 13; and "Crucial Conversations: Learn to Successfully Navigate the Conversations You are Avoiding" on Sept. 12, 2019. These workshops will be led by nonprofit consultant June Miller, who brings more than 20 years of experience in corporate and nonprofit training.

"We are pleased to continue our nonprofit workshops for the third year," said Community Foundation Executive Director Jaime Toppe. "We've really seen a growth in local nonprofits as they implement ideas they've learned, and they enjoy the networking provided through the sessions."

"I advise staff and volunteer board members to support your organization by attending," said Toppe. "Our grants committee will look favorably upon organizations that apply for funding from the Community Foundation, and have shown a desire to build their organization's capacity through attendance at these sessions."

The cost for attending is \$10 per person and includes lunch. Registration is due one day prior to the session, and can be made by calling the Scott County Community Foundation at 812-752-2057 or emailing info@scottcountyfoundation.org.



YGC voting members get a tour of the renovated Scottsburg library branch, above, and the Museum, right at their recent business meetings. Voting members serve as a board—they make the business decisions along with being responsible for fundraising and grantmaking.

#### Members of the Scott County YGC have started another busy school year! As they headed into their new fiscal year, they held interviews for new members of the Community Service Committee. We would like to welcome our newest members: Grayson Squires and Brooks Swank of Austin Middle School; Braelyn Kleehammer and Brooklyn Moon of Scottsburg Elementary School; Noah Bagwell, Kati Craig, Colby Hall, Caden Howell, Isabelle Marcum, Caden Richardson, Ellie Richardson and Hannah Stutsman of Scottsburg Middle School; Kinlee Craig of Scottsburg High School; Sophie Gricius, Jace Luttrell, Cason Owens, Lily Siekman and Mia Voiles of Vienna-Finley Elementary School.

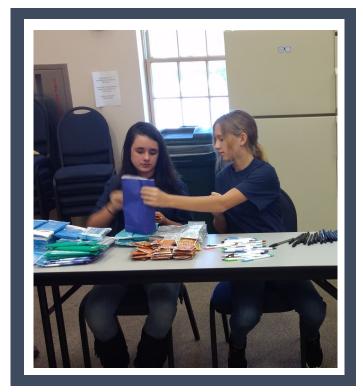
Each year when seniors graduate, positions open for new voting members. Several members of the Community Service Committee were selected for interviews, based on their leadership potential and community service activities with the YGC. While the YGC members face difficult decisions, it is a very valuable experience for all the members. The YGC welcomes the newest voting members: Abby Colson, Macy Colson, Hayden Garten, Lucas Toppe and Sophia Voiles.

Lastly, the voting members selected the following as their officers and chairpersons for the year: Eliza Mount, President; Miranda Baker, Vice President; Hannah Dickerson, Secretary; Logan Weilbaker, Treasurer; Hannah Brown and Elle Fleenor, grants committee co-chairs; Eric Marcum and Gavin Borden, governance committee co-chairs; Ryan Howser, asset development committee chairperson; and Gavin Collins, community service committee chairperson. These members will get the opportunity to learn leadership skills through these positions.

YGC members are busy year-round with community service projects. Our most recent projects included collecting donations for Cradle Pregnancy Resource and then working at their office to

#### help sort donations and clean the building. Members and their families also just collected a ton of donations for our annual police officer appreciation project.

The YGC will host their 4th Annual Thanksgiving Throwback Throwdown (Austin vs. Scottsburg alumni basketball games) on Sunday, Nov. 18 at Rigel Gym in Austin. Planning is underway, and sponsors are needed to help ensure a successful event. This is their biggest fundraiser of the year and allows them to award additional grant dollars to the community for youth-related projects. Last year's event brought in \$4,100. Come show your support and have a great time watching the fun rivalry games!



## Scott County YGC Welcomes New Members

87 youth are now learning about philanthropy....giving their time, talent and treasure back to the community.





## Foundation Happenings

The Scott County Partnership has served our community for 20 years, and we were honored to join in the celebration! We've had a close relationship with the Partnership over the years and they are doing amazing work!!





During our Community Grants Program earlier this year, we awarded a \$3,500 grant to Centerstone to purchase mobile play therapy kits. The therapeutic games, books and toys encourage the child and parent to engage with the clinicians as they work on their personal treatment plans. Centerstone staff had a packing party when the items arrived and we loved seeing all the items that will benefit the kids!



We hosted an open house in August and enjoyed the great conversations! Becky Wolf and Margie Fawver both have established endowment funds at the Community Foundation.

We were so glad to hear from everyone how the community is being impacted through the charitable giving of our donors. We could not award grants and scholarships without your generosity!



Dr. Rita Hudson Shourds gave a very informative presentation on Align Southern Indiana at our recent board meeting. ASI is a regional collaboration between Clark, Floyd, Harrison, Scott and Washington counties that seeks to align resources, address needs and produce sustainable solutions. We are proud to be a part of this initiative! Along with our Executive Director Jaime Toppe, Greater Scott County Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Kelly Dulaney serve on the Governing Board of ASI. Locally, both our school districts are represented on the Kindergarten Readiness A-Team, and Scott County Partnership Executive Director Jene Bridgewater is the co-chair of the Addiction Prevention A-Team. We love that everyone is working together in our region!!



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# Daniel Brunner Welcomed to Board of Directors

We are excited to welcome Daniel Brunner to our Board munity. of Directors. He began his term Oct. I.

Daniel is the son of Tim Brunner, who is the Scott County Environmentalist, and Nancy Riley, who is the executive director of United Way of Scott County. His wife, Brittany, is a registered nurse at Baptist Floyd.

Daniel graduated from Scottsburg High School and received his bachelor of science degree in finance from the University of Evansville. He is employed as the branch manager at New Washington State Bank in Scottsburg. Daniel also serves on the Scott County Family YMCA board, serves as a corporate member of the Scottsburg Kiwanis Club and attends Fairview Christian Church. He enjoys fishing, farming and spending time with his family.

Daniel served as a member of the Community Foundation's Finance and Investment Committee prior to joining the board. He shared that he joined in order give back his time to an organization that impacts our com"The Scott County Community Foundation is an organization that has a great mission and a group of volunteers that truly care about where they work and live," said Daniel.

"We are excited to have Daniel join our Board," said Executive Director Jaime Toppe. "He is active in the

community and we are excited to have his expertise to guide us in decisions that will positively affect Scott County."

New officers for 2018-2019 were also selected. Christa West will serve as Chairperson, Heather White will be the Vice Chairperson, Melissa Woods will take over as Secretary, and Josh Stigdon will assist as Treasurer.

