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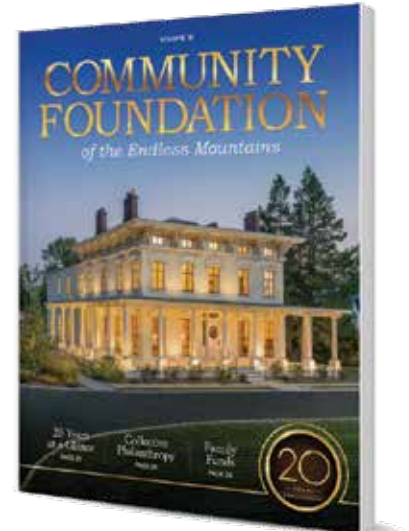
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Our Building

The cover for our Twentieth Anniversary Edition is a photograph of our headquarters. This beautiful building was built in 1860 by William Cooper, an early settler of Montrose who owned a bank, William Cooper Company. After Cooper's untimely death, (he was murdered by a local man in downtown Montrose) the building was owned by several families including Charles Lukens Huston who owned Lukens Iron and Steel, and Alfred B. Smith, a noted publisher of hymnals and religious music.

In 1998, the property was purchased by June and Earle Wootton who began its restoration using local contractors. The building was returned to its original character while redesigning the layout to meet the needs of the newly formed Community Foundation.



In 2007, a major expansion increased the building to the present 12,000 square feet and included the installation of an elevator and a conference center on the lower level below the original main floor. Parking areas and landscaping completed the project in 2009, and on November 4, 2010 the building was given to the Community Foundation.

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Welcome to Our New Director



Ken Goody

We are delighted to introduce our director Ken Goody to our community. He arrives with 30 years of experience in leadership positions at private, family and community foundations, financial and nonprofit institutions. He is currently Foundation Executive at the Dorothea Haus Ross Foundation of New York City. That organization focuses upon programs that aid vulnerable, disabled, trafficked, exploited and refugee children in the developing world. They also fund organizations that foster sustainable economic communities. Field missions have taken Mr. Goody to East Africa, the Middle East, Ukraine, Asia and South America.

Ken Goody began his career at the Rockefeller Foundation, cultivating major donors at the Asia Society. He also advised nonprofits on fundraising, business planning and governance, worked at US Trust Company, and currently serves on the board finance committee of Philanthropy New York. He holds a B.A. in political science and economics from Gettysburg College and is a Chartered Adviser in Philanthropy of the American College. He is a most welcome addition to our Board of Directors.

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

*“Large streams from
little fountains flow,
Tall oaks from little acorns grow.”*

DAVID EVERETT 1797

BY PETER QUIGG, COMMUNITY FOUNDATION PRESIDENT



On January 27th 1998 a dedicated group of Susquehanna County citizens came together to formally establish a community foundation. Experts in the field of philanthropy said it couldn't be done. The demographics and economy of the region couldn't sustain such an endeavor. Indeed, early charitable grants were measured merely in the hundreds of dollars. However, friends, benefactors, and donors sincerely believed in the worthwhile endeavor. Their foresight and perseverance paid off. A handful of early endowments supported college scholarships as well as a few local charities and non-profit organizations. As momentum grew The Community Foundation formed a United Way to also serve Susquehanna County. At the request of citizens from the Tunkhannock area

expansion into Wyoming County ensued. Affiliate school district foundations were formed to benefit the schools in Susquehanna and Wyoming Counties. The charitable goals of various individual and corporate donors sparked an expansion into the entire Endless Mountains region. Most recently our partnerships with various entities from across Pennsylvania, especially the Pennsylvania Bankers Association, have ushered in a new era of expansion and name change with our newly formed Commonwealth Charitable Management. From our humble beginnings twenty years ago as an organization with only a part-time staff providing modest grants in Susquehanna County we have grown to a staff of eight who on behalf of our donors stretching from Texas to New York is providing charitable and educational assistance across all of Pennsylvania and in six other states. We can only imagine what will happen in the next twenty years. We thank our friends and our donors who have entrusted their charitable goals to our office.



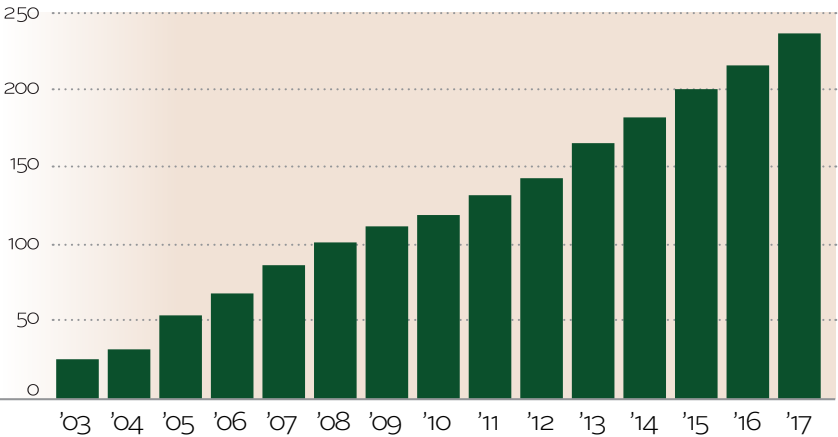
EARLE WOOTTON
Chairman of The
Community Foundation

Foundation by the Numbers

Each year the Foundation makes a financial report of the previous year’s activities. This year, as we celebrate our 20th anniversary, we are showing you the progress we’ve made by using graphs to illustrate our growth. We are very proud of the support that our community has given us. The articles that follow in this issue will tell you more about our accomplishments in the last two decades.

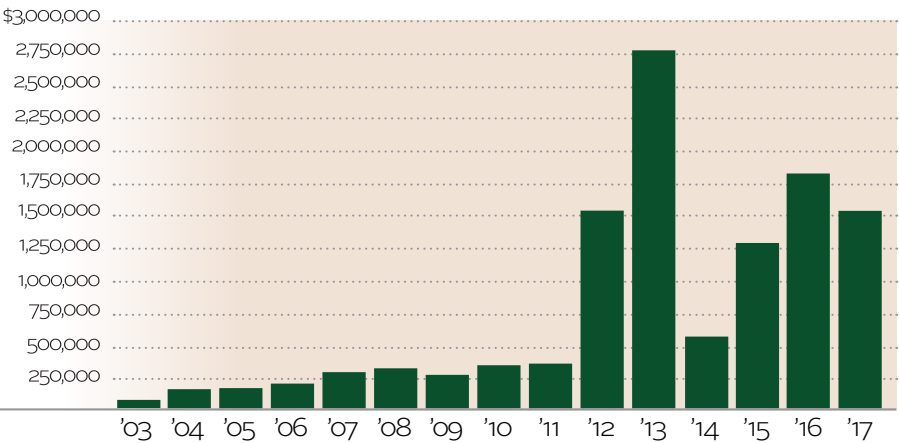
NUMBER OF FUNDS

We have 238 funds, an increase of 22. This is nearly double our average increase of 12. Each fund is controlled by its donor or someone appointed by the donor. Many funds have been created by organizations.



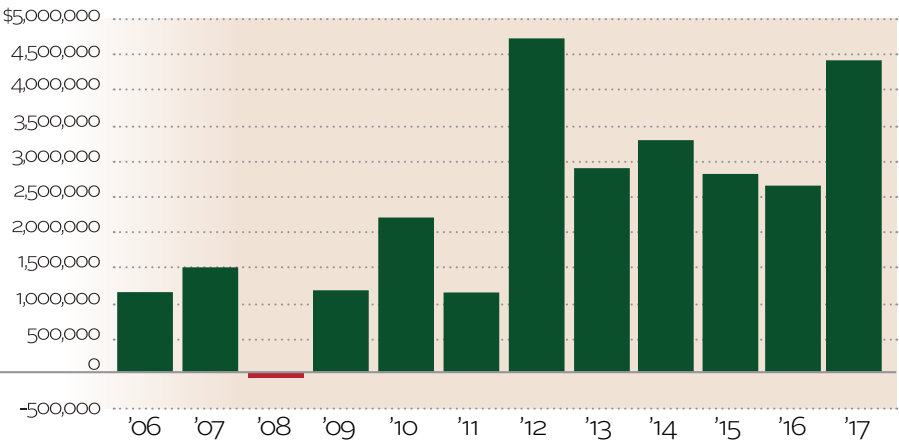
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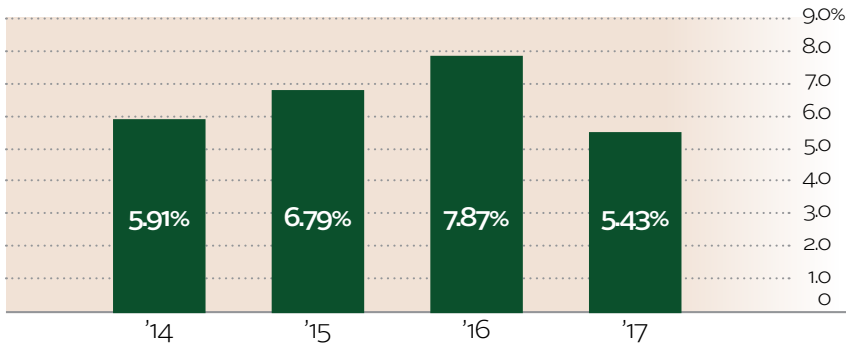
The Foundation awarded 1,176 grants that totaled \$1,543,718. These grants were made at the direction of the donor, and comprised 13.5% of the investment assets. Over the fifteen years we have been independent, we have made about 11,500 grants or scholarships which total about \$12 million dollars.



TOTAL REVENUE

Our revenue increased 58% compared to 2016, increasing to \$4,444,344. This was due to the strong growth in the number of funds that were started and the high return on our investments. Both income from investments and income from the creation of new funds are included in total revenue. When we look at a 15 year time frame, the revenue that the Foundation has received is \$28 million.

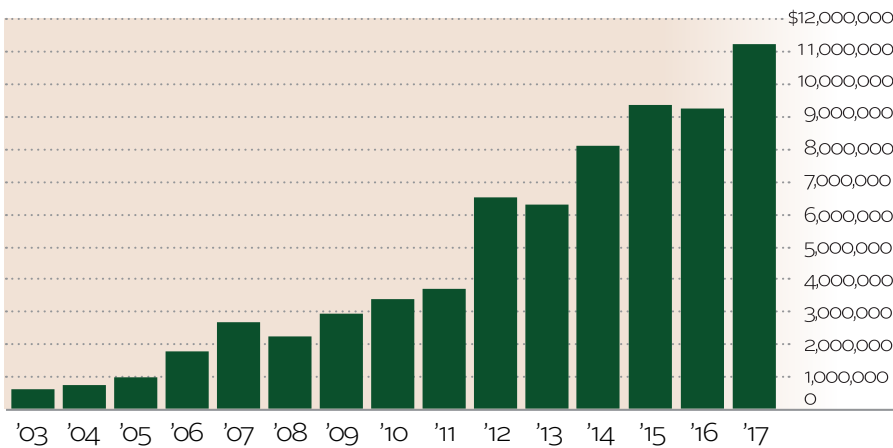




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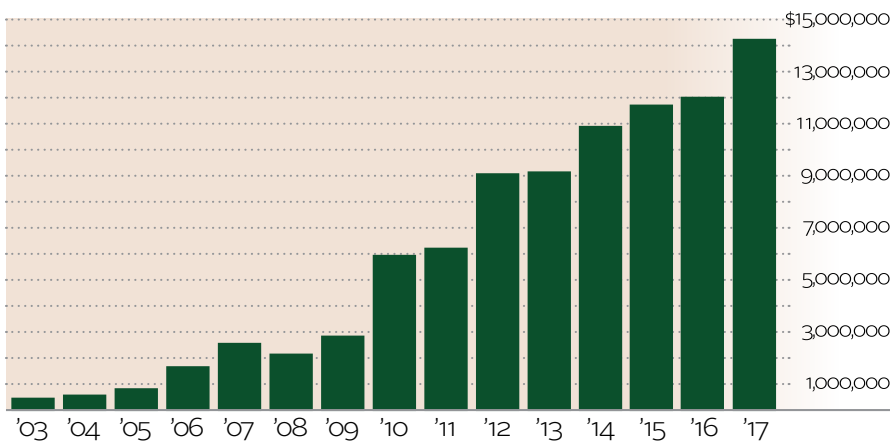
As the total revenue increased, our operating expenses as a percentage of revenue declined, dropping from 7.87% in 2016 to 5.43% in 2017.

Our level of expense is about one third of most not-for-profit organizations. This is an unusually low level of operating expense, and we consider it a measure of our administrative efficiency.



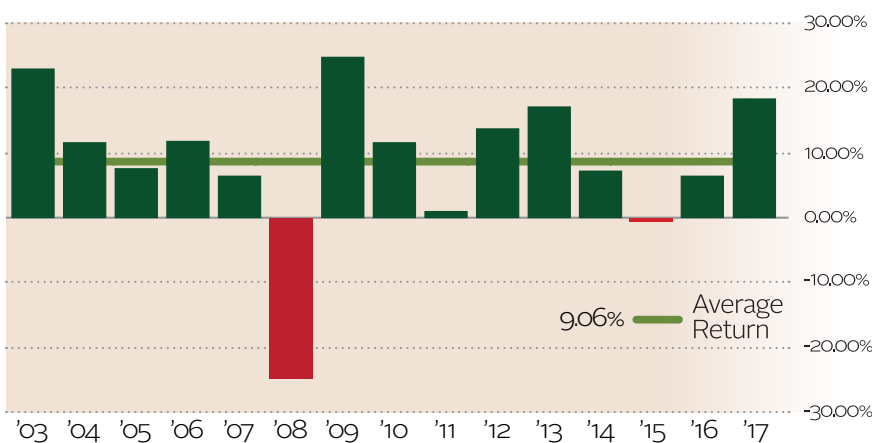
INVESTMENT ASSETS

Investments comprise the largest part of the Foundation's assets. They are our donors' funds. Those funds increased 22% from 2016 to \$11,285,316. The \$2 million increase was due to both a high investment return and the formation of new funds.



TOTAL ASSETS

Assets increased by over \$2 million, an increase of 17% over 2016. At the end of 2017 our assets were \$14,185,316. In 2003 when we became an independent organization, after our period of being an affiliate of Williamsport Lycoming Foundation, our total assets were just over \$500,000.



INVESTMENT RETURN

2017 was a year of great opportunities. Our 18.3% return on investments more than doubled our previous 5 year average. This return was achieved while maintaining a conservative investment policy of investing in 60% equities and 40% fixed income. Both classes of investments are broadly diversified. This year's exceptional return increased our average for 15 years to 9.06% and our 5 year average return to 9.98%. Income that our funds earn is not taxed.

FOUNDATION NEWS



INTRODUCING... Commonwealth CHARITABLE MANAGEMENT

As of January 2018 our donors and readers will notice a change. We have a new corporate name—Commonwealth Charitable Management, Inc. It will immediately be used in marketing and identifying Educational Improvement Tax Credit (EITC) projects effecting business donors and educational nonprofits located across the entire state, beyond the Endless Mountains region. Our new website commonwealthcharitable.org offers details on that work.

The Community Foundation of the Endless Mountains name remains to identify a division of Commonwealth Charitable Management, Inc. This annual magazine will retain that name and mission to focus upon the Endless Mountains region and its philanthropy. Our historic Lake Avenue Montrose location will remain our headquarters for donor consultation and professional events. All contact information you have is still correct, and the community-foundation.org website remains available.

We are the same people. Our board, officers and staff are the same. We are simply positioning ourselves to accommodate our larger banks and other business donors who have clientele and philanthropic interests throughout Pennsylvania.

We are grateful for the trust our donors, large and small, continue to demonstrate. As our breadth and financial strength increase, so will our ability to endure, to provide the latest and best technology, to offer superior communication, and the one-on-one personal attention every donor deserves.

BANKERS' CHOICE FOR EITC PROGRAM MANAGEMENT

The PA Bankers Services Corporation has recognized our nonprofit as a Select Vendor for managing members' Pennsylvania Educational Improvement Tax Credit (EITC) needs. We offer administration and management of all three state EITC programs under our new corporate name of Commonwealth Charitable Management, Inc.

Our long-standing partnership managing EITC programs for PA Bankers Association members and other businesses has yielded many successes: Bringing EVERFI Financial Literacy classes to schools throughout the state; awarding millions of dollars of preschool and K-12 scholarships; and funding special learning and cultural programs for students who would otherwise have no access.



We believe PA Bankers' Select Vendor recommendation is based upon a sound analysis of the many ways Commonwealth Charitable Management saves administrative time and cost, and guarantees effective visibility for bankers' philanthropy within the communities they serve. When banks or any business donor who qualifies for EITC tax credits engage Commonwealth Charitable Management, they reap all the EITC benefits without all the hassle.



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Preserving Our Family History

The Jersey Hill Cemetery endowment is the seventh cemetery fund entrusted to the Foundation to help preserve these regional treasures. Yet, between Montrose and Tunkhannock alone there are 27 small churchyard and private family cemeteries. Without care, all the history they contain is at risk of being smothered by time and the elements. Working with the Foundation, a little planning and funding can preserve these quiet and profoundly peaceful places.

For those who have ancestors and loved ones buried in these cemeteries they are sacred ground. Here distant generations may connect, and walk where their great grandparents prayed and mourned. Cemetery visitors can see, hear and smell the countryside where America's early settlers first broke ground, built homes, planted and ultimately survived to raise their families.

- Jersey Hill Cemetery Association
- Elkdale Cemetery Association
- Montrose Cemetery Association
- John Lyons Memorial Fund
(Benefits Montrose Cemetery)
- Jackson Cemetery Association
- East Rush Cemetery Association
- West Side Old Cemetery
Association

*See more fund details on pages 36-41 or
online at community-foundation.org*

Jersey Hill

The Jersey Hill Cemetery Association recently established a permanent endowment with The Community Foundation of the Endless Mountains. It will provide perpetual support for proper maintenance and care of a treasured historic cemetery on State Route 267 at Auburn Center, Susquehanna County.

Jersey Hill Cemetery sits on a high green meadow marked by a simple wooden chapel. Ancient maples shade some of the 1,747 graves. The site overlooks rolling pastures, still actively farmed, woods, and a sky-topped stretch of the Endless Mountains.

Starting in the late 1790's, European settlers began to arrive in what is now Auburn Township. They were mostly from New England or New Jersey, and eventually from Ireland. The land is crisscrossed by the Susquehanna River,

with numerous creeks and small lakes. Historians note that "nearly every acre is tillable." Penn's Woods still boasted virgin hardwoods, and stone deposits suitable for building materials.

Jersey Hill's oldest gravestone dates from 1841 when Mary Polly Place, just age 26, was laid to rest following the birth of her third child Charles. The next arrival was Ezekiel Okes. According to oral history he died in 1842. No birth date was recorded, and his grave was marked with a mere "flake of stone" until 1897 when kind citizens erected a "neat marble slab" to honor his memory. Jersey Hill burials have occurred as recently as this year.

Family names engraved here include Kinney, Hay, Green, Dean, Linaberry, Bennett, Crisman, LaRue, Reimel, White, Tewksbury, Grow, VanFleet, and many more. The Jersey Hill Cemetery Association consists of local volunteers whose admirable forethought and long-range plans this Foundation is honored to support.



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2003-17*	5,500	200+	\$6,500,000
2017 ONLY	1,000	89+	\$1,300,000

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EDUCATIONAL IMPROVEMENT ORGANIZATIONS

Commonwealth Charitable Management administers more than 30 Educational Improvement Programs that are funded by business and bank EITC donors. The number of excellent programs grows each year. Here are some favorites:



ADVANCED PLACEMENT AND DUAL ENROLLMENT:

College-level courses for grades 9-12 supplement school districts' regular academic programs. They provide credits/advanced placement at two or four year colleges or universities authorized by the Department of Education, exposes students to rigorous standards they will face in college, increases college preparedness, and challenges students beyond regular and often beyond honors courses.



LEVEL UP:

This partnership with Lackawanna College funds students to earn certificates or an Associates Degree while in high school; offers multiple pathways for students of all aptitudes; includes options to enroll in a BS program with scholarship incentives following an AS degree completed in high school; strengthens and supports skills required in a healthcare career starting in 10th grade through guaranteed job placement; at-risk students receive intervention in junior year to bridge the transition gap and explore careers; vocational and non-degree options create workforce readiness certificates for those not interested in a degree.



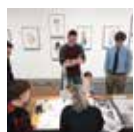
AGRICULTURE ED MOBILE SCIENCE LAB:

PA Friends of Agriculture bring a 40-foot long trailer to elementary or middle schools each week. On-board teachers guide students through experiments emphasizing PA's primary commodities, the environment, biotechnology, food and fiber.



HEALTH CAREERS FOR TEENS:

In partnership with Geisinger Health System this program introduces healthcare careers involving science, technology, engineering and math (STEM).



INTERACTIVE SCIENCE, NATURAL HISTORY AND ART:

In partnership with Everhart Museum of Scranton students are instructed by professional artists, museum-trained educators and health and wellness professionals. Group tours and workshops for K-12 students present the museum exhibits incorporating hands-on activities.



EVERFI:

In 2017 Commonwealth Charitable helped banks provide EverFi Financial Literacy programs to 44 schools to enhance their K-12 business and economics curricula. The nationally recognized program teaches savings, banking, payment types, credit scores, financing higher education, renting vs. owing, insurance and taxes, consumer protection and investing. EverFi uses new media technologies such as video, 3-D gaming, avatars, and social networking, and is flexible enough to stand alone or augment current accounting, consumer science, or economics courses.



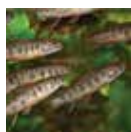
ENVIROTHON:

Hundreds of teachers and professionals guide high school students through combined classroom and outdoor activities that explore the human impact on the natural world. Teams compete in field testing their knowledge on soils and land use, aquatic ecology, forestry, wildlife and environmental issues.



YOUNG PLAYWRIGHTS LAB:

This is a school-based student residency provided by Touchstone Theatre teaching artists after school throughout the academic year. The arts improve literacy and communications skills, self-esteem and life skills.



TROUT IN THE CLASSROOM:

Third grade students receive brook trout eggs each fall and raise them in classroom aquariums. Students follow a specific cold-water protocol to maintain the health and vitality of the trout. The mature fish are released in the spring in PA approved streams. Program augments lessons in science and environmental science.



YOUNG PEOPLE'S CONCERT:

In partnership with Northeastern PA Philharmonic, children grades 3 through 6 explore classical music. The Philharmonic presents a youth oriented live concert with coordinating classroom materials to over 3,000 students from private, public, and parochial schools as well as home-schooled children. CDs and study booklets are provided.



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*PS Bank now offers EITC scholarships
to children attending the following preschools:*

**BLUE STAR PRESCHOOL
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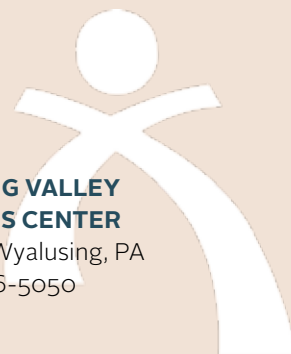
8 Boro Lane, Tunkhannock, PA
570-499-8235

**WYSOX CHILDREN'S
CORNER**

866 Golden Mile Rd, Towanda, PA
570-265-5550

**WYALUSING VALLEY
CHILDREN'S CENTER**

42932 US 6, Wyalusing, PA
570-746-5050



A Survivor's Story

Melissa Ohden is the survivor of a saline infusion abortion attempt performed during the seventh month of her unmarried 19-year-old mother's pregnancy. Melissa was the featured speaker at this year's January Breakfast for Life. This Breakfast honors the pro-life commitment of Cindi Conaty and helps fund an annual \$1,000 memorial scholarship in her honor.

Melissa Ohden now applies her Masters's Degree in social work in the fields of substance abuse, mental health, domestic violence and sexual assault counseling and child welfare. She is a valued speaker among Feminists for Life, Real Choices Australia, and many radio and TV shows. She has testified before the U.S. House of Representatives and Senate, and the Australian Parliament. She is on the Board of Directors for Vitae Foundation which advances the culture of life, and founded the Abortion Survivors Network committed to educate the public and support abortion survivors.

Melissa was rescued by a nurse who rushed her to the NICU unit where her soon-to-be adoptive parents "fell in love" with her and three months later took her into their



home. Melissa delivered her harrowing but moving life story to attendees at the Montrose Bible Conference and concluded, "None of us are ever a mistake. None of us are truly unplanned."

The next Breakfast for Life will be held on January 19, 2019 and the featured speaker is Jennifer Christie. Her story is equally compelling. Jennifer was brutally raped. When she was found to be pregnant, she and her husband made the choice to carry the baby to term and raise him as their own son. This event is free, but donations are accepted. For planning purposes, please register by email at cindiconatybreakfast@gmail.com or phone 607-765-0484.

"Forget Me Not" Race Against Alzheimer's

The third annual "Forget Me Not" Race Against Alzheimer's (AD) is a community fundraiser organized by the Kintner family in loving memory of Fred and Jeanne Kintner. Jeanne passed away in September 2015 after a long struggle with AD. The event is a 5K walk/run and a 10K run at beautiful Lake Carey, Tunkhannock, PA starting at the Volunteer Fire Company. This year it took place on June 9th.

The event included a bake sale, basket auction, face painting and fire trucks on display for kids during the event. Proceeds went to the Fred and Jeanne Kintner Memorial Scholarship which is maintained by this Foundation, and a portion of proceeds were donated to AD research.



The race is an especially thoughtful tribute, because health experts have found that aerobic exercise benefits both persons suffering with AD and their caregivers. Exercise burns up stress-produced adrenaline, promotes feelings of happiness, relaxation, increases energy, and improves sleep.

Though there is currently no cure for AD, research is uncovering many

ways to actively lower one's risk. These include moderate to intense aerobic exercise 30 minutes three to five times a week, the DASH, Mediterranean or MIND diets, getting enough sleep, stress reduction such as meditation, maintaining social interactions, continued learning, and managing health conditions.

- 32.8 million people live with AD worldwide
- 5.3 million people live with AD in the US
- Two-thirds are women
- AD is the 6th leading cause of death in US
- \$226 billion annual cost in US in 2015



WCCH teaches Kids Nutrition.



Investing in Wellness

We welcome to our portfolio of funds a major new endowment from the Wyoming County Community Health Foundation (WCCHF). It will fund operations and programs that enhance health and the understanding of health and wellness within Wyoming County and surrounding counties.

A look at the grants WCCHF has provided this year tells the remarkable tale of all the ways they improve the lives of every age-group and demographic within their community:

- Family Care Physician Recruitment
- Campaign for Seven Loaves Soup Kitchen Building
- Anti-Bullying program for schools
- Nutrition and Exercise Classes for Kids
- Equines for Freedom Therapy for VETS with PTSD
- Vaccinations for Shingles, Influenza, Pneumonia
- Fun Nutrition Videos for Kids
- Early Care and Education for Infants and Preschoolers
- Rachel's Challenge for school safety
- Healthcare Career Programs
- Peace Camp
- Chair Yoga

WCCHF supports programs that are both innovative and proven to be effective, often working cooperatively with existing local agencies. "We look forward to being able to help our community more by creating this endowment," explains Shealynn Shave, Executive Director of the Health Foundation. Add your donation toward their work online at community-foundation.org.

"Although the world is full of suffering, it is also full of overcoming suffering."

HELEN KELLER



LOCAL GRANTS FOR EDUCATION IN 2017

Blue Ridge School District Foundation:

SPECIAL PROJECTS

- Blue Ridge Education Association/Cheryl Manchester Memorial Fund
- Blue Ridge Superintendent's Fund for Special Projects
- Clemens Family Fund
- College Dual Enrollment Assistance
- Creative Adventures for Education (CAFE) Fund
- David Colwell Fund
- EverFi Financial Literacy
- Giana Foundation Grant for Visual & Performing Arts
- John James Memorial Fund to Benefit FBLA Clubs
- Jessie Osgood Tourje Memorial Fund for Special Projects
- Andrew F. Sienko, Sr. Memorial Nature Trail Fund
- Clair Young Memorial Fund for Youth Workforce Development

SCHOLARSHIPS

- Cody Albert Memorial Scholarship
- Cindi Conaty Memorial Scholarship
- Thomas Conaty Memorial Scholarship
- Bradley David Conklin Memorial Scholarship
- Gil Depew Memorial Scholarship
- Donley Family Memorial Scholarship
- Ferdinand Graf Memorial Scholarship
- David Hwang Memorial Scholarship
- Meshoppen Creek Scholarship
- Montrose Business & Professional Women's Scholarship
- Montrose Area Chamber of Commerce Pauline MacNeal Scholarship
- RESCUE/Ben Stone Memorial Scholarship
- Andrew M. Snitzer Memorial Scholarship
- Margaret Stone Music Scholarship
- Susquehanna County Christmas Basketball Tournament Scholarship
- Kermit Van Cott Horticulture Scholarship
- Matthew Van Fleet Memorial Scholarship
- John J. & Ann Vitale Scholarship

Elk Lake School District Foundation:

SPECIAL PROJECTS

- Diane Bundy Memorial Fund for Elk Lake Ski Club
- College Dual Enrollment Assistance
- David Colwell Fund

- Elk Lake Class of 1958 Alumni Fund
- Elk Lake Visual & Performing Arts Fund
- Giana Foundation Grant for Visual & Performing Arts
- John James Memorial Fund to Benefit FBLA Clubs

SCHOLARSHIPS

- Cody Albert Memorial Scholarship
- Cindi Conaty Memorial Scholarship
- Thomas Conaty Memorial Scholarship
- Gil Depew Memorial Scholarship
- Dimock Community Workers Scholarship
- Agnes and James W. Holbert Scholarship
- Lathrop Family Scholarship
- Montrose Area Chamber of Commerce Pauline MacNeal Memorial Scholarship
- Montrose Business & Professional Women's Scholarship
- RESCUE/Ben Stone Memorial Scholarship
- Reginald Sanger & Florence MacGowan Memorial Scholarship
- Margaret Stone Music Scholarship
- Meshoppen Creek Scholarship
- Scholarships for Careers
- Susquehanna County Christmas Basketball Tournament Scholarship
- Maurice D. Taylor Memorial Music Scholarship
- Matthew Van Fleet Memorial Scholarship
- John J. & Ann Vitale Scholarship

Forest City Regional School District:

SPECIAL PROJECTS

- CTTC Entrepreneurship Academy
- College Dual Enrollment Assistance
- David Colwell Fund
- EverFi Financial Literacy
- Giana Foundation Grant for Visual & Performing Arts
- John James Memorial Fund to Benefit FBLA Clubs
- Jessie Osgood Tourje Memorial Fund for Special Projects

SCHOLARSHIPS

- Cody Albert Memorial Scholarship
- Cindi Conaty Memorial Scholarship
- Gil Depew Memorial Scholarship
- Meshoppen Creek Scholarship
- Montrose Area Chamber of Commerce Pauline MacNeal Scholarship
- Montrose Business & Professional Women's Scholarship

- RESCUE/Ben Stone Memorial Scholarship
- Margaret Stone Music Scholarship
- Matthew Van Fleet Memorial Scholarship
- John J. & Ann Vitale Scholarship

Lackawanna Trail School District Foundation:

SPECIAL PROJECTS

- College Dual Enrollment Assistance
- Giana Foundation Grant for Visual & Performing Arts

SCHOLARSHIPS

- Endless Mountains Habitat for Humanity Scholarship
- EverFi Financial Literacy
- Paul Fearick Memorial Scholarship
- Margaret Stone Music Scholarship
- Matthew Van Fleet Memorial Scholarship

Montrose Area School District Foundation:

SPECIAL PROJECTS

- Ayres- Stone VFW Charitable Fund
- Choconut Valley Elementary School Wellness Fund
- College Dual Enrollment Assistance
- David Colwell Fund
- EverFi Financial Literacy
- Giana Foundation Grant for Visual & Performing Arts
- John James Memorial Fund to Benefit FBLA Clubs
- Mathew James White Memorial Fund
- Montrose Lions Club MASD Fund

SCHOLARSHIPS

- Cody Albert Memorial Scholarship
- Daniel Arnold Memorial Scholarship
- Dr. Raymond Bennett Memorial Scholarship
- Tony Bistocchi Memorial Scholarship
- Cindi Conaty Memorial Scholarship
- Thomas Conaty Memorial Scholarship
- Bradley David Conklin Memorial Scholarship
- Daniel Crisman Memorial Scholarship
- Gil Depew Memorial Scholarship
- Martin T. Dillon Memorial Scholarship
- Thomas D. Evans Memorial Scholarship
- Julia A. Frystak Memorial Scholarship
- Agnes and James W. Holbert Scholarship
- John Krupinski Memorial Scholarship
- Meshoppen Creek Scholarship

- Montrose Area Chamber of Commerce Pauline MacNeal Memorial
- Montrose Area School District Educational Scholarship
- Montrose Business & Professional Women's Scholarship
- Morgan R. Potter Memorial Scholarship
- RESCUE/Ben Stone Memorial Scholarship
- The Nicholas Severcool Memorial Scholarship
- Albert E. Shepherd Memorial Scholarship
- Margaret Stone Music Scholarship
- Susquehanna County Christmas Basketball Tournament Scholarship
- Maurice D. Taylor Memorial Music Scholarship
- Matthew Van Fleet Memorial Scholarship
- John J. & Ann Vitale Scholarship
- Robert Wood Memorial Scholarship

Mountain View School District Foundation:

SPECIAL PROJECTS

- College Dual Enrollment Assistance
- David Colwell Fund
- EverFi Financial Literacy
- Giana Foundation Grant for Visual & Performing Arts
- John James Memorial Fund to Benefit FBLA Clubs
- Mountain View School District Library Endowment
- Jessie Osgood Tourje Memorial for Special Projects

SCHOLARSHIPS

- Cody Albert Memorial Scholarship
- Jack Brainard Memorial Scholarship
- Cindi Conaty Memorial Scholarship
- Fiske Educational Scholarship
- Gil Depew Memorial Scholarship
- Kingsley Civic Club Scholarship
- Norman J. Maza Memorial Scholarship
- Meshoppen Creek Scholarship
- Mountain View School District Alumni Association Robert Klenk Scholarship
- Montrose Area Chamber of Commerce Pauline MacNeal Scholarship
- Montrose Business & Professional Women's Scholarship
- Mountain View School District Alumni Association Scholarship
- Joan O. Peters Memorial Scholarship
- RESCUE/Ben Stone Memorial Scholarship
- Margaret Stone Music Scholarship

- Susquehanna County Christmas Basketball Tournament Scholarship
- Matthew Van Fleet Memorial Scholarship
- John J. & Ann Vitale Scholarship
- James Zick Memorial Scholarship

Susquehanna Community School District Foundation:

SPECIAL PROJECTS

- College Dual Enrollment Assistance
- David Colwell Fund
- EverFi Financial Literacy
- Giana Foundation Grant for Visual & Performing Arts
- Peoples Security Bank and Trust funding for Project Lead the Way
- Denise Reddon Memorial Fund
- Jessie Osgood Tourje Memorial Fund for Special Projects

SCHOLARSHIPS

- Cody Albert Memorial Scholarship
- Cindi Conaty Memorial Scholarship
- Gil Depew Memorial Scholarship
- Edwards/Napolitano Memorial Music Scholarship
- Mariano & Maria Fiaschi Memorial Nursing Scholarship
- Meshoppen Creek Scholarship
- Montrose Area Chamber of Commerce Pauline MacNeal Scholarship
- Montrose Business & Professional Women's Scholarship
- RESCUE/Ben Stone Memorial Scholarship
- Beatrice Reynolds Memorial Scholarship
- Margaret Stone Music Scholarship
- Susquehanna County Christmas Basketball Tournament Scholarship
- Susquehanna Fire Department Scholarship
- Matthew Van Fleet Memorial Scholarship
- John J. & Ann Vitale Scholarship

Susquehanna County Career & Technology Center:

SPECIAL PROJECTS

- Bondurant Family Fund for Automotive Technology
- Cabot Oil & Gas Fund for Career & Technology Students
- Claverack Education Fund
- John James Memorial Fund to Benefit FBLA Clubs

- Leopold & Jane Schreiber Fund for Culinary Arts
- Diane Yakoski Memorial Nursing Fund
- VETS—Veterans Education Training and Support Fund

SCHOLARSHIPS

- Lathrop Family Scholarship
- Scholarships for Careers
- Harry Torney Memorial Scholarship

Tunkhannock Area School District Foundation:

SPECIAL PROJECTS

- "Adrienne's Garden" Art Awards
- Camp Invention Summer Enrichment Program
- College Dual Enrollment Assistance
- Giana Foundation Grant for Visual & Performing Arts
- Young Musicians Fund for Band Instrument Rental

SCHOLARSHIPS

- Joan Carter Beane Memorial Scholarship
- David Clark Memorial Scholarship
- Bob Crimmel Memorial Scholarship
- Jack Daniels Memorial Scholarship
- Jackie Dispenza Memorial Scholarship
- Joseph Dohrer Memorial Scholarship
- Endless Mountains Habitat for Humanity Scholarship
- Dutch Keller Memorial Scholarship
- Albert M Purdy Music Scholarship
- Dr. W. Dayton Shelly Memorial Music Scholarship
- Margaret Stone Music Scholarship
- Tunkhannock High School Class of '66 Scholarship
- Matthew Van Fleet Memorial Scholarship
- Frank J. Valvano Memorial Scholarship

Plus 45 other districts such as:

- Valley View School District
- Old Forge School District
- Abington Heights School District
- Lakeland School District

SCHOOL DISTRICT FOUNDATIONS

Doing More for Local Schools

Since 2006, The Community Foundation has administered affiliated School District Foundations to serve our local schools and students. We are currently managing seven in northeastern Pennsylvania. In addition to providing substantial college scholarship funding over the years, our endowments and EITC program have also provided funding for Dual Enrollment expenses, library renovations, solar pavilions, auditorium sound and light systems, musical instrument lockers, weather stations, long-distance learning projects with the Philadelphia Art Museum, ceramics kilns, the purchase of chrome-books,

and the list goes on and on. Notably, on October 27, 2018 the Tunkhannock Area School District Foundation will hold the 1st Annual Talents and Treasures of Tunkhannock gala at Stone Hedge Golf Course to raise funding for the Tiger Fund for Excellence which is a new endowment serving the district that has already provided funding for Middle School science projects. The School District Foundation affiliates have proven to be very beneficial for our region's students and we encourage parents, teachers, administrators, and alumni to contact us for how they can help future generations of students.



Catherine M. Riley Scholarship: Legacy of a Mother and Teacher

This year we welcome the arrival of the Catherine M. Riley Scholarship Fund to the Community Foundation. This well established fund benefits Montrose Area School District graduates.

It all started, says John Riley of Endicott NY, when his mother Catherine died about two decades ago. Catherine and her husband Vincent had raised 12 children including John in Apolacon, PA. Once the children were grown, Catherine taught elementary school at Choconut Elementary. The family thought a scholarship in her memory would be an appropriate tribute for a woman whose life was dedicated to children.

It began with a modest sum accumulated

from "in lieu of flowers" donations made at Catherine's funeral. At the time the school held the funds. "But they had restrictions," says John, regarding how a school could invest the funds. They were limited to only a passbook type savings account that yielded very low returns. So John took on the fund management himself for the last 15 years.

Each year the Riley children at Christmas time would take up a collection to deposit into their mom's trust. It is clear that the Rileys had grown up learning to share. When two sisters passed away it was natural to continue the tradition of "in lieu of flowers" donation to their mother's fund. Over the years the family has given a \$250 to \$500 scholarship

each year to a different Montrose graduate who completed six years at Choconut Valley Elementary and who was pursuing, like their mother, a career in elementary education. This year the award will be \$550 to a fortunate grad.

As the Riley clan has welcomed the fourth generation of Catherine's descendants, and the family has sprawled out geographically, John and his siblings have decided to entrust the fund to the Community Foundation. He looks forward to sitting with President Peter Quigg to discuss how this family fund can best benefit future Montrose students. It lives on to demonstrate both Catherine's love for children, and her children's love for her and their community.



Cultivations Endowment Nurtures Arts & Artists



Holly Bailey

Holly Bailey of Philadelphia is a curator, creative director and photo stylist. She believes “promoting creativity and expression empowers young people to stay engaged, to succeed, and to grow over the course of their education.” This year Holly partnered with the Community Foundation of the Endless Mountains to create the Cultivations Endowment for the Arts to support art education in public schools in underserved communities.

Holly’s background in both arts and education led her to create cultivations.com, an online marketplace

for handcrafted goods—clothing, dinner ware, garden tools, linens, teas, condiments and more. She curates and showcases unique products made by exceptional artisans from around the country. Five percent of proceeds from customer orders go directly to fund Cultivations Endowment for the Arts.

Ms. Bailey hopes her endowment will “introduce young people to creative outlets and help foster in them an appreciation for the arts that will stay with them throughout their lifetime.” You can support arts education in schools by shopping her website, and by making direct contributions to Cultivations Endowment for the Arts at community-foundation.org.



SCHOOL DISTRICT FOUNDATIONS

Tewksbury School Spirit

The family and friends of Arden W. Tewksbury have established an Elk Lake School District scholarship to honor him. Mr. Tewksbury, who has been representing Meshoppen Township on the Elk Lake school board since 1961, is the longest serving school board member in the state. School board members are all unpaid volunteers. They tackle tremendous challenges and public controversy in modern times. He was recently recognized by the Pennsylvania School Boards Association with an Honor Roll certificate given to “individuals who show leadership by giving unselfishly their time and talents for the betterment of public schools serving students across this great Commonwealth.”

Mr. Tewksbury has been a dairy farmer all his life in the Meshoppen area. In addition to his school board service, he has been a defender and spokesperson for family dairy farmers through organizations such as the Progressive Agriculture Organization, the Pennsylvania Farmers Union, the State Grange, the Regional Cooperative Marketing Agency, the North East Interstate Dairy Compact, the Northern Tier Milk Cooperative and Eastern Milk Producers Dairy Cooperative.

The Tewksbury scholarship will be awarded each year to



a deserving Elk Lake graduate who writes a winning essay about overcoming personal adversity and who exhibits a sense of school spirit as exemplified by Mr. Tewksbury. The award will assist with tuition expenses for college or other post-secondary degree programs. Additional donations to honor Mr. Tewksbury and further assist deserving Elk Lake students may be sent to the Arden W. Tewksbury Scholarship Fund at this Foundation by mail or online.



*“An investment
in knowledge pays
the best interest.”*

BEN FRANKLIN



Supporting the Future

Courtland Birchard, a talented artist and engraver, has established an endowment with the Community Foundation which will provide an annual \$1,000 scholarship to seniors from Montrose Area High School (MASD) who attend Broome Community College. Courtland was born 88 years ago on the family farm in Birchardville. He attended the Birchardville and Turrell one-room schools through eighth grade, then moved on to graduate from Montrose High School in 1948. After working a few years for his Dad, he volunteered for the Army and served in Korea. A speech he gave at MASD Award Night in June explains his motivation.

“After serving in the Army, I was able to use money from the G.I. Bill to pay my college expenses. I would not have gone on to college without that



help, so I know how much it meant to me. I have always been grateful for my education and have wanted to repay it in some way. I decided to create a scholarship for a Montrose student who would attend Broome Community College. I am presenting the first scholarship tonight, 70 years after graduating from Montrose High School and 60 years after graduating from Broome Tech. I will be able to help a local graduate go to college

and the funds will go to Broome Community College. I will accomplish two goals, and the best part is that this will happen every year from now on, long after I can be here.”

Courtland had the pleasure of choosing “the one who would benefit the most” among several worthy students who had submitted applications online through the Foundation. At Award Night he announced this year’s winner Serena Gardner, shook her hand, and presented her award in person.

Anna Maynard, Courtland’s friend and neighbor, is the first to add her donation to this new endowment. They invite everyone to, in Courtland’s words “support the future of our community” by contributing to Courtland Birchard Scholarship Fund online at community-foundation.org.

20 Years at a Glance



January 27, 1998, Founding Board of Directors—Standing from left: Charles Randall, Jack Ord, Catherine Donovan, Harold Donovan, Steve Major, Jané LaBonte, Mark Caterson; Seated from left: L. Carter “Toby” Anderson, Hedi Randall, Bill Lewis, Earle Wootton, Chris Caterson; Directors absent at the time of the photo: Thomas Quigg, Dennis Phelps, Greg Myer, Ed Shafer, Tom Chamberlain, Mary Snyder, Carl Ernstrom, Robert Warriner, Fraser Moffat

2001

First Endowment that exceeds \$100,000 is created

1997

1997

Bill Lewis suggests a Community Foundation to Earle Wootton. Board in Progress formed.



1998

1998

The Community Foundation of Susquehanna County becomes an Affiliate of Williamsport Lycoming Foundation

1999

1999

\$50,000 in Assets, \$4,125 in Grants

2000

2000

Foundation Merges with Charities Distribution Fund

Charities Distribution Fund plans to become United Way of or Susquehanna County.

Right: Shirley Masters, the First Annual Campaign Chair, prepares to celebrate the successful conclusion of the first campaign.

Below: The United Way of Susquehanna County is introduced to Susquehanna County by a family dressed as Uncle Sam and accompanied by a red stage coach.

2001

2002

Introduce United Way of Susquehanna County



2003

Community Foundation becomes independent 501(c)3 Corporation

Foundation Raises \$400,000 in capital campaign to form United Way

2004

United Way of Susquehanna County Leaves Community Foundation

merges with the United Way of Wyoming Valley

2005

Expand to serve Wyoming County

Building School District Foundations

School district foundations for all schools in Susquehanna and Wyoming Counties. Today our 75 school district funds have est. value of \$3,000,000

2006

Foundation Assets approach \$2,000,000

Become PATH Partner

Our scholarship winners can earn matching grants from PA PATH to attend PA colleges.

2007

Building Restored & Remodeled

2004

First EITC grants by Peoples National Bank

We administer our first Educational Improvement Tax Credits (EITC) directing business state tax dollars to local schools. Jack Ord and Debbie Dissinger of Peoples National are key partners.



The Garden Room



The Board Room



The Library



COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
of the Endless Mountains

2011

Community Foundation expands to Serve Endless Mountains

True Friends Initial Fund

Local group takes on closed Humane Society facility. We establish fund for tax deductible contributions until True Friends can organize its own 501(c)3



2010

Wootton Foundation merges with Community Foundation and transfers restored building to become Foundation headquarters



2009

2009

Funds recover from 2008 crisis to establish new high by 2010

2008

2008

Gas Royalties Endow Churches & Scholarships

Gas leases and royalties spur landowners to establish endowments for local churches, scholarships, nonprofits.

Foundation Holds 100 Funds

making \$300,000 in grants



2011

2012

2013

2012

New EMHS Hospital Campaign

Cabot Oil & Gas backs new EMHS hospital capital campaign with \$1,000,000 kick-off donation, and invites us to administer matching grants of \$1,200,000, ultimately raising \$4,400,000.



2014

**Full Cloud,
Remote
Access
Systems**

We respond to growth by adding technology, tech savvy staff, new systems with cloud and remote access for online donations, grant applications and more.



2015

**Community
Foundation
named
Outstanding
Foundation by
Association of
Fundraising
Professionals**

**Foundation
reaches 200
Funds**

making over
\$1,250,000 in
grants.



2016

**EverFi
Marketing
through PBA**

PA Bankers join us in offering EverFi financial literacy classes across the state paid for by banks' EITC donations.

2017



**Community Foundation becomes an
operating division of Commonwealth
Charitable Management**

continuing to concentrate on the Endless Mountains region by providing endowments, donor advised funds, and charitable savings accounts.



**Commonwealth
Charitable
Management chosen
as PA Bankers' Select
Vendor to administer EITC Programs
for banks throughout Pennsylvania.**

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2014

2015

2016

2017

2018

A LOOK AT

The Total Impact

The Community Foundation receives donations which create funds. These revenues plus the income earned on these funds over twenty years total:

**\$28
MILLION**

The Community Foundation makes grants at the request of the donors. In twenty years these grants have totaled:

**\$12
MILLION**

The funds that remain in the Foundations will create future grants. These are the assets of the Foundation and are currently:

**\$14
MILLION**

The assets that are held at the Foundation earn tax free income which has averaged:

9%

Since the Educational Improvement Tax Credit Program began 14 years ago, we have provided local schools:

**\$6.5
MILLION**

FAMILY FUNDS

Why Family Funds?

About forty of The Community Foundation's more than 200 funds are considered Family Funds. They are as varied as the families they represent, advised by parents and children, sisters and brothers. Several are replenished by fundraising events involving the whole clan. They often honor grandparents and carry forward their charitable work. Many share a common theme of passing along multi-generational values. They represent a family's commitment to community service and giving back in appreciation to a place where their family took root and thrived.

- They honor and remember grandparents who taught life lessons
- They support charities dear to the family's heart and history
- They provide scholarships to study careers the family values
- They fund arts or music education and performance they enjoy together
- They support an alma mater or church that family members love
- They fund health research of a disease they wish to see cured
- They fund landmark sites and cemeteries treasured for their family history
- As generations grow the funds become a family tradition

*“Example
is always more
efficacious
than precept.”*

SAMUEL JOHNSON





From left: Chris, Alex, Bill, Debbie, Matt and Nicki Lewis.



Children Learn What Parents Model

The family of Bill and Deborah Lewis of Montrose began their family-directed Community Foundation endowment fifteen years ago when their four children were ages six to eleven. Bill is one of this Foundation's founders and for him it was all about teaching his children about giving. Debbie was concerned that her children understand that not all kids in the county have what they have. "I don't want ours to be 'spoiled rotten,' assuming that everyone is this fortunate," she said at the time.

The Lewises demonstrated generosity and community responsibility in many ways: Bill serves as an officer on The

Community Foundation's Board of Directors and as Finance Committee Chairman. The whole family participates in the Interfaith Christmas Bureau. Debbie has never let toys and books lay idle, but gathered them up to share with others. They support their local church, and over the decades they have built their Community Foundation fund. Back in 2004 Bill envisioned, "As the fund grows, so will the children." That happened! They all grew. Now the Lewis children are adults. Did the lessons of caring and involvement take? Dad tracked down three of them:



ALEX, now a pediatric physical therapist

volunteered each winter at a soup kitchen in Ithaca with other members of her track team. She works in Syracuse NY serving children and adults with developmental disabilities and acquired brain injuries.

cancer. She raised more than \$4,000 during her college career as an Army ROTC UDance team member. The effort culminates in an annual 12-hour dance marathon on campus which Nicki "instantly knew was something I wanted to be part of."



NICHOLE got involved at the University of Delaware as a fundraiser for research and family support of children fighting



MATT was involved with the Colleges Against Cancer Club at Union College, the largest student run philanthropy on campus. The Annual Dutchmen Dip

raised money for those in the Union community battling cancer. "After my grandfather passed away from lung cancer in 2014, I wanted to help others and their families win their fight. Joining this club allowed me to play a part in creating this awareness and help them pay for treatment." Matt was elected Co-President of the College Against Cancer Club in his senior year—"One of the most valuable experiences I have ever had," putting him in touch with positive people who inspire him.

COLLECTIVE PHILANTHROPY

What is Collective Philanthropy?

Among the many tools generous people have created to do good things, Collective Philanthropy is one of the best. Community foundations opened the doors to less-than-billionaire donors to effectively invest charitable donations and offer perpetual grants in their hometowns. Collective Philanthropy allows even the smallest donations to be pooled with others for big results. The Community Foundation of the Endless Mountains manages many Collective Philanthropy funds. Here's why they are popular:

- An “All for One” approach: Many donors unite to raise funds for a single purposes.
- One minimum investment: Once established with a minimum \$2,500 contribution, a fund can collect donations from anyone, of any amount with no minimums; all are 100% tax deductible
- Collaborative decisions: An Advisory Committee, rather than a single donor or family, does due diligence and makes decisions.
- Over the long term, more donors can mean a larger endowment.
- More donors mean more helpers, volunteers, fundraisers who spread the word
- The Community Foundation provides expert investment management, fiduciary oversight, accounting and legal expertise, systems support, meeting facility, marketing and press releases, a physical address, website and phone contact during regular business hours, so Collective Fund Advisers can focus on their goals.

*“Collectively
we can do
what no person
can do singly.”*

LELAND KAISER





Interfaith: Help, Hope, Advocacy

Without any government funding, Interfaith helps more than ten percent of Susquehanna County residents each year—4,000 to 6,000 people. Since 1990 they have delivered human essentials to Susquehanna County residents in crisis. They partner with scores of county organizations—from Boy Scouts to church groups to corporations and United Way who trust Interfaith to provide an open door to neighbors in need of help, hope or a champion.

Interfaith has established an endowment at The Community Foundation. Executive Director Cynthia Beeman explains, “We want to allow people to leave a legacy of perpetual giving to Interfaith. Our donors understand that all we do is give that money out to help the community.” She believes many who now give so generously with annual or intermittent gifts would appreciate the option of more substantial long-term support that an endowment provides.

Important Interfaith programs are: Back to School New Shoes and Backpacks, the Christmas Bureau, Holiday Meals, and the weekly Soup Kitchen at United Methodist Church. Less well known may be Interfaith’s service to families facing eviction, home fires, utility shut off, or an empty fuel tank. A lean staff of four full-time and 11

part-time workers are helped by more than 75 volunteers.

Ms. Beeman is clear about Interfaith’s focus, “We don’t do band-aids. We look past the crises and examine what it will take for people to be in a stable house, to break the cycle of poverty.” That sometimes requires education on personal finances, coaching on “soft job skills” to get a better job, teaching kids about livable wage careers, or offering job experience at the Thrift Shop.

Those helped are often employed but at minimum wage jobs. Some are disabled. Many are aging and living on Social Security. Many have worked hard all their lives on farms or in service positions that did not provide retirement benefits. Some are homeless, or have been the victims of an addicted family member who emptied out their bank account or wrecked their only car. Visit Interfaith’s website to learn more interfaithsc.org. The Interfaith Fund is now open to all levels of donation and estate gifts through The Community Foundation.



COLLECTIVE PHILANTHROPY



The Community Fund to the Rescue

Our Board members, officers or staff sometimes pick up the phone or are approached at a meeting to be asked for help when bad things happen, when something unforeseen befalls one of our nonprofit partners. Many individuals maintain what they call an Emergency Fund for pressing surprises such as an auto failure or medical crisis. The Community Fund serves a similar purpose on a community scale—a flooded church, a roof blown off a food pantry, library steps collapsed, handicap transport vehicle needs repairs. A little support quickly supplied can get the ball rolling toward recovery.

Here at the Foundation we at first try to match the need with the interests of one of our donors and the purpose of one of our 200 plus existing funds. But sometimes a match cannot be found. This is where The Community Fund fills the gaps to fund pressing unmet needs.

Although we require minimum investment to establish new funds, no donation to The Community Fund is too

small to do some good. This fund follows a Collective Philanthropy model, gathering resources from everyone who cares to help, bearing no person's name or business brand, and with a broad enough mission to flexibly cover any unknowns around blind corners. Your gift will be pooled with others and brought to the rescue when the community calls.

The Community Fund is a perfect destination for memorial donations offered in lieu of flowers. This is also a thoughtful choice for a Fathers' or Mothers' Day, birthdays, wedding, retirement or anniversary tributes honoring people who really need nothing and may even be downsizing their lives, but have always cared first for others. No wrapping is required, acknowledgments can be provided to your honorees, and since the proceeds go to benefit nonprofits, all donations to The Community Fund are fully tax-deductible.



Veteran & Service Dog: Teammates for Healing

The Foundation is proud to be able to facilitate a collaboration between our VETS Fund (Veteran Education Training & Support) and Women Helping Women (WHW) advisers to offer a female veteran Assistance Dog Team Training. This 12 to 18 month program is offered by the Stand With Me nonprofit of Binghamton NY. They serve veterans who have documented service-related mental health disabilities and wish to train their own dog to become their Service Dog, or to get help in obtaining a suitable canine candidate.

VETS and WHW will each provide complementary grants of \$2,500 so that a local female veteran is able to take advantage of this opportunity. The goal is to have a profound positive impact on quality of life for both the veteran and the dog. Stand With Me reports that even the process of developing a working team relationship with a dog can be an incredibly therapeutic experience.

The training program helps to create the necessary bond between human and canine, and is a long term commitment that begins with the veteran attending weekly training sessions. The veteran must also commit to participation in professional mental health treatment during the term of service dog training, and they must be willing and able to keep their dog clean and well groomed at all times. Service Dogs must also meet certain requirements. They must be spayed or neutered and vaccinated. They must be “socially tolerant” i.e. relaxed around people and non-aggressive with other animals, with no bite history. And they must be of a suitable size and age. Young puppies which can be socialized and trained early often do well.

Donors who wish to support local veterans are invited to donate to the VETS Fund online at community-foundation.org, or call for information.



“Dogs have a way of finding the people who need them.”

THOM JONES

Girl Scout Camp at Risk

Camp Archbald in Kingsley, PA is the second oldest Girl Scout camp in the United States and was founded in 1920 when the property was purchased from the Ely family. Economic constraints cited by Harrisburg-based Girl Scouts in the Heart of PA's Board of Directors have caused the beloved camp to be slated for downsizing and cut backs in facilities and programs. Despite significant Camp Archbald gas lease royalties earned by the Girl Scouts since 2009, plans call for the sale of two parcels totaling 120 acres of the 288-acre camp bordering Ely Lake in Brooklyn Township.

A group of over 1,000 concerned Girl Scout alumnae, friends, camp staff and supporters have organized under the banner Supporters of Camp Archbald (SOCA) to help preserve the camp and its storied past. They have established a Supporters of Camp Archbald Fund at the Community Foundation as a repository for donations to offset expenses of restoring, programming and

maintenance of the camp and hopefully preserving it for Girls Scouts into the future.

In June 2018 SOCA breathed a sigh of relief. One 70 acre parcel was purchased by Joan Otto Esherick and her husband Donald who are descendants of the original Ely Lake owners. Mrs. Esherlick has said, "We believe that conservation was part of our forebears' intent in deeding the land to the Girl Scouts to begin with and we'd very much like to honor that intent." Their family has maintained a home across Ely Lake from Camp Archbald. Seventh generation Elys frequent



the cottage each summer.

Eileen Head, a lifetime Scout and SOCA member hopes that Harrisburg considers a conservation agreement for the remaining parcel for sale in order to maintain an environment around the lake and protective safety buffer for the Scouts. You can support Camp Archbald's preservation at community-foundation.org.

Birthday Food Drive Honors Julie Bush Capwell



Julie Bush Capwell

The family and friends of Julie Bush Capwell honored her memory by collecting nearly 500 pounds of food for the Brackney Food Pantry on February 12th, Julie's birthday. The 4th Annual Food Drive was reported to be "The best ever!" and was celebrated with an afternoon of family and friends' sledding in the snow at the Silver Lake field-days grounds.

Before her untimely death in an accident in 2005, Julie brought light into many lives. She worked as a correctional officer and supported the Exodus Prison and Aftercare Ministries, Yoke Fellowship, and Justice

and Mercy. She also worked with Susquehanna County Literacy and was active at Holy Name of Mary Church in Montrose.

Those who love Julie continue her kindness by raising money for her Memorial Fund at the Community Foundation which this year exceeded \$22,500. In addition to organizing the food drive, they sponsor a popular JBC Memorial Golf Tournament, Dinner and Auction held each summer in the beautiful woodland setting of Tall Pines Players Club in Friendsville, PA. Proceeds from the event replenish Julie's Memorial Fund and allow perpetual donations to flow each year to the local charities closest to Julie's heart.

Women Helping Women

Since its founding by Judy Albert Ventresca in 2006, WHW has multiplied its endowment by pooling the resources and energy of many donors and committee volunteers. We are on our way to a goal of a million dollar endowment targeting women's issues with practical solutions funded collectively.

Since 2012 WHW has granted more than \$25,000 to organizations in the Endless Mountains. This year alone we granted \$6,000. WHW partnered with the VETS fund advisers to offer a full scholarship (\$2,500 from WHW, \$2,500 from VETS, totaling \$5,000 for a 12 to 18 month course) for a female veteran to receive training to work with her service dog through the program Stand With Me. Grants in 2018 were also presented to Tigress (Tunkhannock Schools), CareNet, Women's Resource Center, and Children's Advocacy Center.

The WHW Grants Committee ensures due diligence is completed on every grant application. Members are alert and embedded within the community so that they can evaluate needs, program effectiveness, and management. Funding priorities are economic self-sufficiency, education, women's health, leadership development, personal safety and serving women and girls in crisis.

Annual WHW membership fees of just \$50 plus all donations are invested wisely by the Foundation to ensure the perpetuity of its assets and ability to fund grants. Donations supporting women can be set up as recurring monthly, annual or multiple-year pledges, made online by credit card. Estate and Memorial bequests are always welcome. In addition to the Grants Committee, volunteers contribute on our Leadership Committee, Development or Events Committees.



William B. Sordoni



William B. Sordoni

The Community Foundation has had many friends, mentors and supporters, but none more important to us than William B. Sordoni who died on May 23, 2018. Bill's guidance made the United Way of Susquehanna County possible. He was a constant source of insight

and encouragement.

After service in the Army during the Vietnam War, Bill joined his family businesses in various leadership positions at Sterling Industrial Corporation, Commonwealth Telephone, Sordoni Construction Services and other new construction operations in New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

Additionally, Bill served on several bank boards, Wilkes-Barre Chamber, the Wilkes University Institute for Public Policy and Economic Development, the United Way of Wyoming Valley, and more. He was known for his wisdom, humor, forthrightness and deep commitment to family and community.

Forrest H. VanCott



Forrest H. VanCott

The Community Foundation bid farewell to our good friend Forrest VanCott of New Milford, PA who passed away on February 4, 2018. Forrest and his brother Cooper over the years designed the landscaping of our renovated office. Their stone terraces and ever-blooming gardens

reflect our work of lasting legacies and perennial support of charitable endeavors.

Forrest grew up working in the family business VanCott's Nursery and Landscaping with his father and brother. He was employed with IBM in Endicott for 27 years until retiring in 2004. He was then employed by his good friend Joe Hunt at JHA Companies, Montrose. He was mechanically talented and generous with his time and skills, always willing to lend a hand. True to his name, Forrest loved nature and being out in the woods, hiking the Appalachian Trail, and John Deere tractors.

He served on the Pratt Memorial Library Board and took on many volunteer roles at South New Milford Baptist Church especially on the Missions and Building Committees. Missionary trips took him all over the world to Paraguay, Liberia, Papua New Guinea and the Yukon.

Forrest's favorite Bible verse was Isaiah 40:31, "But they who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall grow wings as a dove; they shall run and not be weary; and they shall walk and not faint."



"I shall not altogether die... I have executed a memorial longer lasting than bronze."

HORACE

Rusty Ely



Rusty Ely

In March 2017 the unexpected death of Rusty Ely, 54, of Montrose saddened the community. His hundreds of landscape and snowplow customers knew him to be as hard-working as he was gifted. His stonework—patios, walls, steps will endure for generations at homes and public places from Triple Cities to Scranton. Dry stone walls were a specialty and he shared his knowledge in classes he offered at Salt Springs Park. He also worked with John McNamara on iconic timber frame structures including Salt Springs' pavilion and the Hemlock Trail boardwalk to its falls.

Rusty was an avid hunter of small game, deer, turkey and black bear. He loved the outdoors and was active in the Quality Deer Management Association and the National Wild Turkey Federation. He was an avid cross-country runner at Montrose High and it was part of his nature to be always on the move, tackling anything hand-crafted or mechanical from European deer mounts to maple syrup, and whatever he knew he shared.

To honor his memory, Rusty's family has established the Russell Ely Memorial Endowment with The Community Foundation of the Endless Mountains. It will provide support to the Susquehanna County Career and Technology Center (SCCTC). The Center's graduates, we all hope, will carry on Rusty's legacy of diligent craftsmanship and his generous spirit.



Andrew Mazza Clinic Opens



Andrew Mazza

NEPA Community Health Care's new Greenfield Township facility celebrated its Grand Opening on May 19th 2018. It's mission is to reach out to 6,142 low income residents currently not accessing health services in Carbondale, Forest City, Jermyn, Union Dale, Lenoxville and Clifford Township. The clinic was established in partnership with the family of Andrew C. Mazza and is named in his honor.

Andrew died in a car crash at age 23 in February 2016. He and a female friend were passengers in a car that skidded off an icy road and landed upside down in five feet of water of a Gibson Township creek. The driver who was later charged with DUI and homicide by motor vehicle, escaped the wreck and ran for help. Andrew's cousin Chris Mazza described Andrew's final heroic actions. "When they were trapped in the car, the girl couldn't quite get to an air pocket and he jammed his feet underneath her to boost her up and they were communicating a little bit." The young woman recovered. But en route to the hospital Andrew succumbed to the effects of hypothermia and drowning. Says his cousin, "He was a hero, went out saving somebody—most selfless thing somebody could do."

Andrew Mazza was a fourth generation Greenfield Township resident, a graduate of Lakeland High School and Lackawanna Career Technology Center, and a member of the Operating Engineers Union, Local 542 as were many family members.

NEPA's four neighborhood Centers and two school-based clinics emphasize prevention, counseling students and adult patients on health habits and preventing injury, violence and other threats. The Foundation welcomes all contributions to the Andrew Mazza Memorial Health Care Fund.



FUNDS

AARF ALL ANIMAL RESCUE

Established by Robert and Melanie Diehl of Oakland Township to provide support for domestic animal and wildlife rescue organizations.

ACROSS COUNTRY REAL ESTATE CHARITABLE ENDOWMENT

Established by Aiken Enterprises of Montrose to support their favorite charities.

"ADRIENNE'S GARDEN" ART AWARDS FUND

Established by James and Lorraine Mailler of Tunkhannock in memory of their daughter Adrienne to support the annual "Adrienne's Garden" art awards provided to talented Tunkhannock students in grades Kindergarten-8th.

CODY ALBERT MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Established by Dale and Linda Albert in memory of their son Cody to provide a college scholarship to students from Susquehanna County who will major in the Visual Arts, Psychology, or Physical Therapy and who have overcome anxiety, depression, or other adversity.

L. CARTER & ELIZABETH ANDERSON FUND

Supports various charitable needs of Susquehanna County as recommended annually by the Anderson family of Franklin Forks.

HELEN & DEWITT ANDRE MEMORIAL FUND

Established by Joe and Kathy Andre in memory of Joe's parents, to benefit the Montrose United Methodist Church or another charitable organization recommended by the Andre family.

SUPPORTERS OF CAMP ARCHBALD FUND

Established by the Supporters of Camp Archbald to assist with the renovation and maintenance of Camp Archbald in Brooklyn, Pennsylvania.

AREA AGENCY ON AGING FUND

Established by The Area Agency on Aging to assist with their work on behalf of senior citizens in Bradford, Sullivan, Susquehanna, and Tioga Counties.

DANIEL ARNOLD MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Established in memory of Daniel Arnold, killed in action in Iraq in September, 2005. Provides a college scholarship for a student who has excelled in athletics and has exhibited patriotism for the United States.

ASHELD MEMORIAL WYOMING COUNTY LIBRARY FUND

Established by the Wyoming County Library Board to provide support to the various public libraries throughout Wyoming County.

AYERS STONE VFW CHARITABLE ENDOWMENT FUND

Established by Ayres-Stone VFW to support student clubs, organizations or classes at the Montrose Area School District that show the students concern for the school and the local community.

DANA RYMER BATTENBERG MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Established in 1920 by H.A. Willman of Jermyn for a Lakeland School District senior of high moral character who will attend college or a post-secondary degree program outside of Lackawanna and Luzerne Counties.

JOAN CARTER BEANE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Established by the family of the late Mrs. Beane to provide a college scholarship to a graduating senior from Tunkhannock Area High School.

BEGASSE FAMILY FUND

Established in memory of Pat and Bruce BeGasse to support adult learners and favorite charities of the BeGasse family.

DR. RAYMOND L. BENNETT MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Established in memory of Dr. Ray Bennett, a long-time Montrose physician. Provides a college scholarship for a Montrose Area High School graduate who has excelled academically, and has participated in interscholastic athletics.

DR. A. MONROE & SARAH BERTSCH FAMILY FUND

Established by Mrs. Sarah Bertsch of Montrose, this fund will provide annual grants to various local charities as recommended by Mrs. Bertsch and her family.

ALBERT BERTSCH FUND IN MEMORY OF CHRIS LAKE

Established by Albert Bertsch of Montrose in memory of his good friend, Chris Lake, who passed away unexpectedly. This fund provides support to the Interfaith Agency.

COURTLAND BIRCHARD SCHOLARSHIP

Established by Mr. Birchard and his family to provide tuition assistance to a graduating Senior from Montrose Area High School who will attend Broome Community College.

TONY BISTOCCHI MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Established by the family and friends of Tony Bistocchi, a 2009 graduate of Montrose Area High School who died in a car accident in 2012. Provides assistance to a Montrose student who will attend college or a post-secondary degree program.

BLUE RIDGE EDUCATION ASSOCIATION CHERYL MANCHESTER MEMORIAL FUND

Established in memory of long-time Blue Ridge teacher Cheryl Manchester by her husband John and the Blue Ridge Education Association to assist with special unfunded departmental, athletic, or extra-curricular projects in the school district.

BLUE RIDGE SCHOOL DISTRICT FOUNDATION SUPERINTENDENT'S FUND

Personally established by Superintendent Robert McNamara. Supports the educational programs of the Blue Ridge School District.

BONDURANT FAMILY FUND

Established by Ken Bondurant of New Milford to provide support to the Automotive Body/Automotive Mechanics Department at the Susquehanna County Career and Technology Center.

BOOKIN FAMILY FUND FOR SS CYRIL & METHODIUS UKRAINIAN GREEK CATHOLIC CHURCH

Established by Ronald Bookin of Nicholson, PA to provide support to the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church in Olyphant, PA.

BOZ FUND

Established by an anonymous donor of Rush Township to benefit his family's favorite charities and educational projects in the local school districts.

JACK BRAINARD MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Established by the family of Jack Brainard to assist a graduate of Mountain View High School who will attend college or a post-secondary degree program to major in art or music.

NORMAN BRUNNER MEMORIAL FUND

Established in memory of Norman Brunner, who in the 1950s founded the Susquehanna County Charities Distribution Fund, the forebear of The Community Foundation. Provides grants to the United Way of Susquehanna County.

EVELYN G. BRUSH MEMORIAL FUND FOR ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CHURCH OF SUSQUEHANNA

Established by the estate of Mrs. Brush, this fund provides annual grants for St. John's Church.

DIANE BUNDY MEMORIAL FUND

Established by her family in memory of Diane to provide Elk Lake students with opportunities to pursue the sport of skiing and higher education. Diane, Fred Williams and Jim Brooks established the Elk Lake Ski club to provide these opportunities to the students in the late 70's early 80's.

DEBORAH A. BURKE BREAST CANCER FUND

Provides assistance to breast cancer patients.

BUTTON-WELLER FAMILY FUND FOR CANCER PATIENTS

Established by the Button-Weller family to provide grants to Susquehanna County Interfaith to assist local cancer patients.

CAFE EDUCATION ASSISTANCE FUND

Established by Creative Adventures For Education (CAFE) to provide assistance for unfunded programs or projects in the Blue Ridge School District. CAFE is most notable for continuing the long tradition of organizing the annual Blue Ridge 6th Grade trip to Washington D.C.

CAMERON COUNTY OUTDOOR YOUTH ACTIVITIES FUND

Established by the Andrews family of Tunkhannock and Emporium to support programs that foster an understanding and enjoyment of the outdoors and the overall environment.

JULIE BUSH CAPWELL MEMORIAL FUND

Established by the family and friends of Julie to benefit the following organizations that were close to her heart, Exodus Prison and Aftercare Ministries, Yokefellowship, and Justice and Mercy.

CHILD SAFETY & ADVOCACY FUND

Established by Attorney Sandra Boyle of Tunkhannock in memory of her late husband Kevin to support organizations in northeastern Pennsylvania that provide advocacy and safety services for abused and neglected children.

DAVID CLARK MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Established in memory of David Clark, a Tunkhannock Area High School graduate who passed away unexpectedly. Provides a college scholarship to a Tunkhannock graduate who has overcome personal adversity to graduate from high school and go on to college.

CLAVERACK EDUCATION FUND

Established by Claverack Rural Electric Cooperative to support the SkillsUSA programs in the Northern Tier Career Center in Bradford County and also the Susquehanna County Career and Technology Center.

CLAVERACK MEMBER ASSISTANCE ENDOWMENT FUND

Established by Claverack Rural Electric Cooperative to benefit its Member Assistance Program.

CLEMENS FAMILY FUND

Established by the Clemens family of Hallstead to support their favorite charities.

CLIFFORD TOWNSHIP HISTORICAL SOCIETY FUND

Established by the Clifford Historical Society to help support the Historical Society.

DAVID B. COLWELL MEMORIAL FUND

Established by the estate of Mr. Colwell, a long-time citizen of Montrose, to provide support to the Journalism, Forensics, and Theater departments of all the school districts in Susquehanna County as well as Abington Heights School District.

COMMUNITY FOUNDATION DIRECTORS FUND

The Directors Fund was formed to help fund major capital projects selected by the Board of Directors.

COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OPERATING FUND

Supports the operations of the Foundation.

COMMUNITY FOUNDATION BUILDING FUND

Supports the upkeep and capital project expenses for the building that houses the Community Foundation.

COMMUNITY FOUNDATION COMMUNITY FUND

Supports current needs in the community.

CINDI CONATY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Established by Susquehanna County President Judge, Jason Legg, in honor of his mother to provide a college or post-secondary degree program scholarship for a student from one of the six Susquehanna County high school districts.

THOMAS CONATY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Established by the family of Mr. Conaty to provide a college or post-secondary degree program scholarship to a student from Blue Ridge, Elk Lake or Montrose Area School Districts. Preference will be given to a student who will pursue a degree in business or a related field.

BRADLEY DAVID CONKLIN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Established in memory of Brad Conklin, a high school student killed in an automobile accident. Provides a college scholarship to a graduate from Blue Ridge High School or Montrose Area High School.

COUNTRYSIDE CONSERVANCY ENDOWMENT FUND

Established by the Conservancy to support its mission of land and water protection in and around the Tunkhannock Creek Watershed.

BOB CRIMMEL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Established by the family and friends of Bob Crimmel of Tunkhannock to provide a college scholarship to graduates of the Tunkhannock Area High School.

DANIEL CRISMAN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Established in memory of Daniel Crisman, who was killed in the World Trade Towers on September 11, 2001. Provides a college scholarship for a Montrose Area High School graduate.

CROSSLEY-LABONTE FAMILY FUND

Established by Jane Crossley LaBonte Wilson, this fund supports various Susquehanna County charities and non-profit organizations as recommended annually by Mrs. Wilson and her family of Brackney and Montrose.

JACK DANIELS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Established in memory of Jack Daniels, a gifted junior high school student/athlete who passed away in a swimming accident. Provides a college scholarship for a Tunkhannock Area High School Senior.

RICHARD DAVIS, SR. MEMORIAL FUND FOR TRUE FRIENDS ANIMAL WELFARE CENTER

Established by the estate of Richard Davis, Sr. to provide support to True Friends Animal Welfare Center.

WILLIAM DEAN MEMORIAL FUND

Supports Susquehanna County non-profit organizations as recommended annually by the Dean family of Montrose.

GIL DEPEW MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Established by the family of Mr. Depew to provide a college scholarship for a diabetic student from one of the six Susquehanna County high schools.

ADAM AND JULIE DIAZ 4 DAUGHTERS FUND

Established by the Diaz family of Montrose to support their favorite charities.

MARTIN T. DILLON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Established by the Montrose Lions Club in memory of the late Montrose attorney Martin Dillon to provide a college scholarship to a deserving student from Mr. Dillon's alma mater of Montrose Area High School.

DIMOCK COMMUNITY WORKERS SCHOLARSHIP

Established by The Dimock Community Workers. For a student who has the highest GPA of any Elk Lake student who resides in Dimock Township and who will matriculate in a post-secondary degree program.

JACKIE DISPENZA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Established in memory of Tunkhannock alumna Jackie Dispensa who perished in a tragic automobile accident. For a student who has exhibited a passion for art.

JOSEPH DOHRER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Established in memory of Mr. Dohrer, a Tunkhannock resident who passed away in the 1980's. Provides a scholarship to a Tunkhannock graduate. If a 3.0 GPA is maintained in college, the award will be granted for up to four years of post-secondary degree education.

DONLEY FAMILY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Established in memory of the Donley family siblings, Harry, Josephine, Maurice, and Paul. This scholarship provides assistance to a Blue Ridge graduate. If the recipient maintains a 3.0 GPA in college, this will be awarded for four years.

EAST RUSH CEMETERY ASSOCIATION ENDOWMENT FUND

Established by the East Rush Cemetery Association to assist with the expenses of managing the East Rush Cemetery.

EDWARDS-NAPOLITANO MEMORIAL MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP

Established initially in memory of Johnny Edwards. In 2007 the name of the fund changed to also honor Johnny's good friend and band-mate, John Napolitano, who has also passed away. This fund provides a college scholarship for a Susquehanna Community High School graduate.

ELK LAKE CLASS OF 1958 ALUMNI FUND

Established by the Class of '58, the first graduating class of the consolidated school district, to assist with special unfunded projects in the Elk Lake School District.

ELK LAKE VISUAL & PERFORMING ARTS FUND

Established anonymously by a family whose children attend Elk Lake School District to support the art, music, and theater departments.

ELKDALE CEMETERY ASSOCIATION ENDOWMENT FUND

Established by the Elkdale Cemetery Association to assist with the expenses of maintaining the Elkdale Cemetery.

CECILIA C. & GLENN W. ELY MEMORIAL FUND

Established by the Ely's daughter, Judy Kelly of Montrose, this fund will support local charities as recommended annually by the Larry and Judy Kelly family of Montrose.

HAROLD & FRANCES ELY FAMILY FUND

Established in honor of Mr. & Mrs. Ely by their children and grandchildren, this fund will provide assistance to Mr. & Mrs. Ely's favorite charities.

RUSSELL ELY MEMORIAL ENDOWMENT

Established by the family of landscaper and stone mason Rusty Ely to provide support to the Susquehanna County Career and Technology Center for its general purposes to continue to provide for the education and opportunities of students and adults from Susquehanna and Wyoming Counties.

ENDLESS MOUNTAINS HABITAT FOR HUMANITY SCHOLARSHIP

Established by Robert and Diane Turrell to provide post-secondary degree education assistance to families living in Habitat for Humanity housing in Wyoming County.

THOMAS D. EVANS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Established by the family of the late Mr. Evans who was a coach and faculty member at the Montrose Area School District. Provides college tuition assistance to a member of the Montrose Girls' Varsity Basketball Team, or a member of the Varsity Golf Team.

PAUL FEARICK MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Established by Mr. Fearick's family and friends in memory of his many years as a teacher and coach at Lackawanna Trail High School. Provides a scholarship for a graduate of Lackawanna Trail High School, who will enter college or a post-secondary degree program.

FEED A FRIEND FUND

Established by an anonymous donor to provide annual support for The Susquehanna County Food Pantry.

MARIANO & MARIA LAMPAZZI FIASCHI MEMORIAL NURSING SCHOLARSHIP

Established by Peter Fiaschi in memory of his parents. For a Susquehanna Community School District graduate that will major in nursing. Scholarship award is available for four years of college if the recipient remains a student in good standing enrolled in a nursing program.

FISKE EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP ENDOWMENT

Established by the Harford High School Alumni Association, to provide a scholarship to a Mountain View student in good standing that will matriculate to an accredited post-secondary program.

FRIENDS OF SALT SPRINGS PARK FUND

Established by the Leasure family, this Fund supports the programmatic needs of Friends of Salt Springs Park.

FRIENDS OF SUSQUEHANNA COUNTY FUND

Supports non-profit organizations in Susquehanna County as recommended annually by The Friends of Susquehanna County.

JULIA A. FRYSTAK MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

In memory of Julia Frystak, a Montrose student who passed away due to injuries sustained in an accident. Provides a post-secondary scholarship to a high school graduate who excels in academics and participates in athletics.

THE GARDEN CLUB OF MONTROSE, JEAN ROSE MEMORIAL EDUCATION FUND

The Fund provides support for Garden Club members' education enhancement, and for college scholarships for local students.

THE GARDEN CLUB OF MONTROSE, PRESIDENT'S FUND

Established by the McLaughlin family. Supports the civic beautification projects of The Garden Club of Montrose.

THE GIANA FOUNDATION

Provides grants to support the Art, Theater, and Music Departments of all the school districts in Susquehanna and Wyoming Counties.

FERDINAND GRAF MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Provides a college scholarship to a Blue Ridge High School graduate who exhibits good sportsmanship in wrestling.

BRENDAN TYLER HALL MEMORIAL FUND

Established by family and friends, in honor of Brendan Hall. This fund will provide assistance to local charities.

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H.A.N.D.S. OF WYOMING COUNTY FUND

Established by H.A.N.D.S. (Helping Area Needs for Diverse Early Child Care Services) to provide operational support for its work to improve the quality and availability of pre-kindergarten education in Wyoming County.

JOHN TORREY HAWKINS & EVELYN LUTZ HAWKINS MEMORIAL FUND

Established by the family and friends of John "Jack" and Evelyn "Chips" Hawkins of Montrose to benefit the Endless Mountains Health Systems which had been of great assistance to them in their later years.

ERMA & BEULAH HEFFERAN ENDOWMENT FUND

Established from the estates of Montrose sisters Erma & Beulah Hefferan to provide support for the Montrose United Methodist Church.

AGNES & JAMES W. HOLBERT SCHOLARSHIP

Established by the children of James W. Holbert, who was in the Army Medical Corps during WWII and participated in the Normandy Invasion. The scholarship will be awarded to an Elk Lake and Montrose Area High School student, who will participate in the ROTC Program in college or enter a U.S. Military Academy.

HOUSEL FAMILY FUND

Established by Robert and Jennifer Housel of Harford to provide support for their favorite charities.

DAVID HWANG MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Established in memory of David Hwang, a teenager killed in an automobile accident. Provides a scholarship to a Blue Ridge High School graduate, who will enter a post-secondary degree program.

JACKSON CEMETERY ASSOCIATION FUND

Established by the Cemetery Association to assist with the expenses of managing the Jackson Cemetery.

JOHN M. JAMES MEMORIAL FUND TO BENEFIT FBLA CLUBS

Established by the estate of the late John James to provide assistance to the Future Business Leaders of America Clubs in all the school districts of Susquehanna County.

JERSEY HILL CEMETERY ASSOCIATION FUND

Established by the Jersey Hill Cemetery Association to support charitable needs and maintenance of the Jersey Hill Cemetery.

JONES FAMILY FUND

Provides assistance to the Little Hill Foundation – Alina Lodge.

KAIL FAMILY FUND

Established by the Karl Kail IV family of Heart Lake to provide support to charities and non-profits as recommended by the Kail family.

DUTCH KELLER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Established by Mr. Keller's family in memory of this legendary Tunkhannock coach who passed away in 1967. For a student ranked in the top third of Tunkhannock's graduating class who has earned at least five varsity letters during high school.

FRANCES KENNARD MEMORIAL WYOMING COUNTY LIBRARY FUND

Established by the Wyoming County Library Board to provide support to the various public libraries throughout Wyoming County.

FRANCES E. KENNARD PUBLIC LIBRARY FUND

Established by the library's Board of Directors to assist with the expenses of running the Kennard Public Library in Meshoppen.

KEYSTONE COLLEGE ENDOWMENT FUND

Established by Keystone College for alumni, friends, and benefactors to provide long-term financial support for the college.

HOWARD H. KIMBALL JR. & JOHN DIAZ CHARITABLE ENDOWMENT

Established by John Diaz in memory of his late friend Howard Kimball Jr. to support animal shelters and animal rehabilitation centers in the United States.

KINGSLEY CIVIC CLUB SCHOLARSHIP

Established by the Kingsley Civic Club to provide three annual college scholarships to Mountain View High School graduates who have maintained a 3.0 GPA in a college preparatory curriculum.

FRED & JEANNE KINTNER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Established by the family of Mr. & Mrs. Kintner to provide tuition assistance to a graduate of Tunkhannock Area High School or the Susquehanna County Career & Technology Center who will attend a technical or vocational degree program or a two-year academic program leading to an Associate's Degree.

KINTNER FAMILY FUND

Established by Fred and Jeanne Kintner to benefit the United Methodist Church of Mehoopany.

ROBERT W. KLENK SCHOLARSHIP

Established by the Mountain View School District Alumni Association in honor of Mr. Klenk, a long-time teacher and principal of the District. Provides a scholarship to a graduate who will attend college to pursue a degree in education.

JOHN KRUPINSKI MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

In memory of John Krupinski, Montrose High School alumnus, and first Business Manager of the Montrose Area School District. Provides a college scholarship to a Montrose graduate, who will major in business, economics, or the business application of technology.

THOMAS J. & ELLA LAGRANGE DAVIES MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Established by the late Elliott Davies in memory of his parents to provide college tuition assistance to a graduating Montrose Area student who has exhibited moral character, dependability, service, leadership, and has participated in extra-curricular activity. Two awards are provided each year.

LATHROP FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP

Established by Mrs. Mary Lathrop to provide a scholarship to graduates of Elk Lake School District who will enter a post-secondary degree technical program or trade school.

MARY AND KENNETH LEASURE FUND

Supports non-profit organizations in Susquehanna County as recommended annually by the Leasure family.

MARY K. LEASURE FUND

In memory of Mary Leasure, who greatly enjoyed the beauty of Salt Springs State Park. Provides grants for the maintenance of Salt Springs State Park, and especially for the upkeep of the Mary K. Leasure Memorial Bench.

WILLIAM AND DEBORAH LEWIS FUND

Supports non-profit organizations in Susquehanna County as recommended annually by the Lewis family of Montrose.

LEWIS FUND FOR MASD

Established to support the needs of Montrose Area School District students. Provides funding to be used at the discretion of the school nurses to provide clothing for students in need.

J. RODGER LEWIS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

In memory of J. Rodger Lewis, a former Montrose Area Superintendent. Provides a post-secondary scholarship to a high school graduate who, has exhibited perseverance and academic responsibility.

LINABERRY FAMILY FUND

Established by Robert and Christina Linaberry of Naples, Florida to provide support for their favorite charities.

JAMES J. LUCIANA MEMORIAL FUND

Established by the estate of the late Mr. Luciana of Susquehanna Depot to provide charitable assistance in the borough.

JOHN LYONS MEMORIAL FUND FOR THE MONTROSE CEMETERY ASSOCIATION

Established by the estate of Montrose resident John Lyons in 1936 and transferred to The Community Foundation to provide support for the maintenance of the Montrose Cemetery.

FRED MACK MEMORIAL FUND

Established by the estate of Fred Mack to support the community projects of the Montrose Lions Club.

*“Success in life
should be determined
by contributions,
not accumulations.”*

ARTHUR F. LENEHAN



NORMAN MAZA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Presented to a diligent student who has exhibited integrity and good citizenship, and who has brought honor and joy to the community of teachers and learners that is Mountain View.

ANDREW MAZZA MEMORIAL HEALTH CARE FUND

Established by the family and friends of Andrew Mazza to help support the Andrew Mazza Memorial Health Center in Greenfield Township, Pennsylvania operated by NEPA Community Health Care.

ELLIE MCKEAGE MEMORIAL FUND FOR THE Montrose Cemetery Association

Established to help provide assistance with the expenses of maintaining the Montrose Cemetery.

MESHOPPEN CREEK SCHOLARSHIP

Established by the late Reverend Paul and Myrtle Carlson to provide assistance to a graduating high school Senior from Susquehanna County, Pennsylvania or Pinellas County, Florida who exhibits exceptional promise for their future and who writes a winning essay about their greatest accomplishment in life so far.

MONTROSE AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE PAULINE MACNEAL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Established to honor past Chamber member Mrs. Pauline MacNeal. Provides college tuition assistance to graduating seniors from the high schools in Susquehanna County, as well as home schooled or cyber schooled students, who reside in Susquehanna County and will major in a business related field.

MONTROSE AREA KIWANIS CLUB COMMUNITY SERVICE FUND

Established by the Montrose Area Kiwanis Club to provide support for the club's community and education assistance projects.

MONTROSE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP

Established by the School District to provide college tuition assistance for a deserving student who exhibits financial need and who will enter college or a post-secondary degree program.

MONTROSE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT WELLNESS FUND

Established by Michael and Charm Giangrieco to support student health and wellness initiatives in the Montrose Area School District as designated by Christopher McComb, Superintendent.

MONTROSE BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL WOMEN'S SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Provides a college scholarship to a graduate of a Susquehanna County high school who will further his or her education in preparation for entering the business or health care professions, or to an adult seeking further education.

MONTROSE CEMETERY ASSOCIATION FUND

Established by the Cemetery Association to assist with the expenses of operating the Montrose Cemetery.

MONTROSE FUND

Established by The Community Foundation to make annual grants to the Borough of Montrose for Borough improvements and beautification.

MONTROSE LIONS CLUB COMMUNITY FUND

Established by the Montrose Lions Club to provide support to charitable organizations throughout Susquehanna County that demonstrate the potential to benefit the greater community at large.

MONTROSE LIONS CLUB MONTROSE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT FUND

Established by the Montrose Lions Club to assist with unfunded departmental, athletic, or extra-curricular activities for Grades Kindergarten through 12th in the Montrose Area School District.

MONTROSE MINUTE MEN AMBULANCE FUND

Established by the estate of the late Homer B. Shay to benefit the Montrose Minutemen Ambulance Company.

MONTROSE RESTORATION COMMITTEE FUND

Established by The Montrose Restoration Committee to provide support for its mission to preserve and revitalize economic activity, heritage, and cultural enhancements in the village of Montrose.

MONTROSE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH MUSIC ENDOWMENT FUND

Established by Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Stone to assist with expenses related to the church choir and general music activities at the Montrose UMC.

MOUNTAIN VIEW SCHOOL DISTRICT ALUMNI ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP

Provides a college scholarship to a Mountain View student in good standing who will matriculate at college or a post-secondary degree program.

MOUNTAIN VIEW SCHOOL DISTRICT LIBRARY FUND

Established by Mark Wilmot of Union Dale to provide support to the Libraries in the Mountain View Elementary School and High School.

EILEEN AND GREGORY MYER FUND

Established by the Myer family of Montrose to support their favorite charities.

NEPA COMMUNITY HEALTH CARE FUND

Established by NEPA Community Health Care to help provide long-term assistance for ongoing annual expenses.

NORTH BRANCH LAND TRUST FRIENDS OF HOWLAND PRESERVE FUND

Established by the North Branch Land Trust to assist with the expenses of the Howland Preserve in Tunkhannock, PA.

NORTH BRANCH LAND TRUST FUND

Established by the Land Trust to assist with its projects to protect open land in Susquehanna and Wyoming Counties.

NORTHERN TIER INDUSTRY & EDUCATION CONSORTIUM FUND

Established by the Consortium to support joint activities between schools and business which help students develop career awareness and skills. The programs provide students in the five northern tier counties of Pennsylvania with pathways to sustaining careers and help employers connect with youth to staff their business.

RITA AND HASKELL OAKES MEMORIAL FUND

Established by Joe and Kathy Andre in memory of Kathy's parents, to benefit the Montrose United Methodist Church or another charitable organization recommended by the Andre family.

JOSEPH F. & KATHLEEN O'CONNOR SCHOLARSHIP ENDOWMENT FOR ENERGY RELATED PROFESSIONS

Established by the O'Connor family, this scholarship benefits a student from the Endless Mountains who is in a graduate degree program that will lead to a managerial or engineering position in the energy exploration industry.

ORIENTAL GRANGE OF MILL CITY FUND

Established by the Oriental Grange to support projects and initiatives that will encourage an interest in agriculture among young people in Wyoming County.

PEOPLES SECURITY BANK & TRUST CHARITABLE FUND

Established to serve charitable, educational and non-profit organizations as recommended by officers of Peoples Security Bank & Trust.

JOAN O. PETERS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Established by the family, friends, and former students of Joan Peters, a long-time respected teacher in the Mountain View School District. This scholarship will be awarded to a Mountain View senior enrolled in a post-secondary degree program.

POPE FAMILY FUND

Established by Mr. & Mrs. Daniel Pope of Tunkhannock, PA to provide assistance to their favorite charities.

MORGAN R. POTTER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

In memory of Morgan Potter, a college student who passed away unexpectedly. Provides a college scholarship to a Montrose High School graduate who exhibits school spirit, has maintained a B+ Grade Point Average.

DANIEL REESE PRICE, SR. MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Established by Daniel and Carolyn Price in memory of his father who was a successful businessman with many skills, the scholarship will be awarded annually to a graduating senior from Forest City Regional High School who has the highest GPA among students who will enroll in a two or four year college, university, or trade school majoring in a trade.

KATHERINE DAVIES PRICE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Established by Daniel and Carolyn Price in memory of his mother who had great Welsh musical talent, the scholarship will be awarded annually to a graduating senior from Forest City Regional High School who has the highest GPA among students who will enroll in a two or four year college or university to major in the visual or performing arts.

ALBERT M. PURDY MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP

Established by the Tunkhannock Area High School Band Boosters Association in honor of retired teacher Albert Purdy. Provides a college scholarship to a Tunkhannock graduate who exhibits exceptional musical talent, and will pursue a musical education in college.

JOHN THOMAS QUIGG MEMORIAL CHARITABLE FUND

Established by the family and friends of Tom Quigg, who was active in business and civic endeavors in northeastern Pennsylvania, to carry on his tradition of community, charitable, and educational support.

SHIRLEY LUTZ QUIGG MEMORIAL CHARITABLE FUND

Established by the family and friends of Shirley Lutz Quigg to support her favorite charities.

RAIL-TRAIL COUNCIL OF NORTHEASTERN PENNSYLVANIA FUND ENDOWMENT

Established by the Rail-Trail Council to assist with its administrative and project expenses for the Endless Mountains Trail.

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JONATHAN RANDALL MEMORIAL FUND

In memory of Jonathan Randall, who was killed in the World Trade Towers, September 11, 2001. Provides grants to charitable agencies as recommended annually by the Randall family of Silver Lake.

DENISE REDDON MEMORIAL FUND

Established by the family and friends of Ms. Reddon who, in addition to being the Mayor of Susquehanna Depot, was also a long-time coach and Athletic Director in the Susquehanna Community School District. The fund will provide annual support for the expenses of the school district's Athletic Department.

REPPY-KEKER FAMILY FUND

Established by Mr. and Mrs. John Keker of Tunkhannock to provide assistance to their favorite charities.

R.E.S.C.U.E. BENJAMIN B. STONE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Established by the environmental organization "Return Susquehanna Country Under Ecology" to recognize Benjamin Stone. Two college scholarships are awarded each year and are available to seniors from all of the high schools in Susquehanna County and from Honesdale, Wallenpaupack Area, and Western Wayne High Schools in Wayne County.

BEATRICE REYNOLDS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Established by the late Ira T. Reynolds in memory of his late wife to assist a Susquehanna Community School District graduate who will major in education or teacher training. Scholarship is provided in four equal installments as long as the recipient remains a student in good standing.

RICCI FAMILY FUND

Established by Mr. Daniel Ricci of Montrose to provide assistance to his family's favorite charities.

CATHERINE M. RILEY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Established by Mr. John Riley in memory of his mother who was a Montrose Area School District teacher to provide college tuition assistance to Montrose graduates who will major in teaching or education.

SYLVIA RIVENBERG MEMORIAL FUND FOR TRUE FRIENDS ANIMAL WELFARE CENTER

Established by the estate of Sylvia Rivenberg to provide support to True Friends Animal Welfare Center.

E. L. ROSE CONSERVANCY STEWARDSHIP FUND

Established by the conservancy's Board of Directors to support the expenses of maintaining stewarded properties.

E. L. ROSE CONSERVANCY S. LAKE ROAD REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE FUND

Established by the conservancy's Board of Directors to support the expenses of maintaining the access point to the High Point Preserve and S. Lake Road on Silver Lake.

REGINALD SANGER & FLORENCE MACGOWAN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Established in memory of Mr. Sanger and Mrs. MacGowan who were brother and sister who retired to the Elk Lake area. The scholarship is for an Elk Lake senior, who is enrolled in a post-secondary degree program.

GEORGE SCHAUTZ MEMORIAL CHARITABLE FUND

Established by the family of George Schautz for his favorite charities, with emphasis on the Tunkhannock Public Library.

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR CAREERS ENDOWMENT

Established anonymously by a local family with ties to Elk Lake School District. The scholarship is for graduates of Elk Lake School District and/or The Susquehanna County Career & Technology Center who have financial need, exhibit promise for the future, and will attend a vocational, technical, academic, or other post-secondary degree program. The scholarship fund can also be used to assist with special unfunded projects in the school district, the Career & Technology Center, and the community.

LEOPOLD & JANE SCHREIBER CULINARY ARTS FUND

Established by friends of Leopold and the late Jane Schreiber in honor of their years in the confectionery business. This fund supports the Culinary Program of the Susquehanna County Career & Technology Center.

NICHOLAS SEVERCOOL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Provides a college scholarship to a Montrose High School student who has overcome personal adversity in order to graduate and go onto a post-secondary degree program.

SHARED BLESSINGS FUND

Established by Neil Andre and Sonji Lee of Montrose to promote and enhance the power of faith, compassion, and education.

DR. W. DAYTON SHELLY MEMORIAL MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP

Established by the family and friends of Dr. Shelly to honor his love of music. This fund grants a scholarship to a graduating Tunkhannock Area High School senior who has exhibited a commitment to this art, a long-term appreciation of its beauty, but does not necessarily intend on majoring in music in college.

ALBERT SHEPHERD MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Established by the family of Albert Shepherd to assist a graduate from Montrose Area High School who has been a student in good standing and who will enter college or a post-secondary degree program.

ANDREW F. SIENKO SR. MEMORIAL FUND

Established by the Sienko family to provide support for the Andrew F. Sienko Memorial Nature Trail at Blue Ridge School District.

SILVER LAKE LADIES CLUB FUND

Supports the Club's annual college scholarship presented to a high school graduate from Silver Lake Township, or other Club projects.

SILVER LANE CARES FUND

Established by Silver Lane Advisors, a New York City investment banking boutique, to support various charitable, educational, and non-profit organizations throughout the United States.

ANDREW M. SNITZER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Provides a college scholarship to a Blue Ridge High School graduate of high moral character who will attend college to train for a career in education.

SPIRIT OF 9-11 ENDURING FREEDOM MEMORIAL PARK FUND

Established by Debbie Crisman, mother of Danny Crisman, who perished in the Twin Towers of New York City on September 11, 2001. The fund will provide for the perpetual care of the Spirit of 9-11 Enduring Freedom Memorial Park in South Montrose.

MATTHEW STAHL MEMORIAL 4-H FUND

Established in memory of eight year old Matthew Stahl who perished in Hurricane Sandy in October 2012. The fund will provide support to the Youth Dairy Program of the Susquehanna County 4-H, which was one of Matthew's favorite activities.

DIANE & PAUL STIZZA FUND FOR ANIMAL CARE

Established by Diane Stizza to support organizations in northeastern Pennsylvania that provide spaying and neutering services for the household pets of the deserving elderly and also low-income families and to assist the deserving elderly with health care access for their pets.

MARGARET STONE MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP ENDOWMENT

Established by Mrs. Stone, Houghton College class of '45, to assist a music major attending her alma mater.

SUNNYSIDE CEMETERY ENDOWMENT

Established by the Tunkhannock Cemetery Association to assist with the expenses of managing the Sunnyside Cemetery.

SUSQUEHANNA BEEKEEPERS EDUCATION FUND

Established by the Susquehanna Beekeepers Association to assist with their education programs for young people.

SUSQUEHANNA COUNTY 4-H PROGRAM ENDOWMENT

Established by the Susquehanna County 4-H to assist with various program expenses.

SUSQUEHANNA COUNTY CHRISTMAS BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT SCHOLARSHIP

Established by the school districts in Susquehanna County to provide college scholarships to students from the teams that participate in the Annual Susquehanna County Christmas Basketball Tournament every December.

SUSQUEHANNA COUNTY CIVIL WAR MONUMENT FUND

Supports the restoration and maintenance of the Civil War Monument on the Montrose Green.

SUSQUEHANNA COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY FUND

Established by the society's Board of Trustees to assist with the expenses of operating the Historical Society.

SUSQUEHANNA COUNTY INTERFAITH ENDOWMENT

Established by Susquehanna County Interfaith to assist with its program and operational expenses.

SUSQUEHANNA COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT FUND

Established by Jason Legg, to assist with the expenses of law enforcement, particularly the Susquehanna County Task Force, and the K-9 Unit.

SUSQUEHANNA COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY & FREE LIBRARY ASSOCIATION PERMANENT ENDOWMENT

This endowment has existed for a number of years, and in 2007 the Board of the Library and Historical Society transferred it to The Community Foundation for local management. The endowment assists with the expenses of operating the Historical Society in Montrose, and the Library branches throughout the county.

SUSQUEHANNA FIRE DEPARTMENT SCHOLARSHIP

Established by the Susquehanna Fire Department to assist a Susquehanna Community student who has demonstrated a strong sense of volunteerism and community service, with consideration given to students that participate in the Fire Department.

MAURICE D. TAYLOR MEMORIAL MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP

Established by the family of Mr. Taylor who was originally from Montrose and became a nationally recognized music and band instructor. The scholarship will benefit a student from Montrose or Elk Lake who will attend a post-secondary degree program to major in music.

RALPH & DOROTHY TAYLOR ENDOWMENT FUND

Established from the estates of Mr. & Mrs. Taylor of Montrose to provide support for the Montrose United Methodist Church.

ARDEN W. TEWKSBURY SCHOLARSHIP

Established by the family and friends of long-time Elk Lake School Board member Arden W. Tewksbury to provide college tuition assistance to a deserving Elk Lake graduating senior who exhibits a school spirit as exemplified by Mr. Tewksbury.

TIGER FUND FOR EXCELLENCE

Established by the Advisory Council of Tunkhannock Area School District Foundation to support special projects in the district.

HARRY TORNEY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Established by the family of Mr. Torney to provide assistance to a graduate of The Susquehanna County Career & Technology Center who will go on to a post-secondary degree program to study machine shop technology, welding, or carpentry.

JESSIE OSGOOD TOURJE MEMORIAL FUND

Established by the Tourje family of Forest City in memory of their mother and grandmother. Provides annual grants to Blue Ridge, Forest City, Mountain View, and Susquehanna Community School Districts.

TRUE FRIENDS ANIMAL WELFARE CENTER FUND

Established by True Friends Animal Welfare Center, located in Montrose. To assist with its operating and administrative expenses.

TUNKHANNOCK HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF '66 SCHOLARSHIP

Established by Tunkhannock alumni from the class of 1966 to provide tuition assistance to a deserving student to attend college or a post-secondary degree program.

TUNKHANNOCK KIWANIS COMMUNITY FUND

Established by the Kiwanis Club of Tunkhannock to assist with the club's community service projects in Wyoming County.

TUNKHANNOCK PUBLIC LIBRARY ENDOWMENT FUND

Established by the Board of Directors of the Library, this endowment will provide permanent annual support to assist with the library's expenses.

MARY M. UMLAUF MEMORIAL FUND

Supports the Lanesboro Community Church.

UNITED WAY OF SUSQUEHANNA COUNTY ENDOWMENT FUND

Provides grants to the United Way of Susquehanna County.

UNITED WAY OF SUSQUEHANNA COUNTY CDF CAPITAL CAMPAIGN FUND

Established by the United Way of Susquehanna County to assist with their administrative expenses so that a greater portion of annual donations to the United Way can be used for community charitable support.

UNITED WAY OF SUSQUEHANNA COUNTY ALEXIS DETOCQUEVILLE SOCIETY FUND

Established by the United Way of Susquehanna County to assist with their administrative expenses so that a greater portion of annual donations to the United Way can be used for community charitable support.

FRANK J. VALVANO MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Established in memory of Frank J. Valvano, a retired Tunkhannock Area School District administrator, who passed away in a tragic motorcycle accident. Provides a Scholarship to a Tunkhannock Area Graduate.

KERMIT VAN COTT HORTICULTURE SCHOLARSHIP

Established by the Van Cott family in honor of their father, Kermit, a long-time nurseryman from New Milford. Provides a college scholarship to a Blue Ridge High School graduate who will study horticulture, botany, forestry, or agriculture and exhibits a need for economic assistance.

MATTHEW VAN FLEET MEMORIAL AUTOMOTIVE SCHOLARSHIP

Established by Matthew's parents and his sister in memory of Matt who passed away in an automobile accident. The scholarship provides assistance to a student who will study automotive technology. The scholarship is available to students from all the school districts in Susquehanna and Wyoming Counties.

VETS - VETERANS EDUCATION TRAINING AND SUPPORT FUND

Collective philanthropy fund established to provide support for veterans, reservists and National Guard members. Funding priorities include scholarships for education, crisis intervention, physical and mental health.

VICKI'S FUND FOR THE PREVENTION OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

In memory of Vicki Clary, killed by her estranged husband. Provides support to the Susquehanna County Women's Resource Center.

JOHN J. AND ANN VITALE SCHOLARSHIP

Available to alumni from the six school districts in Susquehanna County who will enter their final year of college or graduate school and who have incurred student debt.

WARREN FAMILY MUSIC ENDOWMENT

Established by the Warren family of Harford to provide assistance for the expenses of the Music Department of the Mountain View School District.

GEORGE WILLIAM WARREN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Established by Daniel and Carolyn Price in memory of her father who was a hard working farmer and caring school bus driver, the scholarship will be awarded annually to a graduating senior from Mountain View High School who has the highest GPA among students who will enroll in a two or four year college or university, or trade school to major in a trade.

GRACE BENNETT WARREN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Established by Daniel and Carolyn Price in memory of her mother who was a dedicated, talented elementary teacher, the scholarship will be awarded annually to a graduating senior from Mountain View High School who has the highest GPA among students who will enroll in a two or four year college or university to major in education.

WAYNE G. WARREN MEMORIAL MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP

Established by the family of Mr. Warren to provide assistance to a graduating Mountain View High School senior who will major in music or who has exhibited talent for music while in High School.

WARRINER FAMILY CHARITABLE FUND

Established by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Warriner of Elk Lake to provide assistance to their favorite charities.

WELLNESS FUND

Established to encourage an understanding of complementary and alternative health and wellness by providing support to The Self Discovery Wellness Arts Center in Montrose.

ROBERT & GRACE WERT CHARITABLE FUND

Supports charitable and non-profit organizations in Susquehanna County as recommended by the Wert family.

WEST SIDE OLD CEMETERY ASSOCIATION ENDOWMENT FUND

Established by the Cemetery Association to assist with the expenses of maintaining The West Side Old Cemetery in Brooklyn, PA.

MATHEW JAMES WHITE MEMORIAL FUND

Established in memory of Mathew White, a high school student killed in an automobile accident, to provide support to Interfaith.

ANDREW BLAKE WILDONER MEMORIAL FUND

Established by the family and friends of Andrew to support charities and organizations that he was interested in, especially programs for young people in northeastern Pennsylvania.

WOMEN HELPING WOMEN FUND

Aims to provide perpetual assistance to local non-profits that address issues specific to women of the Endless Mountains. The fund pools donations and volunteers to create a larger impact than any one person could make individually.

ROBERT WOOD MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

In memory of Robert Wood, who in 1955 started the Montrose Minute Men Ambulance Service. Provides a college scholarship to a Montrose High School graduate who will attend college to train for the medical professions or who will attend a post-secondary program to become a Paramedic.

EARLE AND JUNE WOOTTON FUND

Supports non-profit organizations as recommended annually by the Wootton family.

JUNE J. WOOTTON FUND FOR HOSPICE AND PALLIATIVE CARE

Supports hospice and palliative care in Susquehanna and Wyoming Counties.

WYOMING COUNTY 4-H FUND

Established by the Wyoming County 4-H to assist with various program expenses.

WYOMING COUNTY UNITED WAY FUND

Established by the Wyoming County United Way to assist with their administrative expenses so that a greater portion of annual donations to the United Way can be used for community charitable support.

WYOMING COUNTY COMMUNITY HEALTH FOUNDATION ENDOWMENT

Established by the Wyoming County Community Health Foundation to help provide health services to the citizens of Wyoming County.

DIANE YAKOSKI MEMORIAL NURSING FUND

Established by Diane's family to provide support to the Practical Nursing Program at the Susquehanna County Career and Technology Center.

RUTH TAYLOR YEAGER MEMORIAL FUND

Established by the family of Mrs. Yeager, who was a long-time special needs teacher to socially and emotionally challenged children. The endowment provides assistance for special needs individuals to attend Shepherds Camp at Camp Arrowhead in Brackney, PA.

CLAIR YOUNG MEMORIAL FUND FOR YOUTH WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

Established by the family of Mr. Young who retired as the Blue Ridge High School Principal in 1982. The endowment provides support to assist with workforce development for a Blue Ridge graduate who will seek immediate employment rather than entering college.

YOUNG MUSICIANS FUND

Established by the Music Department of the Tunkhannock Area School District. This fund helps provide assistance for 5th Grade students from low income families to rent musical instruments.

JAMES ZICK MEMORIAL COMMUNITY SERVICE SCHOLARSHIP

Established by the family of Mr. Zick, a long-time School Board Member of Mountain View School District, among other civic activities, to honor his passion for education and community service. Provides assistance to a Mountain View student who has exhibited civic involvement.

NOTE: FIND MORE FUND DETAILS AT **COMMUNITY-FOUNDATION.ORG**

BOARD OF DIRECTORS



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Chairman of the Board and CEO

Technology and an M.B.A. from the Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania. Earle lives in Montrose with his wife June.

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Peter grew up in Clarks Green, earned a bachelor's degree from Bennington College and a master's degree from Lesley University. He worked fourteen years as a teacher and administrator at Killington Mountain School prior to joining the Foundation. Peter has served on the Pennsylvania 4-H Development Council, and on the Advisory Councils for Susquehanna County Career and Technology Center, Lackawanna College New Mil-



WILLIAM LEWIS
Vice Chairman and Secretary of the Board
Principal, Sterling Wealth Management

versity and he is a Certified Financial Planner.

Bill is a founding director of the Community Foundation and was our first Chairman of the Board. He currently serves as our Vice Chairman of the Board and is the Principal of Sterling Wealth Management. His leadership and knowledge of investment management provides valuable guidance to the Foundation. He grew up and attended school in Montrose where he still lives with his wife Deborah and their four children. Bill holds a Bachelor of Science degree from Pennsylvania State University and he is a Certified Financial Planner.



BOB BROWN
Stone House Investment Management
Managing Partner/Portfolio Manager

Way and enjoys coaching sports and spending time with family and friends. He lives with his wife Deborah and their two children in Tunkhannock, PA.

Bob graduated from Elk Lake High School and earned his bachelor's degree in business management from Bloomsburg University. He is a Certified Financial Planner and a founding partner in Stone House Investment Management, LLC. He has organized and presented many seminars on the financial impact of the natural gas activity in our area and is heavily involved in helping Stone House clients navigate through planning decisions. Bob currently serves as the Treasurer to the Wyoming County United



THOMAS CHAMBERLAIN
Retired Owner of Thomas Chamberlain Insurance Company

cia and the New Milford United Methodist Church. He and his wife Mary Jane live in Great Bend Township where they raised three children.

Tom is a founding director of the Community Foundation. He holds a degree in business administration from Broome Community College. He is a board member for the Susquehanna County United Way organizations and is serving as Director for the Susquehanna County Housing & Redevelopment Authority. Tom is president of Creative Adventures for Education and is secretary of the New Milford Men's Group, and he is active with the Baden Powell Council of the Boy Scouts of America



JOSEPH HUNT
Founder & President, JHA Companies

professionals to help the poorest of the poor around the world, and serves on the Board of Word of Life Fellowship, a worldwide non-denominational Christian organization headquartered in Schroon Lake New York. He and his wife Lori have three sons and reside in Susquehanna County.

Joe was born and raised on a Wayne County dairy farm. He earned an associate's degree in land surveying and a bachelor's in environmental engineering from Penn State University and is a licensed land surveyor and engineer in three states. He served honorably for eleven years in the Army National Guard and is a devout Christian. Joe volunteers with Engineering Ministries International which mobilizes design



ROBERT McNAMARA
Retired School District Superintendent

road Authority, officer for the Pennsylvania Association of School Retirees and former Chairman of the Susquehanna County Democratic Committee. He and his wife Carol reside in Oakland Township.

Bob received a bachelor's degree in special education from Mansfield University, a master's degree from Marywood College and a master's degree in secondary school administration from the University of Scranton. He has been the superintendent, principal, and special education teacher in Susquehanna County and is a U.S. Army Lieutenant Colonel Retired. He is a member of NEP Community Health Center, a member of the Susquehanna County Rail-



GEORGE STARK
Director of External Affairs Cabot Oil & Gas Corporation

George is a versatile public policy professional with 25 years of experience in government, political and public affairs, communications, community relations and advocacy. He has developed successful public relations campaigns and legislative strategies and is skilled at motivating and managing people to create partnerships, teamwork and cooperation. He has been recognized for his ability to explain public policy initiatives to various audiences.



KEN GOODY
Foundation Executive, Dorothea Haus Ross Foundation

Foundation, where he manages a grants program that benefits disabled, trafficked and refugee children in the developing world. Ken and his husband Todd have been residents of Gibson Township in Susquehanna County for nearly 30 years, and are active donors and volunteers in a number of community organizations.

Ken has worked in the field of philanthropy for over 30 years, beginning his career at the Rockefeller Foundation after graduating from Gettysburg College. Through his career he has worked as a grant-maker, a fundraiser and an advisor to individuals and families on their personal philanthropy, and he has also provided strategic consulting services to nonprofit organizations and foundations. He has served on many nonprofit and foundation boards and is currently Foundation Executive for the Dorothea Haus Ross



MARK CARPENTER
Treasurer

Chief Executive Officer at Select Sire Power, Inc.

Mark is a 1995 graduate of Lackawanna Trail High School. He received a BS in finance from Penn State University and MBA from Marywood University. Mark is currently the Chief Executive Officer at Select Sire Power, Inc. based out of its northeast office in Tunkhannock, PA. Prior to joining Select Sire Power he was in various leadership roles within the education industry. In addition to sitting on the Community Foundation board, he is also Co-Chair of the Northern Tier Industry Education Consortium, and serves on the associate board of Peoples Security Bank and Trust in Wyoming County. Mark resides in Factoryville with his wife Tiffany and their two daughters, Paige and Madeline.



CRISTINE CLAYTON
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Cristine was born and raised in New York. She has a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration from the University Of Albany School of Business. As a management consultant for Ernst & Young, she worked with various Fortune 500 companies. Since joining the Foundation in 2011 she has completed major upgrades to our website, scholarship processing, administrative systems, and internal processes to better serve our donors and scholarship recipients. Cristine is the Executive Director for Women Helping Women and Veterans Education Training & Support (VETS). She lives with her family in Susquehanna County.



CRAIG W. BEST
President & CEO of Peoples Security Bank and Trust Company

Since 2013 Craig has led Peoples, the largest bank headquartered in Northeast Pennsylvania. He was formerly the President and CEO of Penn Security Bank and Trust Company, and Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of Commonwealth Bank. He began his banking career with Equibank in Pittsburgh, after working as a market analyst for Equitable Bank in Baltimore. In addition to serving as a Director of this Community Foundation, he is on the boards of the Scranton Area Chamber of Commerce and the Scranton Lackawanna Industrial Development Corporation. He received his bachelor's degree in economics from Princeton University.



KARL KAIL, IV
Retired Business Executive

Karl grew up at Heart Lake and recently returned with his wife Laura. He holds a Bachelor of Science degree in aerospace engineering from University of Colorado, and master's and engineer's degrees from the Naval Post Graduate School. After retiring from naval aviation, he developed integrated computer-centric systems in the defense industry. He is the founder of CardioNet, Inc., a national ambulatory cardiac monitoring company. Karl is currently involved in local real estate development and enjoys time off to golf and ski.



HON. JASON J. LEGG
President Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Susquehanna County

Prior to taking the bench, Jason was the Susquehanna County District Attorney for 12 years. He graduated summa cum laude from the University of Scranton where he received both a bachelor's and master's degree. He received his jurist doctorate degree summa cum laude from Albany Law School where he was salutatorian of his graduating class. Jason lives in Silver Lake Township with his wife Maggie and two daughters. As well as being active in many civic activities, Jason enjoys golfing, basketball, reading and writing, including a weekly column that appears in local newspapers.



SANDRA J. MAJOR
Retired State Representative

Sandra Major served as Susquehanna County Treasurer before her election into the Pennsylvania House of Representatives in 1995, where she served for 22 years before retiring in December of 2016. She graduated from Keystone Junior College and attended the University of Scranton. In addition to serving on the Community Foundation Board, she serves on the Keystone College President's Advisory Council. Sandra is a member of the National Rifle Association, Friendship Club of Montrose and the Susquehanna County, Pennsylvania and National Councils of Republican Women. She is a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Montrose.

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RICHARD LOCHEN JR.
Certified Public Accountant, Director Emeritus

Rick graduated from the University of Scranton and has over twenty-five years of accounting experience. He is a founding partner of Lochen & Chase P.C. From 2006 to 2010 he was president and CEO of Peoples Neighborhood Bank and Peoples Financial Services Corporation. He chairs the audit committee and serves on boards of Peoples Security Bank and Trust, and Peoples Financial Services Corp. Rick and his family live in Nicholson where he is treasurer of the Heritage Association, and secretary, trustee and firefighter for the Fire Company.



JAMES MAY
Director Emeritus

Jim is a native of Scranton. At Wilkes College he earned a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration degree with a minor in industrial engineering. His experience as an inventor, product developer, marketer and entrepreneur helped build the early Community Foundation. He and his wife Ann vacationed on Silver Lake until their retirement to California. Jim writes novels and paints. He recently became a U.S. Coast Guard Captain and does sailing charters and instruction for a sailing academy. He volunteers his executive business and marketing plan consultations to non-profits, and is currently a director on the board of the Camino Real Playhouse in San Juan Capistrano. He advises our magazine staff.



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DR. ARTHUR SHERWOOD
Director Emeritus, Physician

Art was raised in Nicholson and is a graduate of Wyoming Seminary. He earned a bachelor's degree from Williams College and a master's degree in economics from Stanford University before studying medicine at the University of Rochester. After eighteen years of family practice, Art served seventeen years as a senior executive with Geisinger Health System. Currently he is a managing member of Keystone Saw Shop LLC, Susquehanna Hospitality LLC, and Bradford Hospitality LLC. He is retired and lives in Tunkhannock with his wife Jennifer. He has three adult sons.

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GERALD GOLIS
Director of Technology

Jerry is a graduate of Montrose Area High School. He attended Bloomsburg University and earned a Bachelor of Science degree in computer science. Jerry worked at the Montrose Publishing Company from 1992 until 2012 where he was responsible for graphics and data applications. He worked at Andre and Son, Inc. in the information technology department from 2012 to 2017. Jerry began helping the Community Foundation with computer software and hardware in 2001. He became a fulltime employee at the Community Foundation in January 2018 to assist the staff with software/hardware development and support.



FRAN LYMAN
Administrator

Fran was born and raised in Philadelphia. After graduating from Keystone College, she worked as a journalist & photographer, copyeditor, and freelanced as a writer & illustrator. She was the county library's children's librarian for more than 13 years. She ran her own business before joining the Foundation in 2015, where she works with EITC scholarships and marketing. Fran lives in Susquehanna County with her husband Kevin. Together, they have five children, eight grandchildren, and two cats.



SANDY HOPPE
Programs Officer

Sandy is a lifelong resident of northeastern Pennsylvania. She brings almost forty years of accounting experience with her to the Foundation. Sandy and her husband live in Bridgewater Township. They have two grown children, and three grandchildren.



JODY DAYE
Accountant

Jody is a lifelong resident of Northeastern Pennsylvania. She has an associate's degree in accounting and over twenty years of experience in the field of accounting. In addition to part-time book-keeping jobs, Jody owns and operates a home baking business called Daye-licious Baking. She lives in Springville with her husband Jason and their three children and enjoys being involved in church, school, and community activities.



JEAN HOLLISTER
*Events Coordinator,
Building Manager*

Jean is originally from Watertown, New York. She earned a Bachelor's Degree in nursing from Philadelphia University and a Master's Degree in education from Wilkes University. Her career as a school nurse practitioner and retail sales associate have cultured her flexibility, organization and attention to detail. In addition to her work as Foundation Meetings and Events Coordinator, and Building Manager, Jean volunteers as a Master Gardener. She and her husband Robert have two children and two grandsons and live in Montrose with their adopted dog, Lily.



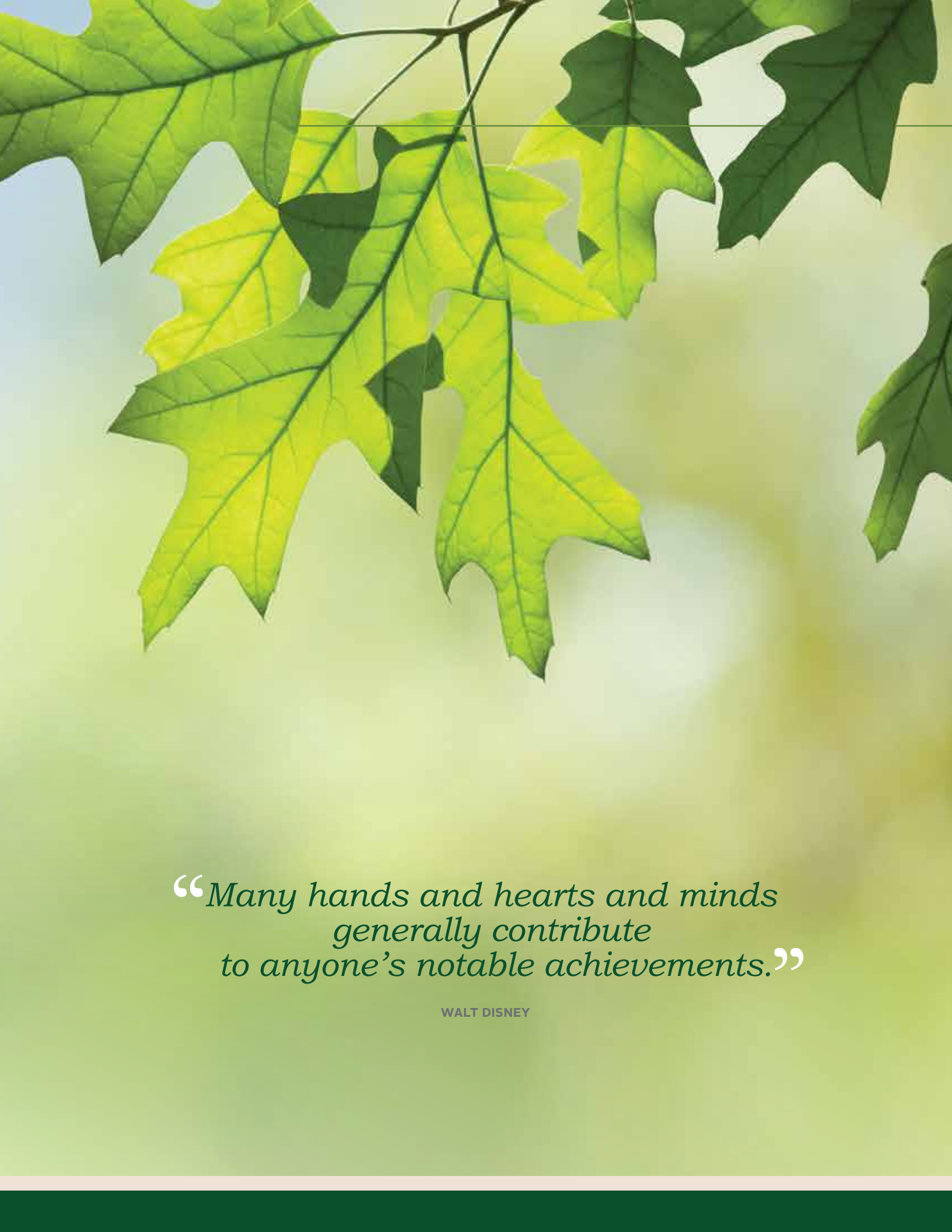
MARIA CONIGLIARO TRAINO
*Creative Director,
Designer*

Maria Conigliaro Traino is the founder and creative director of Inspired Design Studio offering clients a tailored branding experience. Maria is passionate about helping businesses and organizations build a cohesive and memorable brand identity that will attract their ideal audience. She earned her BFA in communication design and marketing from Kutztown University. Maria serves on a committee for the Wyoming County United Way and is a member of the American Advertising Federation of Northeast Pennsylvania. She lives with her husband Jason and their two daughters in Clarks Summit.



SCOTT HECKMAN
*Volunteer Management
Consultant*

Scott is a retired Foreign Service Officer, with 30 years' experience in overseas U.S. government administration. Scott's extended family has owned property in Susquehanna County since the 1930s. He and his wife Lois moved from the Washington, D.C. area in 2015 and are now permanent residents. They have two adult children, Victoria and Madeline.



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