



*The Community Heirloom*





Washington  
County Community Foundation, Inc.

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## Philanthropic Opportunities

In addition to creating a new fund, there are many opportunities to participate in philanthropy at the Washington County Community Foundation. Opportunities include:

- Become a member of the *Family of Founders* (see page 32)
  - Consider the Community Foundation when updating your will
  - Contribute to an existing fund (cash, securities, real property)
  - Designate the Community Foundation as a beneficiary on pension plans or life insurance policies
  - Donate an item for the *Legacy Celebration* auction
  - Participate in the annual raffles for Steelers and Penguins tickets
  - Place a *Mother's Fund* rose pin display at your place of business
  - Provide sponsorship support for events and publications
  - Serve as a spokesperson for the Community Foundation
  - Volunteer to assist with mailings and other administrative duties
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Our current focus is to increase our ability to respond to emerging and unmet needs in our community by growing the *Acorn Fund*, our primary unrestricted grant-making fund. Your gift to the *Acorn Fund* at this time would be most appreciated.

Comprised of both short-term and permanent assets, the *Acorn Fund* was initiated in 2000 and was valued at \$100,000 at the end 2010. Contributions have been received from both individuals and institutions and the Foundation conducts various events and activities throughout the year to raise money for the Fund.

A total of \$132,000 in grants has been awarded from the Fund in six broad categories:

- Arts & Humanities
- Education
- Environment & Animal Welfare
- Health & Fitness
- Human Needs
- Religion & Faith-Based

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Trustees serve a three-year term and may be elected to serve three consecutive terms. The primary criterion in the selection of Trustees is the skill set of the individual.

The work of the Foundation is accomplished through committee.

Standings committees are Executive, Allocations & Programs, Legal, Marketing, Nominating, Development, Finance & Audit, Investment, and Women of Philanthropy. Ad-hoc committees are created as needed.

The combined generosity of our donors has always impressed and inspired us but in 2010 our donors set a new standard of giving. A total of \$3.4 million was contributed, an increase of more than 300% over 2009 and twice the previous high of \$1.7 million contributed in 2007.

Contributions were made to various existing funds and to create 10 new permanent grant-making funds – *Dr. Barry Betts Scholarship Fund, Chapman Family Scholarship Fund, John & Thelma Curtis Fund, Hart History Fund, Harold & Enes Hockett Fund, Ryan Johnston Scholarship Fund, McDonald Presbyterian Church Fund, Neighborhood Drug Awareness Corps Fund, J. Barry Stout Charitable Fund, William & Sandra Stout Charitable Fund.*

Contributions were also made to five new temporary funds including a \$200,000 gift to the *Church of the Covenant Capital Campaign Fund*, which was accepted to provide anonymity to local donors who wished to provide a match incentive for the Church's current capital campaign. Accordingly, the fund will be distributed in two equal grants of \$100,000 as the Church can demonstrate that it has secured the same amount from others.

Another significant milestone reached in 2010 was that cumulative grant-making surpassed \$2 million. This achievement was exceptionally meaningful as grant-making brings our donors' contributions to us "full circle." Our donors create funds and contribute resources to the Foundation to enable us to improve the quality of life in our community. We accomplish this by making grants to local charities providing a wide array of programs to meet diverse community needs.

Approximately \$285,000 in grants was issued in 2010, including a \$10,000 grant from the *Acorn Fund* to the Washington Community Arts & Cultural Center, the 2010 recipient of the *Director's Choice Award*. The Center is utilizing the grant to purchase equipment for its Digital Arts Program. A much smaller grant, although no less meaningful, was a \$200 grant issued from the *Friends of Frank Tracanna Fund* to the Frank Sarris Public Library for its Summer Reading Club. Creative use of the grant by the Library resulted in an increase in attendance of more than 100% over the previous year. Other grants are detailed later in this publication. Our asset growth in 2010 will certainly increase our grant-making in future years and we look forward to the opportunity to support many more local charities making a difference in our community.

More than 400 guests joined with us to honor retiring State Sena-

## Message

tor J. Barry Stout as the 2010 *Philanthropist of the Year*, the largest audience ever assembled for our *Philanthropy Banquet* in the Fall. At our *Legacy Celebration* in the Spring, the *Louis E. Waller Humanitarian Award* was presented posthumously to former trustee Bruce Bartolotta, and the *Dr. Howard Jack Outstanding Public Educator Award* was presented to Trinity High School arts teacher Sherry Knight. I was personally blessed to know and to work closely with Lou and Howard on many projects over the years, including the creation of the Community Foundation in late 1995. Now that Lou and Howard are in a better place, I'm sure that they both are smiling in pride to see how the local community has embraced the Community Foundation.

Asset growth was the impetus in 2010 for the Foundation to choose a custodial bank, WesBanco Trust & Investment Services, as well as two new trust banks, PNC Bank and First Commonwealth Bank. Other banking partners are Charleroi Federal Savings Bank, Community Bank, First Federal Savings Bank, Northwest Savings Bank, and Washington Financial.

As with all successful charities, the Foundation seeks to maintain a Board of Trustees who is committed to our mission and who possess the skills necessary to effectively govern our organization. In 2010 we increased the size of the Board and its collective skill set by electing seven new trustees, bringing our total number to 28 in three separate classes. Elected were Dr. Jarol DeVoge, Sandra Guthrie, Barron (Pat) McCune, Alex Paris, Kurt Salvatori, Brian Smith and Tom Uram.

And finally the Board, wishing to recognize the significant growth of the Community Foundation under her leadership, named Betsie Trew President & CEO.

It was truly an extraordinary year, made possible by the continued generosity of so many. Looking forward, the Board has committed itself to a long-term goal of securing the necessary resources to meet the changing needs of the community. In addition to our *Acorn Fund* the Foundation accepts named discretionary grant-making funds which also broadly support our community. We would welcome the opportunity to educate you further about creating a discretionary grant-making fund in your family name.

Warm regards,  
*Richard L. White*  
Chairman of the Board

## *James H. McCune Acorn Society*



The *James H. McCune Acorn Society* was established in 2008 by the WCCF Board of Trustees to recognize professional advisors who have helped clients achieve their charitable objectives through the Community Foundation. It honors the Foundation's Founding Chairman of the Board, James H. McCune, a local attorney who has worked tirelessly to promote philanthropy through the Community Foundation to fellow attorneys and

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*\* Legacy Member*



## *James H. McCune Acorn Society*

other advisors. Annual membership in the *Society* is granted to professional advisors who have referred or assisted in educating clients which resulted in a gift to the Foundation of any size that year. In some cases, the advisor and client are one in the same. Special *Legacy Membership* is reserved for advisors who have referred or assisted in educating clients which resulted in permanent gifts to the Community Foundation totaling \$250,000 or more.



### *Member Quotes*

“Through the valued services of WCCF, honoring and memorializing a loved one is not just for the wealthy; WCCF makes the creation of charitable funds and giving accessible to all persons. WCCF is a treasure for Washington County.”

Judge Katherine B. Emery  
Washington County Court of Common Pleas

“The Foundation provides a secure vehicle for donors to maximize their charitable wishes for generations to come.”

Kenneth Baker  
Peacock Keller & Ecker

“I believe in Legacy Planning and have encouraged several of my clients to utilize the services of the Washington County Community Foundation. It is not necessary to disinherit one’s family when giving to the community and with proper planning individuals may actually increase the amount going to their heirs. The Community Foundation is a simple and efficient way to create a lasting legacy.”

Thomas Uram  
Metropolitan Life

“On several occasions over the years, I have represented the Community Foundation on cy pres issues in the Washington County Court of Common Pleas. Cy pres, meaning “as near as possible,” is a doctrine which permits the nearest practical charitable substitution for charitable assets when the original one is no longer possible, practical or legal. Although the charitable purposes of the cases were very different, the Community Foundation was determined by the Court to be the best substitution because in all cases, the assets were to be held in perpetuity, which is one of the primary services the Community Foundation provides.”

James H. McCune  
Bassi, McCune & Vreeland

## Grants & Scholarships Awarded

### GRANTS

#### ***Abernathy Fund for Conservation***

\$1,000 to Washington & Jefferson College for Water Quality Testing at the Abernathy Field Station

#### ***Ernest L. Abernathy Fund***

\$500 to WCCF for administration

#### ***Acorn Fund***

- \$10,000 to Washington Community Arts & Cultural Center for its Digital Arts Program  
- \$1,000 to Regional One Card System

#### ***Arts Fund***

\$500 Pittsburgh Symphony Association for Musical Programs at Washington County Schools

#### ***Scott Ashmore Legacy Fund***

\$291 to Trinity Area School District for its Hunter's Safety program

#### ***Beichner Family Fund***

\$500 to John F. Kennedy Catholic School for its Scholarship Fund

#### ***Johna Belfiore Fund***

\$228 to ARC Human Services for its Camp Laugh a Lot Program

#### ***Berman Family Fund***

\$299 to the Washington Hospital Foundation for its Hospice Program

#### ***Brian's Fund***

\$500 to Washington Hospital Fdtn for its Children's Therapy Center

#### ***California United Methodist Church Fd***

\$1,292 to the Church/unrestricted \*

#### ***Richard & Edwina Cameron Fund***

- \$1,000 to Canonsburg United Presbyterian Church UP with Kids

#### ***Childcare Center***

- \$1,500 to WCCF Family of Founders

#### ***Eleanor M. Campbell Fund***

\$362 to the Washington Hospital Foundation for its School of Nursing

#### ***John A. & Barbara L. Campbell Fund***

\$250 to the Multiple Sclerosis Society for its in-home exercise program

#### ***Larry Campbell Fund***

\$341 to Cold River Camp, AMC for Larry's Lair

#### ***Canonsburg Community Fund***

\$100 to Canonsburg United Presbyterian Church for UP with Kids childcare playground

#### ***Betty R. & Clarke M. Carlisle Fund***

- \$512 to First Christian Church/  
unrestricted  
- \$256 to Immaculate Conception Church/unrestricted  
- \$256 to Children's Hospital/  
unrestricted

#### ***Catholic Endowment for Education***

\$3,000 to John F. Kennedy Catholic School for support of the school and the TCE Program of IC Church

#### ***Center Presbyterian Church Fund***

\$490 to the Center Presbyterian Church

#### ***Chartiers Houston Com. Library Fund***

\$434 to Chartiers Houston Library/  
unrestricted

#### ***Christian Gathering Church Fund***

\$541 to the Washington City Mission/  
unrestricted

#### ***Walter L. Christman Family Fund***

\$250 to Washington Area Humane

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\* Agency Endowment - Amount not included in  
Grants Total on Statement of Activities

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## Grants & Scholarships Awarded

Society/unrestricted

**Community Action Southwest Fd**

NP - \$253 to CAS / unrestricted \*

UP - \$118 to CAS / unrestricted

**Community Endowment/Peters Twp.**

\$1,000 to Girl Scouts of Western PA for programming in Peters Township

**Friends of Dr. Thomas Conner/  
Washington School District Fund**

\$151 to Washington School District/  
unrestricted

**Cornerstone Care Health Service Fund**

\$111 to Cornerstone Care Health  
Services/unrestricted \*

**Diabetes Education Fund**

\$495 to the Washington Hospital Fdtn  
for Diabetes Education at the Wilfred R.  
Cameron Wellness Center

**Ed DeVoge Fund**

\$700 to Little Lake Theatre/unrestrict.

**John R. Duskey Fund**

\$200 to the Washington Symphony  
Orchestra for a guest conductor

**EIO Fund (Temporary EITC Fund)**

- \$20,000 to Washington School District  
for the Youth Engaged in Technology  
Program

- \$10,000 Bentworth High School for the  
Technology Program

- \$10,000 to Bethlehem Center School  
District for the Technology Program

- \$10,000 to Canon-McMillan School  
District for the Science Matters  
Program

- \$10,000 to McGuffey School District  
for the Accelerated Reader Program

- \$10,000 to Ringgold School District for  
the Science Matters Program

- \$10,000 to Trinity School District for

its Guided Reading Materials and its  
Accelerated Reader programs

- \$2,500 Avella Area School District for  
the Technology Program

- \$2,500 to Burgettstown School District  
for the PA Jr. Academy of Science

- \$2,500 to California Area School for  
the Technology Program

- \$2,500 to Charleroi Area School  
District for its Technology Driven

Learning System

- \$2,500 to Mon Valley Career &  
Technology Center for the Technology  
Program

**Paul D. Falconi Fund**

\$1,200 to the Shekinah Ranch of the  
Mon Valley/unrestricted

**Ben Franklin Fund**

\$500 to the Wash Co Community  
Center in Canonsburg / unrestricted

**Roy Gillespie Fund**

\$1,000 to the Wash. Co. History &  
Landmarks for Phase II of the African-  
American Survey

**Judge David L. Gilmore Memorial Fund**

\$200 to Interfaith Hospitality Network/  
unrestricted

**Craig Gnagey Memorial Fund**

\$200 to PONY Baseball/Software for  
uniforms and equipment

**John Bentley Greenlee & Mary Gates  
Greenlee Fund**

\$278 to the Bentleyville Public Library/  
unrestricted

**Friends of Joan Griffin Fund**

\$500 to the Mel Blount Youth Home /  
unrestricted

**Dorothy P. Hardy Charitable Fund II**

- \$1,000 to the Empty Stocking Fund

## Grants & Scholarships Awarded

/unrestricted

- \$500 to Craft Emergency Relief Fund/  
unrestricted

- \$500 to American Cancer Society

### **Lori Hill Orchestral Fund**

\$209 to the Trinity School District for  
the Orchestral Program

### **Dorothea Hood/ Citizens Library Fund**

\$2,921 to the Citizens Library/ unrestr.

### **Horne Family Fund**

\$1,000 to Washington County Historical  
Society for its educational programs

### **Leadership Washington Fund**

\$152 to Leadership Washington/  
unrestricted

### **Dr. Howard & Mary Eleanor Jack Fund**

\$197 to Peters Creek United  
Presbyterian Church for the Hinman  
Memorial Scholarship

### **Dr Howard Jack Outstanding Public Educator Award**

\$1,000 to the Trinity School District for  
the Asian Arts & Culture Class

### **Robert Jaeger Fund**

\$202 to Southwestern PA Human  
Services for its C.A.R.E. Center \*

### **Charles & Carol Keller Fund**

\$1,500 to WCCF for administration

### **Harold W. & Hazel Lauerman Fund**

\$3,806 to Donora Public Library/  
unrestricted

### **Dawn Lindsey Education Fund**

\$182 to the Presbyterian Senior Care for  
nursing educational programs

### **McBride-McMaster Fund**

- \$1,000 to the Washington County  
Historical Society for the Donora  
Historical Society

- \$1,000 to the Primrose School &  
Museum for its restoration project

- \$1,000 to August Wilson Center for  
free tickets for the Wash County Youth

### **Dr. William & Nora McMahon Fund**

\$200 to Monongahela Valley Hospital  
for its Diabetes in Motion Exercise  
Program

### **Friends of Thomas R. Milhollan Fund**

\$399 to the Alzheimer's Association/  
unrestricted

### **Thomas H. Milhollan Memorial Fund**

\$250 to the Washington City Mission/  
unrestricted

### **Mother's Fund**

\$10,000 to the Washington Women's  
Shelter for its STOP Program

### **Northrop Family Fund**

\$200 to the Bradford House/ unrestr.

### **Joseph F. Perkins Fund**

\$100 to the Wash Hospital Fdtn for its  
ECHO Program at Burgettstown

### **Dr. Wilson & Merne Pizzi Fund**

\$100 to Make-a-Wish Foundation/  
unrestricted

### **Judge Samuel L. Rodgers Fund**

\$200 to the Washington County  
Literacy Council for the Dolly Parton  
Imagination Library

### **Dr. Malcolm Ruben & Dr. Jerold Ruben Charitable Fund**

-\$500 to Greater Washington County  
Food Bank

-\$500 to Washington Women's Center

### **Ronald M. Russell Fund**

\$100 to PA Council of Economic  
Education for the Stock Market game in  
Washington County schools

## *Grants & Scholarships Awarded*

### ***W. Scott Russell Fund***

\$124 to the First Presbyterian Church of Washington for its music endowment

### ***Salvitti Family Fund***

- \$650 to 2000 Turkeys/unrestricted  
- \$650 to Interfaith Hospitality Network/unrestricted

### ***Foley A. Selvaggi Memorial Fund***

\$500 to the Brownson House / unrestricted

### ***William T. Todd II Memorial Fund***

\$170 to Crossing the Jordan Christian Health Center/unrestricted

### ***Friends of Frank Tracanna Fund***

\$200 to Primrose School and Museum for building repairs

### ***Transit. Employment Consultants Fund***

\$101 to TEC / unrestricted \*

### ***Tershel Family Fund***

\$5,000 to the University of Virginia for the Scott Stadium Expansion

### ***United Way Community Endowment***

\$468 to United Way Wash Co./unrest.

### ***Juliana J. Uram Fund***

- \$500 to the Washington Com. Arts & Cultural Center for Art in the Park

### ***Louis E. & Shirley J. Waller Fund***

\$110 to the Nazareth Baptist Church/unrestricted

### ***Louis E. Waller Humanitarian Award***

\$1,000 to the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society/unrestricted

### ***Louis E. Waller Leadership Fund***

\$500 to Washington Christian Outreach/unrestricted

### ***Washington Area Humane Society Fd***

\$100 to the Society / unrestricted \*

### ***Washington Co. Health Partners Fund***

\$108 to the Washington Co Health Partners/unrestricted \*

### ***Wash Co Youth Conservation Camp Fd***

\$100 to the Washington Hospital Fdtn for its Kids Summer Camp Program

### ***Washington Community Arts & Cultural Center Fund***

\$104 to the Center/unrestricted

### ***Wash. County 4-H Preservation Fund***

**NP** - \$188 to the 4-H Program/unrest.\*  
**UP** - \$230 to the 4-H Program/unrest.

### ***Washington Firefighters Fund***

\$20,822 to City of Washington for repairs to the Washington Park pool

### ***Washington Hospital Community Fund***

\$158 to the Hospital/unrestricted

### ***Weaver Miller Fund***

\$120 to the Third United Presbyterian Church/unrestricted

### ***Washington Women's Shelter Fund***

\$265 to the Shelter/unrestricted

### ***Richard L. & Margaret B. White Fund***

\$500 to Primrose School & Museum/unrestricted

### ***J. Edgar & Ruth E. Williams Fund***

- \$300 to Dove of the Desert United Methodist Church in Glendale, AZ/unrestricted

- \$300 to First United Methodist Church of Monongahela/unrestricted

### ***O. W. Wilkerson Memorial Fund***

\$1,000 to Community Action Southwest for the McGuffey Communities That Care After-School Program

### ***J. Russell Wylie Family Fund***

\$600 to the Chartiers-Houston Library for arts & humanities programs

## Grants & Scholarships Awarded

### SCHOLARSHIPS

#### **Barry Clark Barto Memorial Fund**

\$500 to Alicia Faux/Art Institute Pgh

#### **Black Family Fund**

-\$1,000 to Lauren Marshall/Penn Commercial

-\$1,000 to Rebecca Lash/

Westmoreland Co. Community College

#### **Buckholt Science Scholarship Fund**

\$500 to Olivia McClay/James Madison University

#### **Burgettstown Jr. Sr. High Student Council Leadership Scholarship Fund**

\$200 to Ryann Bartoletti/Community College of Allegheny County

#### **Burgettstown Lions Club Scholarship**

-\$250 to Allyson Nicola/Duquesne University

-\$250 to Victoria Fratini/Edinboro University

-\$500 to Breanne Maltony/

Youngstown State University

#### **John & Sophie Choratch Scholarship**

-\$1,000 to Nicole Crayton/St. Vincent College

-\$1,000 to Nina Crayton/St. Vincent College

-\$1,000 to Brooke Green/Community College of Allegheny County

-\$1,000 to Alissa Hudak/West Virginia University

-\$1,000 to Elizabeth McVicker/Gannon University

-\$1,000 to Breanne Maltony/

Youngstown State University

-\$1,000 to Jamie Moss/California University of Pennsylvania

-\$1,000 to Nathan Stiffler/Marshall University

#### **Arthur V. Ciervo Scholarship Fund**

\$500 to Sara Lewis/Community College of Allegheny County

#### **Margaret Pitek Ciervo Scholarship**

\$500 to Amanda Seader/California University of Pennsylvania

#### **Joseph P. Femiani Memorial Fund**

\$1,000 Kathryn Sharman/Penn State University

#### **D. Jack Gaido, Sr. Memorial Fund**

-\$1,000 to Erica Keith/Grove City College

-\$1,000 to Taylor Hott/Penn State University

#### **David O. and Sarah F. Johnson Family Education Fund**

\$1,000 to Lydia Moon/Penn State University

#### **Kerns Family Scholarship Fund**

\$1,000 Jake Folle/Pennsylvania College of Technology

#### **Kiwanis Club of Washington Scholarship Fund**

-\$500 to Sibyl Allen/Western Area Career and Technology Center

-\$500 to Denite Sutton/Community College of Allegheny County South

#### **Linda LeFever Scholarship Fund**

-\$1,000 to Alissa Burger/Carnegie Mellon University-Heinz School

#### **Alice Boone Main Memorial Fund**

\$500 to Anthony Uniejewski/Slippery Rock University

#### **Ronald T. Miller, II Scholarship Fund**

\$1,000 to Mark Hayes/Pennsylvania State University-Erie

#### **Kirk C. Moninger Fund**

\$200 to Trevor Moffa/Penn State University

## Grants & Scholarships Awarded

**Charles Pappas Sr. Scholarship Fund**  
\$1,500 to Chelsea Murray/Slippery  
Rock University

**Megan J. Phillis Scholarship Fund for  
Academic Excellence**  
\$500 to Zachary Wentzel/University of  
Pittsburgh

**Dr. Paul Pipik Fund for Study in the  
Health Sciences**  
\$750 to Lani Adamson/Washington  
Hospital School of Nursing

**Elizabeth Plumer Memorial Fund**  
\$200 to Alyssa Crile/Waynesburg  
University

**Ringgold Alumni Scholarship Fund**  
\$250 to Shelby Duke/California  
University of Pennsylvania

**Rebecca Sarah Rogers Scholarship**  
\$1,000 to Sarah Boice/Grove City  
College

**Scholarship Fund for the Arts**  
\$250 to Charlene Klinger/Clarion  
University of Pennsylvania

**Sprohls College and Post-Graduate  
Scholarship Fund**  
\$1,000 to Kelsey Cloonan/University of  
Pennsylvania

**Catherine M. Taylor Fund**  
\$500 to Trisha Ambe/Carnegie Mellon

**Clyde J. Tracanna/Wash. Rotary Club  
Educational & Vocational Fund**  
- \$1,000 to Sarah Miller/University of  
Pittsburgh  
- \$1,000 to Kayla Hudak/Waynesburg  
University  
- \$1,000 to Isabel D'Angelo/University  
of Miami

**Washington County Visiting Nurses'  
Association Scholarship Fund**  
- \$1,000 to Tiffany Maceiko/Robert  
Morris University  
- \$1,000 to Colby Tomsic/Robert Morris  
University

**GED Scholarship Fund**  
\$4,000 to Intermediate Unit 1 for GED  
test vouchers for the financially needy

**EPK Fund (EITC Pre-Kindergarten  
Scholarships)**  
- \$15,100 to the Mon Valley YMCA  
- \$24,200 to the Village of FPC

**ESO (EITC K-12 Scholarship Fund)**  
- \$600 to Bishop Canevin High School  
- \$600 to Calvary Chapel Christian  
School  
- \$3,200 to Central Christian Academy  
- \$3,000 to Faith Christian School  
- \$1,800 to First Love Christian  
Academy  
- \$4,400 to John F. Kennedy Catholic  
School  
- \$4,000 to Madonna Catholic Regional  
School  
- \$600 to St. Louise DeMarillac School  
- \$2,600 to St. Patrick Catholic School  
- \$400 to Serra Catholic High School  
- \$1,000 to Tri-State Christian Academy

### Application Deadlines

- Scholarships / Permanent - April 1
- Director's Choice Award - April 1
- Mother's Fund - April 1
- Field of Interest Funds - July 1
- Discretionary Funds - September 1

Complete eligibility and funding  
criteria are available at [www.wccf.net](http://www.wccf.net).

## *Dr. Howard Jack Outstanding Public Educator Award*

“Passion” is a word that comes up when people talk about Trinity High School visual arts teacher Sherry Knight.

It comes up in the way her students talk about her: “Her passion for art is only outdone by her passion for sharing her skills and knowledge with us.”

In the way her husband describes her: “She is a very dedicated art educator whose passion for art has certainly carried over to her students.”

And in her own description of her vocation: “Teaching isn’t a job. It’s a passion.”

A lifelong resident of Washington, she was studying art at Carlow College (now University) when her life’s work became clear to her.

“I was taking studio classes and I would help fellow students. They said, ‘You’re a great teacher!’”

She added Education to her major and exclaims, “It’s the best thing I ever did!”

Thirty-three years ago, she became a visual arts teacher at Trinity High School, utilizing her natural talent for reaching kids, even those others have given up on.

“I always tell kids, I have a problem accepting ‘I can’t.’ I know they can. Sometimes they are afraid to try. Everybody has creative ability, I just help them corral that.”

Her husband, Kent Knight says she “pushes ‘at risk’ students to open up through their art and let their creativity out, along with anger, frustration and pain that many of them feel due to problems in their lives.”

She knows when she has reached a student.

“You watch for little light bulbs, flickering at first, then it comes on. It’s something in their eyes. You just know it.”

Her immense talent has been recognized many times over the years, with Fulbright scholarships to study art in Japan and China, numerous teaching awards and as the Pennsylvania finalist for NASA’s Teacher in Space program.

Trinity HS Vice-Principal Joseph Orr notes, “Students seek out Mrs. Knight and her guidance on school and personal issues because they know that she cares and will listen to them, offering her advice and perspective.”



## *Dr. Howard Jack Outstanding Public Educator Award*

Jette Grey, a parent, commends “her dedication to her students, their families, the community and her constant quest to learn and share her knowledge.”

She has one other passion: helping unwanted animals.

“My mother was the neighborhood rescuer, injured animals just came to her.”

That model of dedication inspired her to found Pet Search, a non-profit organization that has placed over 10,000 homeless or unwanted animals. The organization averages 600-1000 animals in foster care each year.

She mixes her two loves by encouraging her students to volunteer helping animals.

“The students’ experiences can change their outlook on the lives of dogs or cats. My husband Kent says, ‘You can’t save the world!’ But I can keep chipping away at the iceberg, whether it’s at school trying to reach a teenager, or crawling into a storm drain for a kitten.”

Sherry Knight’s biggest reward is not the awards she has received; it’s her daily interaction with teenagers.

“I get to share their lives every day. When they fail, I pick them up and we keep going. When they succeed, I can be happy and cry with them.”



*Sherry Knight*

*By Dorothy Tecklenburg*

Criteria for Teacher / Other Educator Nomination— has a positive relationship with students both in and out of the classroom; is well-prepared for class and uses a wide variety of techniques to stimulate students to think, to respond, to feel, and to learn; is able to teach all children, from motivated to at-risk students; has earned the respect of other staff, and serves in a leadership or mentoring role for other teachers; is actively involved in the community

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Members of the *James H. McCune Acorn Society* - Front row seated from left: Judge Katherine Emery, Deborah Takach, David Ream, Kenneth Baker, Thomas Uram and Kimberly Shoup. Back row standing from left: Dennis Dutton, Patrick O'Brien, Mark Winiecki, James McCune, Barron McCune, Jr., Richard White and Charles Keller.



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Thomas P. Northrop  
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*Promoting & Facilitating Philanthropy*



Lenore and J. Barry Stout at the  
*2010 Philanthropy Banquet.*



Former WCCF Trustee Julie Uram (second from right) is joined by daughter-in-law and son, Lynn and Thomas Uram, and husband Andrew. Julie was a Founding Trustee of the WCCF and received the WCCF's *Woman of Philanthropy Award* in 2007.



WCCF Chairman Richard White presents a \$1,000 *Acorn Fund* grant to Diane Ambrose, Washington County Library System, to help purchase a Regional One Card System to be utilized by all the libraries in Washington County.



Jen Luta, Executive Director (left) and Sandee Umbach, President, Washington Community Arts & Cultural Center, gladly accept a \$10,000 *Acorn Fund* grant as the recipient of the 2010 *Director's Choice Award*.

## 2010 Philanthropist of the Year



*J. Barry Stout*

When Barry Stout looks at a highway, he doesn't see a stretch of concrete. He sees families. He sees a tool for allowing adult children to stay in Washington County where they can find good jobs. He sees grandparents who don't have to travel to other states to visit their grandchildren. And he sees senior citizens who, if their money runs out, will have sons and daughters in the area who can care for them. The community builds the road, then the road builds the community.

When Barry Stout looked at 598 green acres in Canonsburg, he didn't see grass and trees. He saw a way to help grow our community and add jobs.

The result was Southpointe, and twenty years, six thousand jobs and \$1 billion in private investment later, the end isn't in sight.

When Barry Stout looks at education, he doesn't see buildings and textbooks. He sees young people learning to make good life decisions, to become responsible, contributing members of our families and our communities. He sees our future.

The *New Oxford Dictionary* says a philanthropist is "a person who seeks to promote the welfare of others," ten words that describe and define Barry Stout.

What was the driving force behind forty years of public service?

"I help people." But he knows he couldn't do it alone. "God gives each of us talents," he admits. "Mine is working with other people to get things done."

He grew up understanding how local politics affects people's lives. Pennsylvania Congressman Dr. Thomas Morgan, a family friend, often stopped by the Stout home to enjoy political conversation and some of Mrs. Stout's home-cooked food. When Austin Murphy's Pennsylvania House seat became available in 1970, Dr. Morgan encouraged young Barry to run. Stout circulated petitions, gathered the signatures, and then received a dinner invitation from the county commissioners. He went, convinced he was getting their endorsement. Their message? "Get out of the race. We don't want you. We have someone else in mind." He didn't listen, worked hard, and despite overwhelming odds, he won. The political establishment then tried to punish his presumption and split his district. He won again, and from then on,

“They left me alone.”

For forty years, Stout was in the business of helping people. The walls of his office bear witness to the remarkable breadth of his reach, with awards from local libraries, volunteer fire departments, the Trolley Museum, the Bar Association, a youth baseball association and dozens of other diverse groups.

His greatest political legacy is probably the Mon Valley Expressway. He speaks of it like a favored child that he and so many people brought to fruition. “Cutting the ribbon was a special moment. So many people worked together at all levels. I’ve been blessed with the opportunity few people get to do, to do something to help other people, and to build communities.”

Not as well known as his public persona, there is a private Barry Stout, a tireless worker for many local service and fraternal organizations, and a generous supporter of education, especially his alma mater, Washington and Jefferson College.

“Both my parents were college graduates and knew education was important,” he says. “But as the economy changed and jobs went elsewhere, I saw that my classmates did not have the opportunities I had. We need young people to remain in Washington County and become leaders. My satisfaction comes from how we benefit the people of the future. We can look back and see they got an education and other opportunities.”

It is difficult to get Barry Stout to talk about himself. Instead, he credits his staff, many of whom have been with him for twenty-five years or more, and his wife, Lenore, who raised their six children, always being there when he was away at thousands of meetings and during hundreds of nights he was away from home.

“I am from a good, loving, supportive family. I am blessed.”

When talking about the legacy he will leave, he tears up, and apologizes for it. “Sorry,” he says, for the first time looking away. “I’m just so thankful I had so many opportunities.”

He is honored to be the WCCF Philanthropist of the Year, and sees philanthropy as an integral part of life. “Use what you’re given, then leave something for society. Build future generations with economic opportunities.” Looking back on forty years, he sums it up:

“My key satisfaction was working with people to get things done.”

*By Dorothy Tecklenburg*

## *Louis E. Waller Humanitarian Award*

For Bruce Bartolotta, wine-making was more than just grapes and a wine press; it was about family and friends, heritage and teamwork. That's not to say that he didn't bother himself with the details of wine-making. On the contrary, Bruce would work for days and sometimes weeks before the scheduled wine-making day at the Bartolotta home to garner all the necessary materials, including organizing with other local wine-makers so that the best grapes could be purchased in bulk, said his good friend, Washington County Court of Common Pleas Judge, Mark Mascara.

"Bruce and his son, Damon, would do 90% of the work and then would invite friends over who would go home with purple fingers, bragging that they had been making wine all day," said Mark. "But that was Bruce's way – he cared about people and went out of his way to make others feel special." "Incidentally," the Judge added, "the wine was tremendous."

Although they had known each other for many years, the close friendship shared by Bruce and Mark began when Bruce left a larger law firm in Pittsburgh to seek a position in the local firm of Retos Law Offices. "He wanted more of a home-town atmosphere," remembers Mark, "and George Retos quickly recognized that Bruce's talents could serve the firm and the community well." At the firm, Bruce specialized in complex business litigation and worked extensively with the Washington County Industrial Development Authority.

"One of the happiest days of my life is when Bruce graduated from the University of Pittsburgh's School of Law," reminisces Aldo Bartolotta, Bruce's father. "He did that entirely on his own and I was so proud of him."

Although he was doing very well in his law career, Bruce's strong family bond brought him back to the family business to work alongside his father. As President of Mon Valley Foods, Bruce routinely supported a multitude of community events with free food and drink from the family stores and it was not uncommon for him to personally deliver food items to the homes of families he knew were hurting in some way or experiencing some financial difficulty. Bruce also became active in local charities including the Mon Valley United Way, the Mon Valley Progress Council and the Washington County Community Foundation.

Even after returning to the family business his love of the law

## *Louis E. Waller Humanitarian Award*

remained with him and so he used his expertise to help draft business plans and other legal documents for both for-profit and not-for-profit ventures, with approximately 2/3 of his practice pro bono.

“Bruce’s wisdom drew people to him and he would do his best to help, but never in a condescending manner,” said Judge Mascara. “His sense of humility was amazing.”

The breadth of his humanity became known to Bruce’s family only after his passing last November. “I never knew how many friends he had made,” said Aldo. “People I never knew and organizations I didn’t know he was involved with, came up to me to share a story of how Bruce had helped them in some way.”

“It appears that if Bruce made a friend in the sandbox at the age of two, they remained friends forever,” remarked his wife, Camera.

“He was my dearest friend,” added Mark Mascara.



*Bruce A. Bartolotta*

*Judge Mark Mascara was interviewed for this story just a few short weeks before he too died. Not once during the interview did Mark mention his own impending death, choosing instead to talk about his friend Bruce.*

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## *Educational Improvement Tax Credit Program*

Ten companies contributed a total of \$182,000 in 2010 under the EITC program and received state tax credits of up to 100% for qualifying gifts to one of our three pass-through educational funds as follows:

***EPK Fund*** - scholarships to needy families for quality pre-school (pre-kindergarten) programs

***ESO Fund*** - scholarships to needy families for non-public kindergarten through grade 12 programs

***EIO Fund*** - grants to innovative educational programs at area public schools

### *Participating Corporations*

Allegheny Technologies

CONSOL Energy

Core Network

Enterprise Rent-A-Car

EQT Energy

First Commonwealth Bank

Highmark

Northwest Savings Bank

Waste Management

Weavertown Environmental Group

### *Eligible PA Corporate Taxes*

*Corporate Net Income Tax, Capital Stock Franchise Tax, Bank and Trust Company Shares Tax, Title Insurance Companies Shares Tax, Insurance Premiums Tax, Mutual Thrift Institutions Tax*

***Subchapter S corporations may also participate.***



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## *Statement of Financial Position*

<u>Assets</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>
Cash & Cash Equivalents	1,290,571	656,497
Investments	7,834,265	4,958,235
Pledges Receivable	20,500	15,500
Cash surrender value of life insurance	67,708	68,014
Other Assets	10,485	76,816
Equipment & Software, Net	<u>11,257</u>	<u>17,425</u>
Total Assets	9,234,786	5,792,487
<u>Liabilities</u>		
Current Liabilities	59,630	53,155
Long-Term Liabilities	<u>235,464</u>	<u>221,639</u>
Total Liabilities	295,094	274,794
<u>Net Assets</u>		
Unrestricted	273,605	211,894
Temporarily Restricted	895,589	413,033
Permanently Restricted	<u>7,770,498</u>	<u>4,892,766</u>
Total Net Assets	8,939,692	5,517,693
Total Liabilities & Net Assets	9,234,786	5,792,487

## *Statement of Activities*

<u>Support and Revenue</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>
Contributions, Grants and Fundraising	3,377,395	840,814
Interest and Dividend Income	5,142	7,567
Net Real./Unreal. Gain on Investments	627,058	811,233
Other Incomes and Revenues	<u>147,528</u>	<u>108,549</u>
Total Support and Revenue	4,157,123	1,768,163
<u>Expenses</u>		
Grants and scholarships	284,389	231,799
Direct program expense	46,008	29,227
General and Administrative	<u>404,727</u>	<u>366,847</u>
Total Expenses	735,124	627,873
Change in Net Assets	3,421,999	1,140,290
Net Assets – Beginning of Year	<u>5,517,693</u>	<u>4,377,403</u>
Net Assets – End of Year	8,939,692	5,517,693

*Complete audited financial statements and  
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