



Tucker Community Foundation

Spring Newsletter 2016

YOUTH PHILANTHROPY INITIATIVE

The Youth Philanthropy Club (aka Penelope's Kids) is off and running. The club's members have been exploring how they can act as philanthropists in their everyday lives. They shared the ways they are already engaged in helping their communities with their time, talent, and treasure. It is true what they say about involving youth in philanthropy, their enthusiasm is contagious!



The group of 12 young philanthropists worked on an exercise in which they imagined they had to leave everything behind except a couple of their belongings. This led them to discover what types of things they value most in their lives. Some of the items chosen were a first aid kit and a toothbrush, evidence of putting a high value on caring for others and health and hygiene, respectively. Then they connected their personal values to the types of causes and charities that are in our community.

The Youth Philanthropy Club is a pilot program in which children dive into the world of grant making. The objective is for them to learn about the needs and resources in our community, and to understand how philanthropy happens and how it can make a difference.



"Great changes in the destiny of mankind can be effected only in the minds of little children." ~Sir Herbert Read

Picture a world
where everyone shares
their time, talent, and treasure!

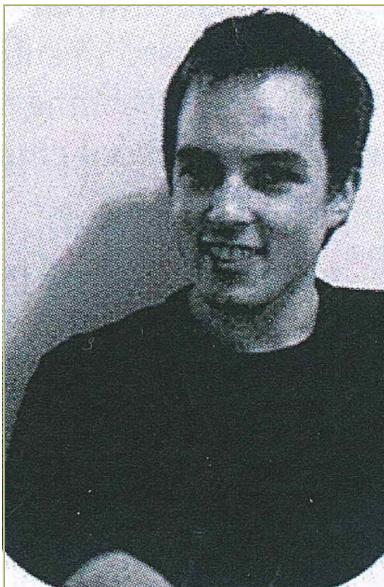


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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- May 3
Give Local America Day
- July 1
Uncle Sam's Birthday Party
- August 1
Grant Applications Available
- September 16
Grant Applications Due
- September 24
Run For It



1983-2011

RYAN PATRICK GOSA FUND

DONOR ADVISED

Established by his parents, James (Jake) and Pat Gosa, with support from friends and family, the fund celebrates the life of Ryan Patrick Gosa and his love of writing, the arts, and athletics.

The fund will support educational opportunities in the liberal arts in Tucker County. It will include

projects and programs related to journalism, theater arts, physical arts, STEAM Education, the social sciences, etc. The first grant will be issued in the fall of 2017.

The family was very active in the Canaan-Timberline Jr. Ski Racing Program where Ryan excelled as a racer in the 80's and 90's.

"It is not how much we give, but how much love we put into giving."
Mother Teresa

ENDOWED FUNDS

"Leeorr was a strong woman before the term 'strong woman' was popular. She was a child living in Baltimore during the Great Depression where she knew what it was like to do without, to share the little that she had, and to find usefulness in all things."

HARSH CEMETERY FUND

CEMETERY PRESERVATION SUB-FUND/FIELD OF INTEREST

This seed fund was initiated by the estate of Leeorr Rosier. Funds are to be used for maintenance, upkeep, and beautification of the Harsh Cemetery located four miles past the Union Chapel Church on Clover Run Road in **Tucker County**. Rosier lived in Clover Run, where for many years she and her husband Stearl owned and operated Rosier's Polled Hereford Farm. She is interred at Harsh Cemetery alongside other family members.



1925—2015



Pictured from left: Tucker Community Foundation (TCF) board member Dave Moran, Preston County CASA Director Joan Mooney, CASA Coordinator Tammy Renzelli, TCF President David Cooper, TCF Executive Director Rob Burns, and Preston Community Fund Advisory Committee member John Dahlia.

PRESTON COMMUNITY FUND AWARDS GRANT

Established on a challenge match from TCF, the **Preston Community Fund** is a pilot project intended to raise unrestricted funds for Preston County. Awards are based on a competitive application process and recommendations from an advisory committee representing donors and Preston County residents.

Representatives from the Monongalia-Preston Court-Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) for Kids program were awarded a \$5,000 grant from the Preston Community Fund for expansion of the program in Preston County.

The program provides volunteer advocates who are assigned to the case of a specific child and look for the best, safest and permanent placement for that child. The volunteers also prepare court reports which assist judges in their decision making. According to Preston County CASA for Kids Volunteer Coordinator Joan Mooney, there are now six CASA Volunteer Advocates for Preston County, but she said there remains a giant need for more volunteer advocates.



ENDOWED FUND ACTIVITY

Two new funds will provide educational opportunities in liberal arts and journalism and support for a local cemetery.

2016 scholarship awards are providing \$53,000 for area students.

The Foundation's pilot project in Preston County, the Preston Community Fund, supports a local program benefiting children.

Since November, donors have contributed more than \$145,000 to start new, or build existing, endowments.

DONATION REPORT

NOV 2015 - MARCH 2016

“Unless
someone like
you cares a
whole awful
lot. Nothing is
going to get
better. It’s
not.”

-Dr. Seuss

After School Explorers Fund

J. Kay and Jessica Bernatowicz
Julian Bever
Patricia Biggins
Blue Ridge Beverages, Inc.
Connie Bolen
Shirley and Charles Bolinger
Melissa Bowmar
Shawn and Julie Britton
Michele Brown
Business Services Group, LLC
Margaret Chipp
Tina Cool
W. Diane Corbin
Mary Jane Coulter
Luanna Croston
Patricia Falkner
Britney Feathers
Annamelia Gerkin
Pamela Gifford
Ruth Groves
Dawn Hart
Kristie Hartsell
Melissa Harvey
Anna and Michael Hauger
Crysti Hemerick
Billie Hoffman
James Jaeger
Tabitha Jeffries
Amy Kelly
Christina Kidwell
Charles Lansberry
Linda and Steve Lewis
Kimberly Liston
K.A. Lyons
Katy Mace
Maple Leaf Industries, Inc
Heather and Konni Miller
Deborah Moats
Autumn, Kirsten and Delilah Myers
Krista Nazelrod
Helen Nikirk
Samantha Peaslee
JoAnn Peterson
Phillips Livestock
Brenda Pyles
Joanne Reckart
J. Terry Schlossnagle
Tracy and Bonnie Shaffer
Diane Sisler
Dollie Tacy
Laura Teter
Sophia Tichenor
David Wildesen
Leona Wilson
Latricia Wolf
Betty Yoke
Miscellaneous donors

Albert & Frances Kerzic Memorial Fund

Katherine Parker

Belington Public Library Fund

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Billie G. Armstrong Fund

Wayne Jessee

Bucher Family Fund

F. Michael and Gwendolyn Martin

Carl DelSignore Fund

Cleta Long's History of Tucker County
book sale proceeds

Crimson Shamrock Literacy Fund

David Moran and Lori Wall

Crimson Shamrock Scholarship Fund

David Moran and Lori Wall

Dehari Fund

(2) Anonymous Donors

Denver & Ethel Raines Smith Memorial Fund

St. Paul's United Methodist Church

Dr. Mary Alice Klein Scholarship Fund

Jennifer Klein
Frank Joseph Perozziello

Ellis Boury III Fund

Michael Frasher and Janis Boury

Falling Green Fund

Diane and Scott Hinkle
Karen Kane
Jane Rodrigue and Mark Ford

Fraternal Order of Eagles Scholarship Fund

Bernettie Gnegy
Diane Poehner
Dr. Wayne and Betty Spiggle

George & Mariwyn Smith Fund

Mariwyn Smith

H. Dailey & Belva Shaffer Martin Fund

Nola DeVilder

Jillian Roberts & Matilde Villalobos Millennium Scholarship Fund

Amanda Cassidy

Joyce Colbert Veterinary Scholarship Fund

Jean Colbert
David Moran and Lori Wall

Katherine Zabriskie EMS Fund (for Canaan Valley)

Susan Smith

Kingwood Elementary School Fund

Miscellaneous donors

Louise & Jim Cooper, Jr. Family Fund

Karen and Bill Peterson
Carol Stark
Michael and Susan Wingfield

Margaret Ann & James A. Grafton Scholarship Fund

James and Marie Grafton
Ricky and Kimberly Lanham
Michael and Kristina Wamsley

Mark Hutchison / David Cosner Scholarship Fund

Karen Currence
Nancy and David Fahey
Tim Harris
Mark and Carla Joseph
Sandra Rexrode
Ginger Taylor

McNeeley Cemetery Fund

Loretta Lantz

Mountaineer Humane Society Fund

Run Jeb, Run!

Mountaintop Library New Building Fund

Karen and Bill Peterson
Rebecca Wertime
Anonymous Donor

Preston Community Fund

David Moran and Lori Wall

Ryan Patrick Gosa Fund

Alexandria and Bradley Boyer
Jake and Pat Gosa
Robert and Sandra Hughes
Alliene Linden
Sarah Musallam
Kenneth and Elizabeth O'Barr

TCF Directors' General Fund

Marvin and Jane Canfield
Elizabeth Layne
John Rosine

Thomas P. Patrick, DDS Fund

F. Michael and Gwendolyn Martin

Tucker Boulder Park Project

Anonymous
Nate Powell
Mason Powell
Elizabeth Hereford
Ben, Lauren & Emme Hinkle
Diane and Scott Hinkle
Diane, Nathaniel and Ed Rader
Susan Smith
St. George Medical Clinic
Lisa Stanley
Falling Green Fund of TCF

Tucker County Economic &**Community Development Fund**

Anonymous
Terry Stone
Tucker Community Foundation \$1 for \$1 match

WV Highlands STArt Fund

Anonymous
John and Debbie Brown
Ann Lyn and William Martin
Gerri and Bruce Wilson

Pass Through Donations

Youth Philanthropy Initiative
Aurora Mt. Lions Club
Crimson Shamrock Literacy Fund
Kep & Alice Smith Trust

Warm the Children

\$11,316 collected from donors who support the annual campaign

Tucker County**Cultural District Authority**

\$60,000 Claude Worthington
Benedum Foundation Grant

Heart of the Highlands

Susan Smith

Potomac Highlands Food & Farm Initiative

Robert Birkenes and Suzanne Polak
Anonymous Donor



Birthday Club donor Terry Stone supports the TED Fund

*** Run For It '16 Race Sponsors**
will be acknowledged in the Fall
Newsletter.

2016 SCHOLARSHIPS

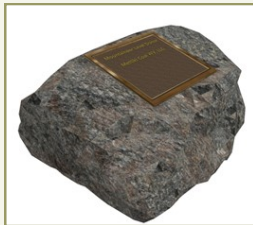
The 2016 Scholarship recipients will be announced following the Board of Directors Meeting scheduled for May.

149 applicants are competing for awards totaling \$53,000. The applications represent students from our service area: Barbour, Grant, Preston, Pocahontas, Randolph, and Tucker counties in West Virginia, and Garrett County, Maryland.

Projects and Programs



Donors who contribute \$1,000+ will be acknowledged at the park.



Donors who contribute \$10,000 + will be identified on landscape boulders.



Project partners and donors who contribute \$25,000+ will be identified on the back of the entrance sign.



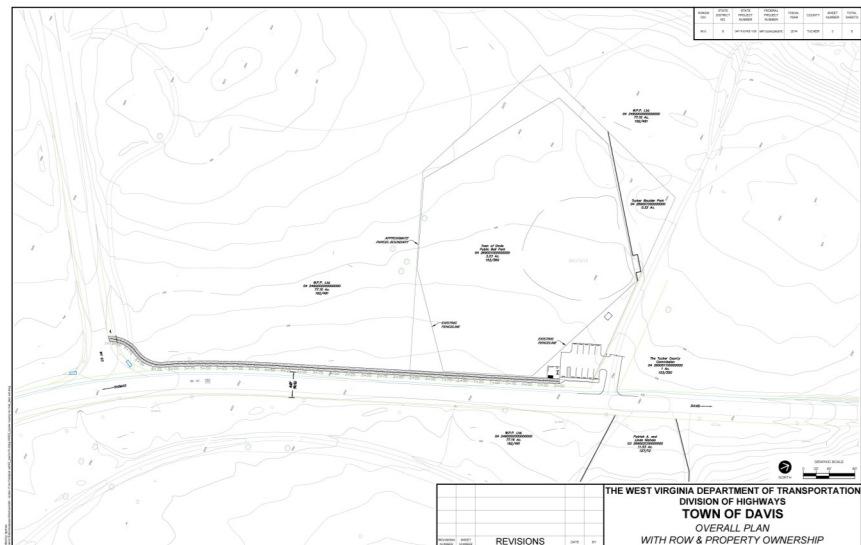
ALL donors will be acknowledged at the inaugural Climb For It event.

TUCKER COUNTY BOULDER PARK

Will dirt fly soon? We sure hope so. Activity at the Tucker Boulder Park is subject to the terms of two major grants that are providing the bulk of the funding. Donations from the general public and in-kind support helped us meet the match requirement for grant awards exceeding \$200,000 allowing for the construction of the trail connector and the purchase and installation of the extra-large boulder. A 2015 Land and Water Conservation Fund grant for the children's boulder has been submitted and a response is pending. Fundraising efforts are underway for the final phase.



Design concept provided by Chapman Technical Group. Design elements are subject to available funding.



Work on the Davis Trailhead that will eventually connect the Tucker Boulder Park and Davis Ball Field to the Allegheny Highlands Trail is under the direction of EL Robinson Engineering. The trail is funded through the WV Department of Transportation Recreational Trails Program.

CHANGE IS COMING TO 737 WILLIAM AVENUE

Tucker Community Foundation has purchased the building and related property at 737 William Avenue, Davis, WV (current location of the Potomac Highlands Food & Farm Initiative's Highland Market). The TCF Development Office will take up permanent residence beside the market this spring. A second USDA grant is allowing for expansion of the Highland Market to include a certified kitchen and walk-in freezer and refrigerator.



"More than 80 writers, representing three counties, competed in Tucker Community Foundation's Write-to-Win Contest."

WRITE-TO-WIN WINNERS ANNOUNCED

Colorful, humorous, and insightful, Penelope's Stories are being used in an ongoing Youth Philanthropy Initiative. Winners donated half of their award to the charity of their choice. Writers were asked to tell Penelope's Story using a positive message relating to community, philanthropy, and helping others.

Davis Thomas Elementary Middle School

NAME	PLACE	AWARD	DONATION CHOICE
Sadie Palmer	Overall	\$500.00	Elephant Sanctuary in Tennessee
Jordan Teter	Teen	\$300.00	St. Jude Medical Children's Hospital
Elora Mowery	Youth	\$300.00	Educational material for students in Africa
Elspeth Deleurere	Adult	\$250.00	Run For It Team Hannah

Aurora School

Samuel Donnelly	4 th Grade 1st	\$200.00	Preston County Humane Society
Averi Adams	4 th Grade 2nd	\$100.00	Landon's Library (nonprofit reading program Garrett County)
Natalie Stemple	4 th Grade 3rd	\$50.00	Landon's Library
Payton Rumer	5 th Grade 1st	\$200.00	St. Jude's Children's Hospital
Gisella Cordero	5 th Grade 2nd	\$100.00	Wounded Warrior Project
Katrina Harsh	5 th Grade 3rd	\$50.00	Preston Food Bank

Honorable Mention Awards

DTEMS	Novalee Rohme	Best Quote	\$100.00
	Sophia Elza	Best Illustration	\$100.00
Aurora	Jacob Hauser	Best Quote	\$25.00
	Joseph Birchland	Best Penmanship	\$25.00

Awards were provided by

The Aurora Mountain Lions
Crimson Shamrock Literacy Fund
Kep and Alice Smith Trust
TCF Directors' General Fund



**"In the end
you don't
need powers
to be a hero,
but don't be
an Evil
Chicken"**

*Penelope and the
Porky Heroes!*

By Jacob Hauser





KEEP5LOCAL

A report released in 1998 by the Center on Wealth and Philanthropy estimated that the amount of household wealth to be transferred in the United States from one generation to the next between 1998 and 2052 to be in the neighborhood of \$41 trillion. That study has prompted many states to be proactive in capturing a portion of that wealth before assets follow children and grandchildren out of the region and out of state. West Virginia is no exception. With declining populations, *Philanthropy West Virginia (PWV)*, the statewide leader for community, corporate and private foundations, has heeded the call to action.

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Endowing a fund is like building a root cellar, the fund will far outlast its builders and weather the vagaries of the economic climate, providing a measured bounty for generations to come.

Under the direction of Paul Daugherty, PWV Executive Director, community foundations around the state were given an opportunity to participate in a Transfer of Wealth study. The study, made possible with a grant from the Claude Worthington Benedum Foundation, has evaluated and documented the transfer of wealth potential for four counties located within our service area. The results produced estimates that demonstrate how the transfer of wealth could impact counties over a 10 and 50 year period if estate planning included a provision to keep 5% local.

Keep 5 local. The TCF Estate Planning brochure provides sample language. Copies are available for download from the Foundation's web site and at the Davis and Parsons office of Tucker Community Foundation. To learn more visit www.keep5local.org.

	Barbour	Preston	Randolph	Tucker
2010 Current Net Worth	\$ 840 Million	2.17 Billion	1.85 Billion	560 Million
10 Year Transfer of Wealth	\$ 320 Million	790 Million	750 Million	200 Million
10 Year 5% Wealth Engagement	\$ 16.2 Million	39.5 Million	37.5 Million	10.0 Million
5% Annual Grant Payout	\$ 810,000	1.98 Million	1.87 Million	500,000

Give Local America Day



Open House
Tuesday, May 3
3-6 PM
737 William Ave., Davis beside Highland Market.

Please join us in a national celebration on Tuesday, May 3 when Tucker Community Foundation joins communities across the country celebrating *Give Local America Day*.

An open house will be held from 3-6 PM in our new location at 737 William Ave. Check out the new office space, enjoy food and music, and tour the expanded Highland Market. Learn more about these featured programs and projects:

- **Tucker County Economic and Community Development Fund**. Meet TED and let him know what improvements you'd like to see in your community.
- **The Tucker Boulder Park Project**. The summit is in sight. Help us climb.
- **Tucker County EMS Fund**. See what's cookin' for emergency medical responders.
- **Potomac Highlands Food and Farm Initiative**. Tour the expanded facilities that are growing the local food economy.
- **Run For It**. Register, donate, or sponsor the 2016 race.
- **Youth Philanthropy Initiative**. Meet **Penelope's Kids** and hear how they are engaged in local philanthropy.
- **TCF Directors' General Fund**. Facilitating local philanthropy since 1989, this fund helps to strengthen the mission of TCF.

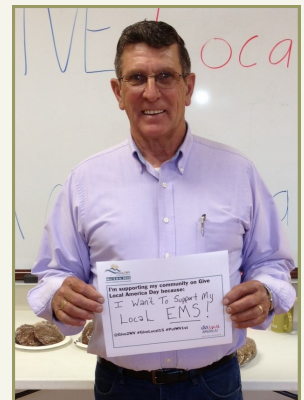
Give local.

Donations of any size are appreciated but not required.

- ◆ The open house provides an opportunity to create a new endowment, donate to an existing fund, support any of TCF's featured programs and projects, or donate to any local charitable cause.
- ◆ Staff will field inquiries about estate planning.

Come celebrate our community of philanthropists who, dollar-by-dollar, are improving and securing our future.

Scenes from the 2015 GLAD Open House



Uncle Sam's Birthday Party

The annual Uncle Sam's Birthday Party will be on July 1st this year and will be hosted at the Main Lodge at Canaan Valley State Park. Please go to our website tuckerfoundation.net for more information or call either office for more information. Tickets become available in late May.

2016 RUN FOR IT



Run For It 2016 has begun! Registration for teams and racers opened April 1.

New this year: The top 10 2K walkers who are 80+ will receive awards sponsored by Cortland Acres & Rehab.

Important Dates

July 1:

Team registration closes

April 1- September 15:

Race entry online or paper entry form

September 15:

Team sponsor donations due

September 23:

On-site registration at DVFD

September 24:

RACE DAY!

Register Online at
raceroster.com/8610

Registered Teams as of 4.14.16:

Mountaintop Readers
Belington Public Library Bookaneers
Mountain Laurel Learning Cooperative
Fresh Canvas
Pocahontas County Senior Citizens
Canaan Valley Ski Patrol
Kingwood Elementary School Stags
After School Explorers – Preston County
Alpine Heritage Preservation/Artspring
Friends of the Cheat
Cruisin' Critters
Challenged Athletes of WV
Philippi Public Library Bookworms
DTEMS-PTO
Team Boulder Park
Preston Community Fund Runners
Eastern Mountains Young Life
New Historic Thomas
Team Hannah
Linwood Lizards
CVVFD Auxiliary Power

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