

WAYNE COUNTY

COMMUNITY
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ANNUAL REPORT 2019

INVESTING IN OUR FUTURE





Grants Chairman, John Carmody presents The Cooperage Project Grant to Ryanne Jennings, with son, Desmond



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Paul J. Edwards

A Message from the Foundation President

Dear Shareholders,

If you receive this report, you are in some way a shareholder in Wayne County. As President of this Foundation, I am pleased to be writing this introduction to our annual report, for our year ending June 30, 2019 was a good one.

Our investments did well. They are roughly balanced one-third in fixed income and two-thirds in equities, and compared favorably to relevant benchmarks.

The number of funds we host grew nicely as did the balances of many of them. Our Executive Director, Paul Edwards, was very busy in signing up new donors, including some with significant contributions, as reported on within these pages.

Effective September 30, Paul has retired, and we will miss him and his efforts on our behalf. The Board wishes him well and welcomes his offer to stay involved as a volunteer during the transition period.

The new Executive Director is Ryanne Jennings, who most recently served in the same role at The Cooperage Project. She was chosen from several candidates as the one showing great promise for taking us to the next level and beyond. We welcome the youth and energy she will bring to the role and expect to report even bigger and better things next year.



To all those who have contributed we thank you and encourage your continued support.

Sincerely, 
Warren Schloesser

Our Goals

Our founders and our Board, who represent all the communities in Wayne County, remain dedicated to our slogan; "Investing in Our Future." We must continue to grow our funds and be flexible in support of our donor's varied interests. We want to continue to listen in order to understand your goals. We will provide the best possible information for giving options and funding opportunities. Above all, we pledge to provide prudent stewardship to ensure that charitable assets are managed soundly for the benefit of both current and future generations.

Assets

As of June 30, 2019, the Foundation's assets totaled over \$5 million.

Our investments are managed by four local institutions: *The Dime Bank, The Honesdale National Bank, Wayne Bank, and Morgan Stanley.* Investment results are reviewed by our Treasurer and the Investment Committee, who meet annually in August with representatives of these institutions.

We thank our Volunteers

The Wayne County Community Foundation sincerely thanks the Foundation's Volunteers for all their hard work and dedication to our success: Ann O'Hara and Rosanne Alexander (Accounting and Finance); Beth Johnson (Dictionary Project); and Mary Markowski (Facebook).

"My interest is in the future because I am going to spend the rest of my life there."
—Charles Kettering



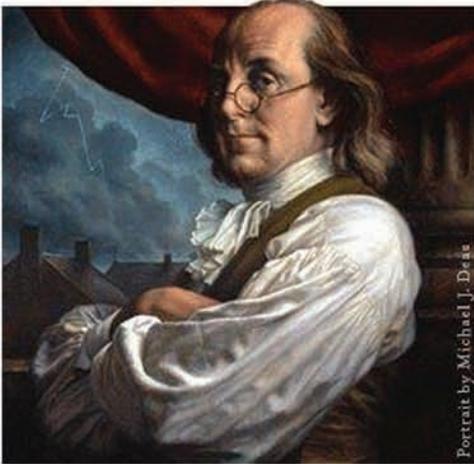
The 2018 Winner of the Ben Franklin Community Service Award was Donna Decker



The selection recognizes Donna's years of service to her community and her profession. For the past quarter century, Donna Decker, RN has served as Wayne Memorial Hospital's Community Health Education Manager. In 1994 she launched the Hospital's Community Health Department. One of her first significant projects was the "Together for Health School Program," a three-part program helping students in our schools choose health lifestyles. That program won the PA Office of Rural Health's "Innovative Rural Health Program of the Year" in 1997. In 2001, the National Family Health Service selected her as the "Outstanding Community Partner" for the State, in recognition for her work "to create essential partnerships that connect people to programs and services, and encourage healthy living and build strong communities." In 2007, Donna was awarded the state's "Community Rural Health Leader of the Year".

Over the years, Donna has either implemented or helped organize dozens of programs including the above mentioned Together for Health School Programs, the Winter Walking Program; the Blue Ribbon Well Weights Program, the Prevention Initiative and Rachel's Challenge/Challenge Accepted Initiative. She chaired the Hospital's Community Advisory Board; And produced a weekly radio show entitled, "Healthworks."

Donna and her husband, Dave have been married 50 plus years. They have 5 five children and 17 grandchildren.



Ben Franklin Community Service Award PAST HONOREES



EDWIN J. THOMAS	1996
ROBERT AND INGER STOVALL	1997
WALTER AND MARILYN BARBE	1998
CHUCK AND WANDA JURGENSEN	1999
KENT BROWN	2000
SALLY TALAGA	2001
WILLIAM AND PAULA ROOS	2002
ROBERT KNASH	2003
PETER AND MOLLY RODGERS	2004
JIM AND SHIRLEY CHAPMAN	2005
JOSEPH J. MURRAY	2006
RUSSELL AND EVELYN RIDD	2007
WARREN SCHLOESSER	2008
BILL BURSIS	2009
HAROLD SHOOK	2010
PATRICIA AND LEROY SPOOR	2011
CHARLES AND DOROTHY GRIMM	2012
KUNI HOLBERT	2013
ELIZABETH BAERENKLAU, KATHRYN HIGHHOUSE,	
VIRGINIA MOTSKO	2014
GARY C. BEILMAN	2015
ANN O'HARA, JANE VARCOE	2016
ARTHUR AND GAIL FREY	2017
DONNA DECKER	2018

THE BEN FRANKLIN FUND

Ben Franklin, printer, scientist, philosopher, community servant and statesman, created a legacy that today reaches right into our own community! The Ben Franklin Fund represents one of the finest examples of what philanthropy is all about! The Fund shows how money set aside from a donor can impact the future. In Ben Franklin's case, it took two hundred years to bear the financial fruit envisioned. In his will, Franklin bequeathed 1,000 pounds, roughly equal to \$4,000, to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Franklin knew his bequest would grow over time and it did, to over \$2 million dollars!!!

In 1990, then Pa. Governor Robert P. Casey signed a bill dividing the money between the Franklin Institute in Philadelphia and the State's various community foundations. Indeed, the Wayne County Community Foundation was in the 'right place at the right time' and received its share of the fund. With this money, the Foundation has established the Ben Franklin Community Service Award with its accompanying \$1,000 given to the recipient who then gives it to the local service organization of his or her choice.

Foundation Funds

The individual funds created by our donors are the heart and soul of the Community Foundation.

We invest the initial contribution and use the earnings to support the donor's goal. Preserving the principal creates funds with a long "life." The funds benefit a variety of causes and are a place where individuals can design funds that target their interests. Often "Legacy Funds" are established where families and friends can create a lasting tribute to a deceased loved one to support a specific church, issue, scholarship or even to support a named non profit organization. In many situations, individuals will name the Foundation in their estate planning so they may guarantee that certain things they feel strongly about have support. Non profit organizations and individuals establish funds in order so their contributions are tax-deductible and professionally managed. A review of our list of funds is the best example of the wide variety of types of funds that can be established.



Jeri Bigart Memorial Fund: Established by Mr. Eugene Bigart in memory of his wife. The fund assists deserving students attending a vocational school.

Boy Scout Troop 111 Fund: This consists of funds bequeathed to the troop for its ongoing use.

Ben Franklin Fund: This fund was directly bequeathed in Ben Franklin's will. Our Foundation qualified for funding via the State and uses it to award \$1,000 annually to our service award in Ben Franklin's name.

Michael J. Bryant Memorial Fund: Established by his parents, William and Debra Bryant, to assist people with special needs and developmental disabilities. Additionally, funds can help community groups such as the 4-H or volunteer fire companies. Michael's siblings, Zach Bryant, Carrie Bomgardner and Emily Montgomery, sponsor an annual 5K Run, "Herd the Curd", to help increase the number of grants awarded.

William E. Schwarz Memorial Scholarship: Established in 2013 by the Board of Directors of the Dime Bank. The annual scholarship goes to a Wayne County graduate pursuing a degree in the automobile industry.

Aaron Hocker Fund: Created by the family and friends of the late Aaron Hocker for the purpose of extending aid to students and others studying in the health care field.

Tony and Sharon Herzog Fund: Creates a scholarship for Wayne County resident majoring in Math, Music, Career Tech or Education.

Creating Outstanding Athletic Leaders (COAL) Fund: Supports an annual scholarship and funds expenses associated with seminars and programs.

Waymart Area Historical Society Endowment Fund: The fund assists with a variety of projects funded by the Society.

Waymart Lion's Club Endowment Fund: This supports the Lion's Club's assistance for the eye care of disadvantaged children living in the Waymart Area.

Waymart Boy Scout Troop #111 Camping Endowment Fund: Troop #111's camping activities will be paid with the investment returns on this endowed fund.

Bethany United Methodist Church Building Maintenance Endowment Fund: This endowment assists with the care and upkeep of the Church located in Bethany.

Robert Diehl Memorial Scholarship Fund: The fund supports a scholarship for a Honesdale High School Graduate. It was established in the loving memory of Robert Diehl by his family and friends.

Schloesser Family Fund: The fund established by Attorney Warren Schloesser supports humanitarian causes in Wayne County.

HHS Alumni Association Fund: Alumni of the Honesdale High School began this fund as a way of supporting the students and programs of the Honesdale High School.

BK Hope Cures Fund: Established by Robert Kiesendahl, support cancer research at the Penn State Medical Center and the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Institute. Bob, a cancer survivor, has donated over \$1 million dollars to this cause which are funded by way of a variety of fund raising events.

Harold Hopkins Family Fund: The fund supports humanitarian causes in the Damascus Community and funds the Jake Hopkins Memorial Scholarship.

Kelley Lalley Memorial Fund: This fund was established in memory of Kelly Lalley by his loving friends and family. It supports the following: an annual scholarship; the Honesdale Biddy Basketball Program; The Dyberry Day Camp and other Community non profit organizations.

Jake Burkhardt Memorial Fund: This fund will support "scholarships" and programs for Lacawac Sanctuary.

Wayne Library Alliance Fund: Ongoing technology upgrades for Wayne County Libraries are supported via this Fund.

Wayne Sports Hall of Fame Fund: Established to further sports opportunities for youth in Wayne County.

Robert and Inger Stovall Fund: Funds a scholarship for the most improved senior at Honesdale High School as determined by the faculty.

Barbara Houghtaling Book Fund: Supports elementary school libraries and the purchase of books for children.

Albert S. Lipperini Memorial Scholarship Fund: Established by the friends of Mr. Lipperini, provides a scholarship for a student going into the Human Services career field.

Leon Scudder Fund: Created by a bequest establishing scholarships for Wayne County graduates.

Honesdale Rotary Fund: Supports worthy community projects.

Edwin J. Thomas Fund: Provides for scholarships and grants for community projects.

Robert Zabady Scholarship Fund: Recognizes the substantial support given to our Foundation by Mr. Robert Zabady. The fund provides for an annual scholarship.

Jerry and Marilyn Swendsen Fund: Supports a scholarship for a student in Honesdale High School entering the field of engineering and a scholarship for a student attending a summer music camp.

Merle and Earl Walters and Honesdale Lions Vision Scholarship: Awards a scholarship to students studying optometry or other vision health career field.

Ruth T. Fiore Memorial Fund: This fund was started to fund programs for animal welfare.

Drs. Bette and Lawrence Caruth Fund: Provides a college scholarship for a Wayne County student majoring in the Health Care field of study.

Theodore Engstrand Fund: This fund was established as a bequest of Martha Franco which will support scholarships and grants for horticulture associated projects in Wayne County.

Herman H. Rutsch Fund: Created by the late Herman H. Rutsch, the fund supports the work of the Bethany Presbyterian Church and Bethany Cemetery.

Wayne/Pike Medical Association Scholarship Fund: This fund will provide for an annual college scholarship to a graduate of a Wayne or Pike County high school who will major in the Health Care field of study.

Luke Rickard Memorial Scholarship Fund: The fund was created by the family of the late Luke Rickard. Each year a scholarship is provided to a Honesdale High School graduate who is a varsity boys basketball player.

H. Richard Osborne Memorial Fund: The friends of Honesdale Boys' Basketball founded this scholarship in memory of Dick Osborne. Dick was a former Basketball Coach and AD at Honesdale.

HHS Friends of Boys Basketball Fund: This scholarship fund recognizes students associated with the basketball team.

Rowe/Box Memorial Scholarship: This scholarship fund is in memory of James Rowe and Alice Box by the Rowe, Wilson & Box families. The fund supports an annual scholarship for graduates of Honesdale High School majoring in the field of Vocational Technology or Business.

Earl R. Riefler Pre-Medical Scholarship: The fund establishes a scholarship for Wayne County resident graduates intending to major in Pre-Med.

Peter Propst Memorial Fund: The fund was established in memory of Peter Propst to support high school science programs in Honesdale High School.

Wayne County Bar Association Fund: The fund awards a scholarship by the Bar to a student majoring in Pre-law or the Criminal Justice career field.

Howard and Ruth Akers Memorial Fund: A scholarship fund, established by the children of Ruth and Howard Akers, supports an annual scholarship for a student majoring in agri-business or education.

David M. Cavalieri Memorial Scholarship: This scholarship is to honor the memory of David M. Cavalieri, a 2012 graduate of Forest City Regional High School. He tragically lost his life in a car accident in 2016. The \$1,000 scholarship is given to a Forest City High School graduate.

Drs. Lorrain, Rick and Patrick McAndrew Memorial Scholarship: The McAndrew Memorial Scholarship is dedicated to the memory of Dr. Lorrain A. McAndrew and his sons, Dr. Richard L. McAndrew and Dr. Patrick McAndrew. The \$5,000 scholarship goes to a Forest City High School graduate pursuing the Health Care field.

John G. and Eleanor P. Rickert Memorial Scholarship: This \$2,000 Scholarship has been established by Ann R. Koziol in memory of her parents. It is awarded to a graduate of Honesdale High School who will major in education.

Joseph and Kathleen Sterchak Scholarship: This \$2,500 scholarship has been established by Joseph and Kathleen Sterchak to support graduates of Forest City Regional High School majoring in Architecture or Engineering.

Seelyville Union Sunday School Scholarship: This organization has created a scholarship to be awarded to a graduate who intends to major in a vocation where as their ability to positively affect the lives of others is evidenced through the application of a nurturing, caring and compassionate attitude.

Educational Endowment Fund: The fund is used to support educational projects.

Ferro Fund (YAC): The Foundation's Youth Advisory Committee receives its grant award subsidies from this fund.

Rita Bellamy Fund: The fund is used to support projects which promote the Foundation's expansion.

The HHS Soccer Fund: This fund supports a scholarship to a HHS Soccer Player and other projects promoting Soccer at Honesdale High School.

Viola Robb Fund: This fund is used to support projects that promote the expansion of the Foundation.

Forest City Regional Education Foundation Mini Grant Fund: The Grant is used to support innovative teaching and classroom instruction in the Forest City Regional Schools.

Forest City Regional Education Foundation Alumni Scholarship: Funds from this go to providing a scholarship for a deserving graduate of Forest City Regional High School.

The Gruber Family Fund: Established by Louis and Frances Gruber the fund supports worthy nonprofit causes in Wayne County.

James Kilgore Family Fund: The fund was established by Mr. and Mrs. James Kilgore to support nonprofit causes in northern Wayne County.

Yablon Foundation Fund: The foundation's purpose is to support a variety of charitable causes located in southern Wayne County. Emphasis is placed on the causes of Drug Awareness and Treatment, Veteran's Affairs, Animal Welfare, and the Hamlin Rotary.

East Dyberry Cemetery Fund: Proceeds from the investments of this fund go toward the ongoing care and maintenance of the grounds.

First Responder's Fund: This fund was established as a joint venture with the Villume Foundation for the purpose of supporting grants from Volunteer first responder organizations within the county.

Freedom Lodge IOOF: This fund supports a scholarship to be given to a Wayne County graduate.



This past year, 18 grants were awarded for a total of \$37,500

Foundation Grants Program

The Foundation uses its own resources as well as the funds that donors have established to support a wide variety of community non profit organizations, empowering them where possible to thrive, grow and become self-sustaining.

In consideration of grant applications the Grant Committee and Board make decisions based on the following:

- **The program meets the greatest community need and assists the largest number of individuals**
- **The applicant has submitted a quality proposal describing a specific need**
- **The Foundation has the funding required to support the project**

Organization	Amount	Project
◆ Devereaux	\$2,000	Materials for Children's Program
◆ Catholic Social Services	\$3,500	Homeless Shelter Program
◆ American Red Cross	\$1,000	Fire Prevention
◆ Bethany Public Library	\$2,500	Summer Music Camp
◆ WVIA	\$1,250	Educational Program
◆ VFW	\$3,000	Chair Lift
◆ Wayne County Historical Society	\$2,000	Canal Building Project
◆ Salvation Army	\$2,500	Aids to Students
◆ The Cooperage Project	\$1,000	Free Lunch Program
◆ Roots & Rhythm Festival	\$1,000	Summer Music Festival
◆ Childrens Service Center	\$1,000	Office Upgrades
◆ Damascus Historical Society	\$2,000	Building Project
◆ Farm Arts Collective	\$1,000	Programming
◆ Ronald McDonald House	\$1,000	Expansion Project
◆ Thanksgiving Together (Episcopal)	\$250	Luncheon Program
◆ Wayne Memorial Hospital Foundation	\$10,000	Payment on \$25,000 Pledge
◆ Seelyville Fire Company	\$1,000	Equipment
◆ LACAWAC	\$5,000	Building Project



Family Members of the Michael Bryant Memorial Fund present grants totaling \$9,626 to this year's award winners from their 'Herd the Curd' 5/10K Run.' Their grants assist special needs individuals in Wayne County.

The Grants Committee reviews applications quarterly and then makes recommendations to the Board.



Grants Committee Member, Jane Varcoe presents check for Ronald McDonald House building project



Grants Committee Members John Carmody and Jane Varcoe present grant to Hamlin Rotary (Safe Kids Fair)



We support the Salvation Army's projects to help children



WCCF helps Lacawac Sanctuary with facilities expansion program



The John E. and Marjorie L. Marshall Fund supports grants for the Wayne County Agriculture. Shown left to right: Earl Marshall, Mrs. Marjorie Marshall, and WCCF ED, Paul Edwards

Foundation Scholarship Programs



Board Member, Christie Augustine presents WCCF Scholarship Winners: Bailey Murray, Bryce Urian, Lucas Flederbach and Derrick Vosburg

The Foundation is committed to providing scholarships for deserving seniors residing in Wayne County. Starting in 1995 with the first Edwin Thomas Scholarship, the awards continue to grow. This past year the Foundation and its donor partners awarded \$88,000 in scholarships to deserving Wayne County resident graduates.



Members of the Robert Diehl Family present the first Robert Diehl Memorial Scholarship to Sydney Cummings



Members of the Hopkins Family present the first Jake Hopkins Memorial Scholarships to Andrew Freer, Andrew Kenyon and Cody Smith



Mrs. Marjorie Marshall presents the first John and Marjorie Marshall Fund Scholarships to Mitchell Herzog, Stephen Orchard, Brianna Metschulat and Lily Fries

2018-19 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Edwin Thomas Memorial Scholarships

Vaeda Pontosky, Western Wayne
Jacob Adams, Honesdale

Rietta Steffen, Wallenpaupack

Leon Scudder Memorial Scholarships

Evan Coon, Western Wayne
Lucas Scott, Western Wayne
Michael Tomasetti, Western Wayne
Fatima Whaley, Wallenpaupack
Alejandro Ciuba, Wallenpaupack
Shelby Fylstra, Wallenpaupack
Abigail Hynes, Honesdale
Samuel Ehrlich, Honesdale
Matthew Giles, Forest City
Hannah Chapman, Canaan Christian

Wayne Co. Community Foundation Scholarships

Lucas Flederback, Honesdale
Bailey Murray, Honesdale
Derrick Vosburg, Wallenpaupack
Cosette Talarico, Western Wayne
Bryce Urian, Western Wayne

Luke Rickard Memorial Scholarship

Colin Rickard, Honesdale

Jeri Bigart Memorial Scholarship

Hunter Mead, Wallenpaupack
Jason Hunter, Honesdale

Wayne/Pike Med. Association Scholarships

Emily Christina, Western Wayne

Robert and Inger Stovall Scholarship

Garrett Quick, Honesdale

Drs. Philip G. & Rosita Liu Scholarship

Annarose McLaughlin, Wallenpaupack

Drs. Betty & Lawrence Caruth Scholarship

Susan Nitch, North Pocono

HHS Friends of Boys' Basketball Scholarships

Sarah Wood, Honesdale
Colin Rickard, Honesdale

H. Richard Osborne Integrity Award

William Howell, Honesdale

James Rowe and Alice Box Memorial Scholarship

Max Land, Honesdale
Mackenzie Meagher, Honesdale

William E. Schwarz Memorial Scholarship

Donald O'Brien, Wallenpaupack

Howard and Ruth Akers Memorial Scholarship

Brooke Rutledge

Wayne County Bar Association Scholarship

Abigail Burke, Western Wayne

Earl R. Riefler Pre-Medical Scholarship

Jacqueline Burke, Honesdale

Human Resources Foundation Scholarship

Amber Antidormi, Western Wayne
Kiarra McCloud, Wallenpaupack
Larissa Peseski, Honesdale

John G. and Eleanor P. Rickert Memorial Scholarship

Abigail Ursich, Honesdale

Seelyville Union Sunday School Scholarship

Charity Jones, Damascus Christian

Robert Zabady Scholarship

Lauren Meszaros, Susquehanna

Kelley Lalley Memorial Scholarship

William Howell, Honesdale

Jerry and Marilyn Swendsen Scholarship

Brandon Lawson

Jake Hopkins Memorial Scholarship

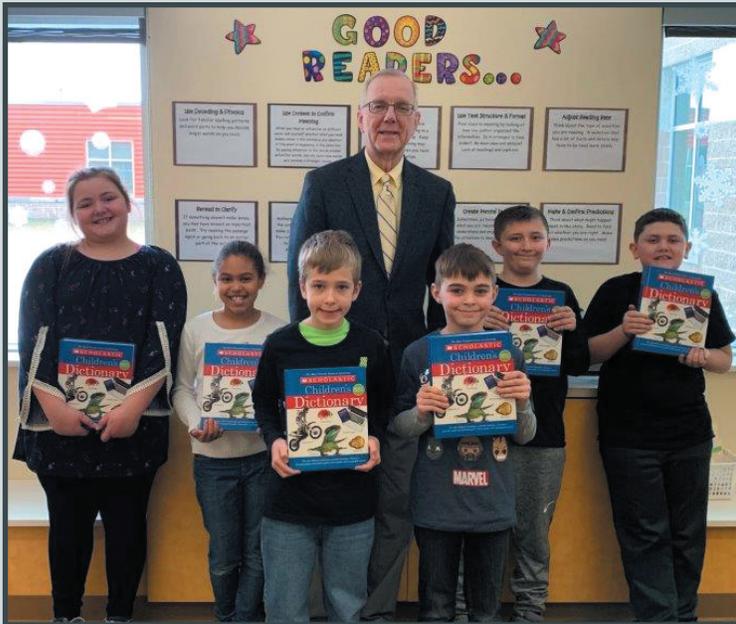
Cody Smith, Honesdale
Andrew Kenyon, Sullivan West
Andrew Freer, Sullivan West

John E. and Marjorie L. Marshall Fund Scholarship

Stephen, Orchard, Western Wayne
Mitchell Herzog, Western Wayne
Brianna Metschulat, Western Wayne
Lily Fries, Honesdale
Brianna Weist, Honesdale

AID TO EDUCATION

The Wayne County Community Foundation recognizes that the funding for education is very challenging. We sponsor a number of programs that aim to assist students and to supplement emerging new programs for technology.



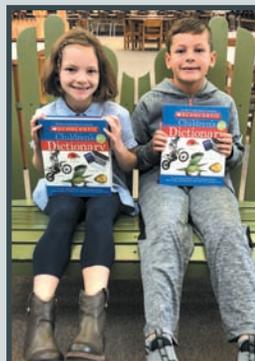
Six smiling EverGreen Elementary School students show off their new Dictionaries.

YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Youth Advisory Committee was created through a generous **bequest** of Eleanor Ferro and the Foundation in order to familiarize students with the potential of philanthropic activities. This is done by providing a selected committee comprised of students in grades 9-12 with a fund that they may use to award grants back to applicant organizations within their own **school districts**.

This year's grants were as follows:

- CATWALK
- STEM Problem Solving
- Special Needs Dance
- Robot Kits
- Library Expansion
- Track & Field Meet
- Bat Houses
- Project Linus



DICTIONARY PROJECT

For the past fourteen years the Foundation and its donors have purchased the Scholastic Children's Dictionary for third graders in the following schools: R.D. Wilson School, the Evergreen School, Damascus Area, Preston Area, Lakeside Elementary, the Canaan Christian Academy and the Forest City Regional Elementary School. To date, more than **5,000** dictionaries have been presented.



5th Grade Planning and Strategy Team at Lakeside Elementary receive a YAC grant to purchase a "Little Bits" STEAM Invention Kit to enhance their studies.



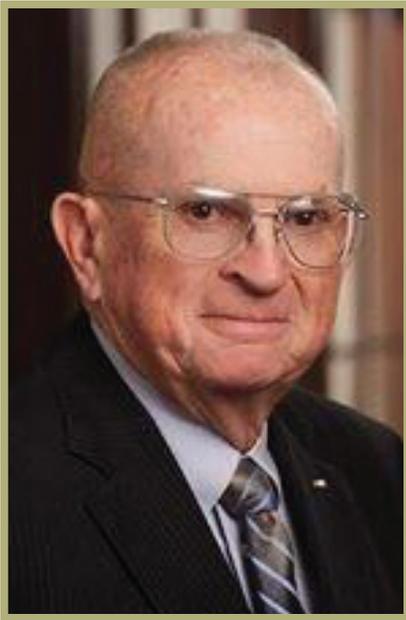
Wallenpaupack High School's Family, Career and Community Leaders of America Chapter receive a YAC grant to assist them in funding a dance for special needs students.



The Westen Wayne HS CATS (Community Attitude Toward Success) Club receive YAC funding to assist them with Project Linus. Students will make blankets for seriously ill, traumatized, or needy children in Wayne County.

THE EDUCATIONAL IMPROVEMENT TAX CREDIT PROGRAM (EITC)

This program provides significant funding for Wayne Highlands, Wallenpaupack Area and Western Wayne School Districts. This year, \$82,000 was given to these three districts to support "highly academic", innovative and challenging programs. The funding came from the following Wayne County businesses: The Dime Bank, The Honesdale National Bank, Wayne Bank, First National Community Bank, NBT Bank and Waste Management.



The O'Neill Society

The O'Neill Society recognizes those donors who have invested in the future of our county by naming the Wayne County Community Foundation as a beneficiary of their estate plans. The name is in memory of Dan O'Neill, long-time community activist and Foundation board member.

Funds benefited by estate plans can support any charitable cause or organization, including the Foundation itself, and can work to benefit the county in perpetuity, long after the lives of the donors.

If you wish to include the Wayne County Community Foundation in your will or other planned gift and wish to be recognized in the O'Neill Society, please contact the Foundation's office and we will be pleased to help you complete the forms and add your name to our society.



Wayne Highlands School District ceremony naming Athletic Complex in memory of Dan O'Neill



O'Neill Society first meeting in 2004

SOCIETY MEMBERS

- ◆ Joseph and Kathy Adams
- ◆ Dolores Antoniewicz
- ◆ Deborah Bailey
- ◆ Walter and Marilyn Barbe
- ◆ Vicky Botjer
- ◆ Kent L. Brown, Jr.
- ◆ Peter and Amy Bochnovich
- ◆ Steve and Jamie Brown
- ◆ John and Karen Burlein
- ◆ John and Tonia Carmody
- ◆ Drs. Betty Mae and Lawrence Caruth
- ◆ James and Shirley Chapman
- ◆ Judge Robert J. Conway
- ◆ Bill and Jessie Davis
- ◆ Carol Dunn
- ◆ Marcia Dunsmore
- ◆ Judge Janine Edwards
- ◆ Paul and Colleen Edwards
- ◆ Francis* and Martha* E. Franco
- ◆ Gregory Frigoletto
- ◆ Nancy Fritz
- ◆ William Gershey
- ◆ George* and Anne* Gilchrist
- ◆ Louis and Frances Gruber
- ◆ Judge Raymond and Donna Hamill
- ◆ Tony and Sharon Herzog
- ◆ Cal* and Kuni* Holbert
- ◆ Barbara Houghtaling*
- ◆ Mark and Brooke James
- ◆ Tom* and Laura Kennedy
- ◆ John and Courtney Krajkovih
- ◆ Robert Kramer
- ◆ Kelli S. Lateer
- ◆ Thomas and Nancy LaTournous
- ◆ Charlotte A. Lent
- ◆ Joe and Stella Macey
- ◆ Bruno and Kelly Maton
- ◆ Mary Markowski
- ◆ William B. McAllister
- ◆ Gloria A. McCullough*
- ◆ Paul and Sandy Meagher
- ◆ Bob and Jet Mermell
- ◆ Elwood and Kathy Merring
- ◆ Patricia Mohn
- ◆ Timothy and Jennifer Morgan
- ◆ Joe and Tish Murray
- ◆ Ann O'Hara
- ◆ Dan* and Alice O'Neill
- ◆ Gerard O'Neill
- ◆ Michael and Erin O'Neill
- ◆ David and Karen Raven
- ◆ Marty and Sandy O'Neill Rickard
- ◆ Ronald and Rebecca Rowe
- ◆ Herman H. Rutsch*
- ◆ Warren H. Schloesser
- ◆ William Schweighofer
- ◆ Leon M. Scudder*
- ◆ Tom and Vicki Sheridan
- ◆ Michael and Erin Shine
- ◆ Jay Starnes
- ◆ Judge Nicholas and Carol Stroumtsos
- ◆ Jerry and Marilyn Swendsen
- ◆ Jane Varcoe
- ◆ Bob Zabady

* Deceased

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world... indeed, it is the only thing that ever has..."

— Margaret Mead



The Foundation welcomes our new Executive Director...

Ryanne Jennings!

After fourteen years of service to the Foundation, Paul Edwards announced his departure in May 2019. Replacing him will be Honesdale native, Ryanne Jennings.

A graduate of Honesdale HS and Temple University, Ryanne worked as the Executive Director for The Cooperage Project since 2016. Coordinating and scheduling over 350 events per year at The Cooperage Project, she brings a diverse and successful list of accomplishments. Not only has she grown The Cooperage Project's "footprint" for service to our County, she has also been involved in a number of significant enterprises. She is a PA STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) Ambassador; actively participates in the Wayne Tomorrow Initiative; an Advisory Board member of SEEDS, and a volunteer of the Wayne/Pike Trails and Waterways Alliance to name just a few on her long list of service opportunities.

The Board is anxious to continue its sustained growth and envision many ways that Ryanne will be able to initiate and innovate!



September 30, 2019

Dear Friends,

When I met with Warren Schloesser and Bill Davis in the spring of 2006, I had no idea that accepting the job of Executive Director would last thirteen years. At that time, I considered it a transition from my hectic schedule as a school superintendent to one of full retirement. In between, I'd work part-time and help the Foundation for a couple years.

I leave with deep gratitude to the Foundation's Board, Volunteers, business associates and investment partners. You all helped so much to encourage the growth and expansion of our services and I thank you. I especially wish to thank those that donated to the Foundation, your generosity is inspirational. And finally, I commend our fund sponsors for your commitment to our work and the trust you placed in me. It is heartwarming and affirming knowing the Foundation is strong, vibrant, creative, and will, I am sure, continue to "Invest in Our Future" for decades to come...

Sincerely,

Paul Edwards



What One Person Can Do!!! Leon M. Scudder

Born in Honesdale in 1923, Leon Scudder, was a graduate of Honesdale High School, the Wayne Commercial School, Lackawanna Jr. College and the University of Scranton. He was a licensed pilot, owned a dairy farm, managed an assisted living center and was an accountant. Upon his death in 2004, he established what so far is the largest endowment held by the Foundation. In accordance with his estate plans, his gift was to be used to support scholarships for Wayne County resident students. Each year, the Leon M. Scudder Scholarship is awarded to ten students in the amount of \$2000 each. This past June marked the award of a total of 140 scholarships in fourteen years, totaling \$280,000.

You Can Help!

Contact us on how you too can establish a Legacy, preserve your wealth and do an immense amount of support to improve lives...

570-251-9993

info@waynefoundation.org

What New Funds Are Doing!!!

New Funds

John E. and Marjorie L. Marshall Fund

Awards scholarships for students entering the field of Agribusiness and Farm Machinery maintenance and repair; supports grants for Wayne County high schools offering agriculture technology courses of study.

Dolores Antoniewicz Fund

Awards scholarships for student entering the field of Education.

Glen Dyberry Cemetery Fund

This fund generates revenues to help maintain and preserve the Glen Dyberry Cemetery in Honesdale.

American Legion Post #254 Fund

Donations and fund growth help veteran's causes in Wayne County.

Jake Burkhardt Memorial Fund

Scholarships are provided for Western Wayne High School graduates majoring in the field of Science; grants are also awarded to promote and support Science Education in Western Wayne High School.

Honesdale High School Friends of Girls Basketball Fund

The "Reed Sandercock Memorial Scholarship" will be funded by way of this grant.

Fall Music Festival Fund

This fund is an outgrowth of the annual Fall Music Festival presented each fall at Dorflinger Sanctuary. This endowment will support a variety of memorial scholarship programs in Wayne County.

Pass Thru FUNDS

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Wayne County
Sheriff's K-9 Fund.



PROUD TO BE A FISCAL AGENT

In addition to our 75 Donor Advised and Scholarship Funds, the Foundation also assists a variety of non profit groups that have short-term fund raising needs. We serve as their "fiscal agent" in order that they comply with federal and state regulations. We are indeed proud to serve these well known groups and wish them success in reaching their goals.



BK Hope Cures Fund
Fund Cancer Research



**Wayne County
Honoring Heroes**
Banners honoring veterans to be placed
on Honesdale light and utility poles



Warm Hearts Fund
Assist elderly and disadvantaged
repair home heating and plumbing



Honesdale Lions Club Pool Project
Upgrade and Renovation of the Honesdale Pool



Waterways Alliance
Envisioning trails and
waterway access along
the Lackawaxen River
from Honesdale to Hawley



Wayne County Engineering and Robotics
Honesdale and Western Wayne Robotics raise funds
to help team to participate in competitions.



**Wayne County Sheriff's
Department K-9 Fund**
Care, and training of a K-9 for the
WC Sheriff's Department; drug
detection, protection and
apprehension





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Honorary & Memorial Gift Program

The Wayne County Community Foundation has over twenty-five years of experience helping create a lasting tribute to a deceased loved one. We define "Legacy" as options aligned with you and your loved one's values. These "values" may include the ongoing support of a church, a favorite non profit organization, educational scholarship or any one of a variety of concerns. Our funds support cultural endeavors, environmental and humanitarian efforts. Donors can be assured their gift will endure to benefit future generations.

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