New Offices, New Year at Community Foundation

The Community Foundation has a new home in the heart of downtown!

In December, The Community Foundation of Greater Lafayette moved from its longtime office in the Elmhurst Building on East State Street to the Life Building in downtown Lafayette, 300 Main St., Suite 100.

“This gives us a central location that can be easily accessed by those in Lafayette, West Lafayette, and throughout Tippecanoe County,” says Marianne Rose, president and chief executive officer. “New space and the new year go hand-in-hand as we embark on our 46th year of facilitating philanthropy in our community.”

Offices are currently on the second floor, with a spring move planned to the first floor once remodeling is complete. An open house will follow soon after that move. Parking is available on-street or in the Renaissance Parking Garage.

Community Foundation Helps YMCA

Coordinating membership and programs that attract some 11,000 participants annually to the Lafayette YMCA takes organization. To help with that, The Community Foundation recently awarded a $2,950 grant for the YMCA to purchase a new computer server.

“This grant comes from discretionary funds — gifts that allow us to help nonprofits with needs outside daily operations,” says Leslie Fernung, grants and scholarship coordinator.

Since 1889, the local YMCA has been a vital community player, focusing on nurturing youth potential and providing opportunities for healthy living. It operates in two locations: 1950 S. 18th St. and the YMCA Downtown Center in Renaissance Place, 150 Main St.
The Jazz Club Honors Zamora, Helps Students

For decades, local jazz great and saxophonist Tony Zamora has been inspiring musicians and audiences.

Now, The Jazz Club of Lafayette is putting his name on a new endowment at The Community Foundation. The Tony Zamora Jazz Club Endowment will fund scholarships for students aspiring to master the art of jazz.

Contributions for the endowment campaign came from club members and others wishing to pay tribute to Zamora.

Plans are to award scholarships to students from a high school in Tippecanoe or one of the surrounding counties. Funds can be used for private study, jazz summer camps, or other educational opportunities.

“Performing jazz has always been learned through authentic experiences with seasoned practitioners,” says Judd Danby, Jazz Club artistic director. “The scholarships are an investment in the future of our musical culture.”

“Alongside our introductory workshops, jam sessions, and concert offerings, this program helps The Jazz Club nurture the upcoming generation of performers, listeners, and arts supporters—ultimately helping enrich our entire community,” he says.

Founded in 2009 and frequently hosting performances at Carnahan Hall, the club’s mission is to give listeners and performers opportunities to “experience the music in intimate settings where high-quality performance, deep listening, and educational interaction are the centerpieces.”

Recent Gifts

Received from October 1 through December 31, 2015:

IN MEMORY
John E. Christian
Linda Eates
Zelma H. Christmas
David Rollock and Alysa Christmas Rollock
Floyd K Clymer
Juanita Linn
Lou Cote
Lillian Cote
Samuel C. Curtis
Sam C. Curtis, III
David Raymer
Amy Dale
Robert Dale
Doug Eberle
Donald and Joellen Edelen
Mary Fuqua
James and JoAnn Vorst
John and Mary Ruth Graham
Edward and Susan Wilde
Vincent Franklin Grogg
Ball Eggleston PC
Grant R. House
Linda Bowman
Ollia Hunnicutt
Stephanie Funcheon
Mary Losey
Ronald and Josette Rolley
Meddie and Candy Silver
Henry W. Jacobsen, Sr.
Robert and Eleanor Hanneman
Jerome and Shirley McTague
Bill and Mary Kay McDaniel
Mary McDaniel
Tom Moran
Richard and Bonnie Hobbs
Dick Nagel
Ned Derhammer and Nola Gentry
Kristel Kaye
Larry and Marianne Rose
Berta Pickard
Donald and Mary Twiddy
Donna Segrist
Allen Segrist
Keith Shaw
Robert and Carol Galbraith
John and Marie Wellman
John Shen
Thomas and Mary Ryan
Lois Spradley
Tippecanoe Music Teachers Assoc.
Wilma Stover
James and JoAnn Vorst
Katie Traynor RN
Russell Berry
Ashley Crown
Kathy Iverson
Michael and Jodi Miller
Mike and Peggy Schreiber
Jerome Marra and Barb Schuster
Gary and Cindy Traynor
Robert and Betty Traynor
John and Jenni Traynor
Edward and Beth Watson
Phyllis Windle
James and JoAnn Vorst
Matt Zika
Chip Zika
Lafayette Hearing Center
Gifts made in memory of:
Edith Babcock
Nancy Breitwieser
George Flora
Betty Henriott
Melda Lee
Carolyn Lesley
Bruce Meyer, DDS
Robert N. Post
Homer Rose
Dan Schultz
Mary Witzig

IN HONOR
Sam Biederstedt
Connie Watson
Linda Bowman
Wabash Center
Sally Byrn
Wabash Center
Sue Carr
Meddie and Candy Silver
John and Marjorie Martin
Andrew Martin
James and Mary Jo Risk
Michael and Margery Bluestein
Betty Rowe
John Rowe
Linda Sorensen
Richard and Claudia Edwards
Erika Steuterman
Wabash Center
Richard D. Wood
Blake and Mary Marti and family

NEW ENDOWMENTS
Michael and Carolyn Gery
Family Endowment
Olson Heritage Endowment
Truitt Family West Lafayette
High School Athletic
Leadership Scholarship

ONLINE GIVING
Gifts to The Community Foundation may be made online at www.cfglaf.org.
With eight degrees between them, Jake and Mary Ann Wiebers obviously believe in education. That is underscored by their scholarship endowment at The Community Foundation.

“I had scholarships, fellowships and the GI Bill,” says Jake, who earned a bachelor’s and master’s at Purdue University, then another master’s and doctorate from the University of Pittsburgh.

“We are not wealthy, by any means, but we are glad we can do this,” says Mary Ann, who also weighs in with four diplomas—a bachelor’s degree from Taylor University, and from Purdue, a master’s in biological education and associate and bachelor’s in computer science. She also completed medical technology training at Syracuse University.

They first considered setting up their own foundation. Discussing it with their attorney, they learned of a better alternative, The Community Foundation.

“We were really impressed,” Mary Ann says. “Wow,” we said. This community is blessed to have The Community Foundation.”

They want to give an annual scholarship to a graduate of Faith Christian School, which they funded themselves the last three years while the endowment is allowed to grow.

Jake’s roots are local, even though he was born in Chicago and attended high school in Cincinnati. His father was from here and earned a mechanical engineering diploma from Purdue in 1923.

Hailing from Cloverdale and Frankfort, Indiana, and one of seven children, Mary Ann remembers having little money for college. She found a way, including meals of pasta topped with ketchup from local restaurant packets.

She went on to a career in healthcare, 30 years at the former Home Hospital and 10 for Franciscan St. Elizabeth, in the chemistry department and lab technology. She retired in 2011.

For the last 25 years, the Wiebers have lived on six acres in northeast Tippecanoe County, enjoying a menagerie that today includes chickens, ducks, geese, and dogs. Jake devotes volunteer time as a Mason; Mary Ann is a CASA, advocating for youth. Together, they like traveling.

They also enjoy meeting people, a benefit they found at The Community Foundation and service on its Donor Advisory Council.

“And the work The Community Foundation does?” Mary Ann says, “We like being a part of that.”

As The Community Foundation’s 100+ Women Who Care marks its first anniversary, a new group—Men Who Give—is forming to duplicate the sharing model.

**Groups Give, Care**

Launched in March 2015, the group has awarded $46,400 to four nonprofits. Its 2016 meetings will be on Tuesdays, February 16, May 17, September 13, and December 13.

The newest group asks for a $520 annual commitment—$100 for its endowment, $20 for meeting refreshments, and $100 to each nonprofit selected. Its 2016 meetings will be on Tuesdays, February 23, June 21, September 20, and December 20.

Both groups meet at the Lafayette Country Club — 100+ Women at 5 p.m., Men Who Give at 4 p.m. To join or be a guest, contact Candy Silver, director of philanthropy, candy@cfglaf.org, 765/742-9078.
Nearly $60,000 Awarded in Tier 3 Grants in 2015

The Community Foundation accepts applications for Tier 3 grants from January through December 1 each year. In all, $58,499 in Tier 3 funds were distributed last year to 15 nonprofits.

THE MOST RECENT DISTRIBUTIONS

Franciscan Alliance Foundation
$5,000, interactive, inflatable mega brain display

Home with Hope
$2,190, additional security cameras

Homestead CS
$1,588, Ipads and accessories

Lafayette Family YMCA
$2,950, computer server

Lafayette Tree Fund, Inc.
$3,500, purchase and plant trees in community

Matrix Lifeline
$800, washer and dryer

Tippecanoe County Public Library
$5,000, digital arts mini-lab, Klondike Branch

Tippecanoe School Corporation
$3,316, robotics program equipment, McCutcheon High School

West Lafayette Parks Foundation
$1,585, slab roller and table for pottery classes

West Lafayette Parks Foundation
$3,450, Pop! Goes Purdue art project

YWCA Greater Lafayette
$3,093, children’s learning center equipment, Domestic Violence Shelter

DEADLINES

April 1, 2016 • noon
TIER 1 GRANTS $15,000 and higher

June 1, 2016 • noon
FIELD-OF-INTEREST GRANTS

September 1, 2016 • noon
TIER 2 GRANTS $7,500 to $15,000

Through December 1, 2016 • noon
TIER 3 GRANTS less than $7,500

For more information, www.cfglaf.org

A Community Foundation grant helped to fund equipment for the digital arts mini-lab to be installed at the Klondike Branch of the Tippecanoe County Public Library.

NEW: LUNCH-TIME SESSIONS

Sign Up for Board Governance Sessions

Board members and executive directors of nonprofits are invited to the Douglas W. Eberle Not-for-Profit Board Governance Series, sponsored by The Community Foundation, NCHS, and United Way of Greater Lafayette. It meets select Wednesdays at the Lafayette Country Club from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Single sessions are $20 per person; the full series is $150. Lunch is included. Upcoming dates: March 2, April 6, May 4, June 1, August 3, September 14, October 5, and November 2.

For details, contact Leslie Fernung, grants and scholarship coordinator, leslie@cfglaf.org, 765/742-9078. Review topics and register at www.uwlafayette.org (click on “Our Work,” then “Indiana Nonprofit Resource Network”).