Cat Care One Aspect at Almost Home

New cage doors and portals are enhancing living accommodations for cats at the Almost Home Humane Society, purchased with a $10,401 Community Foundation grant. Founded in 1939, the organization provides animal sanctuary, education programs, and adoption services. So far this year, more than 1,500 animals were adopted from Almost Home by local pet lovers.

Community support is vital to its operations. Volunteers are needed for foster and onsite care at 1705 S. Second St. And youth aged 8 to 15, accompanied by an adult, are invited to help care for furry felines, one of man’s best friends, or other domestic critters.

Time for Gratitude, Giving

Falling leaves, followed soon by snowflakes, signal that the seasons of gratitude and giving are upon us. Along with them: year-end tax time and the advantages of deductions for charitable contributions. As you plan the ways you will say thank-you and share your blessings, The Community Foundation is here to help.

“Whatever tugs at your heart, The Community Foundation can help you make wise giving decisions and choose the most appropriate avenue,” says Candy Silver, director of philanthropy. “Giving to existing funds, establishing your own, transferring securities, or designating estate gifts are all easily accomplished through us.”

Cash and credit card donations are accepted any time, and most beneficial if they are gifts The Foundation can use for community needs it identifies.

Appreciated securities are another welcome gift. “Donors usually can take an income tax deduction for the full market value as of the date of the gift,” Silver says. “And you may be able to avoid capital gains taxes.”

Charitable gift annuities allow donors to contribute cash to The Foundation, with a fixed amount returned to them annually during their lifetimes. And charitable trusts name The Foundation as trustee, with income going to donor-selected charities.

“We are happy to meet with you one-on-one to explore giving options, and to work with your accountant or attorney,” Silver says. “The process is easier than you may think, and the rewards immeasurable.”

FOR MORE DETAILS, CONTACT Candy Silver
candy@cfglaf.org, 765/742-9078
**Endowment Marks Art League’s 50th Anniversary**

How do you honor a long-time organization’s 50th anniversary? Members of the Art League chose a twist on the traditional gift of gold and are raising $50,000 for a new endowment to ensure funding for its ongoing work.

The group supports activities of the Art Museum of Greater Lafayette, such as restoration of works in the permanent collection, educational lectures, art teacher conference fees, and artists’ awards. The league also provides refreshments for openings.

“Funds from the endowment could be used for acquisitions, class scholarships, or other areas of support as determined by the Art League’s current board,” says Linda Sorensen, president.

Founded as the Women’s League of the Lafayette Art Association in 1965, the league now has nearly 175 members and is open to women and men. It hosts monthly programs held from September to May. “We are the people element of the museum,” says Sue Carr, anniversary celebration co-chair. “We are people who love art, the people who volunteer to help.”

The group chose The Community Foundation for its endowment because of its interest in and concern for the community, Sorensen says. “We know The Foundation invests the money wisely, and we have confidence it will grow with them.”

**NEW ENDOWMENTS**

- Mick and Deb Mikels Family Endowment
- Charlie Shook Endowment
- STAT Endowment

**ONLINE GIVING**

Gifts to The Community Foundation may be made online at [www.cfglaf.org](http://www.cfglaf.org).

**Board Governance Series Begins February 3**

The 2016 Douglas W. Eberle Not-for-Profit Board Governance Series will meet nine Wednesdays at the Lafayette Country Club from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., beginning February 3 and continuing on March 2, April 6, May 4, June 1, August 3, September 14, October 5, and November 2. Single sessions are $20; full series, $150; lunch included.

For more information, contact Leslie Fernung, grants and scholarship coordinator, leslie@cfglaf.org, 765/742-9078. Register at [www.uwlafayette.org](http://www.uwlafayette.org) (click on “Our Work” and then “Indiana Nonprofit Resource Network”).

**Recent Gifts**

Received from July 1 through September 30, 2015:

**IN MEMORY**

- Thomas T. Bauman, M.D.
- Maggie Smith
- Phyllis Boehning
- Ron and Marlene Campbell
- Barbara Brutus
- JoAnn Vorst
- Debbie (Lucille) M. Burke
- JoAnn Vorst
- Douglas W. Eberle
- Jeffrey and Mary Nagy
- John Fader
- Dana and Maggie Smith
- Colleen Hennessy
- William and Janet Mayor
- Ollia Hunnicutt
- Vic and Grayce Lechtenberg
- Kathy Maas
- James and Inge Maresh
- Linda Sorensen
- Mary Jo Sparrow
- Eileen H. Steele
- Mick and Shirley McTague
- Sarah Kay
- Maggie Smith
- Juanita Robertson
- Rita Cobb
- Keith Shaw
- Bennett’s Greenhouse, Inc.
- Richard Bennett and Ellen Kizer
- Curtis and Judith Hall
- Michele Pullo Hollander
- Orvin Lindell
- Rob and Kathy Pahl
- Larry and Marianne Rose
- Greg and Corie Sharer
- John and Jennifer Shuler
- Arlan and Sharon Stavnheim
- Emil Venere and Jennifer Streisand
- Richard Wintrode, Jr.
- Marge and Bill Tabor
- JoAnn Vorst

**IN HONOR**

- Sally Byrn
- Fred and Mary Ford
- Sue Carr
- Kathy Maas
- Eileen H. Steele
- Betty Rowe
- Joan Banning

**From Linda Rohrman • In Honor of Mental Health America of Tippecanoe County’s Strategic Development Planning Committee**

- Rick Crawley
- Doug Gutridge
- Steve Horne
- Stephanie Long
- Rev. Jeff Martin
- Matthew Salsbury
- Joseph Seaman
- Travis Stottenborough
- James Taylor
Haans Work, Play Together

This is a love story.

What other word could define this long-time married couple’s ability to spend 26 years in business together, work side-by-side wallpapering a dozen rooms in their home, and even enjoy shopping together—for art, that is.

Meet Bob and Ellie Haan of Lafayette, who next June will celebrate 47 years of marriage. They met in Milwaukee, when a mutual friend introduced Lafayette native Bob to Muskegon, Mich., born Ellie. He was working for an accounting firm. The eighth of 11 children of Peter and Elizabeth Fodrocy, Ellie was a student and working for a life insurance firm. Milwaukee was their home for a few years, where two sons were born, then Chattanooga, Tenn., where their third son was born.

LAUNCHED BUSINESS TOGETHER

By 1977, they were ready to expand a small business they had started in their basement; Bob called his father, saying, “Find us a place to run a small business. We want to come home.”

His parents, Charles and Dorothy Haan, then Tippecanoe Villa’s superintendents, found a spot in Otterbein for Haan Crafts. Their products were sewing project kits—stuffed animals, pillows, gym bags and more—that Ellie designed for school home-economics courses.

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RESTORED HOME TOGETHER

When they began restoring their home—a former World’s Fair showcase on State Street now a nonprofit art museum—they also started collecting Indiana Art.

To preserve the building and its treasures, they recently set up two Community Foundation endowments. The Robert and Ellen Haan Museum of Indiana Art Endowment will support operations; the Haan Family Fund will contribute to the building’s care and maintenance.

“We chose The Community Foundation because it is run by an independent group. We felt it was a safe choice,” Bob says.

For Ellie, the decision “was the best vehicle to assure the long-term survival of the museum.”

COLLECT ART, TRAVEL TOGETHER

In 2003 they sold their craft business, giving them more time for their art interests, family time, mountain biking, snorkeling, and kayaking.

“And we like history,” Ellie says, “so we stop at historical sites and museums when we travel.”

The secret to nearly five decades of marriage?

“Find the right person,” Bob says.

“I was looking for character,” Ellie says.

“And he still is a character.”

Two Fundraising Milestones Achieved

The Community Foundation has completed its campaign to earn the Lilly Endowment Inc. matching funds, and its 100+ Women Who Care group has delivered its third check.

Some 717 donors helped The Community Foundation earn $1.5 million in matching funds from Lilly Endowment’s Giving Indiana Funds for Tomorrow Initiative, Phase VI.

Six months before the March 2016 deadline, the full amount was secured. “Phenomenal generosity by donors helped us secure the full amount,” says Marianne Rose, president and chief executive officer.

Heartford House is the latest nonprofit to benefit from contributions from 100+ Women.

Who Care. The group next meets December 10 at the Lafayette Country Club.

For information on joining, contact Candy Silver, director of philanthropy, candy@cfglaf.org, 765/742-9078, or check Facebook, 100+ Women Who Care Greater Lafayette.
Grants Help 15
Nonprofits

The Community Foundation distributed $138,665 in grants this fall.

**TIER 2, $7,500 TO $15,000**

**Almost Home Humane Society**
Cat cage doors, portals • $10,401

**Bauer Family Resources**
Laptop computers • $14,058
Gymnasium wall mats • $7,212

**Boy Scouts of America, Sagamore Council**
Shower house renovation • $8,800

**Food Finders Food Bank**
Pallet truck • $14,006

**Lafayette Symphony Orchestra**
Office furniture • $7,500

**Lafayette Urban Enterprise Association**
Bicentennial gateway sculpture • $15,000

**Right Steps Child Development Centers**
Playground, classroom equipment • $10,396

**YWCA**
Security system, safety door • $9,447

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**FIELD-OF-INTEREST**

**CANCER CARE**

**Franciscan Alliance Foundation**
Patient education website • $7,500

**Purdue School of Nursing**
Continuing education for cancer care nurses • $10,795

**CHILDHOOD LITERACY**

**Right Steps Child Development Centers**
Imagination Library • $18,000

**CHILDREN’S NEEDS**

**Heartford House**
Transportation assistance • $250

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**For more information, www.cfiglaf.org**

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**Application Deadlines:**

**April 1, 2016 • noon**

**TIER 1 GRANTS** $15,000 and higher

**September 1, 2016 • noon**

**TIER 2 GRANTS** $7,500 to $15,000

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