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The Community Foundation

GREELEY AND WELD COUNTY

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER—SUMMER 2007

NEW FUNDS AT THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

Rocky Mountain Men's Chorus Pass-Through Fund

The Rocky Mountain Men's Chorus established a Pass-Through Fund for the purpose of raising funds from community musical performances for charitable distribution. This group, headed by local music enthusiasts Dan Frantz and Carl Gehrbrandt, began performing several years ago. Proceeds from the 2007 Rocky Mountain Men's Chorus performance will benefit Heifer International, a humanitarian assistance organization that works to end world hunger and protect the earth.



Howard and Beverley Skinner Designated Endowment Fund

Howard and Beverley Skinner created a Charitable Gift Annuity that will benefit the Greeley Philharmonic Orchestra Association, Inc. By establishing a designated endowment fund at the Community Foundation, the Skinners have provided an opportunity for other donors to contribute to the fund to help it grow

and provide support for the Greeley Philharmonic Orchestra Association, Inc.

Greeley-Weld CPR Training Initiative Pass-Through Fund

Several local citizens created the Greeley-Weld CPR Training Initiative Pass-Through Fund to provide CPR training with the use of at home kits. Their mission is to train Weld County youth and families in the life saving techniques of CPR in a

comfortable setting using the latest in self-directed learning materials.

Florence J. Berry Fund for the Platteville Museum

Florence Berry, a Platteville resident, established a designated endowment fund for the Platteville Museum which is maintained by the Platteville Historical Society. A \$10,000 check was presented to the museum by Ms. Berry to help maintain the building. In addition, the endowment fund will provide annual funds to support the museum.

Kristopher G. Mansfield Memorial Scholarship Fund

SrA Kristopher Mansfield, 460th Space Communications Squadron, had a reputation for concern and consideration of his fellow Airmen, competitive sportsmanship, community involvement and adherence to all safety standards. Kristopher was tragically killed by a drunk driver on September 4, 2004. In his memory his mother and stepfather, Julie and Don Legg, have established a scholarship for a graduating senior at any Weld County public high school (preference will be given to students from Windsor High School) pursuing additional education at a trade/vocational school or a two-year community college.



If you would like more information about establishing a fund at the Community Foundation, please contact us at (970) 304-9970 or info@greeleyweldcomfound.org.

BOARD MEMBER PROFILE



We are pleased to announce Charmaine Coppom, an associate professor emeritus of music at the University of Northern Colorado, as the newest member of the Board of Directors of the Community Foundation Serving Greeley and Weld County.

Ms. Coppom has been active in community service since arriving in Greeley in 1971. She is the past chair of the community advisory board for UNC's College of Performing and Visual Arts; past treasurer and chair of the

finance committee for The Women's Fund of Weld County, Inc. board; and was a volunteer for Greeley-Evans School District 6 for many years. She has performed for community fundraisers and is the emcee for Arts Alive!, a community organization that raises money for scholarships for students graduating from Greeley high schools who plan to study the arts in college. She has served on numerous university committees, including faculty senate, and on boards and committees within community organizations and her church.

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Daily Doses of Hope

2007 Community Foundation Scholarship Winners

We would like to congratulate the 2007-2008 Community Foundation Scholarship winners. Awards were presented at our annual scholarship reception on May 15, 2007 at Island Grove Events Center. The reception was sponsored by Union Colony Bank. Over 200 donors, students and families, area school representatives and Community Foundation directors and committee members attended the event where approximately \$162,000 was awarded to 69 students.



Arts Alive!

Dion Duran, Aims Community College
Alessandra Powell, Greeley Central H.S.

Judd K. Fulton Memorial

Kyle Haas, Northridge H.S.

Dakota Meabon, Northridge H.S.

Nathan Bateen, Black Hills State University

Matt Frankenfield, Black Hills State University

Mildred Hansen

Alma Aquino Aguilar, Northridge H.S.

Lauren Archibeque, Northridge H.S.

Erica Cardenas, Greeley West H.S.

Kayla Davila, Greeley Central H.S.

Miranda Foust, Northridge H.S.

James Godson, Greeley West H.S.

Kyle Haas, Northridge H.S.

Stephanie Harding, Northridge H.S.

Jacqueline Hernandez, Greeley Central H.S.

Ashley Johnson, Greeley West H.S.

Jennah Kitchell, Greeley West H.S.

Sara Martinez, Northridge H.S.

Amanda Morado, Greeley Central H.S.

Megan Mueller, Northridge H.S.

Adam Naylor, Greeley West H.S.

Trevor Orr, Greeley West H.S.

Tanya Perekrestenko, Union Colony Prep.

Joseph Peterson, Northridge H.S.

Lauren Stephens, Greeley West H.S.

Chase Thompson, Frontier Academy

Mary Urban, Greeley Central H.S.

Wen Bin Wang, Northridge H.S.

Lynne and Gladys Hopkins Family

Johanna Jackson, Northridge H.S.

Brenda Johnson, Prairie Jr./Sr. H.S.

Betzaida Maldonado, Greeley Central H.S.

Julina White, Pawnee Schools

Leoma Hunter

Jorge Banuelos, Highland H.S.

Erica Cardenas, Greeley West H.S.

Kevin Chavez, Valley H.S.

Kyra Cyphers, Eaton H.S.

Wilson Foster, University H.S.

Clarissa Garriques, Frederick H.S.

Noemi Hernandez, Fort Lupton H.S.

Katalyn Hofer, University H.S.

Johanna Jackson, Northridge H.S.

Devan Jacoby, Northridge H.S.

Amy Johnson, Northridge H.S.

Anna Kester, Prairie Jr./Sr. H.S.

Troy Kimmel, Prairie Jr./Sr. H.S.

Kathryn Klitz, Northridge H.S.

Seth Klock, Windsor H.S.

Thomas Martinez, Prairie Jr./Sr. H.S.

Olivia Myers, Roosevelt H.S.

Justine Naibauer, Platte Valley H.S.

Diego Ruiz, Valley H.S.

Anne Smith, Greeley Central H.S.

Brice Thompson, Highland H.S.

Julina White, Pawnee Schools

Courtney Groves, Greeley West H.S.

Sarah Paul, Greeley Central H.S.

Lynn Shipps

Lucas Lyons, Aims Community College

Marvin Stonemets

Devin Nagel, Eaton H.S.

Weld County Builders

James Godson, Greeley West H.S.

Seth Klock, Windsor H.S.

M.C. Widmaier Family Nursing

Teliah Beall, Highland H.S.

Winograd Family

Alma Aquino Aguilar, Northridge H.S.

Rosa Loeza Gonzalez, Greeley Central H.S.

Gabriela Nagy, Greeley West H.S.

Winograd Graduate Nursing

Karen Percell, Univ. of Northern Colorado

Wolf

Eric Johnson, University of Colorado, Boulder

Carl Mason Family

Skylar VonFeldt, Fort Lupton H.S.

Helen

McCandless

Troy Kimmel, Prairie Jr./Sr. H.S.

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Robert Goforth, Wasson H.S.

If you would like information about scholarships at the Community Foundation, please contact Lauren Weber at (970) 304-9970 or lauren@greeleyweldcomfound.org.

Engaging Communities & Building Strong Institutions

Professional Advisors Corner Presented by George K. Baum & Company

Time and again in my work as a public finance banker, I witness people's desire to build strong communities through the public institutions that serve them. These issues and projects often evoke passionate concern among various community groups, and it is heartening to see individuals' willingness to get involved and invest their time and money in support of a cause. Whether it is building a school, library, recreation center or park, public involvement is a crucial part of the process. This extends to both the time that individuals are willing to invest in the project, as well as the fiscal commitment that individuals and interest groups are willing to make.

Philanthropy and personal involvement need to go hand-in-hand in the process of community development. Financial support for specific projects by individual donors acts as a barometer that elected officials can use to gauge public support for a project. Philanthropic giving can also kick start public programs or projects, or can complement existing programs, enhancing their ability to effectively deliver a particular service.

As the adage goes, giving money to a cause is important, but giving of your time is even more important. Active financial and personal support for a project or a cause does as much for the donor as it does for the institution. If there is a problem to remedy, or a need in the communities where we live and work, it is incumbent on us to get involved. Strong communities are the sum of the individuals who live there; the institutions that serve them are simply a reflection of that community's values.

Philanthropy has played a vital role in the development of civic institutions in Greeley over the years. It will likewise be crucial in developing and maintaining the identity of Weld County's historically smaller, but rapidly growing communities. As the communities in southern Weld County in particular expand, developing a tradition of philanthropy will ensure that community needs are met when they arise, that our social structure provides for all constituents, and that public places embody a sense of civic pride.

The Community Foundation has an important role to play in community

development. Moreover, it has the ability to help public and private partners convene in a way that other organizations cannot. The Community Foundation has had funds established to help provide seed money in support of the types of projects mentioned above. Through the Foundation, numerous donors engage their communities and create long-term benefits for institutions they believe in. Let us be a resource in your efforts, too!



Josh Magden, is a board member for the Community Foundation and an investment banker with George K. Baum & Company, which has financed and assisted with numerous projects throughout Weld County. These include recreation centers in Carbon Valley, Fort Lupton, and Windsor, the renovation of County Road 13 in Frederick, Milliken's new police station, and school projects for Briggsdale, St. Vrain, Thompson R2-J, Kersey and Ault Re-9.

HELPING YOUR FAMILY BUILD A TRADITION OF GIVING DONOR-ADVISED FUNDS

Opening a Donor-Advised Fund allows your family to make a gift to the Community Foundation, then remain actively involved in suggesting uses for your gift.

Why create a Donor-Advised Fund for your family?

It provides a convenient and flexible tool for families who want to be personally involved in suggesting grant awards made possible by their fund. Families with a range of community interests find that it's an ideal vehicle for fulfilling their charitable wishes. Donor-Advised Funds are typically less costly and easier to administer than other forms of philanthropic giving (such as private foundations).

Plus, a Donor-Advised Fund includes these benefits:

- You can establish a charitable legacy in the name of your family.
- Your gift can be combined with others to increase impact in areas you care about most.
- Your family knows that your gift will be carefully invested and managed via our proven stewardship practices.
- You are eligible to receive maximum tax benefits.
- Your gift can generate the long-term advantages of endowment funding — principal from your gift can be invested, not spent; investment income is then used to make annual grants to nonprofit agencies and programs.
- Your family can establish a fund today, and make grant recommendations now or in the future.

For Good. For Ever.

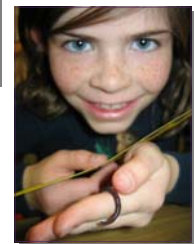
GRANTS IN ACTION

The Community Foundation announced the 89th Distribution of the Littler Youth Fund. Awards totaled \$27,376 to various programs to support youth throughout Greeley and Weld County. The following organizations received funding this quarter:

- Colorado Blues Society—BlueSkool at the Greeley Blues Festival
- Greeley Central High School—Technology enhancements for special needs math classes
- Greeley Philharmonic Orchestra Association, Inc.—Children’s Concerts
- Greeley Rodarte Dancers—Dance shoes
- Greeley-Weld CPR Training Initiative—CPR training kits
- Limb Preservation Foundation—Hand safety packets
- Safe Kids Weld County—Car seats and safety information
- Thorne Ecological Institute—Project BEAR for Weld RE 8 School District
- Union Colony Children’s Music Academy—Special Needs Family Music program
- United Way of Weld County—School Supply Drive
- Urban Flo—Audio Equipment



Project BEAR funded by the Littler Youth Fund.



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