

## 100 Women Who Care Giving Circle Launched

Community philanthropy can change lives for both those who receive and those who give.

Just ask the Lafayette School Corporation students who turn to It's My Closet, the nonprofit that provides students and their families with donated clothing and other needed items.

Or ask Hallie Gorup, a member of the new local giving circle, 100 Women Who Care, launched by The Community Foundation to educate and motivate women to be more involved in local philanthropy. Gorup, who advocates for and supports It's My Closet, gave a five-minute presentation about the nonprofit at the debut gathering. Then she and other members got to present a check for \$8,800 to It's My Closet.

### LEARNING, GIVING

"Helping local nonprofits, a vital and worthy endeavor, is just one aspect of this new group," says Candy Silver, director of philanthropy. "The 100 Women Who Care group—and we now have more than 100 participating—is a learning community, a gathering where members gain insights into philanthropy and information on nonprofits and community issues."

From Gorup, the group learned about teachers Melinda Gilbert and Donna Osborn, who co-founded It's My Closet in December 2005 and



*The first beneficiary of The Community Foundation's 100 Women Who Care was It's My Closet. Pictured (from left) are Donna Osborn and Mindy Gilbert, It's My Closet founders; Hallie Gorup and Kathy Gams, 100 Women Who Care; Les Huddle, superintendent, Lafayette School Corp.; and Mark Preston, Jefferson High School principal.*

currently has 328 families with 715 children registered.

Like the other members, Gorup signed up for \$500 in contributions for the year—the first \$100 goes into the 100 Women Who Care discretionary endowment at The Foundation. The remaining funds are given quarterly, with \$100 checks to the chosen nonprofit.

Because of the funding, It's My Closet is adding more clothing that meets schools' dress codes and expanding toiletry items to include feminine products and facial tissues.

"During a specified month, children also will be able to choose a new pair of underwear; a new pair of socks; a hat, gloves, and a scarf; and paper, pencils, and pens," Gilbert says. "The 100 Women Who Care donation gives us and our volunteers a sense of validation—that we are doing something that the community thinks is valuable."

### MAY GATHERING HELPS JOYFUL JOURNEY

The group gathered again May 14 at the Lafayette Country Club to select its second nonprofit recipient. The winner was Joyful Journey Adult Day Service, nominated by Patti Truitt. It received \$11,600.

While votes are being tallied at the gatherings, the winner from the previous meeting shares how the grant funds are being used.

The initial group was organized by thinking of potential members, asking them to think of others, and accepting a phenomenal number of enthusiastic responses.

"These are women coming together to make things happen, to practice philanthropy," says Silver. "It's simple yet incredibly effective."

For information on joining, contact Candy Silver, [candy@cflaf.org](mailto:candy@cflaf.org), 765/742-9078.

## Reception Honors Scholarship Recipients, Donors



*The annual community scholars reception gives donors an opportunity to meet those benefiting from their gifts. Pictured this year are Kelly Foley (left) and Cindy Traynor.*

An April reception at the Lafayette Country Club drew 2015 Community Foundation scholarship recipients and donors who made the scholarships possible.

“This annual event is always a highlight, because our donors love meeting the community scholars and encouraging them in their educational pursuits,” says Marianne Rose, president and chief executive officer. “It’s a special night, a celebration of achievement and success.”

Scholarships were presented to 28 students from 18 funds; three more students were awarded Lilly Endowment scholarships.

*An April reception at the Lafayette Country Club honored The Community Foundation’s 2015 community scholars, pictured.*

**George Balfe Scholarship**  
Andrew Walter – Jefferson High School

**Roger Blalock Scholarship**  
Loretta Davidson – Purdue University

**Samuel J. Cole and Pearl Mae Fritts Cole Scholarships**  
Dempsey Hankins - Eldorado High School, Ill.  
Rebecca Stricklin, Harrisburg High School, Ill.

**Samuel C. Curtis Scholarship**  
Lizabeth Carrillo – Jefferson High School

**Max and Elsie Goken Scholarships**  
Lydia Haurez – Anderson College  
Yi Yan Heng – West Lafayette High School  
Andrea Howell – Faith Christian School  
Savannah Putman – Tri-State Baptist College  
Anita Schafer – Purdue University  
Kassandra Williams – Harrison High School

**Robert and Dorothy Hughes Community Scholarship**  
Micayla Zeger – Faith Christian School

**Elizabeth Mackay Scholarships**  
Alexxis Spillers – Spillers Academy  
Laan Yeung – West Lafayette High School

**Shirley and Mick McTague Scholarships**  
Caroline Sherlow – Purdue University  
Keith White – Purdue University

**Harlan W. and Dorothy W. Parr Scholarships**  
Elise Lofgren – Purdue University  
Jessica Mills – Purdue University

**Roland G. Parrish Black Cultural Center Scholarships**

Jasmine Hawthorne – Purdue University  
Teneia Martin – Purdue University

**Presidential Leadership Endowment Fund in Honor of Tarrus Richardson Scholarship**  
Jordan Williams – Purdue University

**Price Family Scholarship in Memory of Thomas M. Price**  
Sylvia McFadden – Harrison High School

**David Smyser Scholarship**  
Joe Brisco – Jefferson High School

**Betty M. Suddarth Scholarship**  
Kristen Walker – Harrison High School

**Katie Traynor RN Scholarship**  
Kelly Foley – Purdue University

**West Lafayette High School Golden Scholarships**  
Megan Connell – West Lafayette High School  
Sara Suisman – West Lafayette High School

**Robert and Marilyn Whitset Scholarships**  
Mahera Husain – West Lafayette High School  
Laan Yeung – West Lafayette High School

**Jacob E. and Mary Ann Wiebers Scholarship**  
Andrea Howell – Faith Christian School

**Lilly Endowment Community Scholarships**  
Spencer Davidson – Harrison High School  
Emily Nettesheim – McCutcheon High School  
Peter Vasili – West Lafayette High School



## Recent Gifts

Received from January 1 through March 31, 2015:

### IN MEMORY

#### Phyllis Boehning

Ball Eggleston PC

Jim and Sandy

Bodenmiller

Tom and Jane Brooks

Jim Buescher

Jack and Cheryl Coffin

John Dubberly

Joanne H. Fortune

Bruce and Mary Ann

Junius

Kristel Kaye

David and Carol Luhman

Gary and Marcia Pfleeger

George and Nerlene

Ramsey

Jim Shook

Wes Shook

Tippecanoe County Bar

Association

Donald and Mary Twiddy

**Mary Beth Buescher**

Karen Grubber

Jim and Barb McCaughey

**Mike Canine**

Dick and Connie Grace

Virginia Grace

**Sharon Sue Flick**

**Clapper**

Paul Flick

**Barbara Clymer**

Juanita Linn

**Barbara Davis**

Bob and Linda Sorensen

**Maureen “Micky”**

**Deets**

Ball Eggleston PC

Deborah Plue

**Matt Hunter**

Bill and Beverly Gettings

Bruce and Mary Ann

Junius

Kristel Kaye

George and Nerlene

Ramsey

Larry and Marianne Rose

Jim Shook

Wes Shook

**Hobart Jones**

JoAnn P. Vorst

**JoAnn Miller**

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**Florence Mucker**

Ball Eggleston PC

Joanne H. Fortune

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Association

Wes Shook

**Thomas M. Price**

Carolyn S. Holder Price

**Stephen Ridgway**

JoAnn P. Vorst

**Donna Segrist**

Allen Segrist

Kathy Trout

**Curtis Swan**

Dave and Amy Moulton

**Katie Traynor RN**

Richard Anderson

William Brechtel

Deborah Christopher

Daniel and Naomi Dalach

Janice Dulaney

The Harris Family

David and Debra Johnson

Denise Koto

Bob and Connie Lee

Kimberly Lichtenberger

Gregory Ney

Margaret Schreiber

Crysta Sharp

The Siegel Family

The Smoot Family



*Barbara Cook, former Purdue University dean of students, gave generously to the community.*

## Cook's Legacy Gifts Help Community

While Purdue University brought Barbara Cook to town for a long career in student services, her commitments extended well beyond campus during her 57 years here, until her death in 2013.

### 'EPITOME OF GENEROSITY'

"Barb had the mind and soul of a humanitarian," says long-time friend Betty Nelson. "Her life had meaning when she was sharing with others. She was the epitome of generosity."

"One of her loves in the volunteer world was working in the food pantry at St. John's," says Sally Watlington, another friend. "Even when her

back and hips hurt, she packed up groceries and talked to the people."

Among others benefiting from her time, enthusiasm, and support were the Salvation Army, where she was a board member and raised funds for its building dedicated in 1991, and the YWCA and its foundation. She also served on the West Lafayette Redevelopment Commission from 1989 to 2003 and the Governor's Commission for Women from 1992 to 1996.

"She was especially concerned about people in the community who did not have adequate food and shelter," Nelson says. "Her way to address one of those issues was to assign part of her estate for an endowment for Food Finders Food Bank." A second endowment, also established through a bequest at The Community Foundation, is a discretionary fund, to support local needs.

### CAREER OF SERVICE

Born Barbara Wood in 1929 in Memphis, Tenn., Cook earned a bachelor's at the University of Arkansas, a master's in 1954 at Syracuse University, and her Purdue doctorate in 1967.

By then, she had been working in the dean of women's office at Purdue for nine years, going on to hold various posts. She was dean of students from 1980 to 1987.

"Barb loved this area and wanted it to be a wonderful place for all people," Nelson says. "Social justice was a driving value. It shaped her religious and political views, colored her social relationships, directed her professional choices, and guided her volunteer activities."

While Cook's demeanor was calm and gentle, any hint of prejudice, discrimination, or injustice transformed her into the opposite, Nelson says.

### OUTDOORS HER PASSION

For respite, Cook turned to gardening and became a Master Gardener, Watlington says. "She had lovely garden instincts. It was a place where she could go to reflect."

The only challenge was her love of plants from the south. "Her favorite flowers would not do well in Yankee land, and her Magnolia tree often got frostbitten," she says.

Cook also liked camping and adventure, including a raft trip down the Colorado River.

Daniel and Debbie Sullivan  
The Sullivan Family  
Gary and Cindy Traynor

**Robert Traynor**  
William Brechtel  
The Harris Family  
David and Debra Johnson  
Bob and Connie Lee  
Margaret Schreiber  
The Siegel Family  
The Smoot Family  
Daniel and Debbie Sullivan  
The Sullivan Family

**Zika, Matt**  
John and Karen Zika

### From Lafayette Hearing Center In Memory

Mary J. Anderson  
Reason Biddle  
Hobart Jones  
Mardelle Lehe  
Martha Lehman  
Dorothy McCaw  
Ruth Morris  
Florence Mucker  
Richard Oliver  
Margaret Torering  
Tony Turek  
Genny Weis  
William Yoder

### IN HONOR

**Sue Carr**  
Jon and Carol Beeson

**Jeanne Compton**  
Dale Compton

**James R. Dammon**  
Art League of the Art Museum of Greater Lafayette

**Betty M. Nelson**  
Susan DeLong  
Ed and Sue Eiler  
Greg and Barb Kapp  
Candice Kissinger  
Marsha Link  
George and Louise McNeley

Sammie Morris  
Karen Mosson  
Teresa Roche  
Larry and Marianne Rose  
Mary Sadowski  
Stephanie Schmitz  
Bev Sharritt  
Bruce and Carol Shertzer  
Candy Silver  
Linda Sorensen  
Eileen H. Steele  
Joanne Troutner  
Joyce Villwock  
Todd Wetzel

**Josette Rolley**  
Jane Gaskell

**Betty Rowe**  
John W. Rowe

**Danny Weiss**  
James and Julie Krogmeier

### NEW ENDOWMENTS

Cook Medical, Inc.  
Court Appointed Special Advocates for Kids Fund, Inc. Endowment  
Culver Academies  
Home with Hope  
IU Health Arnett Foundation  
Willowstone Family Services, Inc.



Youngsters such as these learn and grow at Right Steps Child Development Centers, which this summer will move its Rights Steps East program from 18th Street to Creasy Lane.

### Right Steps Child Development Centers

\$37,616, for capital equipment needed for Right Steps East to move from 18th Street to Creasy Lane

### Tippecanoe School Corporation

\$15,000, to implement a new safety education program at Hershey Elementary School

### Wabash Center

\$12,000, to purchase laptops for residential group homes

### YWCA Greater Lafayette

\$12,000, towards renovation of Oppenheimer House, new site for domestic violence shelter

## Discretionary Grants Help Nonprofits

This spring, Tier 1 discretionary grants, usually awarded in amounts of \$15,000 and greater, were awarded to six nonprofits. The total disbursed was \$124,835.

Receiving funding:

### Home with Hope

\$18,297, to upgrade electrical service

### Lafayette Transitional Housing

\$29,922, for air conditioning units and appliances for family apartments

## UPCOMING DEADLINES

Grant proposals are due:

### SEPTEMBER 1, 2015

Tier 2, \$7,500 to \$15,000

Field-of-interest grants to benefit children, literacy, community beautification, music education, and other areas.

### Accepted year-round;

**no later than noon, December 1, 2015**

Tier 3, up to \$7,500

For more information, [www.cfglaf.org](http://www.cfglaf.org).

## Saluting Tippecanoe County Public Library



The Community Foundation hosted an endowment salute April 2 to recognize the Tippecanoe County Public Library. Library representatives pictured (from left) are David McGaughey, David Lahr, Mida Grover, Stephen Bultnick and Jos Holman, with David Luhman, Community Foundation.

## Lilly Matching Fund Campaign Continues

Donations continue to help The Community Foundation earn \$1.5 million in matching funds from Lilly Endowment, Inc. through its sixth phase of the Giving Indiana Funds for Tomorrow Initiative.

As of May 15, the remaining amounts to be raised are \$87,969 in unrestricted contributions, and \$120,997 in restricted gifts. The campaign runs until the full amount has been raised or March 2016, whichever comes first.



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