

## Fifty Years in the Making

Only a worldwide pandemic could postpone The Community Foundation's golden anniversary celebration. But celebrate we did. More than 100 guests enjoyed hors d'oeuvres and camaraderie and witnessed inspiring presentations from nine nonprofit organizations on October 21 at Lafayette's Northend Community Center.

Board Chair Andy Gutwein kicked off the evening by recognizing that The Foundation's half-century success is due to the people who support the organizations we serve. As an example of our theme: *Honoring the Past ~ Forging the Future*, Linda Bowman shared meaningful moments on her 19-year journey with The Foundation. They included serving on the board, establishing a field-of-interest endowment with her partner Glenn Tompkins which supports at-risk children, practicing philanthropy alongside her daughter and mother in 100+ Women Who Care, and forging her future as a Legacy Society member.

Guests were divided into groups and experienced interactive art, played bingo & learned the needs of seniors in our community, sorted seeds to preserve native plant species, and discovered strategies to end homelessness.



David Lasater recaps The Foundation's successes over the last 50 years and launches the Legacy Society Initiative and our new look to reflect Inspiring Greatness in our community.

Other guests watched a video about the importance of early childhood education, walked through bigger-than-life colon and lung inflatables, heard songs from *Frozen 2*, and observed mock scenarios about active parenting and child advocacy. The evening provided a unique experiential learning opportunity to see local nonprofits at work.

CEO and President David Lasater concluded the evening by recapping the successes and strides made over the last 50 years, from the first grant of \$5,100 in 1970 to this year's largest discretionary grant of nearly \$60,000. Today we manage more than 245 funds and trusts with assets over \$80M. In 2020, The Foundation granted almost \$2M to the community. This growth would not be possible without the generosity of passionate donors like you every year.

Moving forward, we are committed to being a force of good for the next 50 years and beyond. "As we strive to increase our impact to forge the future of The Foundation and Greater Lafayette, we believe now is the ideal time to publicly launch our Legacy Society Initiative," said Lasater. Inspiring Greater giving, Inspiring Greater opportunities, Inspiring Greater legacies, and Inspiring Greater community. Cheers to All of Us!

## Legacy Society Initiative

Why are legacy gifts so vital? Historically, they have made the biggest philanthropic impact on the community because they have been our most considerable gifts. They help us better serve the community and causes you cherish.

Including The Foundation in your estate plans is a wonderful way to create a timeless legacy that honors and implements your charitable giving requests. If your charitable interests change, you can always change course. It is as simple as letting us know your intentions. Director of Philanthropy Candy Silver and your professional advisors can guide you through the process and answer any questions: [candy@inspiringgreater.org](mailto:candy@inspiringgreater.org).

We invite you to consider becoming a Community Foundation Legacy Society member who promises to change the future in positive, tangible ways. What will your legacy be?



John and Prella McBride  
Legacy Society members

## 2021 LEGACY SOCIETY

Anonymous (10)  
 Janet R. Achor  
 Tom and Mary Arth  
 Jacob J. Bahler  
 Richard Boehning  
 Linda Bowman  
 Maurie and Mary Jane Denney  
 Christine Ahl Durbin  
 Jennifer and Robert Eberly  
 Miriam Epple-Heath  
 Fred\* and Mary Ford  
 Tom and Laurie Frey  
 John and Kathleen Gambs  
 Dennis and Jeanne Gernhardt  
 Pris Gerde  
 Mike and Carolyn Gery  
 Beverly Gettings  
 Bill and Gail Gettings  
 Andy and Linda Gutwein  
 Bob and Ellie Haan  
 Cherie Hanson  
 Gary and Shelly Henriott  
 Mark and Susan Hermodson  
 Dorothy J. Hughes  
 Joan Anne Hughes  
 Martin and Patty Jischke  
 David and Sue Lasater  
 Jim Leslie  
 Dave and Carol Luhman  
 Buffy and Alice Mayerstein  
 John and Prella McBride  
 David and Anita McGaughey  
 Stephen and Linda Miner  
 Betty M. Nelson  
 Rick Olson  
 Sandy Pearlman  
 George and Nerlene Ramsey  
 Jim and Mary Jo Risk  
 Linda Rohrman  
 Larry and Marianne Rose  
 Brock and Jennifer Russell  
 Richard R. and Sarah A. Schwarz  
 Ruthie Shook  
 Meddie and Candy Silver  
 Bob\* and Linda Sorensen  
 Ruth W. St. John\*  
 Gary and Connie Standiford  
 Glenn Tompkins  
 Susan Howell Ulrich  
 Randall Wagner  
 Thomas J. Walsh  
 Sarah J. Watlington  
 Jake\* and Mary Ann Wiebers

\*Sadly, those marked with an asterisk passed away this year. We will continue to honor them as Legacy Society members in 2021.



# Honoring the Past ~ Forging the

## HIGHLIGHTS OF THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Nine nonprofit organizations participated in the gala, providing a glimpse of the important work they do in Greater Lafayette.

- Art Museum of Greater Lafayette
- Bauer Family Resources
- NICHES Land Trust
- LTHC Homeless Services
- Franciscan Health Foundation
- Civic Theatre
- Willowstone Family Services
- Heartford House Child Advocacy Center
- Tippecanoe County Council on Aging



*“My way that my heart will continue to beat.”*

Linda Bowman, on her decision to join the Legacy Society through establishing an endowment.



top | Linda Bowman, delivers opening remarks

Board Chair Andy Gutwein and James & Theometra Foster sort seeds in NICHES Land Trust's session

Gary and Connie Standiford

The Art Museum of Greater Lafayette's live art demonstration

Heartford House performs a mock forensic interview

Amy Lageveen, Angela Strader, Gretchen Shelmon and Candy Silver



# Future



*“The 50th Anniversary event was a grand celebration, a shining example of how this community pulls together.”*

Joe Bumbleburg, not pictured



## RECENT GRANTS

### NOW GRANTS

**Servants At Work, Inc.**  
\$6,631 | New tools and trailer

**Lyn Treece  
Boys & Girls Club**  
\$7,500 | Property demolition

**Junior Achievement  
of Greater Lafayette**  
\$1,818 | Folding tables

**River City  
Community Center**  
\$7,500 | Youth space renovation

**Franciscan Health Foundation**  
\$4,681 | Movesafe baby crib

**Art Museum of  
Greater Lafayette**  
\$2,721 | Steam humidifiers for galleries

**Robert and Ellen Haan  
Museum of Indiana Art**  
\$5,266 | Emergency furnace replacement

**The Farm at Prophetstown**  
\$1,789 | Point of sale equipment, kitchen upgrades, portable PA system



top | **Bob and Susan Smith,**

Civic Theatre's youth group performed songs from their upcoming show, *Frozen 2*

back | **Peter Bunder, Pauline Shen, Katy Bunder**  
front | **Jack Kelley and Jennifer Layton**

**Dick and Betty Nelson**

**Bob and Patti Truitt**

Franciscan Health displayed their educational lung and colon inflatables

**Greg Kapp, Marianne Rose, and David Lasater**

**Dennis and Jeanne Gernhardt**



# RECENT GIFTS

July, August, September – 2021

## IN MEMORY

### James Buescher

Susan Allen  
 Jim and Sandy Bodenmiller  
 Richard and Penny Boehning  
 Margaret Buchanan  
 John Castell Family  
 Joseph and Aurelia Costanza  
 Current Topic Club  
 Dan and Jacquie Dexter  
 Dedra Downham  
 Harry and Diane Ellison  
 David and Martha Frampton  
 Dennis and Jeanne Gernhardt  
 Karen Grubber  
 Lawrence Hazzard  
 Mark and Susan Hermodson  
 Deb Hester  
 Olga Jeffares  
 Peggy Johnson  
 Bruce and Mary Ann Junius  
 Deb Kolczak  
 Fred and Andrea Kuipers  
 David and Beth Lageveen  
 The Marquis Foundation  
 Barbara McBee  
 Paul and Mona Lou  
 McConnaughey  
 Thomas and Susan McCully  
 Ben and Maxine Miller  
 Colleen Neal

Jacqueline O'Neil  
 Cheryl Petersohn  
 Linda Rohrman  
 Larry and Marianne Rose  
 Paul and Janice Schultz  
 Joyce Sheets  
 Dana and Maggie Smith  
 Patty Steele  
 Tanner Stepp  
 Bill and Sharon Theobald  
 Bob and Patti Truitt  
 Wallace and Jean Tyner  
 Dana and Robert White

### Jacqueline Davis

Dennis and Jeanne Gernhardt  
 Stephanie Long  
 Rick Olson

### Margaret (Mohlman) Degler

Bob and Patti Truitt

### Nicole Ahl Durbin

Nancy Ahl

### Fred Ford

Dennis and Jeanne Gernhardt

### Leta Kelley

George and Nerlene Ramsey

### Annadell Lamb

Kristel Kaye

### Anne Lift

Westminster Village

### John Claude Rowe

Gary Wolfelt and  
 Esther Chosnek

### Katie Traynor RN

Jessica Antoni

Kevin and Gail Bosman  
 Beth Branum  
 Kelly Cwiertny  
 Megan Dorsey  
 Carol Du Clos and  
 Megan Brown  
 Susan Gommel  
 Jonathan Man  
 Jerry Marra and Barb Schuster  
 Ken Marra  
 Courtney Mason  
 Sara Miedema  
 Amanda Murphy  
 Mike and Margaret Schreiber  
 Susan Soklin  
 Kelly Stein  
 Andrea Wilson

### Mary Twiddy

Henry Poor Lumber Company  
 Jim and Mary Jo Risk

### Lafayette Hearing Center

*Gifts in memory of these individuals*

Roy M. Brown  
 James Buescher  
 Nick Delgass  
 Keith Faker  
 Bill Kerr  
 Richard Leuck  
 Elaine McFadden  
 Jeanine Pond  
 Geneva Townsley  
 Hal Woodman

## IN HONOR

### Brian and Emily Traynor

Jessica Antoni  
 Beth Branum

Kelly Cwiertny  
 Megan Dorsey  
 Susan Gommel  
 Jonathan Man  
 Ken Marra  
 Courtney Mason  
 Mike and Margaret Schreiber  
 Susan Soklin  
 Andrea Wilson

## NEW ENDOWMENTS

Jim and Mary Beth Buescher  
 Endowment  
 Dennis and Diane Carson  
 Family Endowment for  
 Kossuth Street Baptist Church  
 Fred R. and Mary H. Ford  
 Endowment Fund  
 McBride Family Endowment  
 for the Food Finders Food Bank  
 Backpack Program at  
 Miller Elementary  
 John L. and Marian W.  
 Oberholtzer Endowment  
 Props Family Endowment  
 Ruthie Shook Endowment for  
 the Food Finders Food Bank  
 Backpack Program  
 Ruthie Shook Endowment for  
 Lafayette Urban Ministry  
 Tom and Mary Jo Sparrow  
 Endowment for Food Finders  
 Food Bank



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