Wright Brothers’ Home Has New Owner
The Dayton Foundation transfers Hawthorn Hill to Dayton History

History has come full circle – in 65 years – now that Dayton History owns Hawthorn Hill, the Wright Brothers’ home in Oakwood, thanks to The Dayton Foundation and The Wright Family Foundation. Full circle indeed. After all, Dayton History, Montgomery County’s official historical organization, evolved from Carillon Park – a legacy of Edward A. Deeds. A friend of Orville Wright and an NCR Corporation executive, Colonel Deeds urged NCR to buy Hawthorn Hill in 1948 to protect it after Orville’s death. Then in 2006, NCR gifted it to The Wright Family Foundation of The Dayton Foundation, which transferred ownership of the home to Dayton History in June.

“Talk about goose bumps!” said Brady Kress, president and CEO of Dayton History. “Deeds saved the house in 1948, and its symbolic that the museum organization he started is here to make sure Hawthorn Hill is preserved once again.” Dayton Foundation President Michael M. Parks said, “The Dayton Foundation was honored to assist in the unprecedented gift of this historic home to The Wright Family Foundation in 2006. Transferring it to Dayton History is the next step in continuing its long-term preservation.”

To help preserve and maintain Hawthorn Hill in the future, multiple donors have contributed a $1 million combined gift for the new Friends of Hawthorn Hill Fund of The Dayton Foundation. These donors included the Harry A. Toulmin, Jr., and Virginia B. Toulmin Fund and The Jack W. and Sally D. Eichelberger Foundation, both of The Dayton Foundation. These new Friends of Hawthorn Hill Fund of The Dayton Foundation will help with the home’s ongoing preservation.

Ellen S. Ireland
Embracing the fabric of our community

As a longtime Dayton resident, volunteer and the new Chair of The Dayton Foundation Governing Board, Ellen S. Ireland has learned many things and come to appreciate much about her community. Foremost is the depth of passion and steadfast commitment Greater Daytonians have for helping others. “It’s the collective experiences and the great people I’ve served with that have made me truly value the fabric of this community,” she said. “We all bring something different. Our gifts are varied and diverse. It doesn’t matter who we are or where we come from. What is important is where we are at this moment, and how we use our skills to work together.”

This vision, she believes, is shared by The Dayton Foundation and represents one of its greatest strengths. The Foundation’s special position as a catalyst for leadership initiatives attracted her to The Dayton Foundation, first as a member of its Marketing and Public Relations Committee then as a member of its Governing Board. She also has served as chair of the Foundation’s Development Committee. Learn to Earn Dayton, the Foundation’s newest leadership initiative that is…
Evaluating the growing needs of our region’s children and how these needs reflect on Dayton’s economic future.

“...I’m excited to see how the Dayton Foundation and our donors have evolved, becoming more inclusive and representative of the entire community.”

— Ellen S. Ireland

The Dayton Foundation would like to thank Jerry F. Tatar for providing our outstanding leadership as chair of the Foundation’s Governing Board during the last 18 months.

Coupling his years of experience as the head of a multi-billion-dollar corporation with his deep commitment for Greater Dayton, he guided the Foundation through a period of strong growth. More than $38 million in charitable assets were added, putting the Foundation across the $400 million mark in assets for the first time in its 92-year history. The Foundation also awarded more than 18,000 grants totaling nearly $57 million to support special not-for-profit organizations throughout Greater Dayton and beyond. During this time, the Foundation added 166 new Charitable Checking Accounts® and 81 new endowed funds. Many of these included unrestricted or field-of-interest funds (or designated a portion as unrestricted) to help the Foundation respond to pressing community needs and opportunities.

Under his chairmanship, the Foundation grew its leadership and convening roles to better help the region weather challenges that may lie ahead. This was most evident through the Foundation’s Nonprofit Alliance Support Program that provided critical support and guidance for the creation of the Dayton Performing Arts Alliance. This first-in-the-nation merger of three metropolitan performing arts groups opened a new chapter in Dayton’s arts scene and set the stage for a vibrant and creative arts community for years to come.

The Foundation also adopted a new leadership initiative designed to help our region’s young people. Learn to Earn Dayton is building tremendous momentum in its efforts to ensure that our children are on an educational path to succeed and compete in today’s workforce, while better positioning the region for economic growth. The Foundation also launched ScholarshipCONNECT, a new online scholarship application system and college readiness resource that is aiding area students in their quest to attend college. Further strides were made in efforts to increase minority inclusion on corporate and nonprofit boards.

During his tenure as chair, the Foundation made it possible to transfer Hawthorn Hill, the historic Oakwood home built for Orville and Wilbur Wright, to Dayton History and raised $1 million to establish the Friends of Hawthorn Hill Fund of The Dayton Foundation to assist with the home’s preservation (see page one article).

We are deeply grateful to Jerry Tatar for his thoughtful leadership and his unflagging commitment to The Dayton Foundation and to our community help others. We welcome his continuation on the Board and his ongoing efforts in making Greater Dayton a better place to live.

Thank you, Jerry!
Wright Bros.
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Representatives from The Wright Family Foundation, Dayton History, Dayton Aviation Heritage National Historical Park and The Dayton Foundation announce the transfer of Hawthorn Hill.

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Grant Makes Plan for Community Conference Center

When Goodwill Easter Seals of Miami Valley opens its downtown Dayton campus in 2014, they’ll have a new conference center, thanks to a $300,000 grant awarded by The Jack W. and Sally D. Eichelberger Foundation of The Dayton Foundation. The center will seat up to 150 people and provide much-needed space for Goodwill’s programs, meetings and training sessions for staff, volunteers and clients. Plans also include making the conference center available for use by other community organizations.

“We are honored that the foundation has made this gift, and we are pleased to recognize the donors through the naming of the Jack and Sally Eichelberger Community Conference Center,” said Amy Luttrell, president and CEO of Goodwill Easter Seals Miami Valley. “Their commitment to the community not only leaves a legacy for our project, but it also impacts the entire Miami Valley.”

The Eichelberger Foundation was established in 2006 by longtime Oakwood resident Jack Eichelberger, a well-known Dayton attorney and real estate investor, and his wife, Sally Eichelberger. Currently advised by the Eichelbergers’ three attorneys and longtime friends, the fund awards grants to local organizations that enhance the education of the legal profession, the arts and the Dayton community.
from the President
Promising a Better Future for Students in Need

Michael M. Parks

When school starts next month, 53 underprivi-
leged Montgomery County high school freshmen will be
taking the first step toward accomplishing a dream, not
only for themselves, but also for their families. They will
be joining nearly 100 other students from low-income
families currently enrolled in the Montgomery County Ohio
College Promise program.

I’m very excited about the work that Gary Smiga is
doing as the executive director of this program, which was
founded by John N. Taylor, Jr., a longtime Dayton Foundation
donor and former Governing Board member. Over the next
eight years, they are helping nearly 100 other students to break
the bonds of poverty by completing 500 students to break
high school and graduating from college at little or no cost.

Many of these students will be the first in their families to
graduate from college.

The Dayton Foundation is so proud to be one of the part-
ners in this effort by awarding a $600,000 grant over three
years, as well as providing office space and backroom
support.

As I’ve discussed in recent issues of Good News, education is an area of utmost concern for our community. Many
efforts currently are underway to bring about a wave of
change in how we set up our children, as well as our com-
munity, for future success. The keys to the success of these
efforts, I believe, are the partnerships with so many other
individuals and organizations that are helping to leverage
local assets and resources.

College Promise is just such an example, with local
educators, philanthropists, business leaders, educational
institutions and volunteer mentors, as well as the stu-
dents and their families, all working together to achieve
the program’s goal.

Statistics show that low-income families often believe
that college is beyond their financial reach, therefore they
have little reason to aspire to college. They may feel
discouraged from enrolling in college or even graduat-
ing from high school. College Promise, however, is helping
to provide a solution. The program and its partners are
taking the affordability factor out of the equation for these
promising students.

Currently six universities and colleges have committed
financial support and scholarships to help offset the costs
for the students. The Board of Dayton-Montgomery County
Scholarship Program, which serves as the advisory commit-
tee overseeing the program, is also talking with other insti-
tutions to add to this list.

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Additionally, the Mathile Family Foundation, a long-
time advocate for education and a valued partner of The
Dayton Foundation in previous education initiatives,
puts its vote of confidence in this work by announcing a
$750,000 challenge grant. To date, $622,502 has been
received, which, with the challenge grant, has the poten-
tial to provide $1.3 million towards the College Promise
fundraising effort.

Premier Health also has stepped forward with a com-
mmitment to recruit and retain 30 employees as mentors over
the next three years, as well as provide a financial gift. This is
a prime example of how our region’s corporations can take
a leadership role to help move this effort – and our commu-
nity – forward.

I believe College Promise is a bold solution that can change
many lives and continue to improve our region’s economic
landscape. It also is providing a powerful motivator
for kids to stay on track, thanks to regular meetings
with their volunteer mentors, who offer support, guidance
and encouragement.

The evidence is clear that a college education is a critical
component of lifetime success, and a well-educated workforce
is the key to prosperity in the 21st century. I’m so heartened
by the passion and commit-
ment of the many individu-
als behind College Promise,
which has the potential to be life-altering for these families in
need.

I encourage you to become a part of this work – consider
making a donation, volun-
teer ing as a youth mentor or
providing an in-kind gift. It’s
going to take all of our best
efforts to make a difference in
the lives of our children and in
the future of our region.

Welcome and Thanks

I am pleased to welcome our new Governing Board Chair
Ellen S. Ireland. As you will see from the article introduc-
ing her in this issue, she is a longtime community leader
and valued Governing Board member. Her vast experience
and wise leadership will be a great asset to the Foundation.

I’d also like to acknowl-
edge the many contribu-
tions of Jerry F. Tatar, who
gave so much as chair of the
Governing Board of The
Dayton Foundation. He led
the Foundation through sig-
nificant growth and many accomplishments that have
benefited our community. His good counsel has served The
Dayton Foundation and our donors well over the years and
will continue to do so for the remainder of his term on the
Board. We are deeply grateful for all that he has done for the
Foundation and for the community.

Michael M. Parks
President

Tips on Charitable Giving

New fund option for donors with IRA distributions

By Whitney G. Briggs,
Development officer

Year 2012 was filled with much uncertainty, result-
ing in many individuals asking themselves and their
financial advisors, “How should I handle my charitable
contributions?” A significant part of those discussions
focused on the traditional IRA Required Minimum Distribu-
tion (RMD), and whether then-current legislation con-
cerning IRA charitable contributions would be extended
or repealed.

What is the IRA RMD?

Individuals with traditional IRAs are required to begin
lifetime minimum distributions from their IRAs no later
than April 1 of the year in which they reach age 70-1/2.
The amount of an RMD var-
ies based upon the individual
however, can roll
up to $1,000,000 from an IRA directly to a qualifying
charity without recognizing
the assets transferred to the charity as income. Any
amount over $100,000 does
not qualify as a charitable
deduction.

The law stems from the
2006 Pension Protection Act, which was extended several
times through the years but
was scheduled to expire on
December 31, 2012. The
decision to extend the IRA
Charitable Rollover finally was
approved in January 2013, making the legislation retro-
active to the 2012 tax year.

To help individuals take
full advantage of the IRA
Charitable Rollover tax legis-
lation, The Dayton Foundation created a new fund option
called the IRA Rollover Fund. For a $250 set-up fee, any
qualified individual can cre-
ate this designated fund to
benefit the charity of his or
her choice. The minimum
amount needed to create an
IRA Charitable Rollover Fund
is $10,000 distribution from
an IRA account. Due to
language in the tax legisla-
tion, transfer of the IRA assets into a Charitable Checking
Account* or donor-advised fund is prohibited.

Once the donor’s IRA
Rollover Fund is established,
The Dayton Foundation will
make annual or quarterly dis-
tributions (as requested by
the donor in the fund agreement) to the designated charity
in the donor’s name. Donors who
wish to support more than one charity may create addi-
tional accounts, each part of the same $250 set-up fee.

Funds are held in a pooled
account, which yields no
earnings for the individual
funds. The donor’s fund will
be invested in a money market
account and protected from
market volatility.

Since each individual’s
circumstances are different, we rec-
commend that you consult with your financial advisor or
estate planner prior to using this
service.

For more information about The Dayton Founda-
tion’s new IRA Charitable Rollover Fund, you may
contact me, Whitney Briggs, Development officer, at (937) 223-9994 or wbriggs@daytonfoundation.org, or Joseph
Baldasare, vice president of Development, at (937) 223-
9954 or jbaldasare@daytonfoundation.org.
Homefull’s Gettysburg Gateway Shelter Micro-Farm
Homeless residents get back – and stay on – their feet

Imagine living in a community where all of its citizens had gainful employment, a support system and a place to call home. Homefull, formerly known as The Other Place, not only imagines this type of community, but for 25 years has worked to end homelessness in Greater Dayton through a broad range of programs and services that help homeless individuals succeed.

In 2011 The Dayton Foundation awarded a $10,000 discretionary grant to support one of these programs – the Gettysburg Gateway Shelter for Men Micro-Farm project.

Now in its third summer, the project employs 25 homeless residents of the Dayton Region. The award spotlights the Foundation’s spirit of community, as we work toward our mission to end homelessness.

“BECAUSE OF MY JOB AT THE MICRO-FARM, I’VE BEEN ABLE TO PAY MY RENT TO LIVE IN AN APARTMENT...”
– Mark Rubin, employee, Homefull’s Gettysburg Gateway Shelter for Men Micro-Farm

Homefull currently employs 25 homeless shelter residents, who are learning productive skills while growing fresh produce for the local neighborhood and larger community.

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Foundation Wins Regional Awards for Outstanding Public Relations Activities

The Dayton Chapter of the Public Relations Society of America recently recognized The Dayton Foundation for excellence in public relations activities. The Foundation earned three PRism Awards of Merit for its publications – the 2011-12 Annual Report to the Community, “Together we are Greater...Dayton,” Good News, the Foundation’s general newsletter, and Futures, the Foundation’s publication for financial and estate planning advisors.

Carol Siyahí Hicks

21 years with The Dayton Foundation. She joined the Foundation in 1992 as its first full-time marketing and communications staff member. Her contributions to The Dayton Foundation are numerous and represent some of the most outstanding marketing and communications work among community foundations nationwide. She has won numerous awards from regional and national associations for the Foundation’s marketing efforts and publications. She also helped shape the Foundation’s image and increase its visibility in Greater Dayton. The Foundation today is highly regarded for promoting charitable giving and honoring its family of donors, thanks, in part, to her many efforts. The Dayton Foundation sincerely thanks Carol Siyahí Hicks for her more than two decades of dedicated and thoughtful service and wishes her much happiness as she starts a new chapter in her life.
Etablising a strong foundation for our community’s future is a vision shared by donors who have endowed funds at The Dayton Foundation. The following funds are some of the new endowments established by donors in recent months to support our region and their special charitable causes, now and in the future.

Scott A. Albright Charitable Fund supports charitable organizations that help meet human needs and improve the quality of life in Greater Dayton, as determined by the Governing Board of The Dayton Foundation.

Association of Fundraising Professionals (AFP) Greater Dayton Region Chapter Fund provides unrestricted operating revenue to this local chapter of AFP, a national organization for professionals committed to advancing philanthropy by promoting ethical and effective fundraising practices.

Monsignor Breslin

Monsignor Breslin Fund pays tribute to the memory of this beloved pastor, teacher and seminary rector by awarding grants in his name to Arch-bishop Alter High School in Kettering.

Caspar Family Fund furthers the philanthropic interests of the Caspar family by awarding grants to chosen nonprofits.

Linda Jo and Steve Harvey Dennis-Harvey Christian Family Foundation perpetuates the Christian beliefs and values of Linda Jo and Steve Harvey by supporting missionaries and churches consistent with their practices during their marriage.

Louis P. Diefenbach Fund helps deserving students pursuing engineering, science or religious studies to attain a college education at Ohio Northern University, Otterbein University or Wilmington College.

Kevin L. and Mary M. McDonald Fund supports causes and organizations important to the donors. Kevin McDonald is senior vice president and trust officer for KeyBank and a longtime member of The Dayton Foundation’s Marketing and Public Relations Committee.

NORCO Advanced Learning Award Fund grants scholarships to help graduating Fairborn High School seniors further their education. Candidates must be accepted into an accredited college.

Cynda and Paul Kehl designates grants to DePauw University and Ohio Wesleyan University. The Kehls were classroom teachers who took pride in promoting education and learning.

Clarence and Judith Lapedes Family Foundation furthers the charitable interests of the donors by awarding grants to nonprofit organizations in Greater Dayton.

John Lenz Charitable Fund honors the memory of the donor by awarding grants to charities in his name.

The Donor Next Door

Though he had a passion for photography, Richard Fullerton’s true calling was in serving his country and his community. After graduating from college in 1938, he enjoyed a brief stint in Hawaii working as a freelance photographer. Like many young men of his era, he soon joined the armed forces, serving first in the U.S. Army and later in the U.S. Air Force.

When the Air Force transferred him to Wright-Patterson Air Force Base (WPAFB) in Dayton, he was assigned to the photog- raphic lab. This position allowed him to turn his love of photography and serving his country into a career. He continued working in the lab as a civilian after his military service, eventually retiring in 1972 after 30 years at WPAFB.

As a Dayton resident, Richard Fullerton was active in many neighborhood organizations. His devotion to the city didn’t go unnoticed, as he was presented with a community service award in 1988 for his “involvement, dedication and

environmental education and facility maintenance. Hugh Taylor Birch gifted the nature preserve, now totaling 1,000 acres, to Antioch College in Yellow Springs in 1929.

Greater Dayton Area Commission on Minority Inclusion-Dayton Works Project Fund supports the exploration of creating the Dayton Works Project, a program to help move people from poverty to economic self-sufficiency.

Heapy Engineering

Heapy Engineering Charitable Endowment Fund advances the charitable activities of this local engineering firm. Founded in 1949, Heapy Engineering is nationally recognized as a leading provider of innovative and creative engineering solutions.

Dayton Crayons to Classrooms

Dayton Crayons to Classrooms Relocation Fund helps this free store for teachers from underfunded schools in Greater Dayton to pay for costs associated with the organization’s move to a new location.

Della B. Gardner Fund provides funds to organizations that aid the sick, aging and underserved population of Middletown, Ohio. Originally created through a will in the late 1940s, the fund was transferred to The Dayton Foundation.

Glen Helen Ecology Institute Endowment Funds provide financial support to Glen Helen for land stewardship,

The Yellow Spring in Glen Helen Nature Preserve

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When a massive tsunami struck his native Japan in 2011, Alex Hara felt helpless watching videos of the devastation left in its wake. But as the news reports shifted to relief efforts, he was moved by the tremendous response pouring in from around the world to aid his homeland. He particularly was inspired by the support given to Japan by American citizens and troops.

“As a Japanese living in Dayton, Ohio, since 1979, I still feel a strong affinity for my homeland half a world away,” said Alex Hara, vice president of the Foreign Multinational Corporate Group, Commercial Banking at JPMorgan Chase in Dayton. “I was touched by the generosity of the citizens of the United States and the Dayton area during this time of crisis. Greater Daytonians alone contributed $30,000 to help tsunami victims.”

Mr. Hara decided to give something back to the supporters whose generous aid is helping Japanese citizens slowly rebuild. He created the Operation 1,000 Cherry Tree Project, which rewards nurses for their commitment to the organization and professional achievements.

“People are getting behind this project and are motivated by the idea that these cherry trees could develop like the trees in our nation’s capital,” said Erik Collins, director of Community and Economic Development, Montgomery County.

Trees project to symbolize the Japanese people’s gratitude for America’s response to the tsunami and to strengthen the ties of friendship between the two countries. Through the project, Mr. Hara is raising funds to purchase and plant 1,000 cherry trees in Greater Dayton. In 2012 he established a Charitable Checking Account through The Dayton Foundation to support the project.

Establishing the Operation 1,000 Cherry Trees Fund through The Dayton Foundation made my work simpler, and more importantly, gave the project credibility,” Alex Hara said. In addition to thanking the United States for its tsunami support, the project also gives a nod to Japan’s gift in 1912 of 3,000 cherry trees to celebrate the two nations’ then-blossoming friendship. More than 100 years later, those trees still are thriving in Washington, D.C., and drawing visitors from around the world to see their blooms. Mr. Hara would like to create a similar draw for the Dayton Region.

“I’d love for Dayton, or the ‘Gem City,’ to be known for cherry blossom trees like in Washington,” he said. “It’s nice because the project also has become a community-wide beautification initiative.”

According to Mr. Hara, 150 cherry trees already have been planted in the Dayton Region. In April former Ohio Governor Bob Taft, whose grandfather was present at the original 1912 tree presentation, was among volunteers who picked up shovels and helped plant 100 of those trees at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base (WPABF). The remaining trees are dispersed throughout the region, as the number of area municipalities and businesses expressing interest to plant more trees continues to grow. Efforts currently are underway to raise funds to add 100 more trees at WPABF this fall.

“People are getting behind this project, motivated by the idea that these cherry trees could develop like the trees in our nation’s capital,” said Erik Collins, director of Community and Economic Development for Montgomery County. “This project has turned into much more than originally intended.

“It also has become about a love of community and being a part of something to look back and take pride in,” he said. “Operation 1,000 Cherry Trees will make Greater Dayton a more beautiful place to live and visit for many years to come.”

In the first half of 2013, The Dayton Foundation awarded nearly $16.6 million in grants from donor funds to a wide variety of charitable organizations in Greater Dayton and beyond. A portion of this amount was made through the Foundation’s discretionary grants program, made possible by donors who have provided unrestricted or largely unrestricted funds to The Dayton Foundation. These funds enable the Foundation to act on opportunities for the community and address pressing needs throughout the region.

In June the Foundation awarded $735,000 in discretionary grants that were approved by the Foundation’s Governing Board to assist the following charitable organizations in helping Greater Dayton. This amount included a grant that will be announced at a later date.

**Big Brothers Big Sisters ($25,000)** to support improvements in third grade reading levels through community- and school-based mentoring programs.

**CityWide Development Corporation ($25,000)** to help create an urban redevelopment plan for neighborhood gateways in Old North Dayton.

**Dayton Children’s ($30,000)** to assist with the IMPACTS program, which rewards nurses for their commitment to the organization and professional achievements.

**Dayton Ohio Habitat for Humanity ($50,000)** to support the Home Begins Here Campaign to double the organization’s number of homeowners each year.

**Dayton Performing Arts Alliance ($30,000)** to assist with the production of Aida featuring performers from the Dayton Ballet, Dayton Opera and Dayton Philharmonic Orchestra.

**Dayton Foundation donor Alex Hara (center) and other volunteers help plant 100 cherry trees at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base.**

**Dayton Performing Arts Alliance / East End Community Services Corporation ($25,000)** to aid in expanding the Youth Center to better serve an increasing number of youth program participants.

**Dayton Children’s / Dayton Philharmonic Orchestra, $25,000**

**Dayton Children’s**

**Dayton Performing Arts Alliance**

**Invent Now, Inc.**

**Invent Now, Inc. ($200,000)** to provide Camp Invention scholarships for up to 100 underserved youth.

**Reach Out of Montgomery County ($10,000)** to assist in training staff to utilize a new web-based Electronic Health Record system to provide continuity of care for patients.

**Therapeutic Riding Institute, Inc., ($20,000)** to assist in expanding services to include at-risk youth and military veterans.

**The Signa W. Zimmerman Endowment Fund**

**The Robert and Jean Penny McGlaughlin Fund**

**The Mary L. Marshall Fund**

**The Monarch/Genesis Fund**

**The Richard D. Fullerton Fund**

**The Francis Crosthwaite Fund**

**The Emerging Community Needs Fund**

**The Anonymous Fund #9**

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- Operation 1,000 Cherry Trees Fund Helps Donor Say ‘Thank You’ to Our Community

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The Foundation’s Biggest Event!

Mark your calendars for 5 to 8 p.m., Wednesday, November 6, at the Benjamin & Marian Schuster Performing Arts Center for the best party in Dayton! The Dayton Foundation’s largest and most important event is a great opportunity to invite your family and friends for a special evening that’s both fun and meaningful.

This year’s theme will be “Together we are Greater... Dayton.” An exciting program in the Schuster Center Mead Theatre will include the latest news from The Dayton Foundation and performances by Dayton Contemporary Dance Company, Dayton Opera, Stivers School for the Arts Jazz Orchestra and Cityfolk, presenting an ensemble from the Richens/Timm Academy of Irish Dance. A surprise theatrical presentation written just for this event also will be performed by The Human Race Theatre Company. Live music and a Wine and Light Supper Social will follow in the Wintergarden.

Come and celebrate and enjoy the company of special friends from around the Dayton area. This is an event you won’t want to miss!

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