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Grants Help Make a Difference in Our Community

Donor Makes Largest Legacy Gift in Dayton Foundation history

For more than 41 years, Virginia Bernthal Toulmin called Dayton home. As the widow of international patent attorney Harry Aubrey Toulmin, Jr., and daughter-in-law to Harry A. Toulmin, Sr., the famed attorney who secured and defended the Wright Brothers' patent for their flying machine, she is proud of her Dayton roots and the history

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— Virginia B. Toulmin, donor

that her husband's family secured for the region.

To honor that history and cement her and her husband's legacy in the Dayton community, Mrs. Toulmin has announced plans for what today is projected to be more than a \$20 million legacy gift to the



Virginia Bernthal Toulmin

Harry A. Toulmin, Jr., and Virginia B. Toulmin Fund of The Dayton Foundation. This will be the Foundation's largest single gift since its establishment in 1921.

"Harry and I had a very happy life together in Dayton," she said. "He grew up in the region and made a very successful living here. We owe Dayton something in return. This fund is his legacy."

Said Michael M. Parks, president of The Dayton Foundation, "A true philanthropist, Mrs. Toulmin selflessly shares her many gifts with those in need. This gift is her unwavering vote of confidence in The Dayton Foundation's ability to put it to good use. We truly are honored and grateful to be a benefactor of her forward-looking generosity."

Born in St. Louis, Missouri, and raised with solid Midwestern values, Virginia Toulmin is a woman of class with high energy and a heart of gold, especially when it comes

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Dayton Foundation grants enable kitchen to reopen Life Enrichment Center Feeds the Hungry in Many Ways

Once a month without exception, a poor woman from East Dayton personally delivers a \$25 money order to benefit the Life Enrichment Center (LEC), a faith-based organization that collaborates with local partners to provide life-building, life-sustaining services to the underserved in Greater Dayton.

And, in spite of chronic health problems, she faithfully spends three mornings a week bagging groceries that other LEC volunteers give away to clients stopping by the center.

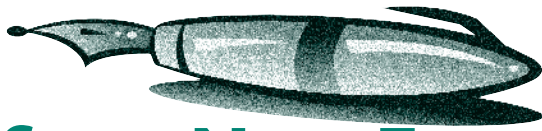


Clients wait in line for a free, hot meal prepared in the center's new kitchen.

"This woman, who used to come here for her own groceries and meals, is now serving other people," explained Jeffrey Sorrell, LEC's executive director. "I know this ministry works, because people go from takers to givers. Lives are changed. I've seen people get off drugs and stay clean, increase their reading level, get their GED or enroll at Sinclair Community College. Some think we're just a soup pantry, but we do anything and everything we can to

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from the President



A New Initiative for a New Economic Environment



Michael M. Parks

It goes without saying that the volatile economy is making life challenging for people from all walks of life. People feel the pinch at home, at work and out in the community. Clearly those who were the most vulnerable economically going into this difficult period are in terrible straits. Where governmental agencies cannot meet the growing demand created by citizens and organizations in trouble is where not-for-profit organizations partner with government or step in to help fill the gap.

It has been this way for decades in this country. Yet many of these very organizations that today are most called upon to offer assistance are struggling to meet the demand and even may be in jeopardy themselves. Further fueling this is the fact that government funding to nonprofits of all kinds is diminishing as

governing bodies grapple with decreased income and growing need.

Some predictions are that over the next two years nationally, one in ten nonprofit organizations could fail. In Greater Dayton, we currently have over 4,000 nonprofits. If these national predictions hold true, in two years, some 400 nonprofit organizations could be gone from our community, along with the services they provide to enhance our region's quality of life and to assist our young, our elderly, the unemployed and other vulnerable populations. While one might argue that perhaps some nonprofits would be better served to indeed close their doors, many more would do so at considerable detriment to neighborhoods and the community as a whole.

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Many would agree that in recent decades, community philanthropy and collective action have never served a more important role than they do now. We will get through this difficult time and preserve what's best about our community by working together and helping one another – and by approaching challenges cre-

atively and perhaps differently from the way we have viewed things in the past.

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As we have surveyed the social landscape of Greater Dayton and listened to our nonprofit partners, what has become apparent is that we will need a whole new perspective on our missions and how our organizations provide them if we are to get to where we need to be. This can be difficult, because the parameters that framed our mindsets in decades past may not fit very well with what future years may hold – and stepping back to view our organizations critically may take outside assistance, helping us challenge everything we do and rethink how we can accomplish what is most needed from us.

Many nonprofit organizations that provide a very good service or "product," if you will, also may lack the tools or infrastructure to accomplish their missions with the greatest efficiency. As we looked at how The Dayton

Foundation could best use precious resources to do the most good to help our nonprofit partners, we arrived at a new community initiative for the Foundation. This is to provide technical support to a number of nonprofits to aid them in operating with greater efficiency through possible alliances, partnerships and/or mergers with other nonprofits.

The Dayton Foundation is beginning now to launch the Nonprofit Alliances Support Program and gathering other funders as a collaborative response to help address the long-term viability of our community's nonprofits. It begins with The Dayton Foundation organizing a series of informational sessions for nonprofits' boards and staffs, followed by individual meetings with a consultant and then a competitive grants process.

A consultant will work with not-for-profit organizations requesting assistance and accepted for the process. The consultant will help them explore ways and create a roadmap and the support to ally with their chosen not-for-profit organizations for increased efficiency and effectiveness. The end result can be enhanced viability and effectiveness for participating organizations.

Through this pilot effort, The Dayton Foundation hopes to help preserve vital work needed for our community by our region's nonprofit partners who provide important community services day in and

day out. Ultimately the goal is to strengthen nonprofits involved in this pilot effort, one organization at a time, and thereby help to strengthen and support the fabric of our Greater Dayton community.

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We so appreciate your help to The Dayton Foundation and Greater Dayton's committed and diverse nonprofit organizations. We are convinced that all of our efforts together will keep what's best about our region. And through this difficult time, surely we will discover new ways of doing things, and some organizations will reinvent themselves, for the ultimate benefit of an enduring community that means so much to us all. 

Michael M. Parks, president

Partnership at Work

for The Disability Foundation and Brighter Tomorrow Foundation

Two charitable organizations that benefit individuals with disabilities – The Disability Foundation, a supporting organization of The Dayton Foundation, and the Brighter Tomorrow Foundation (BTF) – have formed a new partnership that will better serve individuals with developmental disabilities, their families and the community. The Brighter Tomorrow Foundation recently announced its merger with

The Disability Foundation in order to provide greater efficiencies and economies of scale.

"The ultimate result will be that more people with developmental disabilities will benefit, thanks to more funds being made available to support those organizations that provide direct services to these individuals and their families," said Kevin Hayde, executive director of The Disability Foundation. "This is good for the community and for thousands of individuals

in our region who directly or indirectly benefit from the work of these two organizations."

The Disability Foundation was established in 1998 as a nationally groundbreaking opportunity for families to provide supplemental support to their loved ones with disabilities without jeopardizing governmental benefits. The foundation currently manages 209 trusts and has awarded more than \$668,000 to individuals with disabilities, with \$287,000 distributed last year alone.

Established in 1989 through the Montgomery County Board of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities (MRDD), the Brighter Tomorrow Foundation awards grants to organizations that serve people with mental retardation and other developmental disabilities. Projects supported include housing, mobility equipment, and educational and recreational activities.

"The Dayton Foundation, through The Disability Foundation, will handle

the day-to-day operations with the Brighter Tomorrow Foundation advisory committee focusing on donor relations and developing a plan for long-term financial stability," said Mark Gerhardtstein, superintendent for the Montgomery County Board of MRDD. "We will continue to operate with the same brand and identity, as well as trustees. This is a win-win-win opportunity for both organizations and for the community." 

to the charitable organizations and causes she cares about the most. Her brilliant smile and inviting personality are captivating, and her keen business sense helped lead her to success and fortune in the mid-1990s.

With a Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing from Washington University, Virginia Toulmin started her career as a public health nurse, providing prenatal and postnatal care to young mothers. But her sense of adventure soon led her to apply for a stewardess nurse position with the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad.

During her route from St. Louis to Washington, D.C., she was assigned to “VIP” passenger Col. Harry Toulmin, Jr., a successful patent attorney and businessman and World War I and II veteran.

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– Michael M. Parks, president, The Dayton Foundation

“At first Harry was very quiet and didn’t want to be disturbed,” she recalled. “He slowly started chatting with me and eventually invited me to lunch. After we were married, he confessed that he had timed his weekly trips to Washington to catch my runs.”

Soon Col. Toulmin appointed his new bride as a board member for a small, Indiana pharmaceutical company he had saved from bankruptcy. “He thought it was a good fit, since I had a nursing background and could speak the language,” she said. “We’d sit on our porch, and he would teach me to read the financial statements. Harry told me this company would be invaluable to me some day and was he ever right.”

Tragically, Harry Toulmin passed away in 1965. Upon his death, Mrs. Toulmin became the company’s president and set out to fulfill his dream to grow the company. And succeed she did.

Under her leadership, the company thrived. Stock prices escalated from \$67 per share in 1965 to \$13,675 per share in 1995 when she sold the



Virginia B. Toulmin

business for more than \$178 million.

“When it paid off, I decided to give back,” Mrs. Toulmin said. “This is the basis of my philanthropy today.”

After 20 years as a Florida snowbird, Mrs. Toulmin now is a full-time Florida resident and spends much of her time with one of her passions – the arts. Her eyes light up when she talks about the latest symphony or opera performance she’s attended. She currently chairs the board of directors for her city’s orchestra and serves on the board of The Artists Series for her community, chairing its scholarship awards committee.

“My love of music started when I was quite young,” she recalled. “I studied piano and worked as an usherette for the St. Louis Symphony. I heard every program – twice – and just ate it up.”

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– Michael M. Parks

In addition to her Dayton Foundation fund, her generosity consists of significant gifts to support arts and health and human services organizations. The Toulmins also are credited with one of the largest gifts ever dedicated to medical research through a trust that her husband had established for Georgetown University Medical School.

Her strong devotion to children in need spans the globe and includes aiding third-world orphans through a separate charitable fund. Once a year Virginia Toulmin, who also serves on the fund’s board, travels to Thailand to visit with the children, many of whom affectionately call her “angel of life.”

“I’ve always had a soft heart, maybe too soft,” Mrs. Toulmin said. “I don’t like to see people hurting or in trouble. That’s why I became a nurse – to help people get well.”

The list of special honors and awards for her ongoing volunteer service and dedication is long and includes Outstanding Individual Philanthropist for the American Fundraising Professionals, the Alexis de Tocqueville Award, the highest honor bestowed upon an individual by the United Way, and the Patrick Healy Award from Georgetown University, where she

served on the board of regents for 12 years, among numerous others. But it’s what she’s been able to support through her philanthropy that is most meaningful to her.

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– Virginia B. Toulmin

She was quoted in a Florida magazine as saying, “If you have been blessed with dollars, it is necessary to share them with those who are underprivileged. Even if you can’t afford to give money, you can give love.”

Despite her extraordinary generosity, Mrs. Toulmin maintains a relatively low profile.

“She has made gifts that could have included significant naming opportunities, which she graciously has declined,” said Kevin McDonald, vice president

and trust officer for KeyBank and Mrs. Toulmin’s longtime financial advisor. “A humble benefactor, she’s also a diligent fundraiser, who inspires and challenges others to follow her lead.”

“I don’t need my name in lights or plastered on the side of a building,” she said. “I don’t think it’s necessary to be remembered in this manner, so long as you leave something behind to help others.”

Initially grants from the Harry A. Toulmin, Jr., and Virginia B. Toulmin Fund will be advised by a committee to support Mrs. Toulmin’s charitable interests in the Greater Dayton Region. In time it will become an unrestricted fund of The Dayton Foundation to help address needs and opportunities in the community through the Foundation’s competitive grantmaking process, as approved by the Foundation’s Governing Board.

“Unrestricted gifts like Mrs. Toulmin’s are vital to the future of our community,” Mike Parks said. “These funds not only give us the ability to help support efforts of local organizations that address a variety of ongoing needs, but also enable the Foundation to tackle broad community issues through the Foundation’s leadership initiatives. Undoubtedly, Mrs. Toulmin’s gift will touch countless lives for many years to come. We are so grateful that she is allowing us the opportunity to announce this special gift in the hopes that it will inspire others to do the same.”

“Giving unrestricted funds is a wonderful idea that everyone should consider,” Mrs. Toulmin said. “Harry always said one shouldn’t try to dictate from the grave.

“If an organization’s management is good and strong, give them an unrestricted gift. They can decide how best to use it long after you have passed away,” she continued. “I think the world of Mike Parks and the staff of The Dayton Foundation, and I know that they will use these dollars wisely. I’m so glad to be doing this for the community that was so good to Harry and me.”

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Donors establish funds to help others

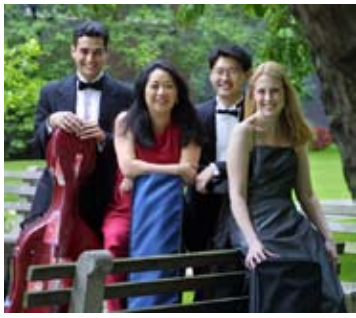
Establishing a strong foundation for our community's future is a vision shared by donors who have endowment funds at The Dayton Foundation. Donors have started the following new funds in recent months to support our region and their special charitable causes, now and in the future.



Archbishop Alter High School

Archbishop Alter High School Funds support the educational endeavors of this Kettering Catholic high school, founded in 1962. Campus improvements, tuition assistance, faculty compensation and technology upgrades are a few of the purposes these four new funds help sustain.

Beaver Creek Wetlands Association Endowment Fund supports the organization's charge to preserve the wetlands in the Beaver Creek watershed for natural habitat and water source protection, as well as educational, recreational and research purposes.



Chamber Music Yellow Springs

Chamber Music Yellow Springs Endowment Fund continues the tradition of bringing world class chamber music to the community by providing an annual concert series, end-of-season competition venue for the stars of tomorrow and outreach programs for schools.

Creative Incubator Fund will help revitalize vacant downtown Dayton spaces for local artists to create and display art and exchange creative ideas.



Beaver Creek Wetlands Association



FilmDayton Fund will help cultivate movie making and appreciation in the Greater Dayton Region. The fund encourages the creation of an area film festival and efforts to bring film production to Dayton.



Rita A. Flahive

Rita A. Flahive Charitable Fund was established from a bequest by Rita Flahive to carry on her charitable legacy.

Friends of The Dayton Area Chapter of The American Red Cross Preparedness Fund provides unrestricted operating revenue to aid this humanitarian organization in its mission to help victims of disasters and other emergencies.

Irma D. Lucas Memorial Scholarship Fund* helps female African-American graduates of Dayton Public

Schools to attend historically black colleges or universities.

Donald M. and Dorothea Hunt Spindler Endowment Fund honors the memory of this Dayton couple who were married for 54 years. The fund provides annual gifts to numerous local charities, including an unrestricted portion that helps The Dayton Foundation help others through its competitive grantmaking program.

Mary L. Snyder Fund provides annual operating revenue for Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church in West Alexandria. The fund honors the memory of this former church member and second grade Jefferson Township school teacher.

This is Dayton Fund helps inspire pride in Dayton. Poster contests, radio and web campaigns and other positive marketing efforts will highlight the advantages of living in the Greater Dayton Region.



updayton Fund was established to attract and retain young talent in the Greater Dayton Region.



Yvonne Walker-Taylor

Dr. Yvonne Walker-Taylor Women for Women Scholarship Fund II* will perpetuate this former Wilberforce University president emeritus' lifelong commitment to higher education and to promoting women's leadership in the pursuit of freedom. The fund assists women majoring in natural sciences, humanities, business, social sciences and engineering at Wilberforce.



* African-American Community Fund

LEC continued

impact people's lives."

Although the center had moved to a larger, 57,000-square-foot facility last year, it had stopped serving hot breakfasts since the new location did not have a kitchen. To help pay for final renovations so a kitchen and dining rooms could be added, The Dayton Foundation awarded a \$15,000 discretionary grant. An additional \$5,500 in grants was provided by Dayton Foundation donors from their individual Foundation funds. The new kitchen opened in January, with a Saturday lunch program started in February.

"We already had gone a year in our new building without serving meals," Jeffrey



"SOME THINK WE'RE JUST A SOUP PANTRY, BUT WE DO ANYTHING AND EVERYTHING WE CAN TO IMPACT PEOPLE'S LIVES."

– Jeffrey Sorrell, executive director, Life Enrichment Center

Sorrell noted. "Because of this grant money from the Foundation, we're serving meals again."

The free meals and groceries are important, because they attract people to LEC. LEC then can educate and provide clients with practical programs that will have long-term impact, such as job services, health screenings, computer and adult literacy classes, and counseling and addiction recovery. Experiences at LEC empower clients

to help themselves and make a better life, he said.

"People come here for different reasons, which is why we have the one-stop-shop concept," Jeffrey Sorrell said. "We can provide lots of services and meet lots of needs in one place."

From 2002 through 2007, LEC served 199,000 hot meals, gave away more than 116,000 bags of groceries and had more than 78,000 clients attend its programs. The center serves a broad range of clients, including the homeless, senior citizens, single mothers, the working poor and recently laid-off workers, many with college degrees. Although 500 to 700 people use LEC's services weekly, more than 10,000 are registered for services. Because of the poor economy, LEC now registers 12 to 19 new clients per day – up from 7 to 12 new clients per day in previous years.

"We help whoever walks through our door in a grace-

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– Jeffrey Sorrell

driven manner," Mr. Sorrell said. "But my idea of helping people is not putting a Band-Aid on a chest wound. Once clients are here, we try to funnel them to a caseworker, who can talk to them about their real needs and find out how we can help them the most. We want to add value to people's lives – to restore their dignity and give them hope."



Performing Artists Bloom in Dayton thanks to “Miss Jo’s” Foundation funds

Dayton Ballet co-founder Josephine Schwarz never had children. Instead, she spent her life nurturing the arts, especially dancers, like few women of her generation.

“She was ahead of her time,” remarked Dermot Burke, executive director of Dayton Ballet, the nation’s second-oldest regional ballet company that “Miss Jo” and her older sister, Hermene Schwarz, established in 1937 as the Experimental Group for Young Dancers.

Born in 1908, Miss Jo, along with her sister, also founded what became the Dayton Ballet School. Miss Jo studied in Chicago, New York and Europe; performed in New York; and was a notable choreographer, with almost 80 works to her credit. The dancers she taught in Dayton went on to companies such as the New York City Ballet and the Joffrey Ballet, or became artistic directors or mentors to young dancers.

“The fact that there is art and an art-literate community in the region is because of Miss Jo,” said Dermot Burke, adding, for example, that if Miss Jo had not taught and encouraged Jeraldine Blunden beginning in the late 1940s, the Dayton Contemporary



Josephine Schwarz

Dance Company would not exist. “That flower might not have grown. Miss Jo was one of those people who made it her business, in what had to be the most difficult atmosphere imaginable, to grow those flowers.”

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– Dermot Burke, executive director, Dayton Ballet Company

Before Miss Jo’s death in 2004, she established two funds through The Dayton Foundation to help nurture performing artists long after her lifetime. In 1987, she established The Allegro Fund – considered the Foundation’s first arts fund – in memory of Hermene Schwarz, who passed away in 1986. The fund has awarded grants totaling \$75,000 to benefit local arts groups.

“Miss Jo placed a high value on diverse experiences with other artists: poets, visual artists, musicians,” Dermot

Burke said. “She hoped that this fund would push artists further and give them different opportunities to convene.”

“MISS JO SET UP THIS FUND TO REWARD DANCERS.... SHE WANTED TO TELL DANCERS THAT WHAT THEY DO IS APPRECIATED.”

– Debbie Blunden-Diggs, artistic director, Dayton Contemporary Dance Company

The Josephine Schwarz Dayton Dancers Fund, established in 1992, provides small annual salary bonuses to dancers from Dayton Ballet, Rhythm in Shoes and Dayton Contemporary Dance Company. To date, the fund has awarded more than \$63,000.

“Miss Jo knew what dancers go through to produce just one performance for the public. She created this fund to reward dancers in a way other than their paychecks,” said Debbie Blunden-Diggs, artistic director for DCDC who studied under Miss Jo. “She wanted to tell dancers that what they do is appreciated.”

According to Dermot Burke, Miss Jo spoke very highly of her funds and of

The Dayton Foundation. “She knew that sometimes things in the community don’t get done that should get done. She thought it was wonderful that the Foundation was paying attention and making sure that funds like these could be put into place,” he added.

In 1994 at the age of 86, Miss Jo announced that she was moving to Colorado to be closer to her family.

“She turned to me and said, ‘I can leave now. The Ballet is in good hands,’” Dermot Burke said. “That was pretty emotional.”

To be directing the company founded by Miss Jo is both humbling and an honor, he said, but also a bit worrisome because of today’s economy. Dayton Ballet announced significant cutbacks in February.

“Right now, I feel the weight of these 71 years of our existence,” he admitted. “But when things are going well, it’s a really wonderful experience.”

READ MORE ABOUT JOSEPHINE SCHWARZ AND HER DAYTON FOUNDATION FUNDS ONLINE AT WWW.DAYTONFOUNDATION.ORG/DSTORIES.HTML.

Tips on charitable giving

New Service for Handling IRA Distributions to Charity



By Joe Baldasare, MS, CFRE, vice president, Development

The Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008 extended a 2006 provision, allowing individuals over the age of 70 to make distributions (not to exceed \$100,000) from their Individual Retirement Accounts

(IRAs), to qualified charities without recognizing the distributions as part of their adjusted gross income. While recent legislation has suspended required minimum distributions from IRAs due to economic volatility, you still may find this charitable option of benefit for your current and future giving.

The Dayton Foundation has received numerous inquiries from individuals interested in transferring IRA assets to their Dayton Foundation Charitable Checking AccountsSM (CCAs). Unfortunately, language exists in the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act that disqualifies distributions into a CCA.

In response to donors who wish to take advantage of this legislation, The Dayton Foundation has created the IRA

Designated Endowment Fund.

By transferring IRA assets with a minimum value of \$10,000, a qualified individual can create a designated fund to benefit the not-for-profit organization of the donor’s choice. If the donor has more than one charity he or she would like to support, the donor may create an additional account. Once the fund is established, The Dayton Foundation will make annual or quarterly distributions to the designated charity in the individual’s name.

To help illustrate this, consider the following scenario.

Mr. Jones makes a \$50,000 distribution from his IRA to The Dayton Foundation, with half the amount placed in the

Mr. Jones Charitable Fund A and the other half placed in the Mr. Jones Charitable Fund B.

Mr. Jones wants to support Charity A and Charity B, but does not want to give them the entire \$50,000 in one year. As requested in the fund agreement between Mr. Jones and The Dayton Foundation, distributions to both charities will be made in his name in \$5,000 annual increments for the next five years.

Mr. Jones is not charged a fee, he makes a significant contribution to the charities of his choice, and he has not had to pay income taxes on the distributions from his IRA. Everyone wins.

There is no cost to open an IRA Designated Endowment Fund, and all funds are

held in a pooled money market account that is protected from market volatility. Interest earned from the account helps to offset the Foundation’s costs to offer this charitable giving option.

Each individual’s situation is different. Therefore, we strongly recommend that you talk with your financial advisor prior to establishing this type of charitable fund. As always, we are happy to meet with you or your advisor to discuss the many charitable giving options available through The Dayton Foundation. Contact me, Joe Baldasare, vice president of Development, at (937) 225-9954, or at jbaldasare@daytonfoundation.org.

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The Dayton Foundation's Governing Board Names New Vice Chair and Welcomes Two New Members

The Dayton Foundation has named Gary L. LeRoy, M.D., as vice chair and appointed Craig J. Brown and Col. Colleen M. Ryan as new members to its Governing Board, which provides stewardship for the Foundation and its charitable activities.

Dr. LeRoy has served as a Governing Board member since 2004 and chaired the Foundation's Grants and Programs Committee. He also is the associate dean of Student Affairs at Wright State University Boonshoft School of Medicine and continues his 18 years of service to the Dayton community as a physician at East Dayton Health Center.

Craig Brown is senior vice president, treasurer and CFO of The Standard Register Company. During his tenure with Standard Register, he has held positions in international finance and treasury operations and has worked



Gary L. LeRoy, M.D.

as a divisional controller. Mr. Brown serves on the boards of the Dayton Ballet Association and the YMCA of Greater Dayton and is a member of The Dayton Foundation's Finance Committee.

Col. Colleen M. Ryan retired in 2008 after 26 years of service in the United States Air Force. At retirement, she was the 88th Air Base Wing and Installation Commander of Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, one of the largest air base wings in the Air Force, with more than 5,000 military, civilian and contractor employees.



Craig J. Brown

She currently is vice president of Defense Programs with The Dayton Development Coalition.

The Dayton Foundation Is Ranked Among Top U.S. Community Foundations and Nonprofit Organizations

According to a yearly ranking of community foundations nationwide, recently released by The Columbus Foundation, The Dayton Foundation ranked 30th out of more than 700 community foundations nationwide in new gifts received in 2007. The




Col. Colleen M. Ryan

Foundation also ranked 32nd nationally in grants paid and 37th in the nation in market value of assets.

Gifts received by the Foundation for the benefit of charities totaled \$53.1 million during this time period. The Foundation's grantmaking came in at \$38.6 million, with most of these grants designated in some way by The Dayton Foundation's donors. The reported market value for The Dayton Foundation's assets totaled more than \$339.6 million.

The Chronicle of Philan-

thropy also recently released the results of their annual Philanthropy 400, which ranks the nation's top 400 nonprofits of more than one million not-for-profit organizations of all types in the country, based on new contributions. The Dayton Foundation ranked 370th in new contributions and very close to the rankings of the National Wildlife Federation and the Foundation for the National Institutes of Health.

"Despite a tough economic environment, we are so grateful to the Greater Dayton community for their generous gifts to aid our region's not-for-profit organizations," said Michael M. Parks, president of The Dayton Foundation. "Nationwide, community foundations awarded more than \$3.8 billion in grants last year and represent assets of \$46.8 billion. We should all feel proud of the difference individuals in our community are making for those organizations that they care about. The Dayton Foundation is honored to help our donors help others." 

Getting started with The Dayton Foundation

Using the Charitable Checking AccountSM Service for Giving in Good Times and in Bad

Now more than ever, charitable giving is important if not-for-profit organizations are to survive during this spiraling economy and continue to provide vital services to our community.

For many individuals, giving through The Dayton Foundation's Charitable Checking AccountSM Service (CCA) provides an excellent option for giving in good times and in bad. Some have told us that they look upon it as a charitable reserve. They can tap into it during economic downturns, so they can continue their giving.

Here's how this works.

With the Charitable Checking Account Service, you receive an immediate tax deduction for each contribution, but you can time your grant recommendations for when your favorite charities need the funds most...even years later. Increasing your

CCA during an up market makes it easier to load your account by donating appreciated securities. When the market is not so favorable, such as during the past year, and you don't have the funds to add to your account, you can maintain your charitable presence in the community by awarding grants from your previously funded CCA.

WHEN THE MARKET IS NOT SO FAVORABLE... YOU CAN MAINTAIN YOUR CHARITABLE PRESENCE IN THE COMMUNITY BY AWARDING GRANTS FROM YOUR PREVIOUSLY FUNDED CCA.

Even when the market is down, you still may have stocks or mutual funds that




are worth more than what you originally paid for them. If you're in this situation, you may want to consider transferring some of those appreciated investments to open a CCA. By giving the securities directly to TDF, rather than selling them and donating the cash from the sale, you can avoid paying capital gains taxes. Plus, if you've held the donated securities for a year or more, your income tax

deduction will be based on the appreciated fair market value at the time of donation.

If, on the other hand, you have stock that is worth less than the amount that you paid for it, consider selling the stock first, using the losses to offset other taxable gains and donating the cash from the sale to your CCA.

You can manage your account, including directing gifts to charity, funding

your account and researching charitable organizations online 24/7, through the Foundation's secure, password-protected service. You even can open an account online at www.daytonfoundation.org/ccaintro.html. Plus there is no minimum balance required and no direct fees.

To learn more about the Charitable Checking Account Service and why more than 1,500 individuals who awarded grants to charities in excess of \$16 million last year have given high marks to this convenient, tax-smart service, call The Dayton Foundation at (937) 222-0410 and ask to speak to a member of the Development department. 

YOU ALSO MAY LEARN MORE BY VISITING THE DAYTON FOUNDATION'S WEB SITE AT WWW.DAYTONFOUNDATION.ORG/CCASERV.HTML.

Recent Discretionary Grants

help make a difference in our community

In 2008, The Dayton Foundation awarded \$37 million in grants from donor funds to a wide variety of charitable organizations in the Greater Dayton Region and beyond. A portion of this amount was made through the Foundation's discretionary grants program, which a number of donors have made possible by providing unrestricted or largely unrestricted funds to The Dayton Foundation to be able to act on opportunities for the community and to address pressing needs throughout the region.

This past calendar year, the Foundation awarded \$420,900 in discretionary grants, which are approved by the Foundation's Governing Board, to assist the following charitable organizations in helping Greater Dayton.

AIDS Resource Center Ohio (\$25,000) – to assist in hiring staff to build upon the agency's fundraising efforts.



American Red Cross

American Red Cross Dayton Area Chapter (\$15,000) – to better serve area homeless families by hiring staff to help with relocating the organization's Emergency Housing Program.



Cityfolk

Cityfolk (\$25,000) – to help enrich underserved neighborhoods by expanding a neighborhood-based arts program and moving some Cityfolk Festival activities beyond downtown and into Neighborhood School Centers.

Clothes That Work! (\$25,000) – to help accommodate individuals seeking employment by renovating a larger, more consolidated facility that will increase work space.



Dakota Center

Dakota Center (\$10,000) – to assist with a feasibility study in preparation for a capital campaign.

Dayton Area League of Women Voters (\$10,000) – to help hire an education director to increase the efficiency and effectiveness of the Dayton Area League of Women Voters and Kids Voting.



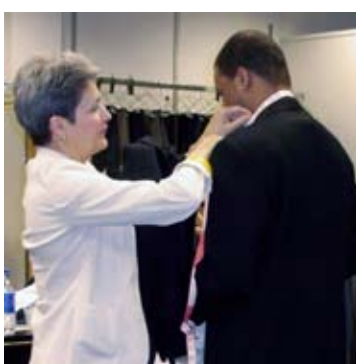
Dayton Ballet

Dayton Ballet Association (\$6,500) – to aid in marketing the Dayton Ballet Association's three new full-length ballets to other ballet companies nationwide.

Dayton Society of Natural History (\$10,000) – to help develop an interactive, permanent exhibit that will enhance children's STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) skills.

Dayton 32nd Degree Masonic Learning Center for Children (\$8,400) – to help children overcome dyslexia by developing a specialized library for children affected by this learning disability.

Echoing Hills Village (\$8,000) – to help residents with mental retardation remain active in the community by purchasing a handicapped-accessible van.



Clothes That Work!

Greater Dayton Public Television (\$20,000) – to help reduce the risks of serious asthma attacks by developing DVDs, workshops and public service announcements to educate child- and family-care providers.

GreatSchools, Inc. (\$10,000) – to assist in evaluating GreatSchool's programs and services that help parents choose the best schools for their children.



The Human Race Theatre Company

The Human Race Theatre Company (\$12,000) – to help expose youth to all processes of theatre production by providing an innovative, hands-on summer camp program.

Kids in New Directions (\$10,000) – to assist in serving 20 percent more youth in underserved Dayton neighborhoods by creating new programs and expanding existing programs.



Kids Voting Ohio

Kids Voting Ohio (\$9,000) – to engage youth in the presidential election by helping to fund a media project.



The Learning Tree Farm

The Learning Tree Farm (\$25,000) – to help fund improvement projects that will enrich the farm's facilities and better serve inner-city children and other visitors year round.

Life Enrichment Center (\$15,000) – to better serve hot meals to homeless individuals by renovating the center's kitchen and dining rooms.

The Linda Vista, Inc. (\$10,000) – to aid in hiring a youth program specialist to enhance the education of children living in transitional housing and assist them in coping with the effects of homelessness.

Miamisburg Historical Society (\$10,000) – to help expand the Society's educational potential for children by renovating a log home into a one-room school and museum.

National Multiple Sclerosis Society (\$16,000) – to help develop a social network of fun and information for individuals whose lives have been touched by Multiple Sclerosis.

Oakwood Historical Society (\$10,000) – to assist in establishing the historic Long-Romspert Homestead, one of the earliest homes built in Oakwood and the Society's current headquarters, as an educational center.



Reach Out of Montgomery County

Reach Out of Montgomery County (\$19,500) – to assist in creating a Chronic Care Clinic to provide health management for underserved and uninsured individuals suffering from chronic diseases.



Resident Home Association

Resident Home Association (\$7,500) – to facilitate the purchase of a new van to transport clients who are disabled to community activities and medical appointments.

Senior Resource Connection (\$15,000) – to help integrate core services, such as Meals on Wheels and Visiting Home Care, into a one-stop shop for senior citizens and caregivers.

St. Vincent Hotel (\$25,000) – to aid in developing a permanent, supportive housing program for homeless families with disabilities.

Victoria Theatre Association (\$8,500) – to use art to help empower youth by pairing at-risk, high school juniors with college-age mentors to examine the challenges and triumphs of the lead character in *The Color Purple*.



We Care Arts

We Care Arts (\$10,000) – to aid this arts organization for individuals with disabilities in purchasing fundraising computer software.



Widows Home

Widows Home Foundation (\$30,000) – to better serve clients' short-term rehabilitative care needs by expanding the Widows Home facility.



YMCA of Greater Dayton

YMCA of Greater Dayton (\$15,000) – to help individuals with disabilities experience the joy of playing baseball by constructing a specialized Miracle League Field baseball facility.



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Grants in Action

Grants in Action recognizes the results of notable grant awards, whether large or small, and the significant impact they have on strengthening the Greater Dayton Region.

Philip B. and Katy W. Conway Fund Gives the Gift of Life

Time can be a heart attack victim's worst enemy. To help give citizens a better chance of surviving cardiac arrest, the Washington Township Fire Department has placed defibrillators strategically throughout the community.

Thanks to a generous annual donation from the Philip B. and Katy W. Conway Fund of The Dayton Foundation, six defibrillators were



Washington Township paramedic bike patrol

located in public facilities in 2008, for a total of 30 units throughout the city and township, with plans to add more.

"For each minute cardiac arrest goes untreated, an individual's chance for survival declines 7 to 10 percent," said William Gaul, fire chief for Washington Township. "Having defibrillators readily available can improve a victim's chance for survival."

Since its establishment in 1987, the Conways' fund has awarded more than \$204,000 to purchase these units and has supported the township's paramedic bike patrol program, as well as numerous other organizations in Greater Dayton.

Grants to The seedling Foundation Help Inspire Young Artists

Despite 70 percent of its students living below the federal poverty line, Stivers School for the Arts in Dayton has long excelled academically and artistically. But after voters rejected a bond issue in 2007, 30 adjunct positions composed of local professional artists were facing certain elimination. The quality of this state-designated school of excellence seemed threatened.

"Without adjuncts we simply are not a school for the arts," said Bill Pflaum, a school volunteer and president of The seedling Foundation, a non-profit organization founded by parents, alumni and community leaders to provide financial support for school



Stivers School for the Arts

Crayons to Classrooms Opens Its Doors to Teachers



An estimated 23,000 children in our community can't afford basic educational supplies, such as pencils, notebooks and crayons. The Dayton Foundation is pleased to have been able to help initiate and support the creation of Crayons to Classrooms, Dayton's first free resource center for teachers, to help fill this gap in our community.

When Crayons to Classrooms opened its doors for the first time on January 15, teachers from The Gardendale Academy in Dayton were overwhelmed. Said one teacher, "This is a wonderful opportunity to get help for my students. It also helps my students learn about the generosity of others - an extremely important lesson."

Crayons to Classrooms supports teachers and our region's children with some of the basic tools that every child should have if he or she is to have the opportunity to succeed today and in the future.

WATCH A SIX-MINUTE VIDEO AND READ MORE ABOUT CRAYONS TO CLASSROOMS ONLINE AT WWW.DAYTONFOUNDATION.ORG/INITIATIVE.HTML.

programs. "The talent and experience they bring to the classroom is vital to the students' education. They truly are the heart and soul of the school."

Thanks to donations from Dayton Foundation donors, plus additional community

funding, more than \$160,000 has been raised to date to restore adjunct faculty.

"Without the gifts made through The Dayton Foundation, we'd never achieve our goal," Mr. Pflaum said. "We are so appreciative of this support."

