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A newsletter from the Perry County Community Foundation

## Meet Our New Intern...

I have always considered growing up in Perry County a privilege. I have never been one of those people that said they would graduate, move away and never come back. I have great pride in my community and getting this internship has been a true honor for me. Growing up I always tried to stay involved in different things that would give back to the community, 4-H, Junior Leaders, Student Council, We the Youth of Perry County, Big Brothers/Big Sisters and many more.



Now that I have gotten older and have moved to Evansville to get my degree I have found it hard to continue staying involved. When I found out about this internship, I knew it would be the perfect opportunity for me to get involved again and also a very good learning experience for me.

I graduated from Cannelton High School in 2007 where I was the class Salutatorian and Historian. From my early years at Cannelton all the way up until the time of graduation, I tried to stay as involved as possible. My early years consisted of being a part of the Student Council, playing sports, and proudly being a member of one of Mrs. Goble's first media clubs. As I moved on to high school, staying involved was still important to me.

I became a member of the National Honor Society where we did volunteer work such as the United Way Youth Day of Caring. I continued to join more clubs such as Yearbook Staff and Hi-Life, our school newsletter. I also continued to play sports. I played volleyball, basketball and softball for the Lady Bulldogs all four years of my high school career. What I learned and the memories I have from Cannelton City Schools will be something that I cherish and keep with me for the rest of my life.

Three years later, I am now about to begin my senior year at the University of Southern Indiana where I am double majoring in Advertising and Graphic Design. I have enjoyed my college experience, but I knew this year I needed something else, something that would challenge me more than what the everyday classroom does. I feel that this internship is going to be just what I needed. I am very excited for what is in store for me these next two semesters. I would like to thank the Community Foundation for giving me this opportunity to learn and grow but also see what giving back to the community is really about.

*Laura Rudolph*

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The Perry County Community Foundation, a member of the Community Foundation Alliance Inc., is confirmed in compliance with national standards for U.S. community foundations.

### Our Mission

To work with our community to encourage giving of time, talent and treasure; to provide grants and scholarships; and to collaborate on projects to make Perry County a better place to live.

Fall 2010

# Welcome New Board Members!

Serving as a Board member is one of the most challenging and rewarding of volunteer assignments. It takes someone who is willing and able to give their time, talent and treasure for the benefit of their community to serve as a trustee of the Foundation. We are pleased to welcome three new board members this year.



Lou Ann Backer is a life-long resident of Perry County. She has been married to her husband Mark (Marty) Backer for 25 years and they have two children, Emily who is 22, a graduate of Notre Dame and Tony who is 20, a student at the University of Indianapolis. Lou Ann graduated from Ball State University with a BS in Accounting and then from Western Kentucky University with a Masters in Counseling. She has worked at Perry Central as an elementary counselor for 17 years, before working at Perry Central she was a teacher and director at Ivy Tech in Tell City.

Jane Efinger-Hayden has been married to Daniel Hayden for 20 years. She is a current board member of the Perry County Community Corrections Advisory Committee, a Lifetime Member of Girl Scouts USA, active in the Big Brother/Big Sister program where she has been awarded Mentor of the Year Award in 2005 and the Proud and Passionate Award in 2009. She is also a member of the Downtown Brown 'Relay for Life' Team, and an ongoing volunteer at Cannelton Elementary School where she is the current Program Assistant for the 'Healthy Minds/Healthy Bodies' After School Program. She is a Secretary/Treasurer for Cannelton City Schools.



Martha DuPre graduated from Tell City High School in 1976. After graduated high school, she went on to attend Indiana University where she graduated in 1980 with a degree in Accounting. She continued her education at Indiana University School of Law until 1983. After Law School she moved to Findlay, Ohio where she worked for the Marathon Oil Company from 1983 through 1989. She then moved to Toledo, Ohio and worked at Libbey-Owens-Ford Company. At both places of employment, Martha worked primarily as an employment and benefits lawyer. Martha moved back to Perry County in 2000.

## Our Retiring Board Members – Thank You for your service!

As we move forward in our new year, we are going to miss a few board members. These board members are retiring from the board of trustees. They have been great leaders, advocates, visionaries and will be missed. We want to thank them for their service....their time....their talent.....and their treasure. Without them, we also would not be where we are today.

Joe Malone has retired from the Perry County Board of Trustees after 6 years of service. While with the foundation, he has served on the Asset Development, Board Development and Grants Committees with serving as chair of the Grants Committee for the last three years.



Jody French has retired after 4 years of service. She has served on the Board of Development and Asset Development Committees. She was the chair of the Asset Development Committee this past year.



Karen Peter has retired after 3 years of service. She has served on the Asset Development and Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship Committees.

# Power of Youth Gives Back

*"Our mission is to develop philanthropic values in youth through education, leadership and participation in local philanthropic activities."*



**T**he Perry County Power of Youth Council held its "End of the Year Celebration" on May 26th. The event highlighted the Council's first year accomplishments as well as announcing grant recipients for their first year's grant cycle. The Council awarded \$3,133.05 in grants to support programs that serve youth in Perry County in grades 6-12.

\$800 was awarded to Junior Achievement of Perry County to support all 8th grade students in Perry County with the JA program "Economics for Success" which focuses on career exploration and financial literacy. \$2333.05 was awarded to Crisis Connection, Inc. to support the "Natural Helpers" program at Perry Central High School and Tell City Jr. High and to provide resources to all libraries in Perry County.

## What is POY???

The Perry County Power of Youth program promotes philanthropy among today's young people to prepare them to support their communities of tomorrow by giving their time, talent and treasure. The Perry County Power of Youth Council consists of Sophomores, Juniors and Seniors from all three area high schools and provides them a chance to work together to improve their community. This program is a joint venture between the United Way of Perry County and the Perry County Community Foundation in partnership with Purdue Extension-Perry County and a variety of adult volunteers.

## How can I help the POY Program???

Just like our youth, you can donate your time, talent or treasure to help keep the program a success. Are you an adult who enjoys working with youth? Contact us about serving on our Adult Advisory Board. Do you have volunteer or development skills that you would like to share with the council? Contact us about being a guest speaker at a meeting. Do you share the council's passion about helping support programs that focus on our youth? Send your donation to PC Power of Youth, c/o Perry County Community Foundation, PO Box 13, Tell City, IN 47586 or donate online at our website.

# Spirit of Giving

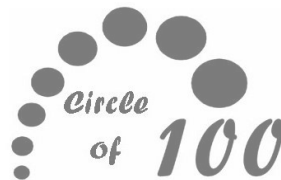


**O**n June 4th, 2010, the Perry County Women for Women held their 8th Annual “Spirit of Giving” Women’s Luncheon. The luncheon was a celebration of the women in our community who are making a difference to ensure success of our women and girls. The Perry County Commissioners had declared the day as “Celebrating Women in Philanthropy Day in Perry County” in order to encourage all women to continue making positive changes and achievements in the lives of our community’s women and girls.

As part of this celebration, the Circle of 100, a women’s giving circle, presented their grant awards to 4 agencies totaling \$7,500. \$1,500 was awarded to the Perry Central Community School for the “Every Child Counts” program. This program focuses on keeping girls in school before and after pregnancy and teaches them proper education on how to parent their child/children. \$1,500 was awarded to the Crisis Connection, Inc. for the Financial Freedom program that will educate women on becoming more financially independent. \$2,400 was awarded to the Catholic Charities for the Budgeting Basics program which will educate families on the knowledge and confidence to complete and follow a simple budget. \$2,100 was awarded to Tell City High School for the Girls Wellness Club to help expand the program and purchase new equipment to accommodate the addition of the junior high girls in the program.

## What is the Circle of 100??

In May 2008, the Circle of 100, a women’s giving circle, was formed to bring 100 women together to give \$100 every year in an effort to make a greater impact on important issues in Perry County. By joining the Circle of 100, you will be able to give a voice to your ideas that you think would benefit women and girls in our community. Each member contributes \$100 of which \$75 will be for a 2011 grant. The other \$25 will be added to the Women for Women fund, an endowment that will never be spent but will grow to become a powerful, permanent grantmaking instrument over time.



## Want to contribute but not able to attend meetings? Become a “Silent Sister!”

A “Silent Sister” has the same passion about helping our women and girls but is not able to attend meetings. If you were to become a “Silent Sister” your donation would still be helping with the effort but you would not be obligated to attend meetings, although you would be welcome at any time.



Yes, I would like to make a gift of \$100 and join the Circle of 100 to help the Women for Women Fund support programs for women and girls in Perry County:  
Please make checks payable to the Perry County Community Foundation. In the memo line, write Circle of 100.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address, City, State, Zip

\_\_\_\_\_  
E-Mail Address

- I would prefer to remain anonymous  
 I would like to join as a “Silent Sister”

# The Legacy League

*"One generation plants the trees,  
Another gets the shade."*



**T**he Foundation has created the Legacy League to recognize living individuals who share the Foundation's dedication to our community. Members of the Legacy League merit the Foundation's highest gratitude for their thoughtful investment in the future of our community.

There is no minimum gift requirement for membership in the Legacy League. Only a statement of intent to leave an estate gift through the Community Foundation is required - whether it is designated to establish your own named fund designated for a specific cause of your choice or intended to support one of the Foundation's existing funds. Your estate gift to the community will have meaning and impact for years to come.

The provision to leave an estate gift benefiting our community can be many in many different ways, such as:

- Make a bequest in your will or revocable trust
- Name the Foundation as a beneficiary of an I.R.A. or other retirement plan or
- Make the Foundation the owner of a paid-up life insurance policy or the beneficiary of a life insurance policy

What are the benefits of joining the Legacy League?

As a member of the Legacy League you can expect:

- A relationship with the Foundation during your lifetime
- Special recognition in newsletters and annual reports
- Invitations to special events
- A role in determining how current and after-death contributions will be used
- Satisfaction in knowing your legacy will make a difference in our community

Why should you consider joining the Legacy League?

There are two main reasons why you should consider joining the Legacy League:

- 1) To provide an unforgettable gift to our community and ensure your wished to support causes most important to you are fully implemented in the future - we really want to make sure we understand your wishes for your gift so that they may be carried out just as you want.
- 2) So the Foundation can thank you personally, even if you wish to keep the details of your plans confidential or your gift anonymous.

## Charter Members

Anonymous  
Clarence and Josephine Dauby\*  
Olive Foster  
J David and Sarah K Huber  
Mary Ruth Heck  
Sally Houzanme  
Bob Ramsbottom  
Ruth Shafer\*  
Ralph\* and Ruth Anne Werner

\*deceased members

A Charter Member designation is being given to community members who join the Legacy League within this first 6 months (by December 31, 2010). Contact us for a Legacy League membership form or visit us online.

# Grant Money in Action!

In the past year, Southern Hills Counseling Center has worked with 213 children in the Perry County area. Communication is often a difficult task for these children. But now, it has become a little easier thanks to our donors! Southern Hills Counseling Center's play therapy room consisted of hand-me-down toys that the counselors had brought from their homes until they were awarded a grant from the Foundation. They were able to purchase therapeutic toys and equipment for their play therapy room with a \$1,314.55 grant for the Foundation's 2010 Unrestricted Grant Cycle. Some of the new equipment and toys includes homes, parks, and many other things you would find in the real world. The counselors and children are able to communicate with each other much easier by using these new tools.



One rug (photo on left) shows children different signs that they might need to use to help them communicate when words just aren't that easy. Susan Jefford, Clinic Manager, said "some children have a hard time expressing themselves with words so sign language is a great way for them to communicate with others." The new puppets and the imagination station are used for groups of children that are in the play therapy room at the same time.

The imagination station has a dry erase board on the front which is another great way for the children to be able to communicate. According to Mrs. Jefford, "the children love to draw on the board." This Grant in Action moment shows another great thing that our donors have provided for our community!



If you would like to help make a difference in our community, we invite you to donate to our Friends of **Perry County Unrestricted Fund.**

July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2010  
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Members help the Foundation by supporting on-going operating expenses.

# Evelyn R. Adams Lifetime Philanthropist Award



Mrs. Adams was the first recipient of the Perry County Community Foundation's Lifetime Philanthropist Award. She has dedicated her time, talent and treasure for the benefit of Perry County. We are currently seeking nominations for this year's award. You can submit your nominations online at our website or by mail. Nominations must include the following:

- **Your Name**
- **Your Address**
- **Your Phone Number**
- **The Nominee's Name**
- **The Nominee's Address**
- **The Nominee's Phone Number**
- **What are some of the organizations the nominee has helped with?**
- **What are some leadership roles the nominee has held in our community**
- **Has the nominee created something for our community in the past? If so, what was it?**
- **Describe why you are nominating this person?**

A Committee (formed from the Perry County Power of Youth Council) will select the recipient from the nominations. The 2010 Evelyn R. Adams Lifetime Philanthropist Award will be presented to the recipient at our December 3rd Grant Award Luncheon.

**Nomination deadline is November 5, 2010!**

## don't miss this...

**September 16 at 5 p.m.**  
*Grant Deadlines!*

**November 5**  
*Evelyn R. Adams Lifetime Philanthropist  
Award Nomination Deadline*

**November 7**  
*United Way Youth Day of Caring*

**November 15**  
*National Philanthropy Day  
(Do something for someone else day!)*

**December 3 11:30a.m. to 1:00p.m.**  
*Grant Award Luncheon  
at EUCC Fellowship Hall*



**We'd love to hear from you!**

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