At the right, you can read about our annual Celebrating Community Philanthropy luncheon. We were touched by stories from people we work with about how *Philanthropy Gives Life* to projects, people and ideas in our community. I hope you will take a moment to read those stories.

*Philanthropy Gives Life* exemplifies what we see philanthropy doing here in our region now.

Every day we strive to help people who have a desire to give to their community. To give life to projects or ideas that matter to them. And through those efforts, touch people. We connect donors with causes and organizations they care about to make our community an even better place.

The stories at the right are amazing examples of efforts that will impact our community forever. But they are just that -- examples. They represent countless ideas waiting to come to life for our community. Through these, I hope you see a place for you. If you have ideas, we are here. If you are thinking about how your community has supported your family or your business and you want to explore ways you can support the community, we are here. Thinking about estate planning and want to consider charitable gifts as part of that? We are here. If you would like to know more about the high level of philanthropic services now available right here in our region, we are here. We are here to connect those ideas and those dollars with the many opportunities our community is fortunate to encounter.

CKCF hosted the fifth Celebrating Community Philanthropy Luncheon on September 21. Community members came together to share their personal experiences with philanthropic initiatives from right here in our region. To kick off the luncheon, Teri Bennett, Board Chair, welcomed performers from the Stephen Foster Drama Association. Angie Cann and Jamie Owen shared their uplifting story about how #JoinJamiesJourney has rallied support to various groups and causes in our community.

Bob Swope, with the EHS Class of ’66 Scholarship, Matthew Moreman, scholarship recipient and Melissa Butler, Guidance Counselor at EHS, discussed the importance of scholarships and why they are a significant piece of CKCF’s work. Melissa noted, “The online, one-stop application CKCF has through Scholarship Central makes it easier for today’s student. This helps more students apply for the scholarships.”

Tracy Schiller shared how CKCF’s partnership with the Elizabethtown Police Foundation was essential to helping them get their start. Canine Lola, one of EPF’s first purchases, joined us on stage and quickly stole the show.

Through the Heels Together initiative, we saw the impact of people coming together around a common cause to make a difference in our community. One Heels Together grant is getting girls excited for careers in nontraditional fields like science and technology. Klaire and Harper Warrell loved learning to fly drones and program robots at the 2017 Shattered Glass Summit.

Check out additional photos from Celebrating Community Philanthropy at www.ckcf4people.org.
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Carter and Sizemore join CKCF Board of Directors

CKCF is pleased to announce Chris Carter and Jamie Sizemore as the newest members of its Board of Directors.

Carter is a CPA and shareholder of Stiles, Carter and Associates. He also serves on the board of the Hardin County Chamber of Commerce and Kentucky Society of CPA’s Real Estate Committee.

“I enjoy helping educate potential donors on the mission of CKCF and advising them on tax benefits in relation to donating funds,” said Carter. “Joining the CKCF Board is a way to invest in the community for years to come, and help to improve the quality of life for the community.”

Sizemore is publisher of The Kentucky Standard. She currently serves on the board of Feeding America of Kentucky’s Heartland and Flaget Hospital Foundation.

“CKCF plays a vital role in enabling community-minded individuals the resources to easily and effectively fulfill their philanthropic desires,” says Sizemore. “I’ve watched the organization grow and expand from a local community-based organization focused on higher education to a regional community foundation. It’s exciting to see what’s already accomplished and I’m honored to be a part of what lies ahead.”

“I am excited these individuals are willing to dedicate their time and talents to our Board of Directors,” said Teri Bennett, CKCF Board Chair. “They are each incredibly hardworking, bringing passion, energy and talent that will help guide CKCF for years to come.”

Heels Together Announces Grant Finalists

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Kentuckiana, Elizabethtown Independent Schools and Silverleaf Sexual Trauma Recovery Services are the three finalists for the annual Heels Together funding.

At the Heels Together banquet on October 26, investors will come together to hear proposals from the three finalists. Investors will vote on the project proposals to select the investments which will have the most impact in the lives of women and girls. The final grant awards will be announced at the banquet. To announce the finalists, Heel Together Investors Lindsey Alicna, Julia Springsteen and Davette Swiney surprised each with balloons and cookies at their place of business.

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Kentuckiana will be presenting Project ReacHer. This project offers female youth the benefits of professionally supported one-on-one mentoring friendships, coupled with empowerment activities and self-confidence training to ensure they have the tools to achieve lifelong success.

Elizabethtown Independent Schools will present their grant request for a STEM-tastic sumMIT, which seeks to provide positive STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) experiences for seventh and eighth-grade girls when ideas about self-efficacy and career are most impressionable.

Silverleaf Sexual Trauma Recovery Services grant request presentation will be for a healing garden, which is known to provide psychological, social, physical, emotional and spiritual benefits to victims of trauma.

The Hart County Scholarship Alliance (HCSA) supports Dual Credit classes where students earn high school and college credit. This year they funded 144 classes for students. Pictured at left making a gift from Oscarware, one of many community donors, are: Jeff Dudley, Oscarware VP; Steve Kistler, HCSA; and Debra Dudley, Oscarware CEO.

Dates to Remember

October 26
Heels Together Banquet

November 15
National Philanthropy Day

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October 2017