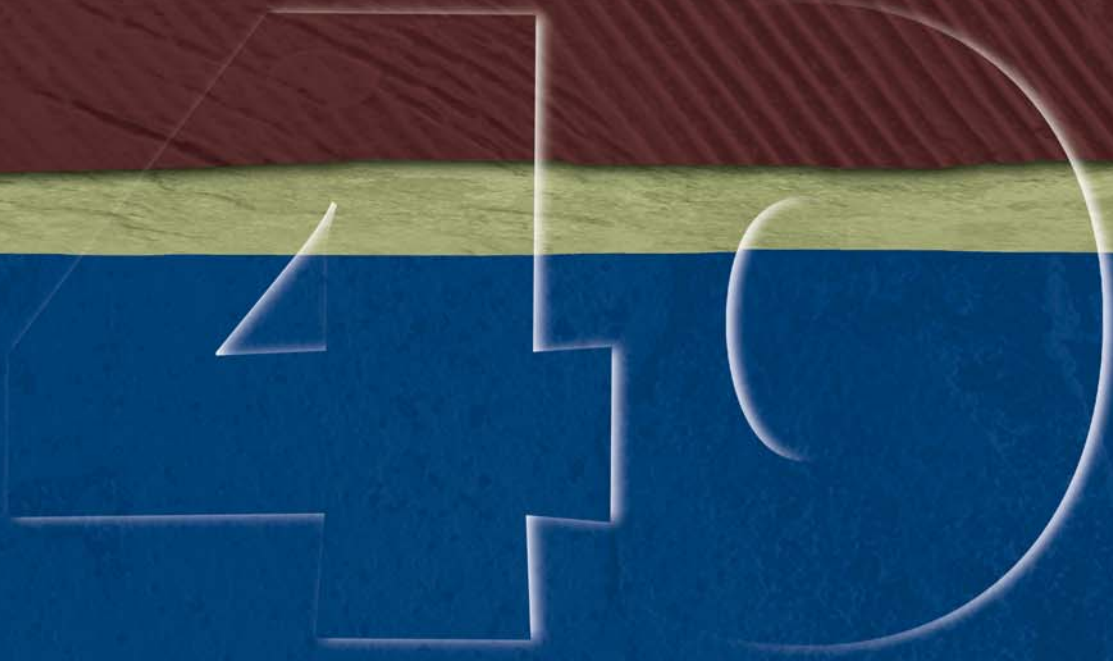


40 YEARS OF COMMUNITY GROWTH THROUGH PHILANTHROPY

1967

2007



Schuykill Area  
Community  
Foundation

2007 ANNUAL REPORT

# Schuylkill Area Community Foundation

## Mission Statement

The Mission of Schuylkill Area Community Foundation is to serve donors by developing, managing, and investing their contributions and to serve the community by distributing earnings, annually, in accordance with donor wishes to the community at large. These distributions include but are not limited to: arts and culture, education, environment, health and human services, and youth and volunteer programs.

## About This Report

The following pages describe the advantages and options for giving through your Community Foundation. Financial planning is very individual and can be complex. Tax laws are subject to change. To learn about the latest tax laws that affect charitable giving and estate planning, contact your financial planning specialist. Schuylkill Area Community Foundation is not engaged in rendering legal or tax advisory services. The purpose of this publication is to provide accurate and authoritative information of a general nature.

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*Philanthropic leadership from one generation to the next.*

# Foundation Leadership

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Scholarship Coordinator

Shirley Wolfgang,  
Administrative Support

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**Eileen Kuperavage**  
Executive Director

### Dear Donors and Friends of Schuylkill Area Community Foundation:

We are very pleased to present our Report to the Community for 2007, our 40th year serving Schuylkill County and the surrounding area.

During fiscal year 2007, not only did we move into a new office to better serve donors and the community, but we also continued to provide flexible and simple charitable giving options to meet your needs. Through the diligence of the Board of Directors and the generous donors of this area, we are making an impact in Schuylkill County.

- We distributed \$320,687.59 in grants to nonprofit organizations and scholarships to deserving students.
- We added six new funds to our endowment, bringing our total to 107 funds.
- The assets of the Community Foundation have increased by 5.7%.
- We increased our grant giving by 10.6%.

We encourage you to review the 2007 Annual Report. Thank you for your interest and your continued support.

Sincerely,

*Eileen Kuperavage*

Eileen Kuperavage, Executive Director



# About Giving

## Why establish a fund?

The Community Foundation offers donors - individuals, families, businesses and nonprofit organizations - the flexibility and expertise needed to help donors determine which type of fund best matches their interests and will achieve their philanthropic goal.

## To Start a Fund

Minimum amounts required to establish a fund:

\$3,500 . . . . .to establish an annual award for a high school graduate

\$5,000 . . . . .to establish any other fund

\$20,000 . . . . .to establish a scholarship fund

## Types of Funds

**Designated Funds** are established by nonprofit organizations or individual donors to benefit one or more specific nonprofit organizations. In the event the designated organization ceases to exist, the Foundation works to identify a similar organization and maintain the spirit of the original charitable intent.

**Donor Advised Funds** allow donors to have an active hand in his or her charitable giving by having the right to recommend annually to the Foundation which organizations should be supported by the fund. The Foundation's Board of Directors must approve the recommendations of the donor and, since the Foundation administers the fund, donors are assured of its permanence well beyond their own ability to advise.

**Field of Interest Funds** provides donors the opportunity to support a particular area of interest, such as arts, culture, education, health & human services and recommends that the Community Foundation distribute earnings to related projects or programs within that area of interest.

**Scholarship Funds** recognize students' achievements and help to further their education. Donors may select eligibility requirements. The Community Foundation offers efficient services to endow, manage, and award scholarships.

**Unrestricted Funds** provide the Community Foundation with the greatest flexibility to meet the most pressing and ever changing needs of our community.

## Ways to Give

*There are many ways to give through Schuylkill Area Community Foundation. Here are some of the most common methods that philanthropists choose:*

### Cash

Cash is the easiest way to contribute. Donors who make gifts of cash are eligible for a charitable deduction in the year the gift was made.

### Appreciated Stock

Stocks may be donated to the Community Foundation as a charitable (in-kind) gift. Donors are eligible for a tax deduction for the fair market value of the stock. By donating appreciated stock to the Community Foundation, donors can avoid capital gains tax that would otherwise occur at the sale of the stock.

### Bequests

A charitable bequest is the most common form of planned giving. By including a charitable bequest in a will, donors are able to make gifts that are simple and, in many cases larger than they could make during their lifetime. The bequest can take the form of a specific amount of money, or may serve as a "residual bequest," where the remainder of a donor's assets become a gift after all other specific bequests have been paid out. Gifts made to charity by bequest are deducted from the donor's adjusted gross estate.

### Retirement Plans & Life Insurance

Donors can use assets held in an individual retirement account (IRA), 401(k), 403(b) or similar account to start a fund at the Community Foundation at the time of their death. Many donors choose to donate all or part of their retirement plan to the Community Foundation. These accounts, while very attractive to defer tax during lifetime, are the most heavily taxed assets in an estate at death.

## Investment & Spending Policies

The investment objective of your Community Foundation is to build funds that will meet the community's needs today and to continue funding opportunities for generations to come. The Foundation's investment and spending policies are designed to preserve the inflation-adjusted spending power of its funds.

We utilize a "Total Return" approach to guide our investing and base our spending policy on a four-year average payout. This approach has enabled the Investment Committee and Board of Directors to fund the many grants and scholarships we have provided the community over the past 40 years.

We expect to meet the future needs of the community by keeping in line with our long term objectives of the fund.



# Financial Report

## Statement of Financial Position as of December 31, 2007

### ASSETS

Cash – Checking M&T	\$ 58,563
Cash - Oppenheimer	828
Accounts Receivable	1,500
Money Market Funds – Oppenheimer and M&T	262,105
Investments:	
Equities	9,530,366
Preferred Stocks	1,037,340
Corporate Bonds	695,943

**TOTAL ASSETS**    **\$ 11,586,645**

### LIABILITIES

Funds Held for Other Agencies	\$ 39,155
Accrued Payroll Taxes	1,748

**TOTAL LIABILITIES**    **\$ 40,903**

### NET ASSETS

Unrestricted	\$ 30,838
Temporarily Restricted	3,897,869
Permanently Restricted	7,617,035

**TOTAL NET ASSETS**    **\$ 11,545,742**

**TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS**    **\$ 11,586,645**

The Foundation is exempt from federal income taxes under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and classified as a public charity under section 509(a)(3). It is also exempt from state taxes and is registered with the Pennsylvania Bureau of Charitable Organizations. All contributions are accepted for use subject to the Foundation's Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws.

The official registration and financial information for Schuylkill Area Community Foundation is registered with the Pennsylvania Department of State and may be obtained by calling toll free, within Pennsylvania, 1-800-732-0999. Registration does not imply endorsement.

Copies of the annual audit report and Form 990 are available at both Foundation offices.



*The Pennsylvania Horticulture Society in partnership with Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful recognized the Yuengling Park & Gardens for the 2007 Community Greening Award.*

# New Funds



Front row from left: Eileen Kuperavage; Karl Kramer, on behalf of Schuylkill Economic Development Corp.; Joanne Purcell. Back row from left: John Sink, on behalf of First Federal Charitable Foundation; Ken Stolarick, on behalf of The M&T Charitable Foundation; Richard Purcell; James Bohorad

## Friends of the Foundation Fund

To mark the 40th Anniversary of the Foundation, the Friends of the Foundation Fund was established to allow community members to become part of the Foundation. We understand that community needs are ever changing, and unrestricted gifts enable us to have the flexibility to respond to the community's most pressing issues, today and tomorrow.

As of December 31, 2007 the list of donors includes:

A Friend	The M&T Charitable Foundation	Harry Strouse, Esq.
Dorothy L. Boeshore	PPL Corporation	Keith and Kathy Strouse
Jim and Gina Bohorad	Kurt Pfluger and Family	Frank and Nancy Toole
First Federal Charitable Foundation	Richard and Joanne Purcell	Tom and Pam Twardzik
The First National Bank of Minersville	Leonard Schumack, Esq.	Wal-Mart Distribution Center 7030
Keystone Nazareth Charitable Foundation	Schuylkill Products, Inc.	Paul and Betty White
Gerald and Eileen Kuperavage	Schuylkill Economic Development Corp.	

Contributions may be made to this fund or any other of our funds at any time and in any amount.

*You Can Make the Community a Better Place Today & Tomorrow.*

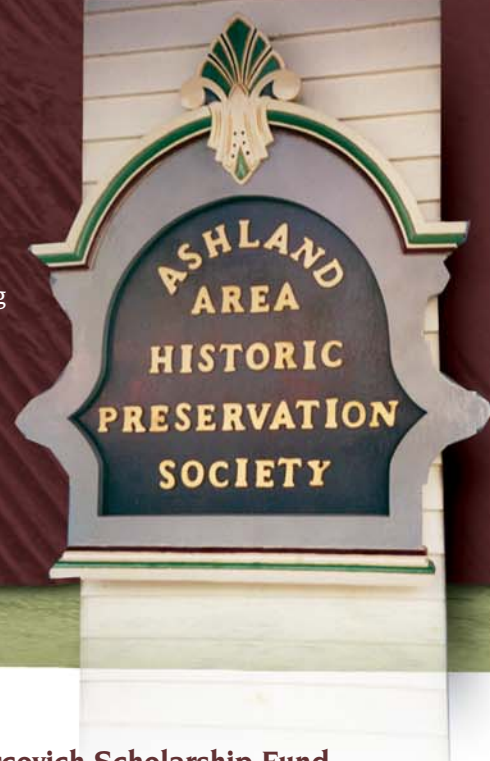


From left: Ian Lipton, Eileen Kuperavage, John Reiley, Naomi Ost and Jerry Enders

## Lasting Legacy for Pottsville

Pottsville's Lasting Legacy board of directors established the fund to support the goals of the Bicentennial Committee. The three major projects include: Yuengling Bicentennial Park, General Joulwan Park and Union Square Station, as well as projects and special events that make Pottsville a great place to live, work and play.

Lasting Legacy was created as a 501(c)(3) organization to improve the quality of life in the City of Pottsville. The Bicentennial Committee wanted the 200th birthday celebration of Pottsville to provide long-term benefits to the community and they did just that! The committee raised more than \$1.4 million for the bicentennial events and projects. "This partnership with the Community Foundation will allow the success of our recent Bicentennial to continue", said Joseph Schlitzer, President for Lasting Legacy for the City of Pottsville.



## Ashland Area Historic Preservation Society Fund

The Ashland Area Historic Preservation Society (AAHPS) created the fund as a permanent funding source for their program, ensuring long-term organizational objectives. By working with the Foundation, nonprofit organizations receive professional investment management and administrative support.

AAHPS was established on February 24, 1999. The Society encompasses the history of: Ashland, Locust Dale, Lavelle, Gordon, Fountain Springs, Girardville, and surrounding areas. The Society believes that preserving the local historic buildings and heritage is enjoyable, worthwhile and, in fact, vital to the future of the community.

## Carr-Willower Memorial Scholarship Fund

Catherine Carr-Willower, a former Ashland resident, now living in State College, has created a scholarship to honor Mrs. Willower's parents, brother and sister, and her husband, Donald Willower.

According to the wishes of Mrs. Willower, the earnings of this Scholarship Fund shall be awarded annually to graduates of North Schuylkill High School, Cardinal Brennan graduates who graduated in 2007 and earlier as well as graduates of any Catholic High School who reside in the geographic areas served by the school districts of Mahanoy Area, North Schuylkill and Shenandoah Valley at the time of their graduation from a Catholic High School. The fund provides scholarships for their attendance at any accredited college or university, and this shall include funding for graduate work. Preference shall be given to graduates who plan to enroll, or are enrolled in a program leading to a Bachelor, Master and/or Doctor degree in education, and/or educational administration. Although preference shall be given to this group, this shall not constitute a limitation, and grants may be made to graduates not in this group.

## Dorothy Wewer Narcovich Scholarship Fund



"My Aunt Dorothy was extremely charitable and generous during her lifetime and even more so in her death," said Thaddeus Madden, her nephew. "Her bequest, which has led to the creation of the Dorothy Wewer Narcovich Scholarship Fund, will help children from the Ashland area attend a Catholic school based on financial need and academic excellence. With the help of Schuylkill Area Community Foundation this will be a fitting legacy to her faith, love of Ashland and commitment to Catholic education."

Distributions from this fund will be made annually to students attending a Catholic High School in Schuylkill County and the surrounding area. The recipients must be members at St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church or St. Mauritius Roman Catholic Church in Ashland, PA. Should either church cease to exist, then the scholarship shall be made to members of the successor Roman Catholic parish serving Ashland and the surrounding area.

## Andrew Neidlinger Memorial Fund



Andrew Neidlinger was a graduate of Mahanoy Area High School Class of 2005. He was diagnosed with leukemia in October 2005 and he died on October 7, 2006 at the young age of 19. He was a kind person, a leader and always willing to help others. Andrew participated in Teens Against Tobacco, SADD, Spanish Club, Shop Club, Golden Bears football and track.

The award will be distributed annually to a student of the graduating class of Mahanoy Area High School who has been a member of the school's football team (either actively as a player, or as a substitute sitting on the bench), who has a 2.5, or better, scholastic average, and who plans to enter a medically oriented post-secondary program at an accredited institution of learning.



*The Gabriel Chamber Ensemble offers classical and contemporary chamber music of the highest professional standards and encourages young people in their attendance and involvement with this important musical form.*

## Composition of Funds

### **Designated - 60**

Andrew Neidlinger Memorial Fund  
 Ashland Area Historic Preservation Society Fund  
 Ashland Area Midget Football Association, Inc. Fund  
 Ashland Girl Scout Campership Fund  
 Ashland Public Library Fund  
 Ashland Tri-Centennial Fund  
 Ashland Volunteer Fire Department, Washington Fire Company No. 1 and American Fire Company No. 1 Trust  
 Bethany Childrens' Home Fund  
 Betsy Rubright Kent Memorial Fund  
 Carl F. Reichwein, M.D. Memorial Fund  
 Chamber of Commerce Christmas Decoration Fund  
 \* Cornelius J. McFadden and Anna M. McFadden Memorial Trust Fund (In part - 80%)  
 David Lee Sener Memorial Award  
 Dolores D. Adams Pine Grove Community Fund  
 Edward H. Watkins Memorial Fund  
 Elmer W. Toewe Memorial Fund  
 Emma T. Irwin Memorial Fund  
 Ethel M. Jones Ermert, R. N. Memorial Award in Obstetrics  
 Eureka Park Fund  
 Felker-Smith Memorial Fund  
 Foundation for Agriculture and Resource Management Shadle Nature Center/Weston Fund  
 Frackville Free Public Library Fund

Gabriel Chamber Ensemble Endowment Fund  
 George J. Schilling Memorial Fund  
 Higher Ups Park Fund  
 Jean A. Tielman, R. N., Memorial Fund  
 Johnson-Beckno (Pechno) Memorial Fund  
 Joseph M. O'Neill, Jr. Memorial Fund  
 Lasting Legacy for Pottsville  
 Leonard Chaikowsky Academic Award  
 Leslie E. Harner Instrumental Music Memorial Fund  
 Loretta Pollack Woznisky-Lonoskie Fund  
 Marie M. Campbell Scholarship Fund  
 Mark R. Bell Memorial Award  
 Mary E. and Warren E. Wert and Gertrude C. Shuler Memorial Fund  
 Maud M. Prichard Memorial Fund  
 Melba S. Royal and Robert A. Royal Fund  
 Mother's Memorial Fund  
 North Schuylkill Team of Volunteer Home Care Fund  
 Pottsville Enrichment Fund  
 Rae Ann Lubold Memorial Fund  
 Ralph W. Morgan Memorial Fund  
 Reidler Family Library Trust  
 Ringtown Area Library Fund  
 Robert C. Fetterolf Memorial  
 Roy P. Steeley Music Scholarship Fund  
 Ruth A. Wagner Memorial Fund  
 Schuylkill Community Education Council Endowment Fund

Schuylkill Conservation District Endowment Fund  
 Schuylkill County Conservation and Environmental Improvement Endowment Fund  
 Schuylkill County Society for Crippled Children - McAdams Endowment Fund  
 Schuylkill Haven Lions EMS Fund  
 Schuylkill United Way Endowment Fund  
 T. Stuart Goyne Memorial Fund  
 Tara M. Corson, Timothy R. Kimber and Joseph P. McGeoy Fund  
 Tim Stine Memorial Fund  
 The First Baptist Church of Ashland Fund  
 Washington Fire Company Community Ambulance Fund  
 William J. "Rex" Roberts Memorial Fund  
 Willow Park Fund

### **Field of Interest - 6**

Ashland Area Scouting Fund  
 Ashland Mutual Fire Insurance Company Fire & Safety Fund  
 Ben Franklin Trust  
 Isabelle Ross Mettam Performing Arts Fund  
 The Dr. Gail D. Mackey, VMD, DABVP Animal Fund  
 The Nature Fund



# Fund Growth since 1967

*Since 1967 we have grown from one fund to 107 funds and now manage assets over \$11 Million!*

## **Donor Advised - 9**

Ashland Rotary Club Charitable Trust  
Carlyon Charitable Trust Fund  
Human Services Fund  
John C. and Helen M. Schreck Memorial Fund  
Joseph A. Zane, Esq., Family Charitable Trust  
Mabel Strouse Memorial Fund  
\* Martha M. and Michael Herbert, M.D. Charitable Trust (In part)  
(The first \$6,000 of the earnings is used for scholarships.)  
Reidler Family Charitable Trust  
Reidler Family Helping Hand Fund

## **Unrestricted - 10**

\* Cornelius J. McFadden and Anna M. McFadden Memorial Trust Fund (In part - 20%)  
Eleanor B. Spencer Memorial Fund  
Elwood T. Bracey Fund  
Frank J. Pepper and Thomas J. Pepper Memorial Fund  
Friends of the Foundation Fund  
Laubenstein Memorial Fund  
Lauer Community Fund  
Marian E. Fenstermacher Memorial Fund  
The Citizens' National Bank of Ashland Community Fund  
The Community Fund

## **Scholarship**

### **(Administered by SACF) - 10**

Butler Township High School Alumni Scholarship Fund  
Carr-Willower Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Chester P. Steinger Memorial Fund (Medical)  
Dr. Robert Douglas Spencer Memorial Fund  
Dr. Rudolph A. Constien Scholarship Fund  
Frederick T. Kull and Betty A. Kull Memorial Fund  
Frederick T. Kull and Betty A. Kull Scholar-Athlete Fund  
Mary I. Kull Memorial Fund  
Shirley Manbeck Veterinary Scholarship Fund  
United Steel Workers of America, Local 14372, Scholarship Fund

## **Scholarship**

### **(Administered by Involved Schools) - 14**

Alice E. Kear Music Scholarship Fund  
Blaze Belfiore Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Chester P. Steinger Memorial Fund (Accounting)  
Dolores D. Adams Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Dorothy Wewer Narcovich Scholarship Fund  
Elizabeth K. Frank Memorial Music Fund  
FARM Youth Scholarship Fund

Huntzinger-Schadel Family Scholarship Fund

James D. Collins Memorial Scholarship Fund

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Pfluger-Przybylik Family Scholarship Fund

Raymond L. and Jean D. Tilmont Memorial Fund

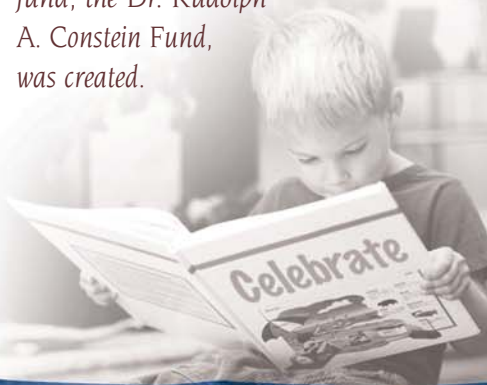
Schuylkill Haven Lions Community Charities Healthcare Scholarship Fund

Warren W. Stutzman Memorial Scholarship Fund

## **Total Funds - 107**

*\*Note: Two funds are listed under two different categories.*

*Schuylkill Area Community Foundation proudly distributed \$1,178,660.39 in scholarships since 1977 when the first scholarship fund, the Dr. Rudolph A. Constien Fund, was created.*



# Your Generosity is Appreciated

We would like to thank all the generous individuals, businesses and organizations for contributing to the Foundation's work throughout 2007. Your support is making a difference in the lives of people and organizations in Schuylkill County.

*Farewell to  
a friend, an  
inspiration,  
and original  
donor to the  
Foundation*

## Philanthropists

3C's Family Restaurant  
A Friend  
A Friend/Memory of Joseph Feeney  
(AHS Class of '44)  
A Friend/Memory of Peggy Hardnock  
Monaghan (Class of '44)  
Richard Adams  
David Ambrose  
Michael Ambrose  
Ancient Order of Hibernians  
Anonymous Donors  
Ashland Area Historic Preservation  
Society  
Ashland Area Midget Football  
Association  
Ashland Area Rotary Club  
Ashland Area Rotary Club/Memory of  
Dorothy Gough  
Ashland Area Rotary Club/Memory of  
Rotarian Evelyn (Nan) McDonald  
Ashland Little League Baseball, Inc.  
B & T Dairy Distribution  
Asma Bajwa  
John Baruka  
Nora Bauer  
Robert Belfiore  
Mr. & Mrs. Richard Berger  
Mr. & Mrs. Richard Berger/Memory of  
James E. Edling

Mr. & Mrs. Richard Berger/Memory of  
Dorothy Gough  
Bob Weaver Chevrolet  
Dorothy L. Boeshore  
Jim and Gina Bohorad  
Borough of Ashland Recreation Fund  
Boyer's Food Market, Orwigsburg  
Claude Brittingham  
Dr. Melissa Burke  
Carol, Tom & Cole Campbell  
Robert Carlyon  
Dave & Micki Casey  
Cerullo, Datte & Wallbillich  
Patricia Collins  
Darrin Brensinger Electrical Contractor  
George & Brenda Day & Family  
Day Wealth Management  
Barbara DeHaven  
Derenzo & Zerbe  
Downtown Tavern  
Ebinger Iron Works  
Carl D. & Skye L. Edling/Memory of  
James E. Edling  
Emil Ermert/Commemoration of Ethel  
M. Jones 95th birthday  
Bob Fanok  
Deborah Filanowski  
First Federal Charitable Foundation  
The First National Bank of Minersville

Foundation for Agriculture and  
Resource Management  
Angela Frank  
Friends of Andrew Neidlinger  
Dale Gerber  
Good Samaritan Regional Medical  
Center  
Anita Gordon  
Linda Haberstroh  
Heaven and Earth  
Kay Hedrick/Memory of father and  
commemoration of his birthday  
Dr. David & Kay Hedrick/Memory of  
George J. Schilling  
Herman Yudacufski Charitable  
Foundation  
Hershey Long Term Care Pharmacy  
Dr. Brenda Jenkins  
Mrs. Robert Jones & Family/Memory of  
Emil Ermert  
Dennis Kane  
Daniel Keller  
Madeline Kerrigan  
Keystone Nazareth Charitable  
Foundation  
Geoffrey & Judy Kitsock  
Mr. & Mrs. Patrick Kleman &  
Family/Memory of Emil Ermert  
Sharon Koszyk/Honor of Harry  
Strouse's 95th Birthday

*"You may not be able to help the whole world,*



The Board of Directors and staff wishes to recognize Mr. Emil R. Ermert who passed away on August 4, 2007. He was born in Ashland on January 28, 1911 to the late Rudolph and Emma Long Ermert. Mr. Ermert was one of the original founders of Schuylkill Area Community Foundation (formerly Ashland Trusts) and a former director of our board.

Emil Ermert, Ashland's borough manager at the time, wanted to create a memorial to his wife, Ethel, who had passed away in 1963. Ermert turned to the borough's solicitor, Harry Strouse, for assistance. Ermert gave Strouse \$1,000 and asked him to set up the fund.

Therefore, the Ethel M. Jones Ermert, R.N. Memorial Award in Obstetrics was established on January 23, 1967 and this award was created for a graduate of the Ashland School of Nursing. However, as years passed, the Ashland School of Nursing closed and the Board of Directors decided on November 19, 1981 that the award should be given to graduates of the Pottsville School of Nursing.

Krasno, Krasno & Onwudinjo  
 Tom Kull  
 Mr. & Mrs. Gerald Kuperavage  
 Helen Kuzma  
 L & K Construction  
 Lewis, Caravan & Williams,  
 Attorney's at Law  
 Ian Lipton  
 The M&T Charitable Foundation  
 Thaddeus Madden  
 Simon Maurer  
 McBreen Family  
 Michael B's  
 Moe's Pub  
 Muddy Creek Sportsman Club  
 Multi-Media Staging  
 Carolee Murray  
 Robert & Barbara (Watkins) Nestor  
 North Schuylkill Band Boosters  
 Nancy Olson  
 Palmyra Pharmacy  
 Terry Phelps  
 Kate Potter  
 Pottsville High School Class of 1957  
 Pottsville Lions Club  
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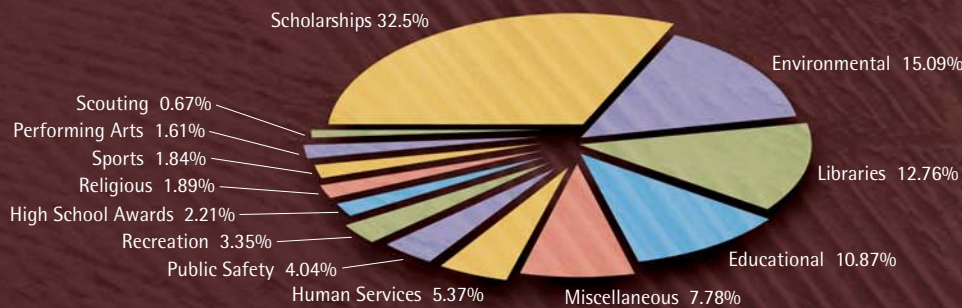
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 William Rothermel, M.D./Honor of  
 Atty. Harry Strouse's birthday  
 Michelle Sacchetti  
 Mrs. Rose Salman/Memory of Emil  
 Ermert  
 Sands Ford of Pottsville  
 G. Fred & Diane Schilling  
 Catherine Schilling/Memory of  
 George J. Schilling  
 Catherine Schilling/Commemoration  
 of 57th wedding anniversary  
 Catherine Schilling/Remembrance of  
 husband's 86th birthday  
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 Various Contributors/Memory of  
 Joseph O'Neill, Jr.  
 Mr. & Mrs. Richard Vas Dias  
 Wal-Mart Distribution Center 7030  
 Henry & Eileen Wayne/Memory of  
 Patricia Ann Stewart  
 Joanne Weikel/Remembrance of Blaze  
 Belfiore's birthday & Christmas  
 Chris Wewer  
 Paul & Betty White  
 Shirley Wolfgang/Honor of Harry  
 Strouse's 95th Birthday  
 Edward Wytovich  
 Frank & Joan Zarutskie/Memory of  
 Olga Chwastiak  
 Frank & Joan Zarutskie/Memory of  
 John G. Domalakes  
 Frank & Joan Zarutskie/Memory of  
 John Morgan  
 Zimmerman, Lieberman & Tamulonis

If we inadvertently omitted  
 a contributor, please accept  
 our sincere regrets.

*but you can make a difference in your own community."*

Elizabeth P. Carter



**Grant Distribution**

# Grants

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## **Educational**

**(\$41,966.30 - 13.08%)**

- 4-H Youth Development Program of Schuylkill County
- Good Shepherd Regional Catholic
- Lycoming College
- Marian High School
- Minersville Area School District
- Nativity B.V.M. High School
- Numerous High School Awards throughout Schuylkill County
- St. Ambrose School Improvement Fund
- St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church
- St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic School
- Temple University School of Law

## **Environmental**

**(\$48,404.90 - 15.09%)**

- City of Pottsville Shade Tree Commission
- Foundation for Agriculture & Resource Management (FARM)
- Hawk Mountain Sanctuary
- Mahanoy Creek Watershed Association
- PA Institute for Conservation Education
- Schuylkill Conservation District
- Schuylkill County Conservancy
- Schuylkill County Conservation and Environmental Improvement Endowment Fund
- Schuylkill Keep It Pretty

## **Human Services**

**(\$17,236.39 - 5.37%)**

- American Cancer Society, Schuylkill Unit
- American Heart Association, Schuylkill Unit
- American Red Cross in Schuylkill & Northumberland Co. Avenues
- Baptist Children's Services Home
- Bethany Children's Home
- Canine Partners For Life
- Gaudenzia Fountain Springs
- Literacy Council for Schuylkill County
- Make-A-Wish Foundation of Greater PA & Southern W VA
- N. Schuylkill Team of Volunteer Home Care
- Rape & Victims Assistance Center of Schuylkill Co.
- Schuylkill County Drug and Alcohol Commission
- Schuylkill County Society For Crippled Children
- Schuylkill Haven Area EMS
- Schuylkill United Way
- Schuylkill Women in Crisis
- Schuylkill YMCA
- St. Joseph Center for Special Learning
- St. Jude Research Hospital
- The Salvation Army - Service Extension

## **Libraries**

**(\$40,911.06 - 12.76%)**

- Ashland Public Library
- Beavertown Community Library
- Berwick Public Library


## **Libraries**

- Bloomsburg Public Library
- Columbia County Traveling Library Authority
- Frackville Free Public Library
- McClure Community Library
- Middleburg Community Library
- Minersville Public Library
- Orangeville Public Library
- Orwigsburg Area Free Public Library
- Pottsville Free Public Library
- Ringtown Area Library
- Schuylkill Haven Free Public Library
- Selinsgrove Community Library
- Tri-Valley Free Public Library

## **Miscellaneous**

**(\$24,944.59 - 7.78%)**

- Alzheimer's Foundation of America
- Ashland Area Historic Preservation Society
- Ashland Chamber of Commerce
- Borough of Ashland
- Charles Baber Cemetery
- Child Development Inc.
- DARE of Schuylkill County
- Freedom Guide Dogs for the Blind, Inc.
- Friends School of Baltimore
- Joe Callaghan Irish Cultural Memorial Fund
- Millersburg Ferry Boat Association
- National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa
- Schuylkill Community Education Council
- Schuylkill Haven Jaycees
- Shriners Hospital - Philadelphia



Schuylkill County Council for the Arts  
is a county community cultural  
center that promotes and  
coordinates arts and cultural  
events. Public is welcome.

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The Odyssey School  
The Seeing Eye  
The Wharton School  
Valley Forge Military Academy

### **Performing Arts** **(\$5,178.65 - 1.61%)**

ABA Mummers Club  
Ashland Area Community Choir  
Gabriel Chamber Ensemble  
Schuylkill Choral Society  
Schuylkill County Council for the Arts  
Schuylkill Symphony Orchestra  
Sovereign Majestic Theater  
Association

### **Public Safety** **(\$12,947.49 - 4.04%)**

American Hose Company  
Ashland Fire Police Association  
Pine Grove EMS  
Pine Grove Hose, Hook and Ladder  
Pine Grove North End Fire Company  
Schuylkill Haven Fire Dept. Water  
Rescue Team  
Washington Fire Co. Community  
Ambulance Assoc., Inc.  
Washington Fire Company #1

### **Recreation** **(\$10,735.11 - 3.35%)**

American Hose Company (Fireworks)  
Ashland Area Recreation Board  
Eureka Park Summer Recreation  
Mother's Memorial

### **Religious** **(\$6,067.72 - 1.89%)**

Church of the Nazarene  
St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church  
St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church  
St. Mauritius Roman Catholic Church  
United Presbyterian Church

### **Scholarships** **(\$104,235.89 - 32.50%)**

Alice E. Kear Music Scholarship  
Blaze Belfiore Memorial Scholarship  
Butler Township High School Alumni  
Scholarship  
Carr-Willower Memorial Scholarship  
Chester P. Steininger Memorial  
(Accounting) Scholarship  
Chester P. Steininger Memorial  
(Medical) Scholarship  
Dolores D. Adams Memorial  
Scholarship  
Dr. Robert Douglas Spencer Memorial  
Scholarship  
Dr. Rudolph A. Constien Scholarship  
Elizabeth K. Frank Memorial  
Scholarship  
FARM Youth Scholarship  
Frederick T. Kull and Betty A. Kull  
Memorial Scholarship  
Frederick T. Kull and Betty A. Kull  
Scholar-Athlete Scholarship  
Huntzinger-Schadel Family  
Scholarship  
James D. Collins Memorial Scholarship  
Martha M. Herbert and Michael  
Herbert, M.D. Science and  
Mathematics Scholarship

Mary I. Kull Memorial Scholarship  
Pflugger-Przybylik Family Scholarship  
Raymond L. and Jean D. Tilmont  
Memorial Scholarship  
Schuylkill Haven Lions Community  
Charities Healthcare Scholarship  
Shirley Manbeck Veterinary  
Scholarship  
United Steel Workers of America,  
Local 14372, Scholarship  
Warren W. Stutzman Memorial  
Scholarship

### **Scouting** **(\$2,155.32 - 0.67%)**

Ashland Boy Scout Troop 745  
Ashland Cub Scout Pack 749  
Hawk Mountain Council, Boy Scouts  
of America  
Penn's Woods Girl Scout Council

### **Sports** **(\$5,904.17 - 1.84%)**

Ashland Area Midget Football  
Association  
Ashland Little League Baseball, Inc.  
Ashland Teener League  
Minersville Area Youth Soccer Club  
North Schuylkill Youth Soccer  
Association  
Northern Valley Legion Baseball  
Valley Forge Military Academy &  
College Sports Fund  
Willow Park Recreation Comm. dba  
Ashland Area Girls Softball

**Total - \$320,687.59**



# Investing in your Community



## Legacies Continue to Benefit Students of Cardinal Brennan

The donors who establish funds with Schuylkill Area Community Foundation can be reassured that their original charitable intent will always be honored. As evident with the closing of Cardinal Brennan High School, it was necessary to review the original fund agreements that related to the educational advancement of Cardinal Brennan High School students since 1990.

During our review, some of the funds provided alternatives if Cardinal Brennan ceased to exist and other funds required the approval of the Orphans' Court of Schuylkill County. In addition, the over-all scheme had to be approved by the Pennsylvania Attorney General. The office received this approval from both entities.

In summary, the Marie M. Campbell Memorial Fund agreement stated that, if Cardinal Brennan closed, the annual earnings would be divided equally to Nativity B.V.M. High School and Marian High School, to pay the tuition fee, in whole or part, of students attending the Catholic High Schools.

The Dr. Robert Douglas Spencer Memorial Fund and the Carr-Willower Memorial Scholarship Fund agreements both awarded scholarships to graduates of North Schuylkill and Cardinal Brennan High Schools. The new plan for the recipients of former Cardinal Brennan scholarships provides that all Cardinal Brennan graduates will continue to be eligible, providing they meet the established criteria. For the future, any student residing in the area comprising the North Schuylkill School District, the Shenandoah Valley School District and the Mahanoy Area School District who graduates from any Catholic High School will be eligible for a scholarship.

The Jean A. Tielman R.N. Memorial Fund agreement specified that, if Cardinal Brennan ceased to exist, the award would go to a graduate of the geographically closest Catholic High School. This award will now be presented to a graduate of Nativity who plans to pursue a course of training leading either to a RN diploma or a Bachelor of Science in Nursing Degree.

## Celebrating Local Charitable Giving in Schuylkill Haven

As Schuylkill Area Community Foundation joined more than 700 community foundations across the country to celebrate local charitable giving, there was another real reason to celebrate. The Schuylkill Haven Lions Community Charities, Inc. made an additional contribution of \$150,000 into their two funds managed by the Community Foundation - \$50,000 into the EMS Fund and \$100,000 into the Healthcare Scholarship Fund.

The annual earnings of the EMS Fund are paid to the Schuylkill Haven Area EMS for use by the organization in continuing their services. The Healthcare Scholarship Fund makes annual distributions to eligible students who are employees or volunteers of the Schuylkill Haven Area EMS or graduates of the Schuylkill Haven or Blue Mountain School Districts to attend institutions of higher education majoring in healthcare related fields of study.

"We could have created our own endowment fund to accomplish these same purposes, but we would have had to get IRS approval and annual audits to maintain that kind of tax-free endowment. By contributing money to the Schuylkill Area Community Foundation, they go through the annual audits and get those approvals so we can preserve more of the asset for the charitable purposes. It works real well for us. They've done a fine job," stated Harry Rubright, Esq. and assistant vice president of the club.

We are proud to manage, invest and distribute the Schuylkill Haven Lions Community Charities funds and other donors who have entrusted us with their charitable giving.

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