



THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION  
OF SOUTH PUGET SOUND

# FACES OF *Giving*

WINTER ♦ 2007

MAKING A DIFFERENCE NOW AND FOR GENERATIONS TO COME IN THURSTON, LEWIS AND MASON COUNTIES

## SCHOLARSHIPS: Generosity Today Builds a Legacy for Tomorrow

*More than \$59,000 for scholarships was awarded in 2007 through funds managed by The Community Foundation.*

Funding for 41 scholarships came from 18 charitable funds established by area individuals and businesses. Scholarship recipients represent 22 high schools, colleges and universities, as well as a wide variety of fields of study.

New in 2007 were the \$10,000, renewable **John and Opal McGimpsey Scholarship Fund** (see article at right) and the **Tiernan-Keigher Scholarship** for an 8<sup>th</sup> grade student at Griffin Middle School.

For a detailed list of scholarship funds and their recipients, see page 3. ♦

**When you get to know John & Opal McGimpsey, you quickly learn they love their family, value education, and believe in hard work.**



*John & Opal McGimpsey*

They worked hard for years in Thurston County, owning grocery stores and a working farm. While neither John nor Opal have a college education, they recognize the value of one.

The McGimpsey's have been staunch supporters of their grandchildren's higher education pursuits. In 2005, they decided it was time to broaden their support to students at North Thurston and Olympia High Schools, two institutions that have been important in their lives.

They established two annual, renewable scholarships -- up to \$10,000 each -- for a graduate from each of these schools. The first recipients of the **John and Opal McGimpsey Scholarships** are OHS graduate Kent Reister, who is attending The Evergreen State College, and NTHS graduate Melissa Manong, who is attending the University of Washington.

Kent and Melissa were selected in May 2007 by a committee comprised of community representatives and family members. Applications for all scholarships will be available from high school counseling offices and the Foundation website in late January. ♦

**TIME RUNNING OUT FOR TAX-FREE IRA**

## *Charitable Rollovers*

The opportunity to establish a fund at the Community Foundation through a tax-free gift from your IRA is scheduled to end December 31, 2007.

If you are an IRA owner at least 70 1/2-years-old, the Pension Protection Act permits qualified donors to transfer up to \$100,000 from their IRA to the Foundation, tax-free.

Consider creating a fund for. . .

- ♦ Annual grants to one or more of your favorite charities
- ♦ A specific area of interest such as the arts, youth, parks, or literacy
- ♦ Scholarships

Have fun, be creative!



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**GAIL WYMAN ADVISED FUND BENEFITS ROCHESTER PARK**



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**KATHRYN M. WOLF MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND CREATED**



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**DRUG COURT AWARDED \$80,000 MATCHING GRANT FROM THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION**

## SPOTLIGHT ON FACES OF GIVING

By John Clees, Board Chair, &  
Norma Schuiteman, Executive Dir.

Faces in the paper or in a newsletter grab our attention. Who are they? Why are they there?

In this and future issues of *Faces of Giving*, we'll provide glimpses of those involved with the work of your community's foundation. Whether a donor, grantee, or volunteer, we think the work of the Community Foundation of South Puget Sound is about the many faces of giving.

Almost 20 years ago a small group of visionaries started the Foundation. In the years following, over 75 charitable funds have been established by donors interested in funding causes now and in the future. A retired schoolteacher, a musician, or a business owner are the faces of giving. And behind the faces are their hopes and dreams for the community.

Weaving support through our community are the nonprofit organizations that enrich our lives and address local needs. We see the faces of giving in the staff and volunteers in organizations in Lewis, Mason and Thurston Counties. Their work is as varied as serving on boards to building parks to providing dental care.

And what about the faces of those who benefit from the grants? The senior whose pet receives veterinary care? The child in foster care who receives needs for their instrument? The adult who learns to read? The student who learns about watershed protection? Each life strengthened enriches the entire community.

Many faces...all building a stronger community in South Puget Sound.

How do you see yourself in this picture? ♦

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On behalf of the Board of Directors,  
we wish you and your loved ones  
a joyous holiday season.

# Taking Pleasure in Grant Making

**Gail A. Wyman is experiencing the joy of making grants from her donor advised fund.**

Gail is a generous and happy woman, taking great pleasure in life including tending her garden, reading and enjoying friends and family. Her philanthropic spirit inspired her to create the Gail Wyman Advised Fund to maximize her charitable giving.



Gail Wyman (center) at Rochester Community Park

This past summer, Gail sought input from the Foundation about places in the community that could use support. She learned about local nonprofit organizations that address the issues she cares about.

Later in the summer, grants from the Gail Wyman Advised Fund were awarded to Rochester Community Park to construct a shelter and buy swings and park benches, and to the Hands on Children's Museum for their support group for Spanish speaking mothers which meets in cooperation with SafePlace.

A connection was created – between a donor with a generous spirit and an organization with a need – through the Foundation. ♦

## Spring Grant Awards

*In the Spring of 2007, The Community Foundation of South Puget Sound awarded \$67,700 in grants from 12 separate funds. The funds -- set up by individuals and businesses to support the community -- are administered by the Foundation. A total of 19 grants, in response to applications received, were awarded to nonprofits in Thurston, Lewis and Mason Counties. This is community philanthropy at work! To set up your own fund, call Foundation Director Norma Schuiteman at 360.705.3340.*

| <b>ORGANIZATION</b>                             | <b>GRANT</b>   | <b>PURPOSE</b>                                                          |
|-------------------------------------------------|----------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| American Cancer Society .....                   | \$2,000 .....  | Camp Good Times camperships for children with cancer                    |
| Capital Club House .....                        | \$2,000 .....  | Purchase undergarments for distribution at clothing closet              |
| Capitol Land Trust.....                         | \$1,200 .....  | Provide signage for interpretive displays                               |
| Cascade Land Conservancy .....                  | \$2,000 .....  | Volunteer recruitment for Mason County education & restoration projects |
| Catholic Community Services Family Center ..... | \$4,000 .....  | Provide funding for meals for homeless and low-income families          |
| Child Care & Educational Services .....         | \$5,000 .....  | Parenting classes for women in BHR Recovery Services                    |
| Concern for Animals .....                       | \$3,000 .....  | Spay & neuter assistance program                                        |
| East Lewis County Chamber of Commerce .....     | \$2,000 .....  | Expand economic development and enrichment services                     |
| Garden Raised Bounty (GRUB).....                | \$2,000 .....  | Youth leadership & garden-building work in Thurston/Mason Counties      |
| Grand Mound Rochester Park Association .....    | \$11,500 ..... | Rochester Community Park improvements                                   |
| Hands on Children's Museum.....                 | \$5,000 .....  | Provide staff for evening groups for women and children                 |
| Holly Ridge Center .....                        | \$5,000 .....  | Medical support for Mason County infants and toddlers                   |
| Mason County Children's Dental Coalition.....   | \$3,000 .....  | Purchase dental equipment for 2-chair dental clinic                     |
| Mason County Literacy .....                     | \$3,000 .....  | Support adult basic literacy program in Hawks Prairie                   |
| Neighborhood Free Medical Clinic.....           | \$5,000 .....  | Purchase medical record storage system                                  |
| Parent to Parent.....                           | \$5,000 .....  | Summer speech, physical and occupational therapy for children           |
| Save our County's Kids (SOCK) .....             | \$4,000 .....  | After-school educational programs in greater Shelton area               |
| Thurston Community Television.....              | \$2,500 .....  | Expand Youth And Young Adult (YAYA) Media program                       |
| YWCA of Olympia .....                           | \$2,500 .....  | Bathroom renovation for ADA compliance at The Other Bank                |

# 2007 SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS AND RECIPIENTS



Melissa Manong, NTHS McGimpsey Scholarship



*EIGHTEEN CHARITABLE FUNDS MANAGED BY THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF SOUTH PUGET SOUND PROVIDED 41 SCHOLARSHIPS VALUED AT MORE THAN \$59,000.*

◆ **ELLEN ANDERSON DEMOISE SCHOLARSHIP**  
Iris Craig, Mossyrock HS  
Betsy Ann Penman, Centralia HS  
James R. Rae, White Pass HS

◆ **DAN R. MONTGOMERY SCHOLARSHIP**  
Denise L. Patrick, Rochester HS

◆ **CLIFF TANASSEE REMODELERS COUNCIL (YAKIMA)**  
Mary L. LaBissoniere, Univ of WA

**GRIFFIN SCHOOL FOUNDATION'S . . .**

◆ **CODY BROWN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**  
Kirsten Norberg, Capital HS

◆ **TIERNAN-KEIGHER SCHOLARSHIP** (8<sup>th</sup> grade student)  
Tyler Holien-Kettel, Griffin Middle School

◆ **WILLIAM AND DOROTHY JUDAH SCHOLARSHIP**  
Dakota K. Bennett, Olympia HS

◆ **L & E BOTTLING COMPANY SCHOLARSHIP**  
Dakota K. Bennett, Olympia HS

◆ **DALLAS & MARGUERITE EDWARDS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**  
Brian Walto, Yelm HS

◆ **HELEN & HAROLD WOLF MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND** - Jessica Porter, Yelm HS



Kent Reister, OHS McGimpsey Scholarship

◆ **JOHN & OPAL MCGIMPSEY SCHOLARSHIP**  
Melissa B. Manong, North Thurston HS  
Kent S. Reister, Olympia HS

◆ **NORTH OLYMPIC FIRE DISTRICT SCHOLARSHIP**  
Sarah Boyle, The Evergreen State College  
Matt Gerth, South Puget Sound CC  
Michelle Gerth, Boise State  
Chelsey Parvinen, Portland State Univ  
Devin Parvinen, South Puget Sound CC

**OLYMPIA HIGH SCHOOL FOUNDATION'S . . .**

◆ **LAURIE CALLAGHAN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**  
Nicole Grosey

◆ **JOHN D. CREIGHTON EX-POW SCHOLARSHIP**  
Susie DeBord

◆ **ALFRED R. "DICK" LEWIS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**  
Nick Jorstad

◆ **CHRIS PETERS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**  
Casey Minnick

◆ **FACULTY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**  
James Bauer

◆ **SCHORNO FAMILY YELM SCHOLARSHIP**  
Kelsey Anderson, Yelm HS  
Johnny Bagwell, Yelm HS  
Brian Walton, Yelm HS

◆ **LEARNING SEED FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP**  
Andrea Barcinas, River Ridge HS  
Jalisa Bullock, Tacoma CC (*renewal*)  
Darcel Carter, WA State Univ (*renewal*)  
Grace Crumpton, New York Univ (*renewal*)  
Katrana De'Armani, So Puget Sound CC (*renewal*)  
Sarra Hashim, Western WA Univ (*renewal*)  
Tali Johnson, AG West Black Hills  
Thanh Le, Univ of WA (*renewal*)  
Thien-Y Le, North Thurston HS  
Zena McCurdy, River Ridge HS  
Anna Moak, Tumwater HS  
Rachael O'Flaherty, Western WA Univ (*renewal*)  
Rashawn Scott, Stadium HS  
Andrew Sing, Olympia HS  
Hongngha Son, River Ridge HS

**GRIFFIN SCHOOL:  
TIERNAN-KEIGHER  
SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

**JOHN & OPAL MCGIMPSEY  
SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

**DON RHODES FAMILY FUND**

**CHET RHODES FAMILY  
CHEHALIS AREA FUND**

**THE VANNERSON FAMILY  
ADVISED FUND**

**THE VANNERSON FAMILY  
ENDOWED FUND**

**KATHRYN M. WOLF  
MEMORIAL  
SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

**UNITED WAY OF THURSTON  
COUNTY ENDOWMENT FUND**

**NEXT STEP  
SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

**THURSTON COUNTY DENTAL  
ACCESS NETWORK (TCDAN)  
FUND**

## NEW Kathryn M. Wolf Memorial Scholarship Fund Established

In April, the Yelm community was saddened by the death of Kathryn M. Wolf.

Kathryn was a devoted public servant, wife, mother, and grandmother, and an ardent supporter of education. In recognition of her belief in the importance of education, the Kathryn M. Wolf Memorial Scholarship Fund was created with memorial gifts from friends and family.

Yelm High School students will benefit for years to come as the earnings from this endowment fund provide for scholarships through the Yelm Dollars for Scholars Program.



Kathryn M. Wolf

*The mission of The Community Foundation of South Puget Sound is to strengthen Lewis, Mason and Thurston Counties by connecting donors with causes that matter, encouraging the growth of permanent charitable funds, providing wise stewardship of those funds, engaging in strategic grant making, and providing leadership to address community needs. ◆*



**MATCHING GRANT:  
DRUG COURT  
RECEIVES  
\$80,000 GIFT**



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**LAST SPRING, THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPROVED A MATCHING GRANT OF \$80,000 FOR THE THURSTON COUNTY DRUG COURT. THE PROGRAM HAS A WAITING LIST AND THE GRANT WAS AWARDED TO INCREASE THE PROGRAM'S CAPACITY.**

The Drug Court – an alternative to incarceration – is a cost-effective, proven program for drug-using offenders. It teaches participants how to become productive members of society.

With traditional incarceration, 75 percent of those who go to jail offend again. Drug Court graduates, having gone

through a treatment based program, have a remarkably low 11% recidivism rate. Additionally, the Drug Court is only \$16 a day, compared to \$72 a day to house offenders in the Thurston County jail.

The Foundation provided \$40,000 in June 2007 and will award the remainder in early 2008. County matching funds will come from the superior

court operating budget. The grant allows for hiring of staff and purchasing of supplies in order to increase annual program capacity from 72 to 98 individuals.

The Thurston County Board of Commissioners recognized this unusual opportunity to partner with a local funder to accomplish a goal it could not achieve on its own.

**To Find Out More about *YOUR* Community Foundation, as well as see a complete list of funds, visit [www.thecommunityfoundation.com](http://www.thecommunityfoundation.com).**

Tax Form 990 is available at the Foundation office.  
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