

Helping *Dreams* Take Flight



**Vanderburgh
Community
Foundation**

For Good. Forever.

2010 Annual Report

Remembering a *Legacy* in Vanderburgh County

“Our parents taught my brothers and me values and the importance of giving back to the community,” says Ann Jochum, older sister of Robert “Bubba” Jochum. “That is one of the reasons why our family turned to the Vanderburgh Community Foundation to start a scholarship fund on behalf of my brother. We knew Bubba would rather the money go towards the community and children.”

Robert “Bubba” Jochum was a well-known student at FJ Reitz High School. He was born on the Turtle Mountain Chippewa Indian Reservation on the North Dakota-Canada border in March 1967. The following June, Bubba was adopted by Marilyn and Leroy Jochum and brought home to Evansville’s Westside. Bubba grew up playing sports and was heavily involved in playing baseball for his school. However, athletics were not his only passion; he also loved working with children. He held a job at the Boys & Girls Club helping children and becoming their mentor.

Bubba had a soft heart for wanting to help others and was very loyal to his friends and family. When his mother was diagnosed with cancer, he was the one who helped take care of her. “Before he went to work every day he would wake up early and make her coffee and lay out her breakfast, says Ann. He went out of his way to make sure she was comfortable.”

Bubba graduated from Reitz and attended Oakland City University. During his time at the university, Bubba met a girl named Mindy Lutz. They dated while they went to school and were married in 2002.

After complications following surgery in 2003, Bubba passed away. It was a sudden death and very hard for friends and family. During his funeral, masses of his friends stood in long lines to share their memories and stories of Bubba. “You could really see how much Bubba had impacted their lives,” recalls Ann.

The Jochums decided to establish a scholarship through the Vanderburgh Community Foundation in memory of their son Bubba. It was Ann who introduced the idea of a charitable fund to her parents. “We didn’t put the money in a fund for an ego trip, but so my brother’s name would be carried on and remembered through the years,” says Ann.

Board of Trustees

The Vanderburgh Community Foundation is represented by community leaders who live or work in the county and who are motivated by a true desire to promote philanthropy by helping others connect with the charities they care about in a meaningful and lasting way. Individuals who are invited to serve on our board have been identified as leaders in their field and in the broader community.

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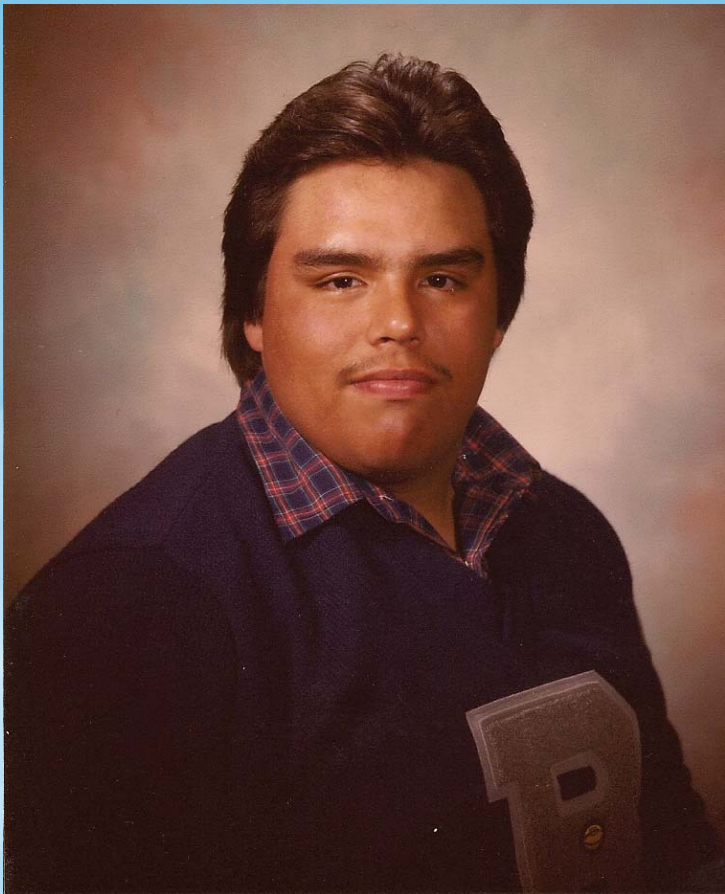
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*Bubba
Jochum*

The scholarship is for graduates of Reitz High School because that is where Bubba and the other Jochum children went to school. It recognizes Bubba's interest in the welfare of children and the diverse way students can use college studies to improve the lives of children.

"The scholarship is designed for any student wanting to go into a field where they help children, such as a teacher or social worker," said Ann. "Bubba loved children so we want to see the funds go to someone else who loves working and being with children."

For more information about VCF Scholarship Funds or the Robert "Bubba" Jochum Memorial Scholarship, contact Barbara Dicken at 422- 1245 or barb@vcfoundation.org.

Year at a Glance

As of June 30, 2010

Foundation Established **1992**

Funds Serving our Community **88**

Funds Established This Year **5**

Total Assets **\$11,370,031**

Grants and Scholarship Awarded **\$399,463**

Lilly Endowment Community Scholarships **\$511,218**

VCF Helps Aurora Fight Homelessness

“I am helping people while I am doing something I love,” said Susan Steinkamp, an outreach team leader for Aurora. “Our community is lucky to have a Homelessness Prevention Team because most communities are not quite as lucky.”

In 2010, the Vanderburgh Community Foundation awarded a grant to Aurora’s Homeless Outreach Team (HOT). The HOT team seeks to identify and engage people who are homeless in Vanderburgh County.

HOT is a group of people that help homeless people with transportation, housing search, support, and much more. HOT responds to the ever-increasing needs and concerns of homeless individuals and families in our community.

Since receiving the grant at the beginning of the year, HOT has used the money toward their clients and helping them find permanent housing.

One gentleman in particular has been able to find housing because of the grant from VCF. He had been living on the streets or in different shelters in the community for over 10 years. People from the HOT committee had been working with him to build a relationship. He had barriers that the workers had to help him overcome and it took time for him to trust someone again.



Susan Steinkamp helping a client find transportation to work.



A
homeless
site in
Vanderburgh
County

“The grant has allowed our workers to not put a timeline on building relationships with their clients,” said Steinkamp. “Our services can go a long way with enough trust and patience.”

The HOT staff helped this man to find permanent housing. According to Steinkamp, the client has so much pride in his new home and keeps it in the best shape.

Aurora accepts people as they are and understands that everyone has their own story. “We hope the community starts to feel the same way and starts reaching out to fight homelessness,” says Luzada Hayes, Executive Director for Aurora.

Grants like the one to Aurora are made possible by undesignated endowment funds. If you would like to receive email notification about VCF grant cycles, please sign up at www.vcfoundation.org.

Becoming a member of the Vanderburgh Community Foundation’s donor family offers an easy way for you to accomplish your charitable dreams. As our partner in giving, you receive the simplicity and tax advantages of a public charity combined with the personal involvement and flexibility of a private foundation. You also gain access to the highest level of strategic thinking on ways to meet community challenges to help make your community investments as effective as possible. And because we plan to be here, serving this community forever, you can be assured that there will be a permanent source of funds available for the organizations and causes you care about most.

Outright Gift. You can make a gift of cash, stocks, bonds, real estate, or other assets to your community foundation. Your charitable gift qualifies for tax advantages under federal law.

Bequest by Will. You can designate a gift or portion of your estate to your community foundation and, in some cases, receive a substantial reduction in federal gift and estate taxes.

Life Insurance. For those whose need for life insurance has decreased, making a gift of an unneeded policy can be a convenient and effective way of meeting your charitable goals.

Charitable Gift Annuity. You can make a gift of cash or property to your community foundation now, get immediate tax benefits, and ensure that you or a loved one receive fixed annual income payments for life.

Charitable Remainder Trust. You can place cash or property in a trust that pays annual income to you (or another named beneficiary) for life. After your death, the remainder of the trust transfers to your community foundation and is placed into a charitable fund you have selected. You receive income tax benefits the year you establish your trust.

Charitable Lead Trust. You can place cash or property into a trust that pays a fixed amount to your community foundation for the number of years you select. Once this period ends, the assets held by the trust are transferred to the beneficiaries you name. In some cases, you receive a substantial reduction in federal gift and estate taxes.

Each individual, family, or organization we work with has unique charitable interests ... and unique financial circumstances. We help you make the most of both, so you receive the greatest return on your community investment. Contact Barb Dicken, director of the Vanderburgh Community Foundation, at 422.1245 or barb@vcfoundation.org.

Community Scholars

The Foundation administers various scholarship funds established by individuals, families, corporations, and organizations to assist local students in pursuit of advanced education. Together, these scholarships make up our Community Scholarship Program.

Cassin- David Educational Endowment Scholarship

Justin Ahlbrand, Central High School

Central High School Class of 1945 Evelyn Church Hatfield Scholarship

Sarah Krampe, Central High School

Harrison High School Class of 1965 Scholarship

Jordan Kanter, Harrison High School

David A. Koehler Sr. Memorial Scholarship

Alyssa Slater, Central High School

Russ Mason Memorial Golf Scholarship

Max Bowling, North High School

Rease Henry McDaniel Memorial Scholarship

Ashley Lohman, Harrison High School

Dorothy Rapp Music Scholarship

Rebecca L. Lauer, Indiana University

Chief Justice Randall T. Shepard Scholarship

Michael Forston, Harrison High School

Thomas F. Walls Youth Hockey Scholarship

Tyler Wargel, Mater Dei High School

Jeremy Weil Memorial Art Scholarship

David Levine, Signature School



VCF awarded
\$11,570 in scholarships
this year.

Lilly Endowment Community Scholars



Caitlyn Hammack
Memorial High School
DePauw University



David Korb
Reitz High School
Butler University



Olivia O'Dell
Memorial High School
Indiana University



William Sievern
Memorial High School
University of Notre Dame

Lilly Scholar Alternates

To honor and recognize their selection as alternates for the Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship, the foundation awarded scholarships to each of the following students:

Molly Groves, Bosse High School
Sarah Higdon, Central High School
Andrew Kasha, Memorial High School
Sydney Rickelman, Reitz High School

Spirit of Giving Awards

The Vanderburgh Community Foundation created the Spirit of Giving awards to recognize and acknowledge those who dedicate their lives and resources to helping others. Our goal is to educate the community about the importance of philanthropy, honor those who give, and ensure that the tradition of philanthropy is continued by future generations. Our vision is a community in which becoming a philanthropist and volunteer is as valued and desirable a goal as success in athletics, business, entertainment, or any other field.

Children's Philanthropist Award



The Children's Philanthropist Award recognizes individuals who demonstrate an outstanding commitment to advancing the quality of life for children in the areas of social services, education, and health. This year, the award was given to Terry Huber in recognition of his work as a trainer of the Stewards of Children child sexual abuse prevention program at the Lampron Center. Huber has worked with the program for over fourteen years and has been able to teach the Stewards of Children program to many people in the community.

Outstanding Volunteer Fundraiser Award



The Outstanding Volunteer Fundraiser Award recognizes individuals who demonstrate commitment and success as a volunteer fundraiser for the benefit of charitable institutions. This year the award was given to Ted Ziemer Jr. in recognition of his work in raising funds for the University of Southern Indiana, the Daughters of Charity, St. Mary's Medical Center and the building campaign for Holy Rosary Catholic Church.

Our mission is to
SERVE our donors,
BUILD our community's
permanent endowment,
EXERCISE stewardship
in grantmaking, and
PROVIDE leadership
to address community
needs and opportunities.



This report is based on our most recent fiscal year, which began on July 1, 2009, and ended on June 30, 2010. Every attempt has been made to ensure that all information included in this report is accurate. We apologize for any errors or omissions.

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