

News from the WVU FOUNDATION

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Expanding the Impact of Private Philanthropy

Outstanding philanthropists named

The WVU Foundation has announced the recipients of its 2014 Outstanding Philanthropy awards.

This year's recipients are **Earl G. "Ken" and Randy Kendrick**, Milan Puskar Outstanding Philanthropists; **Curtis H. "Hank" and Joanne Harner Barnette**, Outstanding Volunteer Philanthropists; **Daywood Foundation**, Hazel Ruby McQuain Outstanding Philanthropic Foundation; and **Mylan and Mylan Charitable Foundation**, Outstanding Philanthropic Corporation.

Over the years, Ken and Randy Kendrick's gifts have primarily benefitted the College of Business and Economics, WVU Athletics and programs dedicated to pediatric vision research. The most transformative, however, remains the Ken and Randy Kendrick Fund for Free Market Research. The fund allows faculty and students to examine ways entrepreneurship is encouraged through lower taxes, reduced regulation, secure private property rights and personal responsibility.

Mr. Kendrick currently serves on the WVU Foundation Board of Directors.

Hank and Joanne Barnette have established three scholarships at WVU; scholarships at Manchester University for WVU students; and student scholarships at six other universities based upon merit and need with preference given to West Virginians. They also created a professorship in political science at WVU, established a board of governors' room at Erickson Alumni Center, and have other projects pending.

As an alumnus, Mr. Barnette has served on numerous governing and advisory boards, including chairman of the WVU Board of Governors, now chairman emeritus, and chairman of the WVU Foundation Board of Directors, now director emeritus.

The majority of the Daywood Foundation's contributions to WVU have been given in support of WVU Hospitals. In 2003, the Daywood Foundation honored Arthur Dayton with the creation of the Arthur S. Dayton Professorship of Law. In 2009, the Daywood Foundation made a major gift toward construction of the new WVU Art Museum in recognition of Ruth Woods Dayton's interest in art.

Mylan's corporate giving in Morgantown spans across a variety of important causes, including the United Way of Monongalia and Preston Counties, the local American Red Cross chapter, the Bartlett House, Big Brothers Big Sisters of North Central West Virginia and BOPARC programming, to name a few.

In addition to its corporate giving, Mylan provides funding to the Mylan Charitable Foundation, which has supported local programs and community facilities in Morgantown and elsewhere.



From left are WVU Foundation President and CEO Cindi Roth, WVU President Gordon Gee, Ken Kendrick, Joanne Barnette, Joe Duda representing Mylan, Hank Barnette and WVU Foundation Board Chairman Bob Reynolds.

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From the President and CEO



Cindi Roth

Summer greetings, friends!

I certainly trust that all of you are enjoying a terrific summer in your corner of the world. Summer is a reminder that it's important to take time to recharge one's batteries and spend precious time with family and friends at a place you don't typically visit, whether near or far from home. I hope you have had a chance to do just that!

Summertime at the WVU Foundation is a busy time wrapping up the end of a fiscal year, and ours was quite successful, as we achieved several important milestones. Many of those achievements are noted in this newsletter, and others will be shared in the coming weeks.

It's also a time for important planning for the coming year ahead. Our WVU Foundation board and staff are embarking upon a strategic planning effort that will help guide us toward the next several years and ensure our continued support for West Virginia University.

I am getting settled in as your new Foundation president and am so appreciative of the many passionate alums and friends who have graciously welcomed me thus far. I will continue to reach out and look forward to meeting many more of you as we strive to raise the bar in philanthropic support for our great University.

Thank you for your dedicated giving. I am confident that together we will exceed our goals!

Let's Go Mountaineers!

Cindi Roth

WVUF board members honored

Two current members of the WVU Foundation Board of Directors were recently recognized for their successful careers and service to their alma mater.



Doug Van Scoy

Doug Van Scoy, who earned two degrees from WVU in 1966 and 1968, was inducted into the Order of Vandalia, the highest honor for extraordinary service to WVU.



Fred Tattersall

Fred Tattersall, a 1970 finance graduate, received an honorary degree from WVU during May commencement. The degree was awarded during the College of Business and Economics graduation ceremony.

Ann Bowser retires



Ann Bowser

After 34 years of dedicated service to the WVU Foundation, Ann Bowser has retired.

Bowser served as executive assistant to five WVU Foundation presidents: Lysander Dudley, Jim Robinson, Duke Perry, Wayne King and Cindi Roth.

She also served as chief liaison between the Foundation Board of Directors and administrative staff.

Congratulations Ann and enjoy your well-deserved retirement!

Recent grads reflect, express thanks



Check out what May graduates are saying about your support and their time at WVU. View the video at: <http://www.astateofminds.com/2014-graduates>

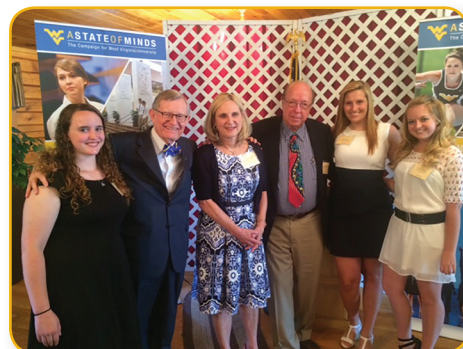


Morgantown couple donates \$3 million for scholarships

An alumnus and his wife have donated \$3 million to WVU to establish endowed scholarships for students attending the University from Preston County as well as student-athletes in WVU's basketball program.

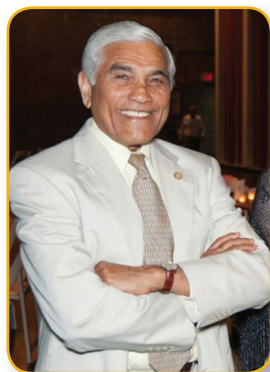
By naming the WVU Foundation as a beneficiary of part of a life insurance policy, John and Mary Anne Hardesty are donating \$1 million to establish the John R. Hardesty, Jr. and Mary Anne Hardesty Preston County Scholarship. The Hardestys also are contributing an additional \$1 million to a WVU basketball scholarship fund they established several years ago in memory of their son, Johnny Hardesty. Use for the remaining \$1 million is yet to be determined by the Hardestys.

"Sincerest thanks to John and Mary Anne for their continued generosity to West Virginia University -- particularly as they help young people from their hometown area fulfill their dreams of a college education and honor their late son, Johnny, through a basketball scholarship fund in his name," said WVU President E. Gordon Gee. "Such generous support will continue to foster excellence at our University."



Scholarship recipients join WVU President Gordon Gee and the Hardestys for the gift announcement.

Professor emeritus created endowed fund to assist student food bank



Jo Nath

For more than 40 years before his retirement in 2009, Joginder Nath gave to WVU students by mentoring and sharing his knowledge as a genetics professor. Now, he is giving back in a different way, but helping students is still at the core.

Through the WVU Foundation, Nath, now an emeritus professor, has established the Nath Student Food Pantry Endowment that will provide

funds to purchase food for distribution to students from "The Rack", WVU's student food pantry.

"Students have been my life," Nath said. "I would not be where I am today if it wasn't for the students. So we must take care of them. They are very precious."

"The Rack" at WVU is funded solely through private donations and grants. The Nath donation is the first ever endowment in support of this initiative.

Osher Foundation awards \$1 million grant to fund scholarships

Non-traditional students looking to earn a college degree at WVU will have the opportunity to receive scholarship support thanks to a \$1 million endowed grant from The Bernard Osher Foundation.

The Osher Reentry Scholarship Program is for individuals who have experienced an interruption in their education of five or more years and want to resume their education at the undergraduate level. The endowment provides a permanent funding source for a scholarship program that The Osher Foundation has supported at WVU with \$50,000 annual grants for the past three years.

The endowment will fund a minimum of 10 scholarships annually each valued at \$5,000 which can be used solely for tuition and fees. It is intended to benefit students who have considerable years of employability ahead of them.

"It's truly remarkable for WVU to receive such an endowment that will enable adult learners to return to this University to pursue their dream," said Elizabeth Dooley, associate provost for undergraduate academic affairs at WVU. "It is special that we have a scholarship category established just for the returning student."

Couple pledges \$1 million to WVU's engineering college in support of new faculty



J. Wayne and Kathy Richards

New faculty members in the Statler College of Engineering and Mineral Resources will now have access to funds to support travel, research and technology enhancements thanks

to a \$1 million endowed gift made by alumnus J. Wayne Richards and his wife, Kathy.

The Wayne and Kathy Richards Faculty Scholars Fund, a first-of-its-kind endowment at WVU, will provide flexible funds to allow the college to hire, retain, reward and recognize faculty members who have not yet achieved tenure. It will be awarded for a period of three years and is renewable if the recipient shows progress toward being granted tenure.

“This gift is unique in the fact that it addresses a real need in helping to set the stage for faculty support and tenure in the Statler College,” said J. Wayne Richards, who serves as president and chief executive officer of GR Energy Services, a Houston, Texas-based oilfield products and services company. “It provides a wide range of support geared toward attracting and retaining top-quality educators that will allow WVU to compete on a national stage in STEM-associated areas for research dollars and grants.

“Our hope is this unique gift will give leaders in the Statler College the latitude to address shortcomings in compensation that can occur during a normal academic year.”

Alumnus endows scholarship for safety management grad students

While looking back at his long and enjoyable career, Bill Powell, vice president of member relations at AEGIS, thought it was time to give thanks to the program that started him on his lifelong career path.

Powell recently pledged \$25,000 to the Statler College of Engineering and Mineral Resources to fund scholarships for graduate students studying in the safety management program, from which he graduated in 1975.

Powell says his career in safety management has been “very rewarding and wonderful” and owes it to the education he received at WVU.

Entrepreneur Ming Hsieh donates \$250K to forensics program



Philanthropist Ming Hsieh observes the work of a WVU student majoring in forensic and investigative science.

Accomplished entrepreneur and philanthropist Ming Hsieh has pledged \$250,000 from the Hsieh Family Foundation over the next five years to support exemplary faculty in the WVU Forensic and Investigative Science Program.

The Ming Hsieh Faculty Development Fund will support critical investments that enhance the ability of faculty to successfully obtain competitive research grant awards.

“This donation will greatly assist the Forensic and Investigative Science department in developing new research directions, enhance the research experience of our students, and grow the scientific support for the greater forensic science community,” said Keith Morris, Ming Hsieh Distinguished Professor of Forensic and Investigative Science.

Farm Credit gift supports graduate education in agriculture

The Davis College of Agriculture, Natural Resources and Design was received a \$100,000 endowment from the Farm Credit of the Virginias.

Calling it “an investment in the future of agriculture,” the gift will create the Farm Credit Agriculture Graduate Student Fund for students in agriculture-related master’s and doctoral programs in the Davis College. It will provide research seed money, defray the costs of conference and research travel, support study abroad opportunities and enable other activities that enhance graduate education in agriculture at WVU.

“Farm Credit of the Virginias is excited to support the Davis College and make this investment in the future leaders of agriculture,” said David Lawrence, CEO of the company. “We view this as a way of paying forward, supporting the next generation of great thinkers in our industry.”

WVU alumni, friends donate more than \$85 million in FY14

Alumni and friends of WVU gave \$85.7 million in cash and in-kind gifts between July 1, 2013 and June 30, 2014, the fifth largest annual amount ever received in the Foundation's 60-year history.

"Not surprising, alumni and friends of WVU stepped up again this past fiscal year," said Cindi Roth, WVU Foundation president & CEO. "As I continue to meet our donors, what strikes me most is their passion and loyalty for their University, and their spirit of giving. On behalf of our Foundation team, I want to thank each of them for their generosity which is having such a positive, lasting impact across campus."

Over the past fiscal year, 20,898 donors made 38,897 gifts. The contributions span all areas of the University, including academics, research, health sciences and athletics.

"Our alumni and friends continue to be extremely generous," said WVU President Gordon Gee. "Their investments are helping West Virginia University advance on the national and international stage in so many areas – research and discovery; supporting student scholarship and financial needs; attracting the best faculty, staff and students; and expanding our laboratories and classrooms. Our donors truly believe in their land-grant University and its role in making the American dream come true."



The 2014 Foundation Scholars were named during a May ceremony at Blaney House. Receiving WVU's most prestigious scholarship are, from left, Savannah Lusk of Covell, Nicole Hegele of Shady Spring, Anna Cokeley of Harrisville, Daniel Berrebi of Morgantown, and Kensey Bergdorf of Evans. The scholarship is valued at \$80,000 and provides full tuition and fees plus room-and-board to five in-state students.



In celebration of the Mountain State's 151st birthday on June 20, the Blenko family donated the newest addition of the West Virginia Blenko Birthday Glass Collection to WVU's art collection. The latest collectible, "Appalachia Sunrise", is now part of a complete collection most of which was given to the University in 2007 by alumna and former Foundation scholar Dr. Hillary Homburg DDS.

Pride Travel Fund campaign underway

Alumni and friends of WVU and the Mountaineer Marching Band are being asked to help the band travel this fall, including a planned trip to Atlanta for the Aug. 30 Chick-fil-A Kickoff Game against the Alabama Crimson Tide.

The Pride Travel Fund, established by the WVU Foundation, is now accepting donations to help defray 2014 travel costs for the "Pride of West Virginia", as the band is known. Along with a trip to the Georgia Dome, the band also plans to travel to the Maryland game Sept. 13, as well as locations around the state and region for concert and exhibition performances.

"Getting the nearly 400 member band plus staff to away games or events around the state is very expensive," said Jay Drury, the band's director. Drury said that buses, hotels and food are the three major travel expenses. The largest being the nine charter buses needed to transport the band.

Anyone interested in contributing to The Pride Travel Fund may do so by contacting WVU Foundation, 304-284-4000, or www.PrideTravelFund.com.



Woodburn Circle Society is the WVU Foundation's most prestigious philanthropic society. Membership is available to those who make one-time gifts or pledges of at least \$100,000 to benefit WVU and its affiliated organizations.

Newest members include:

Antero Resources Corporation
Cobank
Donald R. & Jan C. Culp
Estate of Constance Dillow
Richard J. & Sharon G. Dlesk
John A. Forman
Jeffrey S. & Stacy L. Hammel

James W. & Sharon L. Harvey
The Health Plan of the Upper Ohio Valley, Inc.
Dinah & Terry Hess
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Become an 'Ally'



Many who have attended WVU appreciate that they had numerous allies during those times. Learning is a communal endeavor which involves family, professors, classmates, friends and others. Students may not realize it, but donors are their allies too. Supporting those future students, their faculty, programs, or other important aspects of the University is an opportunity open to all of us.

Some choose to set up a special fund through their will as their legacy to WVU. It's easy to do when establishing your overall estate plan to benefit loved ones as well. Have your attorney use the wording of "to the West Virginia University Foundation, Inc. (FEIN 55-6017181) for the benefit of __ (specify purpose) __."

Funds in retirement accounts can also be a smart way to support WVU. Naming the WVU Foundation as the after-death beneficiary of the account and completing an agreement with the Foundation for the use of the future gift will take care of everything.

Learn more on the wvuf.org site under Ways to Give and then Planned Giving. Both of these helpful gifts count in A State of Minds: The Campaign for West Virginia's University as long as the donor will be at least age 70 by the end of the campaign.



The Irvin Stewart Society is comprised of individuals who have included gift provisions in their wills or revocable trusts, created income-producing gifts, designated retirement account funds, donated life insurance or created real estate remainder gifts to benefit WVU, Potomac State College of WVU, Mountaineer Athletic Club, West Virginia 4-H, or WVU Institute of Technology in the future. Newest members include:

Gene Bammel, PhD, Oro Valley, AZ
Lei Bammel, PhD, Oro Valley, AZ
Alfred J. Barbano Jr. '67, Langhorne, PA
Deborah Daff-Siggins, Pittsburgh, PA
Lori Daff-Siggins '88, Pittsburgh, PA
Kaye C. Daniel '84, Pittsburgh, PA
R. Michael Daniel, Pittsburgh, PA

William Maxwell Davis, Charleston, WV
Anita Haddad, Santa Monica, CA
Walter Haddad '58, Santa Monica, CA
Dinah Hess, Ridgely, MD
Terry Hess, Ridgely, MD
Ramona Love Lampell, Linden, VA
G. Daniel McBride '84, Washington, PA

Mary L. McBride, Washington, PA
Margaret E. Offutt, Saint Albans, WV
Cheryl Sue Phillips, Ambridge, PA
Joseph Carleton Phillips Jr. '66, Ambridge, PA
Kay M. Toben '71, '73, Ithaca, MI
+ 1 Anonymous Member

A listing of all members can be found at www.wvuf.org, select Donor Recognition and Irvin Stewart Society.