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ORANGE COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION



2008 Lilly Scholars Named

From 13 finalists, chosen as this year's recipients for the Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship Program are Kaitlan Woolsey of Springs Valley High School and Emily Johnson of Orleans High School.

Emily is the daughter of George and Gina Johnson of Orleans, and graduated valedictorian of her senior class of 2008. She plans to attend Purdue University and pursue a degree in engineering. Emily served as field commander with the Orleans Bulldog Regiment, captain of the academic team, and as a tutor. Other recognition of her academic achievements have included the Kiwanis Honor for Academic Excellence, and the Top Biology Award. She intends

to pursue her dreams with "hard work and dedication."

Kaitlan Woolsey is the daughter of Beverly Allen and Charles Woolsey. She graduated salutatorian of the Springs Valley High School class of 2008, and plans to attend Indiana University. Her career interests include biochemistry and/or psychology, and she hopes to someday work within the medical industry.

Throughout her high school years, Kaitlan has received many honors and awards in recognition of her achievements.

The Lilly scholarship includes full tuition, required fees, and a book allotment for four years of college.



KAITLAN WOOLSEY

Community Scholars Named

More than 20 students received community scholarships from OCCF this year, totaling more than \$14,000.00. Students from Orleans, Paoli and Springs Valley were awarded scholarships at school awards programs, each

designed to assist them in paying for further education.

For a complete list of recipients, see inside this issue of the Lamp Post.



EMILY JOHNSON

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From Andrew Carnegie:

"Are you bored with life? Throw yourself into some work you believe in with all your heart. Live for it. Die for it. And you will find happiness that you had thought could never be yours."

**SCHOLARSHIP
RECIPIENTS**

Anita Bradford
Brandon Parsley

BHOC Foundation
Nikita Menchaca

Robt. J. Cloud
Jessica Smith

Charles & Violet
Galloway
Heather Ball

Maud Anna Ham
Rachel Oakley

Leon & Mary Lewis
Katie Kimble

Orleans School
Foundation

PHS Alumni
Bradley Monroe

George & Evelyn
Sorrells
Abigail Freeman

Newlin-Stout
Brandon Parsley

Rosetta M. Atkinson
Andrew Muth

Ray Gardner
Jarrett Myler

Sugarman Trust
Katherine
Vanderpan

Donnie Martin
Bradley Monroe and
Leah Thill

Sarah Jones
Paige Mills

Arminta Sue Magner
Kasey Cornwell

AHEC/Hoosier
Uplands
Clara Sears

Keith Howard
Abigail Freeman

FLHS Alumni
Heather Ball

Supporting Organization First Grant Cycle

Several area organizations benefitted greatly from the first grant cycle of the Orange County Commissioners Supporting Organization. More than \$169,000 was granted by the SO during its first endeavor, with a large sum going to the restoration of the county's most recognizable landmark—the court house. A sum of \$100,000 was set aside for complete refurbishment of the clock and clockworks, maintaining

its historical integrity.

Other groups receiving grants from the SO were:

Jubilee Community
Health

Valeene Community Park

Orange County FACT
Hoosier Uplands-
Imagination Library

Orleans Cub Scout Pack

Paoli Friends Meeting

Orleans Public Library

Orleans Summer League

Orange County Home
Grown Wellness Series

Orange County Commu-
nity Development



Squirrel Murphy of the Valeene Community Park accepts a grant check from members of the OC Commissioners Supporting Organization

OCCF 2008 Spring Unrestricted Grant Cycle

OCCF celebrated a record-breaking unrestricted grant payout amount by granting \$14,500 during its Spring Grant Cycle. The amount represents less than half of the full amount available for granting during the 2008 grant year, with a second grant cycle expected in the Fall.

Recipients of grants during the Spring cycle were:

Angel Ministries—to assist with purchase of a trailer for food distribution by Angel Food Ministries

Bloomington Hospital of Orange County—for partial funding of a video colposcope

French Lick Fire Department—toward the purchase of a technical rope rescue system to be used county-wide

First Chance Center—funding for the organiza-

tion's "Growing Healthy Together" program

Hoosier Hills PACT—to help fund the middle school summer transition program

Jubilee Community Health—for the purchase of low-cost medications for distribution and the upgrading of equipment

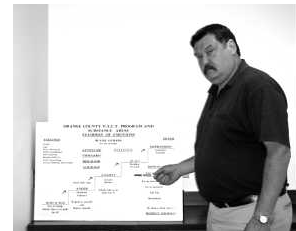
Orange County FACT—to purchase materials for FACT program and substance abuse programs

United Way—for initiation of broader services within Orange County.

For more details regarding the Foundation's unrestricted grants program, check out our website at orangecountycommunityfoundation.org, or call our Program Manager, Cynthia Goerres, at 812-723-4150. Criteria for granting are also available online, as well as a grant application and instructions for

submitting a letter of inquiry.

The \$30,000 available for granting this year is an increase over 2007 grant funding of more than 7%. Unrestricted grants are made possible through the generosity of donors who contribute to the OCCF General Endowment, and are made from investment income alone. The endowment's principal is never touched, but left to provide funding for future grant cycles.



Denny Followell of Orange County's FACT program is shown making a presentation. Grants from the OCCF General Endowment have helped fund FACT programs.

OCDC/OCCF—Partners in the Future of Orange County

At its May 2008 meeting, the Orange County Development Commission voted to contract the services of the Orange County Community Foundation in relation to the Commission's administrative necessities.

Created by state legislation to administer a portion of casino funds, the Orange County Development Commission has stated that its mission includes the facilitation

and coordination of Orange County's development and service as liaison between the casino and the political subdivisions located in Orange County. Through the establishment of a grant program, the OCDC will provide financial support to community organizations in the county, as well as promote economic development through tourism, sustainable business and improved hous-

ing.

Through partnering with existing private and public institutions, the OCDC can maximize the impact its funding will have on Orange County, while minimizing financial and administrative burdens, thus making the best and most effective use of funding for Orange County development.

To contact the OCDC, call 812-723-2266.

ORANGE COUNTY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

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Member
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Member

Golden Deeds Awarded by Youth Council to Area Volunteers

The OCCF Youth Council members are hard-working philanthropists themselves, but chose to recognize 11 outstanding volunteers throughout Orange County at a banquet on June 10 at the Paoli First Presbyterian Church.

During the celebration, the following individuals were cited for their many kind deeds and dedica-

tion to service to others :

Molly Baker
Judy Boyer
Madge Davis
Loretta Drake
Gertrude Farlow
Larry Hollan
Mable Hornback
Bob and Debbie Turner
Jim and Alice Wootton

Recognition included a slide show of the award winners, featuring photos of them in their various volunteer capacities. Each honoree took home a trophy and the thanks of the more than 70 people who gathered to show their support.

Meal for the banquet was prepared by OCCF staff and Board members, as well as Youth Council

mentors, and was served by Youth Council members.

Serving as master of ceremonies for the evening was Dave Dedrick of WUME, and the event was sponsored by Reynolds, Inc. Cynthia Webb provided a history of the Golden Deeds Program.

"Love Orange County" Campaign Underway

In case you haven't noticed the newspaper ads or the billboards, Orange County Community Foundation has launched its 2008 campaign,

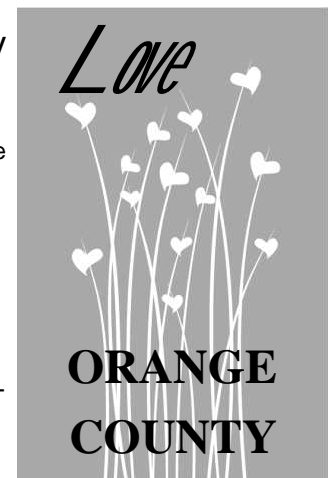
"Love Orange County".

The campaign is our effort to point out to Orange Countians all the things there are to love about the place we live

in...including our neighbors and ourselves. Drawing attention to the positive qualities of life in Orange County and highlighting ways in which each of us can help build and strengthen those positive aspects, the campaign's year-long efforts are aimed toward pulling the people of Orange County more closely to-

gether and stimulating their efforts to help make our home community a better place for all of us.

Topics thus far have included **Love Orange County** by volunteering your time, staying healthy, supporting the arts and supporting tourism.



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Carolyn Barnett Named 2008 Female Philanthropist of the Year
Stori Sullivan Named Emerging Philanthropist

At a gala event at Caesar's Indiana, Carolyn Barnett and Stori Sullivan were honored outstanding philanthropists from Orange County, along with hon-



Carolyn Barnett, 2008 Female Philanthropist of the Year

orees from five other counties.

Carolyn was instrumental in establishing the Paoli Chapter of Psi Iota Xi Sorority, and helped

organize that group's Reading is Fundamental (RIF) program. Through RIF, each child from kindergarten through sixth grade receives three free books each year. With a passion for literacy, Carolyn has also served as a tutor for SOAR (Success and Opportunity at Reading). She volunteers with her church as an organizer and musician, as well as on the missions committee and women's group. For several months each year, Carolyn plays flute and piccolo with the Crawford County Band. As a member of Historic Landmark Foundation of Indiana, she has served as a tour guide at the West Baden Dome since 1997.

Stori Sullivan stepped up to coach the 2007 Winter and Spring Games for the Orange County Special Olympics, and recruited other volunteers as well. Through her efforts, 18 athletes went to the state competi-

tion in Terre Haute. She even plunged into icy waters to help raise funds for the program.

Stori is an active volunteer with Lost River Co-op, the Paoli Men-



Stori Sullivan, 2008 Emerging Female Philanthropist

nonite Fellowship, and the Paoli United Methodist Church, in many capacities.