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## Giving Circle Golf Tournament Another Success



The fourth annual Giving Circle Golf Tournament netted more than \$5,000 for the Women's Giving Circle, a group that assists local uninsured and underinsured women with mammograms and other diagnostic procedures. Six teams played in the rain and around flooded holes, with a team consisting of Scott Strange, Damon Jenkins, Devon Parks and Trent Man-

ship coming in at first place. The Giving Circle would like to thank all the tournament's participants, sponsors, and those who gave gifts for door prizes or contributions. Without the support of such giving people and businesses, the work the Giving Circle does would be impossible to continue. This year, the group has offered free mammograms via IU Health Paoli Hospital and SIRA, as well as support to Jubilee Health Care Clinic.

## Meet the Orleans Members of the OCCF Board of Directors...



## 2015 PAYOUT

From the 100 endowment funds held by OCCF, more than \$200,000 was made available this year for payout for grant funding and scholarships. While some fund-holders chose to re-invest, more than \$189,000 was requested to be paid out to non-profit organizations, churches, government agencies, scholarships, and more, thanks to the generosity of Orange County's caring and dedicated donors.

Thank you to everyone who has given toward the building of a better community—Orange county!

From left: Linda Gerkin, President; Brett Busick, Vice-President; Sandy Blanton, Glenda Lamb, and Susan Gilmore

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## Building a Better Community...

Orange County Community Foundation, Inc. staff members Imojean Dedrick and Cathy Hardin recently attended Ball State University's Building Better Community class on Community Development at the Ball State Center in Indianapolis. The two-day class, facilitated by Dick Heupel of Building Better Communities, consisted primarily of the four phases of community development, which are 1) Where are we now?, 2) Where do we want to go?, 3) How are we going to get there?, and 4) What do we do next?

Heupel, along with fellow mentors Elizabeth Neu and Thayer Richey, led individual groups of students through the elements of each phase of community development, with each group creating its own community and developing that community through the four stages. Several learning stations were included, as well, with such topics as community visioning, GIS, philanthropy and community development, using data sources, creative problem solving, and professional development. The two will next attend workshops on Brownfields projects as a continuance of their economic and community development training.

Pictured above with their certificates of completion of the class are (from left) Cathy Hardin, OCCF; Autumn Godsey, Radius Indiana; Imojean Dedrick, OCCF; and Keeley Stengel, OCRA.

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## DID YOU KNOW...

Your community foundation has assisted with a number of park projects throughout Orange County, and is planning more community development assistance? Read inside about all the great things happening right here at home!



## 2015 Community Scholarship Recipients

More than \$45,000 in educational support will be funded to Orange County graduates this year...

This year the Foundation instituted an online platform for the scholarship application process; and, with few complications, found it to be a smoother, more efficient means of providing the scholarship application process. With students today so very tech-savvy, the online process was received by them with great relief; and the new platform provided a more efficient and less costly way of processing application information for the selection processes in a manner consistent with federal law.

Those chosen to receive this year's scholarship awards, totaling nearly \$45,000, were as follows:

Joseph Crowder Memorial –  
Mikayla Campbell, Kayla DeWeese, Megan Greger, Juan Ibarra, Dakota, Royer, all of Spring Valley

Clarice White Bridgewater Memorial –  
Brandie Hankins, Paoli

George and Evelyn Sorrells Memorial –  
Kayla Carson, Orleans

Hoosier Hillside Master Gardeners –  
Bailey Crowder, Springs Valley

Arminta Sue Magner Memorial –  
Andrew Hawkins, Orleans

Big Splash Adventure Park –  
Emilee Waynick, Paoli

Cpl. John D. Cook Memorial –  
Olivia Strother, Paoli

Delta Chapter Kappa Kappa Kappa Scholarship in Honor of Elinor Gardner Jones –  
Melody Pinnick, Paoli

French Lick High School Alumni–  
Mikayla Campbell, Springs Valley

James M. Thompson Memorial –  
Steven South, Paoli

Jared Hammack Memorial –  
Jonathan Wheeler, Orleans

Justin Moon Memorial –  
Abigail Leonard, Paoli

Keith Howard Memorial –  
Harley Parsons, Springs Valley

Memories of Our Mothers (MOM) –  
Kaitlyn Ingle, Paoli

Moore Family Scholarship in Memory of Sandra Moore Pearson –  
Cameron Shupe, Paoli

Stephanie Babcock and Bailey Carty Memorial –  
Bailey Rankin and Kaitlyn Ingle, Paoli

IU Health Paoli Hospital Foundation –  
Hannah Lee, Orleans

Leon D. and Mary N. Lewis Memorial –  
Kaitlyn Ingle, Paoli

Leonard and Janet Vaught –  
Callie Mathers, Orleans

Mary Beth Cornwell Memorial –  
Nathaniel Burton, Paoli

Maud Anna Ham Memorial –  
Austin Longest, Paoli

Orange Co. Child Care Co-Op –  
Adrianna Goldsberry, Orleans

Rosetta Mae Atkinson Memorial –  
Allison Hedge, Paoli

Russell O. Doan Memorial –  
Olivia Brewster, Paoli

Sugarman Scholarship –  
Ashley Johnson, Orleans

Dr. E.T. Uyesugi Memorial –  
Emma Walker, Paoli

Justin Mullis Memorial –  
Kamen Ray, Orleans

PHS Alumni Association –  
Brett Balsmeyer and Melody Pinnick, Paoli

Newlin-Stout –  
Cyrus Dodson, Paoli

Donnie Martin Memorial –  
Cyrus Dodson, Paoli

Smithville Charitable Found Non-Traditional –  
Mary Magner and Marci Payton, Paoli

Paoli, Inc. Donor-Advised Fund Awards –  
Elizabeth Orr, Springs Valley; Jonathan Wheeler and Steven Phillips, Orleans; Bailey Rankin and Brooklyn Dotts, Paoli

Springs Valley Education Foundation Awards –  
Avaly Condra, Chloe Carnes, Daniel "Mitch" Nelson, Harrison Burton, Samuel Reynolds, Kristen Tomlinson



Springs Valley Education Foundation Award in Memory of Hib Lindsey –  
Bailey Bromstrup-Crowder, Springs Valley

Springs Valley Education Foundation Award in Memory of Bonnie Lindsey –  
Kristen Seitz, Springs Valley

Springs Valley Education Foundation Award in Memory of Patti Rominger –  
Elizabeth Orr, Springs Valley

Springs Valley Education Foundation Award in Memory of Barbara Radcliff Clarkson –  
Elizabeth Orr, Springs Valley

Only students who complete the prescribed application are eligible for scholarship awards; and applications must be filled out fully in order to provide the information necessary for the selection process.

All scholarship selection committees must submit their criteria and selection processes to Orange County Community Foundation, Inc. for approval prior to applications being provided to them for selection. In addition, members of the selection committee are subject to approval by the Foundation's board of directors. This procedure is aligned with the regulations regarding the awarding of scholarship grants as prescribed by the federal government under the provisions of the Pension Protection Act of 2006.



## BICENTENNIAL PROJECTS

Your community foundation is dedicated to building better communities right here in Orange County! In commemoration of the state's bicentennial in 2016 and with grants from Smithville Charitable Foundation and Lilly Endowment, plans for two local bicentennial park projects are underway.

Paoli Bicentennial Park (pictured above), located at the corner of Main and Water Streets, was completed in 2014 and dedicated in May of 2015. The park features a large gazebo suitable for outdoor performances, as well as tables and chairs for picnicking and permanent and seasonal landscaping. Sidewalks provide easy access to the green-space, and the area offers a quiet, reflective place to meet with friends, host family gatherings, or to simply read a book—as it's less than a block from the Paoli Library!

Ground-breaking for Orleans' Bicentennial Sulphur Well Park, located on Vincennes Street, was held on June 19 as part of the town's own bicentennial celebration. That park, upon completion, will feature a walking path, benches, a playground, a shelter house, and a commemorative marker indicating the location of the public sulphur well that once made the park a popular gathering place.

Both the Town of Paoli and the Town of Orleans provided property for the parks, as well as much of the funding necessary for the parks' construction. Grants from Smithville Charitable Foundation made it possible for the Orange County Community Foundation to help with funding of the projects, as

did assistance from Lilly Endowment's current matching funds program.

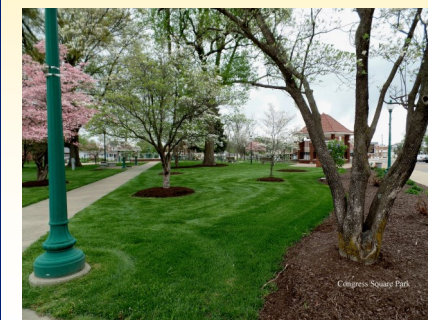
In the Springs Valley area, plans are underway to develop land donated by the French Lick Resort into a hiking and biking area as a bicentennial gift to residents and visitors alike. The 68 acres of open country and forest has been named by the Indiana Bicentennial Commission a Bicentennial Nature Trust project.

We're so proud of Orange County! And we know you are, as well. Let's continue to build a better community...together! You can help by giving to the "Share the Love" Fund at the Foundation, and your gift may be matched up to 100% by Lilly Endowment.

Watch for information on more plans underway for the 2016 Indiana Bicentennial Celebration in next quarter's COLUMNS.

## Building Better Communities...

A grant application prepared by the Foundation on behalf of the Town of Orleans recently resulted in a grant of \$26,500 being awarded for the construction of a permanent performance stage in the town's Congress Square Park.



The PBIF (Place-Based Investment Fund) program is designed to increase the value of a community through assistance in the construction and/or enhancement of public areas. The stage in Orleans will be used during the town's numerous festivals, concert series, and other events.

## 2015 INTERN



Lauren Goodman, pictured above, is once again serving as Summer Intern for OCCF, through a grant from Lilly Endowment. Lauren, a Springs Valley native, is 20 years old and an office management major at Vincennes University in Jasper. She will primarily serve as finance and program associate during the summer. Returning for her second year in this position, Lauren also provided part-time help during the Fall and Spring semesters of her past college year.

The summer intern program has been offered by Lilly for the past six years, and it is designed to give young people a taste of philanthropic work and encourage them to enter the field upon graduation.

**WE CONGRATULATE ALL OF ORANGE COUNTY'S 2015 GRADUATES!**