

The Giving Game...Your Kindness Multiplies

The Youth Grant Committee launched The Giving Game last fall, so perhaps you have been the recipient of a random act of kindness and a Giving Game card? If so, you're in the Game, and if not, look for it!

The Giving Game (www.givinggame.org) was created after the tragic events of 9/11 and designed to teach everyone that kindness, no matter how great or small, can make a difference in the world, or a world of difference in one place.

The Giving Game is easy to play. You perform an act of kindness, either secretly or face-to-face, and leave a Giving Game card for the recipient of the kind act. You then record information about the kind act at the Giving Game website. The recipient of

your kindness picks someone else and passes the kindness and the card along. The "game" keeps on going and giving, potentially having an effect upon hundreds. All you have to do is something nice and pass it on, the kindness multiplies. Cards can be tracked via the Giving Game website, allowing game participants to see how many acts of kindness have occurred as a result of their own participation.

If you would like to get in on the Game, a Youth Grant Committee member is available to do a presentation on the Giving Game to your group or organization. Contact Kelli Miller at 812-232-2334 for further details.



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For good. For ever.SM

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Community Foundation Awards **94 Scholarship Awards for 2007**

Ninety-four students from the Wabash Valley counties of Vigo, Clay and Sullivan will be continuing their education this fall with the support of donors such as you and the efforts of the Wabash Valley Community Foundation.

(Individual recipients and scholarship information are on pages 4 and 5.) These 94 students represent a 28% increase over the number of recipients in 2006.

The Community Foundation received nearly 250 applications from students in the three-county area. Each county had its own selection committee comprised of citizens from throughout the county. The selection process was “blind” in that all identifying material was concealed prior to application review by the committees in an effort to make this as fair a process as possible.

The 2007 Lilly Endowment Community Scholars

Two students each from Vigo, Clay and Sullivan counties have been awarded four-year, full-tuition scholarships as the 2007 Lilly Endowment Community Scholars for their respective counties. In addition to full tuition to the Indiana college of their choice, each scholar will receive an annual stipend of up to \$800 for required books and equipment. Funded by Lilly Endowment Inc, this scholarship program is administered by the Wabash Valley Community Foundation and its affiliates, the Clay County Community Foundation and the Sullivan County Community Foundation. (Please see page 3 for the 2007 Lilly Endowment Scholars.)

In Clay, Sullivan and Vigo counties, the Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship criteria seek to select well-rounded individuals, and do not lean solely on academic achievement. Selection criteria for the three-county area is weighted as follows: 10% financial need; 45% academic achievement; and 45% activities outside the academic setting,

such as extracurricular activities, service to the greater community and/or part-time employment. The scholarship committees in each county conducted interviews and narrowed the field to two nominees and one alternate in each of the three counties served by the Wabash Valley Community Foundation, Inc. The nominees’ applications were then submitted to Independent Colleges of Indiana, Inc. (ICI) for the selection of the recipients. ICI is a nonprofit corporation that represents 31 regionally accredited degree-granting, nonprofit, private colleges and universities in the state.

The scholarships are the result of a statewide Lilly Endowment initiative to help Hoosier students reach higher levels of education. Indiana ranks among the lowest states in the percentage of residents over the age of 25 with a bachelor’s degree. There were 216 scholarships awarded statewide.

Make a Difference...

As the cost of higher education increases, you can make a difference by creating a scholarship fund, or contributing to an existing one, to benefit students in the Wabash Valley. You can make a difference... For **good**. For **ever**.SM

“While the Community Foundation assisted 94 students this year, there were 163 qualified students who did not receive much-needed assistance,” said Kelli Miller, Foundation Program Director.

The staff of the Community Foundation can help you define eligibility and selection criteria which will achieve your goals when setting up a scholarship. To learn more about how you can invest in the future by investing in a scholarship, contact the Community Foundation at 812-232-2234 to request a “Scholarship Guidelines and Criteria” sheet.

Help the Youth Grant Committee Pack the House!

On Wednesday, October 10, the Youth Grant Committee needs your help to “pack the house” at Beef-O-Brady’s, 2309 South 3rd Street, between 4 and 8 p.m.

The Youth Grant Committee (YGC) of the Wabash Valley Community Foundation has received a \$4,000 matching grant from the Youth Philanthropy Initiative of Indiana to assist in establishing a permanent YGC Endowment Fund within the Community Foundation.

In order to receive the match of \$4,000, the YGC must raise \$4,000 by May 30, 2008. The kick-off fundraising event will be to pack the house at Beef-O-Brady’s on October 10, where YGC members will host and assist the wait-staff. Beef-O-Brady’s will contribute 15% of the evening’s receipts to the permanent endowment fund match for the Youth Grant Committee of the Wabash Valley Community Foundation.

Founded in 1995, the YGC provides grant funding for youth-led, youth-serving philanthropic projects throughout Vigo County. Typically, the YGC conducts two grant cycles during the academic year, accept-

ing requests for up to \$1,000. Annually, the YGC provides \$8,000 - \$10,000 through grants that impact local youth through service-learning experiences.

An example of the YGC in action is its decision in 2002 to fund and build a Habitat for Humanity house. The YGC was successful in its fundraising efforts and was able to provide \$20,000 toward the funding of the house. Additionally, an invitation to other youth in the community resulted in more than 80 young people from throughout Vigo County uniting that summer to actually build the house.

Just as the YGC provided a permanent home for a Vigo County family, the group needs to build a permanent endowment of its own. We need you as a business and/or individual to support the growth of young philanthropists in Vigo County, either through a tax-deductible contribution to the Wabash Valley Community Foundation or by dining at Beef-O-Brady’s on October 10! For further information, contact Kelli Miller, Foundation Program Director, at 812-232-2234.

Youth Grant Committee members Kyle Miller and Hillary Newton look forward to a packed house at Beef-O-Brady’s on October 10, from 4 to 8 p.m.



2007 Lilly Endowment Community Scholars

Clay County

Ahnya Alstott, Northview High School, was selected as a Clay County Lilly Endowment Community Scholar (LECS), but very graciously declined the award as she was also the recipient of an ISU Presidential Scholarship, which fulfilled her needs. By declining the LECS award, Ahnya made the coveted award available to yet another highly deserving Clay County student. The Community Foundation continues to recognize Ahnya as an Honorary Lilly Endowment Community Scholar.

Adam Schroer, Clay City High School, is attending Taylor University and studying physics. In high school, Adam was active in cross country and track, as well as Bible Club, Varsity Club, Science Club, SADD, 4-H and Youth For Christ. Adam also served as his class president all four years of high school.

Rebecca Seymour, Clay City High School, is attending Purdue University seeking a degree in pharmacology. Some of Rebecca's activities included marching band, track, Dance Team, Science Club, Bible Club, 4-H and church.

Sullivan County

Austin Drake, North Central High School, is attending Wabash College studying biology. Some of Austin's activities included PEERS, National Beta Club, SADD, JETS, basketball, golf and tennis.

Breanne Thrasher, Sullivan High School, is attending Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology seeking a degree in engineering. Breanne's high school career included many activities, some of which included Beta Club, Key Club, Choir, Chess Club, French Club, dance, 4-H and FFA.



Front row, left to right, Breanne Thrasher and Ahnya Alstott.
Back row, left to right, Austin Drake, Christian Hines, Adam Schroer, Michael Engle and Rebecca Seymour.

Vigo County

Ethan Sperry, South Vigo High School, was originally selected as a Vigo County Lilly Endowment Community Scholar (LECS), but declined the award as he was also the recipient of the Wells Scholarship at IU, which met his needs for an in-state college. In doing so, Ethan made the LECS opportunity available to yet another highly deserving Vigo County student. The Community Foundation continues to recognize Ethan as an Honorary Lilly Endowment Community Scholar. In addition to an impressive list of activities in high school, Ethan was a finalist in the Intel International Science and Engineering Fair, and served three years as a research assistant at Indiana State University.

Michael Engle, South Vigo High School

is attending DePauw University studying political science and economics. As a high school student, Michael was involved in Key Club, Student Council, Link Crew, yearbook, football, basketball and baseball, and served as a youth sports camp volunteer leader.

Christian Hines, North Vigo High School, is attending Indiana University studying political science. Some of the activities in which Christian participated were Student Council, Continental Corps, Link Crew, church youth group, Richard Lugar Symposium for Young Leaders and Hoosier Boys State.





2007 Scholarship Recipients

Albert and Freda DeCoursey Scholarship

Ellis Gebert, Northview High School
Ball State University
\$1,000

Albert and Verna McKee Memorial Scholarship

Andrew Gilman, North Central High School
Wabash College
\$672

Albert Landes Scholarship

Ashley McCullough, Clay City High School
Indiana State University
\$500

Albert Landes Scholarship

Brittaney Searing, Northview High School
Indiana State University
\$500

Allomatic Products Machine Trades Scholarship

Curtis Jett, Sullivan High School
Vincennes University
\$590

Ambrose & Miriam Rubey Scholarship

Jessica Johnson, North Vigo High School
Indiana State University
\$450

Andy and Edythe Turner Memorial Scholarship

Vanessa Gard, Marshall High School
Southern Illinois University
\$500

Avice K. McCrae Scholarship

Erin Locke, North Vigo High School
Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology
\$1,608

Bentrup Family Scholarship

Sheryl Compton
Ivy Tech Community College
\$250

Beta Sigma Phi City Council Scholarship

Carrie Sears
St. Mary-of-the-Woods College
\$500

Beta Sigma Phi City Council Scholarship

Brittney Spugnardi, Northview High School
Indiana State University
\$500

Bill Wood Insurance Adjuster's Scholarship

Kristin Crain, Northview High School
Indiana State University
\$300

Blair Endowment Fund Scholarship

Sarah Kennedy, Clay City High School
Indiana State University
\$500

Brazil Business & Professional Women's Club Scholarship

(Elizabeth) Paige Stewart, Northview High School
Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology
\$288

Carol M. Starkey Kochell Scholarship

Selection pending
\$5,000 Associate Degree or Vocational
Certificate

Carol M. Starkey Kochell Scholarship

Alisa Neidlinger, West Vigo High School
Anderson University
\$22,400

Dan and Jane Robbins Northview Marching Knights Scholarship

Heather Woods, Northview High School
Indiana State University
\$500

Dercie E. (Hawkins) Simmons Education Scholarship

Kaley Davis, Sullivan High School
Taylor University Upland
\$250

Dercie E. (Hawkins) Simmons Education Scholarship

Todd Hale, Sullivan High School
Ivy Tech Community College
\$250

Dr. and Mrs. James O. Conklin Scholarship

Michelle Watson, North Vigo High School
Belmont University
\$7,600

Dr. and Mrs. James O. Conklin Scholarship

Angela Kuo, North Vigo High School
Indiana University
\$7,600

Dr. James Harvey Crowder Memorial Scholarship

Tiffany Hoke, Sullivan High School
Vincennes University
\$1,000

Dr. William W. Drummy Memorial Scholarship

Selection pending

Earl & Hazel Travioli Scholarship

Matthew Noble, South Vigo High School
Indiana State University
\$3,781

Earl F. Hopkins Scholarship

Mitchel Riddell, Northview High School
Purdue University
\$434

Elizabeth A. Bledsoe Scholarship

Michael McGlasson, Sullivan High School
Ball State University
\$3,450

Elizabeth A. Bledsoe Scholarship

Lenise Kohlwey, Union High School
Ivy Tech Community College
\$3,450

Evelyn W. Gettinger Indiana University Scholarship

Selection pending
Indiana University

Farmersburg Alumni Association Scholarship

Stacy Horn, North Central High School
Indiana State University
\$300

Farmersburg Alumni Association Scholarship

Harold Bosstick, North Central High School
Indiana State University
\$300

Farmersburg Alumni Association Scholarship

Eric Hardin, North Central High School
Lake Land College
\$300

Fred Christman Scholarship

Alex Groysman, North Vigo High School
Indiana University
\$195

Gary and Leesa Nesty Scholarship

Kasey Waite, Clay City High School
Olivet University
\$1,250

Gay Floyd, RN Memorial Scholarship

Selection pending

George I. and Rose E. Felstein Scholarship

Kristopher Kauffman, South Vigo High School
Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology
\$1,268.80

Gerstmeyer Technical High School Scholarship

Rachel Rose, North Vigo High School
Indiana State University
\$1,650

Gill Township Scholarship

Lee Ann Roberts, Sullivan High School
Ivy Tech Community College
\$500

Glenn High School Alumni Scholarship

Alex Groysman, North Vigo High School
Indiana University
\$275

Harold Paul Loveall III Memorial Scholarship

Jonathan Hunt, South Vigo High School
Ivy Tech Community College
\$2,000

J.P. Alexander Memorial Scholarship

Randall Nichols, Sullivan High School
Indiana State University
\$400

James F. Jackson Scholarship

Andrew Gilman, North Central High School
Wabash College
\$20,000

James F. Jackson Scholarship

Andrew Lincoln, Sullivan High School
Purdue University
\$20,000

Janet Romine Chatfield Business Award

Robert Shiflett, North Central High School
Purdue University
\$250

Jeffrey Alan Cole Memorial Scholarship

Kyle Wright, North Central High School
Purdue University
\$500

Jeffrey Alan Cole Memorial Scholarship

Kasondra Poff, North Central High School
Vincennes University
\$500

Jennifer M. Dunham Memorial Scholarship

Robert Switzer, North Vigo High School
Indiana University
\$500

Jo Ann F. Johnson Memorial Scholarship

Emily Hoxworth
Indiana State University
\$174.87

John & Carol Myers Scholarship

Selection pending

John and Eunice Organ Valedictorian Scholarship

Breanne Thrasher, Sullivan High School
Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology
Honorary

John and Eunice Organ Valedictorian Scholarship

Christopher Hauger, Sullivan High School
Indiana State University
\$500

John and Eunice Organ Valedictorian Scholarship

Andrew Lincoln, Sullivan High School
Purdue University
\$500

John D. Gettinger Purdue Scholarship

Tyler Figg, Sullivan High School
Purdue University
\$300

John Kassis Memorial Scholarship

Cephas Foster, South Vigo High School
Indiana State University
\$500

Kelly Fuqua Memorial Scholarship

Anola Whitesell, Northview High School
University of Southern Indiana
\$300

Kimberley Jeanne Fowler Wulf Scholarship Fund for Catholic Education

Selection pending

Laura Brooke McDonald Memorial Scholarship

Myra Tarrh, North Vigo High School
Purdue University
\$1,000

Laura Brooke McDonald Memorial Scholarship

Caleb Anderson, North Vigo High School
Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology
\$1,000

Liane R. Page Memorial Scholarship

Tiffany Alexander
Indiana State University
\$983

Mabel Kidwell Scholarship

Anola Whitesell, Northview High School
University of Southern Indiana
\$300

Marilyn Wheeler Pendergast Scholarship for Indiana State University Dept. of Marketing

Stuart Tracy
Indiana State University
\$921

Marilyn Wheeler Pendergast Scholarship for Indiana University School of Law

Brittany Bentzinger
Indiana University
\$1,138

Marilyn Wheeler Pendergast Scholarship for Rose Hulman Institute of Technology

Daniel Brunner
Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology
\$930

Marilyn Wheeler Pendergast Scholarship for St. Mary-of-the-Woods College

Jayci Green, Marshall High School
St. Mary-of-the-Woods College
\$500

Nancy and Dale McKee Family Scholarship

Richard Ourand, North Vigo High School
Ball State University
\$500

Nancy and Dale McKee Scholarship

Erin Pugh, North Vigo High School
St. Mary-of-the-Woods College
\$500

Renis and Fern Knust Scholarship

Ashley McCullough, Clay City High School
Indiana State University
\$1,550

Rex E. Pierce Salutatorian Scholarship

Jennifer Rinehart, Sullivan High School
University of Evansville
\$500

Robert and Barbara Deakins Scholarship

Anola Whitesell, Northview High School
University of Southern Indiana
\$780

Sallie Unger Memorial Scholarship

James McMillion, Normal Community West HS
Lincoln Christian College and Seminary
\$750



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2007 Scholarship Recipients Continued

New Funds

**Dr. Charlotte M. Boener
Memorial Project Fund**

Concern for Animals Fund

**David A. Gilman, Ph.D.
Memorial Scholarship**

**Jason A. Harvey
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**MillerWhite
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**R.E.I.N. Center
Endowment Fund**

**Sullivan High School
Athletic Fund**

**Wabash Valley Dictionary Project
Endowment Fund**

Sallie Unger Memorial Scholarship
Evan Schwartz, Georgetown-Ridge Farm HS
Lincoln Christian College and Seminary
\$750

Sallie Unger Memorial Scholarship
Mike Strunga, Plainfield South High School
Lincoln Christian College & Seminary
\$750

Sallie Unger Memorial Scholarship
Christopher Lawrence, Central A&M
Lincoln Christian College
\$750

**Senator Herman J. Fanning, Jr.,
Memorial Scholarship**
Kayla Cash, South Vigo High School
Franklin College
\$290

**Sullivan County Purdue Alumni
Association Scholarship**
Andrew Lincoln, Sullivan High School
Purdue University
\$150

**Sullivan High School Automotive
Scholarship**
Ryan Hubble, Sullivan High School
Ivy Tech Community College
\$325

Terre Haute Junior Golf Association
Ryan Shelley, South Vigo High School
Purdue University
\$930

**Terre Haute Regional Hospital
Foundation Scholarship**
Selection pending

**TH Regional Hospital Foundation
Scholarship**
Selection pending

Valentine Family Scholarship
Heather Taylor, Sullivan High School
Ivy Tech Community College
\$845

Virginia M. Buell Memorial Scholarship
Sarah Kennedy, Clay City High School
Indiana State University
\$300

William Fenton Scholarship
William Strohm, Terre Haute Christian
Bob Jones University
\$250

Wright, Shagley & Lowery Scholarship
Amanda Didier, South Vigo High School
Indiana State University
\$260

**VFW Post 972 Voice of Democracy
Scholarships**

Haley Cross, South Vigo High School
\$5,000

Seth Mutchler, North Vigo High School
\$4,000

Jordan Schoffstall, North Vigo High School
\$3,000

Channon Brown, South Vigo High School
\$2,500

Brittany Jackson, North Vigo High School
\$2,000

Roy Hooper, West Vigo High School
\$1,500



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