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Western Lane Community Foundation

2016 ANNUAL REPORT

Local family pays it forward by establishing the Dr. Brittany Hartzell-Baguley Memorial Scholarship Fund

Brittany Hartzell-Baguley was the heart of the Hartzells, a Florence-based family.

After she died in 2016, Lyle and Arlene looked into ways to preserve Brittany's legacy as a star athlete and student at Siuslaw High School. At the end of the 2016-17 school year, Western Lane Community Foundation (WLCF) presented the first Dr. Brittany Hartzell-Baguley Memorial Scholarship.

"We always thought about donating at some point in our lives to the foundation, but we didn't decide to do it until Brittany passed," Lyle said. "We thought of all she attained from it, so we wanted to put together a scholarship in her name." When Brittany graduated as co-valedictorian with her twin brother Tristan from Siuslaw High School in 1998, she received the Bobbie Saubert Scholarship from WLCF. Her parents said this money was a huge investment into Brittany's future. "For Brittany, getting the WLCF Scholarship wasn't just the money. It was the honor of getting it. Brittany wanted to do well," Lyle said. Arlene added, "She was so thrilled to win that herself."

Throughout high school, Brittany showed hard work and perseverance in her studies and her chosen sport, cross country. At Linfield College she continued to run, maintaining an active lifestyle as she studied forensic chemistry and graduated summa cum laude. From there, she earned her PhD in Analytical Chemistry at Ohio University and did post-doctoral research in forensic analytical chemistry at the University of South Carolina.

"Her scientific mind showed as early as 3," Arlene said. She described a rat their cat had killed on the family home south of Florence, and how Brittany wanted to watch the decomposition process. "I was amazed. ... She wanted to see all the steps, so I didn't clean it up since she was so interested." Lyle said her early fascination with the way things worked, coupled with a good chemistry teacher at Siuslaw, pointed her in her future direction. "Her desire was the FBI and that kind of DNA work," he said. "When the FBI hadn't gotten back to her, she got an offer from Reno, Nev., and Washoe County, and that's where her husband is from. She took the opportunity."

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Lyle and Arlene Hartzell

Message From the President



Cindy Forsythe

I feel very fortunate that I belong to a community that is tremendously generous. In the last five years, the funds managed by Western Lane Community Foundation have grown more than 20%. More giving to WLCF means more giving to the community, as the earnings on our funds are distributed annually and in perpetuity. FOREVER! Each gift has a huge, and infinite, impact on the future – for our town, our people, our students and our way of life, because only the earnings are distributed. Imagine you were a donor of \$10,000 in 1975, early on in the life of the Foundation. That one gift may have provided \$21,000 in grants or scholarships over the past 42 years, and will continue to provide support indefinitely. One thing I have noticed in my service to WLCF; giving is contagious! If you give once, you want to give again. When people read about a gift, it makes them more likely to give. A trend is created. An atmosphere develops. That is what is happening in our area. What a great place to live!

Raymond G. Mans O.D. shares his WLCF Board experience

Six years ago I was asked to join the Western Lane Community Foundation board. I had retired from my Practice of Optometry the previous year and have always felt the need to be involved in my community and profession through the years. So when asked I felt I had the time and I knew that the WLCF was a stellar foundation in giving back to the people of the Florence and Mapleton area. I felt I knew but I did not really know and understand the true purpose of the foundation. Yes it helps community groups, the schools, organizations that are helping adults and children and manages a great number of scholarships. What it also does is give those people who want to help now and into the future a way for their money to be managed safely and the way they want. People who give can leave a legacy in giving to their favorite cause. The foundation had less than five million in managed assets when I began and now it is over six million dollars. This is invested money and we just use the interest generated so the principal remains to carry on for those who wish to see their causes funded even after they are no longer here. I really did not understand the full



Dr. Ray Mans

function of WLCF although I had been donating through Rotary for over thirty years. Three years ago the board decided to do a video explaining the purpose and functioning of WLCF. This video is on our website wlcfc@wlcfonline.org. I would highly recommend viewing this very informative and entertaining video. It will give you a better understanding of just how great this foundation is and why I will miss going off the board at the end of the year. I do know that it will continue to flourish with the people involved and also as we continue to bring its awareness to more and more people. The past two years I have been involved with the scholarship committee and I noticed a glaring need for those people wanting to go back to college or advance their skills with vocational training. Most of our scholarships are designed for the graduating high school students to help them in the first year. What lacks is the help for those who have been out in the real world who now recognize the fact for them to do better for themselves and, in many cases their family, is the need for more education. There are also those who are going to school and holding down two or three jobs to pay tuition and make living expenses. I hope us as a foundation and the people in the community who would like to help other people will recognize this need. If you feel you would like to help you can direct your giving through the foundation to those who want to help themselves through education.

Dee Osborne says farewell to the WLCF Board

I first volunteered for the Western Lane Community Foundation board to assist in the role of distributing grants and scholarships per the donors requests. Being part of a foundation that does so much and provides so much is truly rewarding. I have valued working with an all volunteer staff and board that is professional, responsible and totally vested in maintaining and integrity and the investments trusted to the foundation. The 6 years I have been a member of the board has really shown me the need and difference the scholarships and grants can make in so many lives and to so many non-profits.



Dee Osborne

Thank you Western Lane Community Foundation for the honor to serve.

Western Lane Community Foundation Board

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Funds Managed by Western Lane Community Foundation

SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS

Justin Black Scholarship
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Cocciolo Family Scholarship
Noel & Mary Dobyngs Scholarship
SVB A.E. "Pony" Ellingson Scholarship
Joe & Pearl Ellingson Scholarship
Larry & Florence Englund Scholarship
Dr. Brittany Hartzell Baguley Memorial Scholarship
Judd Huntington Scholarship
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Johnston Family Scholarship
Art & Jean Waldren Koning Scholarship
"Electrical" Willard Meyers Scholarship
Joan Orr Scholarship
Alan & Virginia Robertson Scholarship
Jack & Bobbie Saubert Scholarship
Siuslaw Valley Bank Scholarship
Elmer Waite Memorial Scholarship
Dick & Barbara Whitmore Scholarship
Total Scholarship Funds \$ 967,090

AGENCY ENDOWMENT FUNDS

The Alzheimer's Fund
Delta Gamma Fund
Florence Event Center Fund
Florence Area Humane Society Fund
Florence Performing Arts Fund
Boys & Girls Club Fund
Project Graduation Fund
Siuslaw Public Library Fund
Nazarene Church of Florence Fund
Peace Harbor Hospital Foundation Fund
Siuslaw Pioneer Museum Fund
Karen Lyn Food Share Memorial Fund
**Total Agency Endowment Funds
\$ 659,198**

ADVISED FUNDS

Anson Fund
Martha A. Beechler Library Fund
Ron & Mary Cleve Boehi Fund
Tom Cheronos & Joyce Keener Fund
The Chamberlen Fund
Louise Coopey Fund
DePue Animal Fund
Aldred L. "Si" Ellingson Memorial Fund
Lyndall Ellingson Fund
Funke Cemetery Fund
Ulva Marie Fyfe Fund
James Hevee Memorial
(Dave) Holman Memorial Fund
Lars & Diane Lind Fund
Jake Mann Family Fund
Mrs. George E. Martin Fund
Dr. Sabry Mason Fund
Vernon & Marion May Trophy Fund
Bart & Suzy Mealer Fund
(Chris) Mehlum Memorial Fund
Geraldine
Merz Fund
Metz Memorial Fund
Bud & Dorie Miles Family Fund
Miles Pioneer Family Fund
Morris M. Moorhead Fund
Thomas & Barbara O'Halloran Fund
"Grandma" Carmela Petrosino Fund
Larry W. Pfaff Fund
Jim & Diane Ramirez Fund
Gary D. Schmidt Memorial Fund
Don & Judy Swartz Memorial Fund
Siuslaw News Fund
Siuslaw Bank Charitable Fund
L.L. "Stub" Stewart Fund
Donald J. Tiegen Fund
Welles Fund
Shirley Wilson Fund
Total Advised Funds \$ 3,361,144
Other Funds: \$209,075

<p>2016 TOTAL MANAGED FUNDS \$5,329,944.54</p>



Western Lane Community Foundation Awards \$72,000 in Community Grants

Twenty-two local non-profits were awarded grant checks by Western Lane Community Foundation at the Rotary Club luncheon meeting on Tuesday, March 14. These funds will further their worthwhile projects that fall within the four Western Lane Community Foundation grant criteria areas of focus; Culture, Medicine/Science, Education, and Social/Civic Services. We received 32 applications requesting nearly \$100,000 in funds.

This year's grants covered a wide range of projects including helping Deadwood Creek Community Center with safety handrails, the new Siuslaw Youth Soccer organization with equipment and securing a storage trailer, and Oregon Humane Society with keeping the four and two-legged animals (and volunteers) warm with two new gas furnaces. The Arts are represented among others through Class Act Theater with a new keyboard, Community Chorus getting music library upgrade, Siuslaw Pioneer Museum with a new camera and laminator, and Florence LCC receive some help with Clay lab recycling equipment. A majority of the large grants were given to local non-profits who provide for our community with basic needs like Florence Lion's Club's eyeglass assistance program, Lane Senior Support Coalition with emergency support funds for our local senior population, Food Backpack for Kids program run by the Cross Road Assembly/Siuslaw Valley Christian Center, and with Florence Food Share as they prepare to expand their pantry for the constant increase of providing food to Florence residents.

The Rotary Club of Florence established the Western Lane Community Foundation in 1974 as a community trust, a private non-profit organization, to attract, administer and distribute private charitable resources for the benefit of residents in western Lane County. Through these resources the Foundation helps sustain and enhance the quality of life in western Lane County by supporting non-profit organizations operating in all fields of interest.

The Foundation manages current assets of \$5,000,000, which consist of *Designated Funds*; assets that are established by donors to support certain organizations, *Scholarship Funds*; where donors set criteria for awards, *Field of Interest Funds*; donors who set a criteria of a particular area of community service that they want the grant distributed to, and *General Funds*; which are flexible resources the Foundation can apply to address changing community needs.

To see the complete list of all 2017 grant recipients or to establish your own endowment please check the website www.wclcfonline.org or call our Executive Director, Gayle Waiss, at 541-997-1274.

The 2017-18 grant application deadline is January 15, 2018.
Grant application is available online at www.wclcfonline.org

HERITAGE ROLL

Bruce & Rose Arnhold	Nancy Ragan Gardner	John & Frances Rickaby
Ron & Mary Cleve Boehi	Rosemary Lauria	Arthur Rule
Cindy Forsythe	Linda and David Lauck	Penny Saubert
William & Kimberly Fleenor	Kay McCurdy	John Seaver
Christopher & Catherine Giovinco	Harold Nusbaum	Dick & Harriet Smith
Carol Hart	John Percy	Shirley Wilson
Annie Schmidt	Bob & Gini Read	John Wick
Harold Nusbaum	Bonnie Compton	

The people above have included in their wills plans for a charitable gift or bequest to WLCF or have designated the Oregon Community Foundation to administer a charitable remainder trust for WLCF. In this way they have been assured that proceeds from their estates will go to the causes and programs they desire. People who would like more information should call WLCF at 997-1274. If you have named WLCF in your will and do not see your name here, please call our office to let us add you to the Heritage Roll.

2016 Contributors to the Western Lane Community Foundation Fund

Frank & Florence Williams	Lis & Jeff Farm
Judy Ulrich	Thomas Bassett
Tim Sapp	Richard Bailey
Lori Robertson	Dr. Sheldon Meyer
Florence Rotarians	Marja Jones
Patricia Stutzman	Mary Hipkiss
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Dr. Ray & Sarah Mans	

For more information about the Western Lane Community Foundation, how to apply for Foundation grants or scholarships, how you can help your community and yourself through giving, or to make a charitable contribution, please call 541-997-1274. email: wlcfc@wlcfonline.org or visit our website: www.wlcfonline.org. Charitable gifts in the form of contributions, endowments, charitable remainder trusts etc., are needed and appreciated by the community recipients of your generosity. Contributions are acknowledge by the Foundation and used to support the goals established by the donor.

While working with the Washoe County Sheriff's Office, Brittany earned a Meritorious Service Medal in 2015 for her work as Senior Criminalist and DNA Technical Leader. During her memorial service in July 2016, Washoe County Sheriff Chuck Allen and other department members described her enthusiasm, expertise, willingness to learn and dedication to bringing people to justice. "She was blessed with a dazzling intellect, but Brittany blessed all of us with her dazzling personality. I have never known her to be anything but positive and never saw her have a bad day," Allen said. One coworker said she almost made DNA fun, saying her enthusiasm was infectious, she was generous with her time and she went above and beyond in her field, including on several high-profile cases that aired on national news. Around six months after she completed her PhD, Brittany was diagnosed with scleroderma, the disease which ultimately led to her death on July 10, 2016. "She wasn't ill by any means. It was such a shock," Arlene said. For the Hartzells — whose three other children are Tristan, who lives in Nebraska, Scott, who lives in Florence, and Gail, who lives in La Pine, and their families — community rallied nationwide in support of them and Jeff Baguley, Brittany's husband. "She was the heart of our family," Arlene said. "If anyone had some problems or worries or stress, Brittany was on top of it. She could usually solve it, almost always. She enjoyed doing that." She was active in the lives of her nieces and nephews, enjoyed playing games and pulling tricks, and called her parents often just to chat. She hiked often with her husband, and had a caring circle of coworkers and friends. "You would have loved her, like the rest of us did," Arlene said. The Hartzells worked with WLCF Executive Director Gayle Weiss as they developed Brittany's memorial fund. They said she made the process "easy and efficient," even through their grief. "We saw the benefits, and were able to work together to do it," Lyle said. "Gayle was terrific to work with." In May 2017, WLCF announced Siuslaw High School graduating student Cecilia "Celie" Mans as the first recipient of the scholarship. "We weren't involved with the committee, but we were really pleased with their selection of Celie," Arlene said. Just like Brittany, Celie graduated as valedictorian and was a star runner for Siuslaw. "Brittany put in the time and the effort," Lyle said. "She had good times, but Celie did a lot better competing than Brittany did. Still, you don't graduate top of your class and run cross country without being competitive." Celie, 18, is currently in her freshman year at University of Idaho to study medical sciences and run cross country and track and field. "It was a tremendous honor to receive the Brittany Hartzell-Baguley scholarship," Celie said. "Brittany was an amazing student at Siuslaw who excelled in community service, academic excellence and athletics. We share many of the same qualities, including being valedictorian and having a passion for long distance running. This scholarship gives me the opportunity to achieve the same athletic and academic goals Brittany was able to accomplish." Celie received the scholarship after she applied to WLCF after a scholarship night put on by Siuslaw Counselor Steve Moser. She said the foundation made the application process simple by having one application for all 20 of WLCF's scholarships. "Applying for scholarships does take serious thought and work," Celie said. "Receiving a scholarship validated the efforts I put forward in community service, academics and athletics in high school. I am motivated to work hard at college to show the donors of the scholarships that their generous gift is serving the purpose of providing me an opportunity for a college education. I want the scholarship donors to be glad they chose me for their scholarship." Like Brittany, Celie plans to take this honor and apply it as she moves forward with her schooling, athletics and future career. In addition to the Dr. Brittany Hartzell-Baguley Memorial Scholarship Fund, the Hartzells and Baguleys are putting together a memorial scholarship for Linfield students. Brittany is also receiving the Linfield College Distinguished Alumna Award, which her husband Jeff Baguley will receive on her behalf Sept. 29, 2017.



Celie Mans

"Now, Brittany and her legacy will be remembered," Arlene said.



Scholarship:

Joan Orr
 Jack and Bobbie Saubert

 Dick and Barbara Whitmore

 Larry and Florence Englund-most improved
 Hal and Lee Hylton Memorial
 Johnston Family
 Art and Jean Koning
 Alan and Virginia Robertson
 Noel and Mary Dobyms
 Willard Myers
 Judd and Lucy Huntington
 Justin Black
 Elmer Waite
 Cociolo Family
 Joe and Pearl Ellingson
 Roger and Sherrie McCorkle
 Don Tiegen
 Arlis Ulman Nursing Scholarship
 Dr. Brittany Hartzell Baguley
 Marteen Wick Future First Citizen

Awarded to:

Jack Pickell and Taylor Coolidge
 Carly Slonecker, Seth Campbell
 Mikaela Siegel, Destiny Tatum
 Michael Larson
 Clark Hooper

 Elyssa Rose
 Brogan Cornish
 Eyza Abbas Carraso
 Ryan Alletson
 Raven Fritz
 Heidi Jones
 Alexander Osbon
 Brandy Dahlbeck
 Gabriel Wells
 Jaidan Haley
 Andrew Rannow
 Dana Halverson
 Nikki Launius
 Jennifer Connord
 Stacey Dixon
 Cecelia Manns
 Claire Waggoner

Continuing Education Scholarships

Western Lane Community Foundation awarded 4 \$1,000 WLCF Continuing Education Scholarships.

These scholarships are to address financial need for students of all ages who could use help in finishing their higher education, enter postgraduate programs and help adults returning to higher education due to career or family changes or job loss. Applicants must already hold a diploma from high school, including home school, or achieved their GED.

While academic achievement is one criteria used in determining recipients, other qualifying characteristics include financial need, outside activities, work history and volunteerism.

The 2017 CES awardees were

Annalee Bour
 Christine Newlan
 Holly Hicks
 Cody Burkhart

Scholarships come from permanent endowment funds that benefactors have established with Western Lane Community Foundation, thereby assuring that scholarship awards will be available year after year, even after the benefactors are gone.

2017 Beachcomber Community Scholarships

Unlike permanent endowed scholarship funds, the Beachcomber Community Scholarships are awarded with funds made available thru the generosity of local community members in partnership with New Belgium Brewing Company. Western Lane Community Foundation administers these funds.

In 2017, graduating Seniors Benjamin Cahoon, Carissa Oliver, and Habann Ramos received scholarships.

Continuing Education awards were made to Paige Roe and Elizabeth Wartnik.

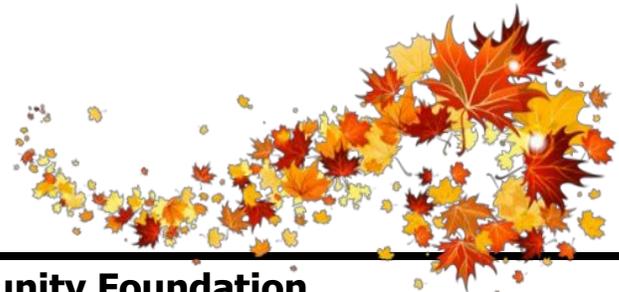


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**Western Lane Community Foundation
 STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION
 DECEMBER 31, 2015 AND 2016**

<u>ASSETS</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>LIABILITIES and NET ASSETS</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>
Assets:			Liabilities:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$30,693	\$47,197	Current distributions obligated	\$244,401	\$ 243,963
Investments managed by Oregon Community Foundation	<u>\$5,150,945</u>	<u>\$5,339,893</u>	Funds held in trust	500	1,330
Total assets	<u>\$5,181,638</u>	<u>\$5,387,090</u>	Total liabilities	<u>244,901</u>	<u>245,293</u>
			Net Assets:		
			Unrestricted	892,169	1,339,213
			Temporarily restricted	<u>4,044,567</u>	<u>3,802,258</u>
			Total net assets	<u>4,936,736</u>	<u>5,141,797</u>
			Total liabilities and net assets	<u>\$5,181,637</u>	<u>\$ 5,387,090</u>