# Building Together to Make a Difference



**ANNUAL REPORT 2009** 

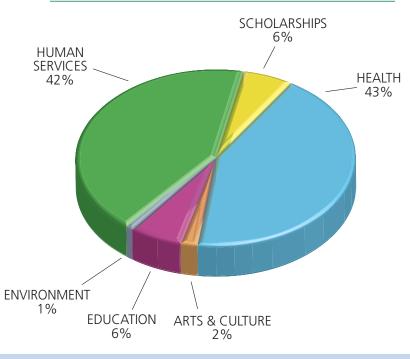
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# Grants and Scholarships 2009



# Vision, Mission, and Core Values

# **Our Vision**

To be widely recognized as the comprehensive center for philanthropy in the communities of Bristol, Burlington, Plainville, Plymouth, Southington and Wolcott

# **Our** Mission

To enhance the quality of life for both present and future generations in the communities we serve. We accomplish our mission by encouraging and promoting:

- Gift Planning
- Prudent stewardship of assets
- Effective grantmaking
- Community Leadership

# **Our Core Values**

Excellence, Integrity, Inclusiveness and Transparency in all we do.

Highlights of 2009

- **\$24** million in total assets
- **\$568** thousand in contributions received
- **\$757** thousand in grants and scholarships to our community
  - 142 funds established since 1995

**270+** volunteers involved in the Main Street Community Foundation

# A Message to Our Neighbors

Building together to make a difference defines the Main Street Community Foundation. Throughout 2009 the generosity of many caring individuals, families, businesses and organizations allowed the foundation to support the communities of Bristol, Burlington, Plainville, Plymouth, Southington and Wolcott.

Answering the community's call for basic needs was front and center when awarding the 2009 spring grant awards. In addition, the Foundation developed some new funding strategies with community partners such as Farmington Bank Foundation who committed grant dollars and selected projects from a list of grant applications collected by Main Street.

In mid-2009 the board of directors affirmed the mission of the foundation to enhance the quality of life for both present and future generations in the communities we serve and spent a significant amount of time developing a three year road map for the foundation's next phase of growth. We wish to extend sincere appreciation to Dr. Cathryn Addy of Tunxis Community College for her facilitation of our strategic planning sessions.

This annual report is an opportunity to share with you the stories of our donors and their investments in the communities we serve. It is also a report of our continued success to support our local communities by honoring the wishes of past donors and matching donor interests with vital community needs. The upcoming celebration of the foundation's 15th anniversary in 2010 is truly an accomplishment and tribute to the dedication and collective philanthropy of all who supported and continue to support the Main Street Community Foundation. Together with You we are – building together to make a difference.

Sincerely,

Susan Jadechi,

Susan D. Sadecki, MBA President/CEO

Mark J. Blum Chairman of the Board

### A New Way of Giving Foundation Launches Redesigned Website

Thanks to the generous support of the Farmington Bank Foundation and Walker Systems Support, the Main Street Community Foundation launched a redesigned and expanded website with new content and the ability to donate directly online. Visitors to the site can obtain a wealth of information on community philanthropy including sections on About Us, Giving, Grants, Latest News & Resources, and a special section with resources for Professional Advisors.

Donating online is easy by clicking on the Donate Now icon located on each page of the web site. Donors will be linked to the Donate Now page and can contribute to any of the foundation's more than 150 funds including funds that support the Foundation's work, unrestricted community funds, designated funds, field of interest funds,



immediate response funds, project funds, donor advised funds or scholarship funds. Visitors can also make gifts in honor or memory of a special person. <image><image><image><image><image><image><image><image><image><image><image><image><image><image><image><image><image><image><image><image><image><image><image><image><image><image><image><image><image><image><image><image><image>

To learn more about your

community foundation, the towns we serve, and how we build a better community, we invite you to come and experience A New Way of Giving at www.mainstreetfoundation.org.



Susan D. Sadecki



Mark J. Blum

Since our founding in 1995, endowed gifts and bequests have been the cornerstone of charitable contributions to the Main Street Community Foundation. Each of the following funds established in 2009 reflects a donor's interest or philanthropic objective to leave a legacy and make a difference in one or more of the towns in our service area – Bristol, Burlington, Plainville, Plymouth, Southington and Wolcott.

# Sid Bernard Memorial Art Scholarship Fund

This permanent scholarship fund, established by Sid's spouse Ed Miller, was created to honor the memory of devoted teacher Sid Bernard who taught art in the Bristol Public School system from 1984-2009. It is Ed's hope that with this scholarship, future students will follow Sid's career path and bring the same passion to the teaching of art that so filled Sid's life with happiness and fulfillment. One scholarship will be awarded annually to a graduating senior from Bristol Central or Bristol Eastern High School who is pursuing a major in visual arts or art education.



Sid Bernard

# Formagioni-Lodovico Family Fund

Carrying on a family tradition of giving, Anthony and Judie Lodovico of Bristol chose to establish a permanent unrestricted fund to honor the memory of Mike and Kate Formagioni, Carl and Laura Formagioni, and Carmen "Nucci" and Jennie Lodovico. Grants will be made from this unrestricted fund to meet the changing and emerging needs of the Bristol community.



"Main Street" circa 1962. Photo courtesy of the Bristol History Room at the Bristol Public Library.

# Tyler James Gingery Memorial Fund

Family and friends established this designated fund to honor the memory of Tyler James Gingery who died at age five from a heart disease known as hypertrophic cardiomyopathy. An annual grant will be made to support the work of the Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy Association whose mission is to provide support, advocacy and education to patients, and their family members, the medical community and the public about the little known disease.



Tyler James Gingery

# Kristen Warner Scholarship Fund

Established to honor the memory of Kristen Warner who died in a tragic automobile accident in 2004 at the young age of thirteen. Kristen was a vibrant and happy girl whose smile was contagious. This fund will keep Kristen's generous and loving spirit alive by providing tuition assistance for post-secondary education opportunities. Scholarships are awarded annually to graduating seniors from Southington High School.



Kristen Warner

# Make A Mark Region 10 Enrichment Fund

This permanently endowed fund was established to provide grants for special and creative initiatives that cannot be funded on a meaningful scale through the regular school budget. The fund will be built by gifts and donations of many individuals, families, businesses and the community-at-large to create a new resource for enhancing the education of students who attend schools in Burlington and Harwinton.

# Douglas Roland Aid for the Trades Scholarship Fund

Ralph and Linda Roland of Vermont, formerly of Bristol, established this scholarship fund in memory of their late son, Douglas. The Roland's wished to assist those students needing a "step up in life" and interested in trade oriented career training programs. This scholarship fund will provide financial assistance to individuals entering training programs that can be completed in two years or less and lead to achievement of a specific occupational goal.



This agency endowment fund was established by the St. Evangelical Lutheran Church, Inc. located in Bristol. It will provide ongoing support for the church and its mission.





Douglas Roland



Evangelical Lutheran Church

# Becoming a Donor / Establishing a Fund

There are many ways to donate to the Main Street Community Foundation and support worthwhile charitable organizations in our service area of Bristol, Burlington, Plainville, Plymouth, Southington and Wolcott, Connecticut. The Foundation offers a range of personalized services to help donors fulfill their charitable goals. As partners in philanthropy, we work with each donor to establish a fund or gift plan without complex administrative burdens.

### **BECOMING A DONOR**

#### Give to an existing fund

A donor can support the Foundation's ongoing work with an unrestricted gift of any amount. Contributions can also be made to any of the Foundation's permanent endowment funds which benefit a diverse range of charitable purposes.

#### Establishing a new fund

Our donors are individuals, families, companies and charitable organizations. Donors can establish a fund using a variety of gift giving vehicles including: cash, stock, retirement assets, other tangible personal property, bequests and other planned gifts. The Foundation requires a minimum of \$10,000 to establish a permanently-named fund. This gift can be given as a lump sum or over a period of time during a donor's life. Donors may also leave charitable assets upon their death in the form of a bequest in will or trust, retirement plan designations or beneficiary designation in a life insurance policy. A fund can be established as a permanent endowment or as a non-endowed fund in which income and principal will be distributed.

DESIGNATED

FUNDS

### Our flexible fund options include:

FIELD OF

UNICIED
FUNDS
Flexible and
responsive
to emerging
and changing
community
needs. Donors
place no
restrictions on
their gifts and
leave decisions
about charitable
use of the
funds to the
Foundation.

UNRESTRICTED

INTEREST **FUNDS** Allow donors to support a broad category of actively in need such as the arts, healthcare, education. environment or a organizations to geographic area. Grant recipients are selected by the Foundation's Distribution Committee.

DONOR **ADVISED FUNDS** Help donors participate grantmaking

by suggesting charitable receive grants. Foundation staff assist donors by researching grant requests and connecting donors with potential grant

Allow donors to designate support for a specific charitable organization organization. If the named charity ceases to exist, another organization with a similar purpose is selected by the Foundation's Board of Directors operations. to assure their purpose for giving will be honored

in perpetuity.

#### AGENCY **ENDOWMENT FUNDS**

Established by a nonprofit as a means of protecting their charitable dollars for the future and to ensure an annual source of support for their programs and

#### **SCHOLARSHIP** FUNDS

Allow donors to establish a named Allow donors to fund for any level make gifts that of education. Donors may designate a particular school, field of study and select eligibility criteria.

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE** ENDOWMENT **FUNDS**

provide support for the ongoing work of the Foundation.

### DONOR SERVICES

The Main Street Community Foundation provides permanent, professional management of charitable funds without the expense or effort of establishing a private foundation. The Foundation's assets are professionally managed with oversight by the Investment Committee and Board of Directors. There is no cost to set up a fund. There is a modest management fee which supports the administrative operations of the Foundation. Donor's benefits include:

recipients.

- Choice of fund type and fund name
- Grant making support and counsel
- Administration of gifts and grants
- Maximum tax advantages allowed by law
- Prudent investment management
- Permanent recognition or remain anonymous at donor's discretion

### ADDITIONAL SERVICES

The Foundation can assist private foundations or other grant making institutions in a variety of ways that include:

- Administration of grant making programs
- Project review for possible funding
- Advisement on community needs and priorities
- Assistance to private foundations to meet pay-out requirements

# Donor Advised Funds

These funds allow donors to participate actively in grantmaking by making grant recommendations to the Foundation's Board of Directors.

#### Tom & Melanie Barnes Family Fund

Established by area philanthropist and businessman Tom Barnes and his wife Melanie in June 2004 to support a variety of charitable causes, primarily in the Main Street Community Foundation service area.

#### John Brozinski Pulmonary Rehab Fund

Established by Bob and Carolyn Fiondella in memory of Carolyn's father John Brozinski. This fund will support pulmonary rehab programs at Bristol Hospital.

### Denorfia Family Charitable Fund

Established by Attorney and Mrs. Anthony Denorfia to assist families in need and to support educational institutions and other charitable causes which will improve the quality of life for the citizens of Southington and other geographic areas as recommended by the donor.

#### The Dumont Family Charitable Fund

Established in 2000 by local businessman Roland Dumont to support charitable causes in the area served by the Foundation, with special emphasis on programs that give opportunities to disadvantaged youth as well as to other charitable projects the family would like to support.

#### Cheryl Dumont-Smith Community Fund

Established by the Main Street Community Foundation Board of Directors to honor Cheryl for her eleven years of service to the Foundation as its Executive Director from 1996 to 2004 and its President and CEO from 2004 to July 2007. This permanent fund will support a variety of communitybased projects in the Foundation's service area, with some preference given to the ongoing administrative support of the Foundation.

### Fiondella Fund

This fund was established by local resident and Phoenix Insurance Company CEO Bob Fiondella and his wife Carolyn to be used primarily for charitable purposes of their choice in our area. Some preference is given to youth related projects.

#### Terry and Marguerite Fletcher Family Fund

Established in 2007 by family, friends and employees to honor Terry Fletcher on the occasion of his 50th anniversary with The Fletcher-Terry Company which was founded in 1868. Annual distributions will support worthy charitable endeavors in the Foundation's service area.

### Furey Family Charitable Fund

Created by the Furey children, in memory of their parents, Charles L. and Priscilla K. Furey to support worthy charitable causes to enhance the quality of life for residents of Bristol and other geographic areas as recommended by the donor.

#### The Greater Bristol Chamber of Commerce Fund

Established at the Main Street Community Foundation in 2000 to support the work of local 501(c)(3) organizations in the greater Bristol area.

#### Ercole and Pamela Labadia Family Charitable Fund

Established by retired banker and community leader Ercole Labadia and his wife Pam to support general charitable causes in the towns served by the Community Foundation.

# Donor Advised Funds

#### John & Sandra Leone Family Charitable Fund

To mark John Leone's retirement in 2008 from the Greater Bristol Chamber of Commerce, the Chamber board of directors, with gifts from family, friends and businesses, established a fund in his honor. This permanent advised fund will support charitable programs in the greater Bristol community with some preference given to healthcare and youth-related programs.

### Muncy/Smith Family Fund

Established in 2007 from the estate of Jeanne Muncy and donations from family members and friends to support program expansion and other needs of the Environmental Learning Centers of CT, Inc. (ELCCT).

### Smith Family Charitable Fund

Created in December 2004 by longtime Bristol residents and community volunteers Ed and Mary Smith to support a variety of charitable causes.

### The Technical Education Fund

Created by Bristol residents Bill & Jean Johnson to support projects which will enhance the quality and reputation of area technical education and support students who wish to pursue a career in the technical field.

### Zomick Family Fund

Established as a permanent fund in 2006 by Doctor David and Stephanie Zomick to support a variety of charitable causes in the area served by the Main Street Community Foundation, with some preference given to youth outdoor activities.



# Agency Endowments / Designated Funds

# Agency Endowments

These funds provide nonprofit organizations a full range of endowment management services.

#### American Clock & Watch Museum, Inc. Fund

Established in 1999 to provide ongoing support for programs at the American Clock & Watch Museum.

#### Bristol Hospital Development Foundation Fund

Set up in 1999 to provide ongoing support for projects at Bristol Hospital.

#### Bristol Boys and Girls Club Endowment Fund

An endowment established in late 2004 which will support the work of this local youth organization.

#### Burlington Historical Society Fund

Established in early 2008, this agency endowment will provide ongoing support for the Society and its programs to preserve the history of Burlington, Connecticut.

# Designated Funds

Allow donors to designate support for a specific charitable organization. If the named charity ceases to exist, another organization with a similar purpose is selected by the Foundation's Board of Directors to assure their purpose for giving will be honored in perpetuity.

#### Burlington Land Trust, Inc. Fund

Established in 2007 to support the preservation of important natural resources that help define and distinguish Burlington.

#### Burlington Library Association Fund

Established in 1999 to support the ongoing charitable needs of the Burlington Library.

# Environmental Learning Centers of CT, Inc. Fund

Set up to provide support for the programs of the Environmental Learning Centers of CT which includes Indian Rock and the Barnes Nature Center.

#### The Family Center, Inc. Fund

An agency endowment set up in 1999 to support the ongoing programs of the local Family Center.

#### Plainville Affordable Housing Corporation Fund

Set up in 2000 to support the work of the Plainville Affordable Housing Corporation.

#### Plymouth Library Association Fund

Established by the Friends of the Plymouth Library in 1999 to provide ongoing support of the library and its programs.

### Tunxis Community College Fund

Established by Tunxis Community College in 2000 to support the ongoing programs of Tunxis Community College.

#### Carlyle F. Barnes Memorial Chapel Trust

This trust, transferred to the Main Street Community Foundation, was originally established in 1936. Annual distributions provide for the maintenance and upkeep of the Carlyle F. Barnes Memorial Chapel so that no fees are requested for the use of the chapel for funeral purposes.

#### Hap Barnes Fund for Fire Safety and Prevention

Established by the Directors of the Barnes Foundation, Inc. to honor Hap Barnes. Distributions from the fund will support fire safety education and prevention programs in the new Museum of Fire History at the New England Carousel Museum in Bristol, Connecticut.

#### Tunxis Community College II Fund

Established in July 2004 to provide permanent support for Tunxis Community College.

#### Tunxis Community College Bristol Career Center Endowment Fund

Established to provide financial support to the new Tunxis College Bristol Career Center above and beyond that provided by Tunxis Community College.

#### Tunxis Community College Bristol Career Center Endowment Fund II

Established in July 2004 to provide permanent support for the Bristol Career Center of Tunxis Community College.

#### The United Way of West Central CT, Inc. Fund

Established in 1999, this fund will provide ongoing support for United Way programs.

#### The Wheeler Clinic/ Dennis Keenan Fund

This fund was created in 1999 to honor departing Executive Director Dennis Keenan by supporting the future needs of Wheeler Clinic.

#### Bristol Sports Hall of Fame Fund (B.S.O.F.)

Set up by the founders of this local organization to provide a permanent source of scholarship awards for Bristol High School student athletes as well as for the general purpose of the B.S.O.F.

#### Julius D. Bristol Trust

This trust, transferred to the Main Street Community Foundation, was originally established in 1888 by Mr. Julius D. Bristol for the purpose of purchasing shoes for indigent children living in Southington. This trust continues to support the back-toschool needs of financially disadvantaged children from Southington administered by the town's Community Services department.

# **Designated Funds**

#### Connecticut Quilt Registry Legacy Fund

Established by the Connecticut Quilt Search Project to provide maintenance and upkeep of the extensive documentation forms, database, slides and all other items donated to the Connecticut Historical Society as a result of the Connecticut Quilt Search Project. A fascinating book, Quilts and Quiltmakers covering Connecticut, was also written as part of this project.

### Inside Rebecca's Backpack Fund

The fund, created by Southington student Rebecca Michlin and to be administered by Southington Community Services, will provide Southington students in need assistance with some of the costs associated with post-secondary education.

### Kristen's Wishes Fund

Established to honor the memory of Kristen Warner who died in a tragic automobile accident in 2004 at the young age of thirteen. This fund will keep Kristen's generous and loving spirit alive by fulfilling a variety of "wishes" for youth through Southington Community Services.

#### Charles Kushlan Memorial Fund

Transferred to the Main Street Community Foundation in 2006. Originally established 30 years ago to honor the memory of community business leader Charles Kushlan and provide an annual award to the Bristol Boys and Girls Club's Youth of the Year recipient.

#### Bob and Carol Messier Family Fund

To celebrate Bob Messier's retirement as president and CEO of Valley Bank, the bank board of directors together with gifts from family and friends, established a fund in his honor. This fund will provide support to the Bristol Business Education Foundation for the purpose of providing mini-grants to teachers for special programs and enrichment activities.

#### Eva M. Pierce Memorial Charitable Fund

Eva Pierce, a friend to many, wanted to leave a legacy to the future citizens in the greater Bristol community. Upon her death in late 2007, her bequest was realized to establish a permanent fund to provide support for local charitable projects such as Meals for the Needy, Meals on Wheels, St. Vincent DePaul Society of Bristol, the Prudence Crandall Center and The Cancer Center at Bristol Hospital.

#### Plainville Blue Dolphins Scoreboard Fund

Established in 2008 to serve as a collection mechanism for donations and grant funds which will be used to purchase and install a Daktronics swim timing system and scoreboard at the Plainville High School pool. Project completion will assist in fostering the positive aspects of swimming in the Town of Plainville.

#### Plainville SK8 Park Project Fund

Established in 2008 to serve as a collection mechanism for donations and grant funds which will be used to build the Plainville SK8Park on a parcel of land in Norton Park located in Plainville, Connecticut. This community project aims to foster the positive aspects of skateboarding, biking, and rollerblading activities by building a community park for all abilities.

#### Shepard Meadows Therapeutic Riding Center, Inc., Endowment Fund

Established by an anonymous donor to support the current and future needs of this therapeutic riding center in Bristol for children with special needs. The donor also wished to encourage others who believe in this concept to support the fund with donations as well.

#### Shepard Meadows Therapeutic Riding Center, Inc. II Fund

This non-endowed designated fund was established by an anonymous donor to support the current operating needs of this therapeutic riding center located in Bristol for individuals with special needs, especially children.



# Field of Interest Funds

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These funds allow donors to support a broad category of need such as the arts, healthcare, education, environment or a geographic area. Grant recipients are selected by the Foundation's Distribution Committee.

# Fuller and Myrtle Barnes Fund for Education

Established in 1998 to honor the memory of local industrialist and community leader Fuller Barnes and his wife Myrtle by promoting special educational programs and opportunities for teachers and students in the pre-school to 12th grade populations.

#### The Becker Family Fund

Established in 1996 by the Becker children in honor of their parents, Dr. Arnold and Ruth Becker and the causes they have cared about throughout their lifetimes. These areas include health care, education, and social action.

#### Bristol Board of Education Immediate Response Fund

Created through the Bristol Board of Education fundraising efforts to provide a source of immediate response grants for the children, families and employees of the Bristol School system in need of assistance.

#### Ciccarelli-Vitale Community Advancement Fund

Established by local physicians Armann Ciccarelli and Valerie Vitale to provide future distributions in the fields of education, the environment and assistance to those acutely in need in the City of Bristol.

#### Dan Cistulli Memorial Music Fund

Started by the family of Dante Dominic Cistulli II (Dan) after his sudden passing in January 2004. Set up to assist young people in Bristol with a love for music, who might need financial assistance with lessons and/ or instruments.

#### Jaspersohn Family Memorial Fund

First established as the Paul Jaspersohn Memorial Fund after his tragic death in 2001. Fund name was changed in 2005 to memorialize other family members after the death of Paul's father, Tom. This fund will support programs and organization that provide humanitarian efforts to the greater Bristol area.

### Main Street Children's Fund

Started in 2006 with a donation from the Yarde Metals NapCar Event, this fund will provide immediate response grants of \$100 - \$200 to address the needs of children under the age of 18, with an emphasis on basic needs or special opportunities. The Yarde Metals Company wishes to encourage other citizens to contribute to the fund for the general well-being of area youth.

#### Malerbo Children's Field Maintenance Fund

A bequest from the estate of Harold L. Malerbo gives funds to non-profit organizations in Bristol & Burlington that provide organized sports activities to children. Awards can be used for field improvements and equipment purchase.

#### James R. Parker Trust

Created in the late 1970's through a bequest by Colonel James Parker to help meet the needs of residents in the town of Burlington. It was transferred to Main Street in 2002, after being held for many years by the Hartford Foundation for Public Giving.

#### Paige Wartonick Laferriere Memorial Fund

Established by the family of Paige Laferriere in his memory after his untimely death in 2001. This fund will support programs and organizations with attention paid to those involved with health care, education and social action.

#### Elizabeth I. and Louis J. Matt Animal Protection Fund

Established by a charitable roll-over gift from Elizabeth I. Matt of Wethersfield to provide for the care and support of animals in need in the state of Connecticut, with some emphasis on the area served by the Main Street Community Foundation.

#### **Merriman Family Fund**

Set up by the Merriman family in 2000 as a field of interest fund to promote environ-mental and ecological preservation, conservation, education, research and advocacy.

### Plymouth Century Club Fund

Established by members of the Plymouth Chamber of Commerce and the Plymouth School-to-Career Business Partnership to provide mini-grants for creative and innovative instructional practices not funded by the Plymouth Board of Education's annual budget. These grants will be given to teachers, principals, guidance counselor and other school personnel who seek to enhance student learning.

#### Douglas and Noreen Schumann Special Interest Fund

Established in 1998 by area residents and business owners Doug and Noreen Schumann to support community programs focused on building self-esteem, confidence and strong values in young people.

### The Werner Family Fund

Set up by the Werner family to provide immediate assistance to families with children who may be in need of basic items.

#### Winter '09 Fund

Winter '09 was a city-wide initiative of Bristol's Mayor Art Ward initiated in mid-2008 to plan for ways to respond to the economic slow down and high rising costs of energy, food and other expenses individuals and families from Bristol will face in the winter months. The fund was established as a basic needs response fund to provide mini-grants to community organizations (e.g. food pantries, social service agencies, etc.). Contributions to the fund came from various sources including community groups, individuals and corporations.

# Scholarship Funds

These funds enable a donor to establish a named fund for any level of education. Donors may designate a particular school, field of study and select eligibility criteria.

### Christian Arndt Scholarship Fund

Established through a bequest from the estate of Christian Arndt to support scholarships for Terryville High School students who show academic promise, particularly in the area of science. Although born in Germany in 1953, Christian and his family lived for many years in Terryville, where he pursued a wide variety of interests and went on to pursue a successful engineering career.

#### E. Bartlett Barnes Journalism Award

Friends and admirers of Mr. Barnes created this fund in 1980 to honor him for his lifetime achievements in the field of journalism. Mr. Barnes added substantially to this fund once it was transferred to the Main Street Community Foundation. The award is available to students from five area high schools with interest in journalism, creative writing and/or related studies. E. Bartlett Barnes passed away in February 2004.

#### Sylvia Bodak Memorial Scholarship

Established by the family and friends of Sylvia Bodak with assistance from the Women's Cancer Care Foundation. The fund was set up to honor the life of this courageous woman by supporting the work of individuals in the field of oncology and/or cancer research.

### Peter and Marjorie Bossi Educational Fund

Established by Marjorie Bossi to fulfill her late husband's wish to provide scholarships to help young people. Offers assistance to graduating seniors from Bristol Central High School who wish to pursue further education, with preference to those who are interested in music.

### Bowerman Scholarship Fund

This permanent scholarship fund was established in 2008, by retired banking executive and long-time community volunteer, Bryan P. Bowerman. Mr. Bowerman, an alum of Bristol Eastern High School established this fund to award a scholarship annually to a graduating high school senior from Bristol Eastern High School accepted at the University of Connecticut with a preference given to students accepted at the School of Business.

#### Bristol Boys & Girls Club Schulman Scholarship

The Bristol Boys and Girls Club established this fund in 2000 to provide post-secondary scholarship assistance to current and former members in good standing of the Bristol Boys & Girls Club.

#### Bristol Lions Club F. Fred Soliani Memorial Scholarship Fund

This permanent scholarship fund was transferred to the Main Street Community Foundation in early 2008. This fund honors the memory of F. Fred Soliani a long-time community volunteer and leader of the School-to-Business Partnership and mentoring program which began in 1989 in the Bristol Public Schools. Annual scholarships are awarded to graduating seniors from Bristol Central and Bristol Eastern High Schools.

### Bristol Police Union Scholarship Fund

The Bristol Police Union established this scholarship in 1999 to support students pursuing a career in local, state or federal law enforcement, judicial systems or related criminal justice fields.

### Bristol Yale Scholarship

Started in 1999 by the Bristol Yale Club to provide scholarships to high school students in the towns served by Main Street Community Foundation. The scholarship is available to students who need help with post-secondary education expenses including college, university, community and technical college, trade school, adult education courses and other similar educational experiences.

#### Burlington Lions Charities Scholarship Fund

Established in 2000 by the Burlington Lions Club to provide scholarships for local residents.

#### The 4 Burns Scholarship – St. Joseph/St. Paul

Established by four siblings within the Burns family of Bristol to thank St. Joseph School for their strong education. This fund assists student-athletes from St. Joseph School who wish to attend St. Paul Catholic High School in Bristol.

#### The Louis, Mary and Father Salvatore Cavagnuolo Scholarship Fund

Established by Father Salvatore Cavagnuolo in memory of his parents to reflect the family's lifelong commitment to Catholic education. Funding for the scholarship will come in the form of a bequest from Father Cavagnuolo's estate.

### CONN Acoustics Scholarship Fund

Established in early 2006 by CONN Acoustics President Peter LeBlanc to assist employees with post-secondary education costs for their children. Future funding for this award will be provided by both management and employees of CONN Acoustics, a private company that has provided interior design and construction work in Connecticut and Western Massachusetts for over 50 years.

### Peg Coughlin Nursing Scholarship Fund

Established by the family of Peg Coughlin to honor her lifelong commitment to nursing by supporting area citizens who are interested in pursuing nursing studies.

# Scholarship Funds

#### Richard A. DellaVecchia Scholarship Fund

Transferred to the Community Foundation in 2002 by Mr. & Mrs. William DellaVecchia. First established in 1989 in memory of their son, Richard, who was killed in an automobile accident that year. The fund awards scholarships to Southington High School seniors who plan to pursue education beyond high school in a technical/ vocational school or college.

#### The Louise DiMeo Scholarship

Established by retired Bristol Eastern High School English teacher Louise DiMeo to support students graduating from Eastern who are interested in pursuing studies in English, journalism and/or communications.

#### Karen Finder Scholarship Fund

Established by Burlington residents Karen and Robert Finder to support a graduating senior of Hartford's Sports Sciences Academy who is planning to attend a two or four year college. Mrs. Finder was one of the founders, and first principal, of this Connecticut magnet school.

### Carolyn Fisher Scholarship

Transferred to the Community Foundation from Terryville High School to provide assistance in administering this award to a senior planning to attend college who is interested in pursuing a career in education.

#### William E. Furniss, M.D. and Doris I. Furniss Scholarship

Established in February 2004 by Mrs. Furniss to support graduates from the Bristol public school system interested in pursuing further education in the field of science, preferably in the earth sciences, geology or other related areas.

### Andrew and Murielle Giacomini Scholarship

Established by the family and friends of Murielle Giacomini following her passing in 2003 after a courageous battle with cancer. The scholarship will support female graduates of Central High in need of help to further their education. Special consideration will be given to female athletes who have played softball during their years at Central.

#### Azilda Hebert Music Scholarship

Established in 2000 as a bequest from retired Bristol teacher Azilda Hebert and a generous donation from retired teachers Louis and Louise DiMeo to assist two students per year, one from each public high school in Bristol, who wish to pursue post-secondary music education.

#### Grace & Norma Joy Scholarship Fund

Grace and Norma Joy's nieces, Eileen Moylan, Lorry Belanger, and Donna Ricci wanted to honor the memory of two women who would have excelled in college if given the opportunity. Both Grace and Norma were lifelong residents of Bristol and had a high regard for education. This fund provides scholarships to graduating seniors from Bristol Central and Bristol Eastern High Schools.

#### John Kalinoski Scholarship Fund

Transferred to the Community Foundation from Terryville High School to assist in the administration of this award to a graduating senior who is in financial need and is interested in post-secondary education at a two or four-year school.

#### Keating-Monaghan Memorial Scholarship

Established in 2008 from the estate of Mark J. Keating, this permanent scholarship fund will benefit students attending St. Joseph School in Bristol. His legacy encourages faith, family and community service for deserving youth.

#### The Lena M. and Peter L. Korotie Scholarship Fund

Established in 1997 by former local residents Peter and Lena Korotie to do something special to help children in Bristol. The award is given to students who are attending or will attend St. Paul Catholic High School in Bristol.

#### Sean Landry Memorial Basketball Scholarship

Established in 2007 by the Landry family to honor the memory of Sean Landry, who died in a tragic automobile accident. This scholarship fund will benefit current and past graduates of Terryville High School (THS) who were members of the THS basketball team and exemplify what it means to be a team player and a part of the Terryville community.

#### Doris Lazorik Memorial Scholarship

Established by friends and family as a loving tribute to Mrs. Lazorik in 1980 following her death; transferred to Main Street Community Foundation in 1997. This fund is open to high school seniors from any of the three Bristol high schools to assist them with first year college expenses.

#### Leger Initiative For Education (L.I.F.E.)

Created by the Leger family as a scholarship fund to assist Bristol women returning to higher education at least ten years after graduating from high school. The family wished to support the special challenges faced by women in the workplace while helping them to make a better life for themselves and their children.

#### Dave Lepore Journalism Scholarship

Established by the friends and family of Dave Lepore to honor his life, work and community commitment after Dave's passing in 2003. The scholarship will support a high school senior from the greater Bristol area who wishes to pursue a career in journalism.

### Thérèse MacCallum "Great Kid" Scholarship Fund

Created by the family and friends of former Southington resident Thérèse MacCallum to honor her wish to support well-rounded Southington High School seniors who would like to pursue post-secondary education.

#### Main Street Community Foundation Scholarship Fund

Set up by the Main Street Community Foundation Board of Directors in 1997 as a combined scholarship fund to accept gifts from donors interested in pooling their money for scholarship purposes. The first gift to this fund came from the estate of Lucrezia Lena.

### Malerbo Memorial Scholarship Fund

Established through a bequest from the estate of Harold L. Malerbo to provide scholarships for Bristol students attending St. Paul Catholic High School in Bristol.

### Elizabeth I. and Louis J. Matt Medical Scholarship

Established in 2007 by Elizabeth I. Matt, a retired nurse, to assist students who need financial assistance to pursue education in the medical field. Mrs. Matt is most interested in support to students who have shown academic commitment as well as a true interest and passion for some area of the clinical medical profession.

#### Robert E. & Angeline McCormack Scholarship

Established by Mrs. McCormack as part of her late husband's wishes to support students graduating from Southington High School who have been active members of the Southington Kiwanis Key Club. This award will assist these students in furthering their post secondary education.

### The McMaster-Moulthrop Scholarship Fund

Transferred to the Community Foundation in 1999, this scholarship fund established by the late Blanch McMaster provides assistance for graduates of Bristol Central High School who are pursuing post-secondary education.

### Ken Micloskey/ Dorothy Ives Award

These awards were established by retired teacher Dorothy lves for two reasons. The first was to honor her late son, Ken, by giving an award to a Terryville High School senior who is a member of the school's track and/or cross-country team to assist them with further education. The second is to support a high school senior from Terryville or Bristol who would like to pursue a vocation or apprenticeship in one of the following areas: dance/ gymnastics, drama/stagecraft, music, or some form of creative writing.

### AJR Nocera Memorial Fund

A scholarship fund established in 2007 by the Nocera family to honor the memory of Andrew James "AJ" and David "Junior" Nocera, brothers who both passed away unexpectedly in 2007. Their legacy will continue by supporting others to achieve their academic goals and effect change on the next generation. This scholarship is offered to students in the Foundation's service area and Farmington who are graduating high school or currently enrolled at a post-secondary institution.

### Scott W. Organ Student-Athlete Scholarship

Established by local orthopedic surgeon Scott Organ in 2000 to support student-athletes from single parent families who wish to pursue post-secondary education.

### Estelle Delano Peterson Scholarship

Established by Mrs. Peterson's children in fulfillment of their father's wish to honor Mrs. Peterson for her many years of community service as Terryville's public health nurse. This scholarship will be given to a senior from Terryville High School interested in pursuing a career in nursing or a health-cared related field.

### The Dorothy Dewey Picard Scholarship Fund

Established in 1999 by the family of long-time area music teacher Dorothy Picard to support classical music studies by students and residents in the towns served by the Main Street Community Foundation. Eligibility includes students already enrolled in a music school, individual wishing to take part in special camps or other instructional opportunities outside the regular school curriculum.

### Plymouth Community Club Scholarship

Transferred to the Community Foundation from Terryville High School to assist in the administration of this award to a senior going on to college who is in good academic standing and is involved in community and school activities.



# Scholarship Funds

#### The Alice C. Pulsifer Memorial Scholarship Fund

Established in the mid-1980's through a bequest from the estate of retired Bristol teacher Alice Pulsifer to assist students of the three Bristol area high schools interested in English or related studies with their first-year expenses in college. Transferred to the Main Street Community Foundation in 1997.

#### Max and Ruth Rabin Scholarship Fund

Established in late 2006 with a charitable rollover gift from Ruth Rabin and children Shaye and Paul in recognition of Max Rabin's contributions to the Bristol Business Community. The fund will provide tuition assistance for Bristol students majoring in business administration.

#### Radcliff Family Education Fund

Established by Mr. & Mrs. Donald Radcliff to share their belief in the value of education by assisting high school graduates from the towns of Bristol and/ or Plainville who are looking to further their education but are in need of financial assistance to do so.

### Radcliff Plainville High School Fund

Established in late 2006 with a charitable roll-over gift from retired Bristol businessman Donald Radcliff. The fund will assist male students from the senior class at Plainville High School who need financial assistance to pursue post-secondary education. Mr. Radcliff is most interested in helping the student who has a dream but may need help to achieve it.

#### Louis J. Rascoe Scholarship

A scholarship established by the family of Louis Rascoe on the occasion of his 2005 retirement from the field of education to support Plymouth/Terryville students entering the field of education – especially those who attended Prospect Street School where Lou was a principal for nineteen years prior to his retirement.



#### St. Matthew School Scholarship Fund

Set up in 2000 to assist families in need with children wishing to attend St. Matthew School in Bristol.

#### Southington Observer/Step Saver Scholarship

This scholarship was established in 2005 by the management of this area newspaper to give annual awards to Southington residents who wish to pursue post-secondary education.

#### Marie (Sue) E. Werner Nursing Scholarship

Established in 2007 by Mrs. Werner's family, in honor of her dedication throughout her entire professional career to the field of nursing. This scholarship is dedicated to continuing that legacy by providing financial assistance to Bristol-area residents pursuing degrees or professional training directed toward achieving licensure as a registered nurse

#### John Whitcomb Scholarship Fund

Established in 2001 by the family of John Whitcomb to honor his dedication to the teaching profession. The scholarship will assist a graduate of Bristol Eastern High School who works to pursue a career in the area of social studies/education.

#### Yarde Metals Memorial Scholarship Fund

Created by the management and employees of Yarde Metals to benefit the children of employees who wish to pursue some type of post-secondary education, with preference given to children who have lost a parent or have some specific financial need.

# Unrestricted Funds

These funds are flexible and responsive to emerging and changing community needs. The Foundation distributes grants from these funds where it is needed most.

#### Bristol Brass General Grant Fund

Established at the Community Foundation in 1998 to continue the grantmaking done through the private Bristol Brass Foundation since 1952, with special attention given to pilot, seed and capital projects which will improve the quality of life in our area.

#### Bristol Savings Bank Fund

Established in 1996 in conjunction with the merger of Bristol Savings Bank and Webster Bank to support programs that will benefit the greater Bristol community with special consideration given to cooperative efforts focused on citizens who may lack financial resources.

#### Angela and Al Caruso Family Charitable Fund

Established in late 2006 with gifts from Bristol natives Angie and Al Caruso to support a variety of charitable causes in the city of Bristol, both now and in the future.

### Duhaime Family Charitable Trust

Established by Ron and Emilie Duhaime at the time of their father Edgar Duhaime's passing to reflect the family's long standing commitment to supporting charitable causes in Bristol.

### Gnazzo/Reidy Charitable Fund

Established in 2000 by Joseph Gnazzo and James Reidy to support general charitable purposes in the towns served by the Main Street Community Foundation.

#### Edward W. and Audrey K. Mink Memorial Fund

Established during 2000 by the children of Audrey Mink to support charitable needs in the towns served by the Main Street Community Foundation.

#### The Tedesco – Gallant Charitable Fund

Created to honor the families of former Bristol residents and business owners Fred & Carol Tedesco by providing unrestricted funds to meet the changing needs of the Bristol community over time.

#### **Turkus Family Fund**

Established in 2000 by Dr. Hal and Lynne Turkus to support charitable causes in our area.

# Administrative Endowment Funds

These funds provide support for the ongoing work of the Main Street Community Foundation.

#### Barnes Group Inc. 150th Anniversary Fund

Established in 2007 in celebration of the Barnes Group Inc.'s 150th Anniversary. This fund will provide ongoing operational support for the Main Street Community Foundation.

#### Main Street Community Foundation Endowment Fund

Established in 2000 with a \$10,000 gift from an anonymous donor to support the operations and activities of the Main Street Community Foundation. Many donors, including Board Members, Founders and staff have since added to the fund.

### Dave and Edith Scarritt Fund

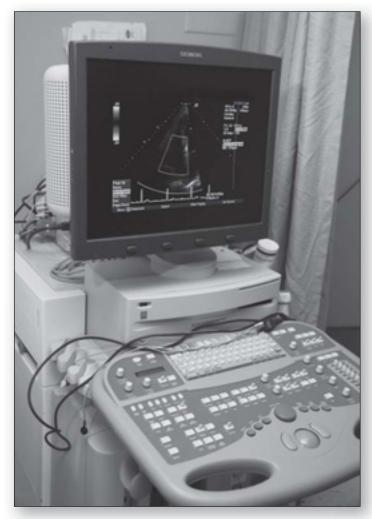
Established by long time Bristol residents John and Susan Scarritt in December 2004 to honor the memory of John's parents, David and Edith Scarritt. Mr. and Mrs. Scarritt were lifelong Bristol residents and owners of the Scarritt Lumber Company. Proceeds from the fund will be used primarily to support the work of the Main Street Community Foundation.

#### Yarde Metals Community Support Fund

Started by the management and employees of Yarde Metals to support the work of the Main Street Community Foundation.



# The Bradley Henry Barnes and Leila Upson Barnes Memorial Trust



New echocardiogram equipment supported in part by the trust.

Under the trusteeship of the Main Street Community Foundation, the Bradley Henry Barnes and the Leila Upson Barnes Memorial Trust once again provided funding for the Bradley Memorial campus of The Hospital of Central Connecticut to improve the health and well-being of Southington residents. \$318,524 was distributed from the trust to support the addition of new capital items including new echocardiography equipment and to make an annual payment on the \$2.4 million dollar interest-free construction loan from the Trust for the Barnes Medical Office Building that was completed in late 2007 near the town's center. The Advisory Committee for the Trust as well as the Foundation's Board of Directors continued to honor and insure that Mr. Barnes' wishes for his gift to the residents of Southington would be permanently safeguarded.



Barnes Medical Office Building, completed in 2007 with loan from the trust

### BRADLEY HENRY BARNES & LEILA UPSON BARNES MEMORIAL TRUST ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Janis L. Neri, *Chair* Sherwood Anderson Craig Bogdanski, M.D. Daniel Daigle Mary Ellen Hobson John A. Letizia Barry Thompson Mark J. Blum, *ex-officio* Susan D. Sadecki, *ex-officio* John E. Smith, *ex-officio* 



# The Plainville Community Fund / The Women and Girls' Fund

### The Plainville Community Fund

The Plainville Community Fund, established in 2006 by a group of committed community leaders, is an endowed fund at the Main Street Community Foundation. The fund was created to provide a permanent source of funding for charitable projects and programs that will enhance the quality of life for the Plainville community.

Grants have been awarded to nine local organizations in the first two years of fund distribution. A successful fund raiser, in honor local businessman and Plainville Community Fund Advisory Council member Ken Gnazzo, was held in September 2009 to help bring the fund's endowment balance close to \$200,000. Plans are underway for the first "PLAINVILLE FUND DAY" scheduled for the fall of 2010, a community event sponsored by members of the Plainville Community Fund Council to benefit local nonprofit organizations in Plainville.



The fund's Advisory Council oversees the general issues related to the development of the fund and welcomed three new appointees to the Council in 2009 expanding its membership to 12. The Council's diverse membership aptly reflects the Plainville community and together, members continue to work on behalf of all of Plainville to make it a better place for all!

### 2008-2009 PLAINVILLE COMMUNITY FUND ADVISORY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Alice "Dolly" Chamberlin, Chair Peg Matteo, Vice Chair Rita Dewyea, Secretary Kenneth Gnazzo, Treasurer Helen Bergenty Jesse Cavallaro Lynn Davis Robert E. Lee

William Petit, Sr. Richard Piotrowski Byron Treado Jim Welch

### The Women and Girls' Fund

"The Women & Girls' Fund taps the power of women to strengthen our communities and our world. We are a primary source of funding, and a catalyst, for initiatives that empower and celebrate women of all ages."

The Women & Girls' Fund continues to blaze a trail to provide funding in support of programs and organizations that help women and girls help themselves in our service area. Since 2001, over \$160,000 in grants has been awarded to organizations in the Foundation's service area that provide vital programs and services for women and girls. This year, the Distribution Committee refocused its efforts to increase community impact with more substantial grants.

The funds for the grants would not be made possible without the generous support of our WOW attendees. The 2009 Wonder of Women event attracted close to 375 people. The attendees listened intently to the remarks and stories of Mary-Ann Tirone Smith, author of Girls of Tender Age, which is a memoir of her childhood in Hartford. Her most recent work Dirty Water: A Red Sox Mystery, was co-written with her son Jere. A popular and entertaining speaker, Tirone Smith has taught fiction at Fairfield University and writing workshops throughout the country. One of her novels is currently under development for a film. Additionally, Rose Egan, a former resident and now employee of L.I.S.A. (Living In Safe Alternatives), an organization the Women & Girls' Fund has supported, spoke about her decision to leave an abusive family and live at L.I.S.A. Her remarks demonstrated the importance of why the work of the Women & Girls' Fund is so important to our communities.



2009 was a year of positive growth for the Women & Girls' Fund. At a crossroads, the Advisory Board if the Women & Girls' Fund decided to enlist the assistance of a development consultant to guide and direct them in their quest to build the fund's endowment to \$500,000 to ensure a permanent source of funding for initiatives that empower future generations of women and girls. Under the direction of Susan Clemow, a detailed development plan was embraced by the Advisory Board. Driving this important initiative, the Advisory Board is supported by the many strong and committed fund committee members who each play a valuable role.

The Advisory Board welcomed its newest members at the October 2008 Annual meeting held at the Barnes Nature Center located in Bristol.

### 2008-2009 WOMEN AND GIRLS' FUND ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS

Pattie Dunn, Chair Deidre Tavera, Vice-Chair Susan Kalt Moreau, Secretary Margi Fletcher, Treasurer Dawn Leger, Past Chair

Cathryn Addy, *Member at Large* Cathy Cassin Lisa Crofton Melanie Dumont Ann Frenette Sanita Gingras Tori Hickerson Rita Joy Kimberly Kiniry Lynch Sharon Stotz Audrey Vinci Carolyn Ziogas Jarre Betts, *ex officio* 

### 2009 Grants

### DISTRIBUTIONS FROM COMPETITIVE GRANT PROCESS

**Burlington American Legion Baseball** \$1,000 To support start up costs for the Junior Legion Program. James R. Parker Trust **Burlington Cub Scout Pack 431** \$1,121 To purchase a Pinewood Derby race track. James R. Parker Trust **Nutmeg Symphony Orchestra** \$3,000 To support the children's concert for Region School District #10 students. James R. Parker Trust Plymouth Community Food Pantry, Inc. \$1,200 To support basic needs for clients of the food pantry. Edward W. & Audrey K. Mink Memorial Fund Turkus Family Fund **Regional School District #10** \$722 To purchase a piece of portable gym equipment for the two elementary schools. James R. Parker Trust **Southington Community Services** \$705

To support the purchase of food and vouchers for clients of Southington Community Services. *Gnazzo/Reidy Charitable Fund Merriman Family Fund Turkus Family Fund* 



Seasonal foods on display at the Plymouth Community Food Pantry.



2009 Plainville Community Fund grant recipients receive grant awards.

### DISTRIBUTIONS FROM THE PLAINVILLE COMMUNITY FUND

Almada Lodge – Times Farm Camp, Corp. \$675 To sponsor a child from Plainville to attend Channel 3 Kids Camp.

Plainville Community Fund

Plainville Adult and Continuing Education \$646 To support summer classes in Adult Basic Education/GED. Plainville Community Fund

#### PARC \$528 To support the PARC 101 Adult Education Program. Plainville Community Fund

Plainville Community Food Pantry

To provide holiday baskets to those in need.

\$651

Plainville Community Fund

#### DISTRIBUTIONS FROM WOMEN & GIRLS' FUND

Bristol Boys & Girls Club \$5,500 To support the Smart Girls program for females ages 8-18.

Bristol Youth Services \$725 To provide support for the "Dancing Stars" program.

#### Charter Oak State College Foundation

To support the "Women in Transition" Program which provides low income females with an alternative means to earn an Associate and/or Bachelor degree.

#### City Slickers, Inc.

To support a 10-week program for girls targeting life skills and social development through working with horses.

#### Living in Safe Alternatives

\$250

\$5,000

\$525

\$1.500

\$1,500

To provide funds for the Program Coordinator to attend additional training programs.

Parent & Child Center at Bristol Hospital\$5,000To provide funding for the Maternal Child Literacy Program.

#### **Southington Youth Services**

To support the "Success Café" program for females in 6-8<sup>th</sup> grade.

#### Women & Girls' Immediate Response Fund

To support small requests from organizations for females of all ages.

Participants share in the fun of the Grinch Festival at the Imagine Nation Museum's December 2009 First Friday Family Festival event.



Children displaying their books funded from a grant supporting the Maternal Child Literacy Program at the Parent & Child Center at Bristol Hospital

### GRANTS FROM DESIGNATED FUNDS/ AGENCY ENDOWMENTS

Bradley Memorial Campus \$318,524 of the Hospital of Central CT Bradley H. Barnes and Leila U. Barnes Memorial Trust

Bristol Boys & Girls Club \$200,000

\$200,000 Bristol Boys and Girls Club Fund

Boys & Girls Club and Family Center of Bristol \$3,678 CYFA Stabilization and Planning Fund

Shepard Meadows Therapeutic Riding Center \$24,500 Shepard Meadows Fund II

Terryville High School

**\$324** Plymouth Century Club Fund

Tunxis Community College Foundation\$30,000Tunxis Community College II FundBristol Career Center of Tunxis Community College<br/>Endowment Fund II

West Cemetery Association \$6,824 Carlyle F. Barnes Memorial Chapel Trust

Southington Community Services \$1,461 Julius Bristol Trust

#### GRANTS FROM DONOR ADVISED FUNDS SUPPORTED THE FOLLOWING ORGANIZATIONS AND CHARITABLE INTERESTS \$51.032

**Bristol Boys & Girls Club Bristol Hospital Development Foundation Bristol Hospital Wellness Center Bristol Sports Hall of Fame Bristol Technical Education Center Capital Workforce Partners Connecticut Children's Medical Center Connecticut Public Broadcasting Inc. Connecticut Rivers Council BSA Connecticut Science Center Environmental Learning Centers of CT First Congregational Church of Bristol Imagine Nation Museum Main Street Community Foundation** Edward W. & Audrey K. Mink Memorial Fund Parent & Child Center at Bristol Hospital **Renbrook School** St. Anthony Church St. Paul Catholic High School St. Vincent DePaul Society of Bristol Southington High School/Careers in Education Southington YMCA **University of Hartford Barney School of Business** Women & Girls' Fund **Young Audiences for Learning** 

Children from local schools attend the children's concert of the Nutmeg Symphony Orchestra.

In helping others, we shall help ourselves, for whatever good we give out completes the circle and comes back to us.

— FLORA EDWARDS

#### IMMEDIATE RESPONSE FUNDS \$4,669

Bristol Board of Education Immediate Response Fund Main Street Children's Fund Werner Family Fund Winter '09 Women & Girls' Immediate Response Fund

COMMUNITY INITIATIVES Nonprofit Grant Writing Initiative

\$12,898

\$25.801

#### ADMINISTRATIVE ENDOWMENT FUND GRANTS Main Street Community Foundation Bristol Savings Bank Fund

# SMALL GRANTS MAKE LARGE IMPACT - TAKING CARE OF IMMEDIATE NEEDS

Since 2000, over \$40,000 in Immediate Response Fund grants have helped individuals and families support an immediate need that in many cases has been life changing. Due to the economic landscape in recent years, a greater number of requests are being considered each month. To date, six funds have been established by donors or donor groups who chose to make a difference in the lives of others.

The Werner Family Fund, established by the Werner Family in 2000, provides immediate assistance to families with children in Bristol who may be in need of food, school supplies, clothing items or something that would provide a child with an opportunity for participation and inclusion. Since the fund's creation in 2000 it has met critical basic needs in the form of cribs and winter coats as well as opportunities to attend camp that might not have been possible without this fund.

In 2001, the Women & Girls' Fund created a similar fund that would serve females of all ages in the towns of Bristol, Burlington, Plainville, Plymouth, Southington and Wolcott. These grants are to provide assistance to women and girls in their efforts to improve the quality of their lives. Since its creation it has provided air conditioners in senior housing, summer camperships, prom accessories, food and clothing, car repairs and security deposits to those in need of a helping hand.

In 2005, led by Deputy Superintendent Susan Moreau, the Bristol Board of Education created a fund with money raised from dress down days. The teachers, guidance counselors and others involved in the school system in Bristol were passionate about helping students and their families cope with unexpected financial hardships. In 2006 the Main Street Children's Fund was created with a donation from the NapCar event at Yarde Metals. This fund is available to help children ages 18 and under in Bristol, Burlington, Plainville, Plymouth, Southington and Wolcott who are in immediate need of items or assistance that would help improve the quality of their lives.

Most recently the Elizabeth I. & Louis J. Matt Animal Protection Fund was established in 2007 to help animals that are in immediate need of assistance.

Requests for funding from the immediate response funds are initiated by a social service organization or nonprofit agency working with the family or aware of the financial hardship. Grants are made on a one-time basis so as many recipients can be helped as possible and are usually under \$200.

Another fund was established in 2008 as a result of a citywide initiative of Bristol's Mayor Art Ward to plan for ways to respond to the economic slow down and high rising costs of energy. The Winter '09 Fund was established as a basic needs response fund to provide mini-grants to community organizations in the city of Bristol (e.g. food pantries, social service agencies, shelters, etc.) Grants from this fund are usually in the range of \$500 and in most cases have been used to help the food pantries restock their shelves or provide funds for needs that have arisen in the social service organizations as a result of the economy.

These grants may be small in dollars but provide big impact on the lives of the residents in our communities. The Main Street Community Foundation is honored that donors have provided these opportunities to help those in greatest need in our six communities.



Groceries and camp opportunities are two examples of grants supported through the immediate response funds.



# Scholarships

**E. Bartlett Barnes** Journalism Award Michael Cohen Rachel Glogowski

**Sid Bernard Memorial Art Scholarship** Ashley Cushon

Sylvia Bodak Memorial Scholarship Rebecca Romeo

Bristol Lions Club F. Fred Soliani Memorial Scholarship Kevin Kaye

Bristol Police Union Scholarship Katherine Panek

**Bristol Yale Scholarship** Ashley Cushon Rabia Hamid Mitchell Harkey

Burlington Lions Club Charities Scholarship Alyssa Desmarais Amy Lopez Alexa Muri

ConnAcoustics Scholarship John Bauman

**Peg Coughlin Nursing Scholarship Fund** Alyssa Desmarais

Richard A. DellaVecchia Scholarship Stephen Vasil

Karen Finder Scholarship Fund Dayne Tonge

**4 Burns Scholarship** Michael Scanlon Daniel Kozikowski

William E. Furniss, M.D. and Doris I Furniss Scholarship Jonathon Davis

Murielle L. Giacomini Scholarship Fund Ashley Jakubiak

Dorothy Ives Award Eric Ouellette

Charles Kushlan Memorial Fund Raymond Ortiz Sean Landry Memorial Basketball Scholarship Michael Paul Dorosh

Leger Initiative for Education Fund Heather Allen

Dave Lepore Journalism Scholarship Rachel Glogowski

Therese MacCallum "Great Kid" Scholarship Marissa Chapman Joseph Harvey

Robert E. & Angeline P. McCormack Scholarship Melissa Beaumont

McMaster Moulthrop Scholarships Ethan Talbot Lacey Furey

Kurt Chipps Jennifer Robinson Rachel Dombroski

Ken E. Micloskey Award Elyse Santorso

AJR Nocera Memorial Fund Meghan Grenier David Magnano

Scott W. Organ Student Athlete Scholarship Kristen Weglarz

Estelle Delano Peterson Scholarship Nicholus Roccapriore Dorothy Dewey Picard Music Scholarship Dante Vallee

Max & Ruth Rabin Scholarship Fund Alan Pastyrnak

Radcliff Family Education Fund Courtney Driscoll Larysa Khrystenko

Radcliff Plainville High School Fund Joshua Shaffer Alexander LeCheminant

St. Matthew's School Scholarship Aaron Matthews

**Technology for Teens** Hector Cosme Ashley Cushon Luis Fontanez Mitchell Harkey Brittany Machia

Kristen Warner Scholarship Rabia Hamid Melissa Hastie

Marie E. (Sue) Werner Memorial Nursing Scholarship Alyssa Desmarais

John Whitcomb Scholarship Amber Brown

Yarde Metals Memorial Scholarship Kayla Adams Noelle Currie Christopher Smedberg Kristin Gervasi Matthew Nicklis



2009 scholarship recipients were honored at the Foundation's Scholarship Reception held on June 30, 2009 at Hawk's Landing Country Club in Southington.

### **TECHNOLOGY FOR TEENS PROGRAM**

Since 2005, the Technology for Teens program has awarded laptop computers to students from Bristol who are current members in good standing of the Bristol Boys & Girls Club and are accepted or planning to attend an accredited college or university. This initiative was started through the generosity of Bob Fiondella of Bristol and provides computers to students who are unable to purchase this much needed academic resource on their own. The program is administered by the Main Street Community Foundation and applications are available annually from the foundation or at the Bristol Boys & Girls Club.

Students are awarded computers as well as a complete orientation and training program provided by the staff at the Club. Since the beginning of the program, \$30,000 in computers has been awarded to 23 students.

Below is a list of students who have benefited from this initiative:

#### 2005

Alicia Diaz Anellyse Boebel Erica Pearson

#### 2006

Yasmin Elgoharry George Michael Granger Carmelia Lopez Italo Marino Michelle Mazzulla

#### 2007

Angelica Cancel Brittany Decker Robert McNamara Jason Mendez Dustin Tucker

#### 2008

Richard Boebel Daquan Brooks David Casanova Matthew Petersen Jerry Yelding

#### 2009

Hector Cosme Ashley Cushon Luis Fontanez Mitchell Harkey Brittany Machia

### So what are the students from 2005 doing now?

**Alicia Diaz** graduated from Western Connecticut State University and is currently employed at Wheeler Clinic's Connecticut Clearing House.

**Anellyse Boebel** graduated from Western Connecticut State University and is working at Wheeler Clinic while pursuing a masters degree.

**Erica Pearson** graduated from Southern Connecticut University and is currently working towards her master's degree. She is employed with Marrakech Inc. as a director of residential programs.

### How can you help?

It is the goal of all involved to continue to expand this worthy program. Donations can be made to the Main Street Community Foundation and designated for the Technology for Teens program. Additionally, any contacts and/or information on purchasing options or vendors for computers would aid in growing this program.



"As we move further into a technology based society it is vital that our future leaders are equipped with the necessary tools to compete. As a kid growing up within Davis Drive, I was full of hope, potential, desire and dreams but did not always possess the opportunities needed to compete. Thankfully, I was selected as a Technology for Teens recipient. It's important to realize that it wasn't just the thought of receiving a computer and printer but also the training that came along with receiving such an award. I learned various programs, softwares and tools to assist me academically and also help extend

the life of the devices. I can proudly say 5 years later I still own my laptop and printer and both are in tip top condition thanks to the training regarding maintenance. Thanks to these devices I was able to withstand many long nights of paper writing which later led to my college graduation day and my current pursuit of a Master's degree at Central Connecticut State University in mental health counseling. Within my current profession as a director of residential programs servicing people with disabilities, I have to travel a great deal throughout the day while also writing reports. My laptop allows me to complete my work responsibilities on the run."

> — Erica Pearson 2005 Tech for Teens recipient

The Main Street Community Foundation is built on the dreams and desires of people who are part of the Foundation's service area. For some people, the desire to create a legacy comes during their life as a current gift. For others, these legacies are shaped by the donor as future bequests or planned gifts. At still other times, a tragic event, such as a sudden death, will be the impetus for memorial gifts that may then be used as the beginning of an endowed fund in a loved one's name. Large or small, all of these gifts will enhance the quality of life in our community for generations to come.





A cornerstone provides a strong support to a structure for its future stability. Laying this groundwork for the future is critical. Like this permanent support, Cornerstone Society members lay the groundwork for the organizations and causes they care about most and the future stability of the foundation.

The opportunity to give later is simple. You can leave a bequest to the Main Street Community Foundation for the community causes you care about in will or trust, through a retirement plan designation, life insurance designation, remainder interest in real estate, or other planned giving vehicles. We are pleased to recognize the following very generous individuals who have made or have communicated their plans to leave a gift to the Foundation in their will, estate plan or some other deferred gift.

If you have included the Main Street Community Foundation in your estate plan and would like to be included in the Main Street CornerStone Society, please contact the Foundation office at (860) 583-6363.

Anonymous Anonymous 2 Carlyle & Elizabeth Barnes Tom & Melanie Barnes Sidney M. Bernard & Edward J. Miller Whit & Jarre Betts Bryan Bowerman Ken Burns Robert & Rebecca Caiaze Father Salvatore Cavagnuolo Dr. Ann Clark Raymond & Lorraine Corsini Roland & Shirley Dumont Terry & Marguerite Fletcher Mark & Michelle Gibson Bill & Anita Hamzy R. Stanley & Marjorie R. Harrison Robert & Carmen Merriman Laura Schlesinger Minor Janis Neri Robert & Ella Mae Packard David & Kathy Preleski Jeanne Radcliff Daniel & Patricia Saccu Noreen Schumann John E. Smith Bill & Kim Tracy Karen Ann Varasconi

#### **BEQUESTS FULFILLED**

Irene Brzezinski Mark M. Keating Eva M. Pierce

## Bequest

# Leaving An Indelible Mark on Our Community

Laura Minor, MA, and her husband, Craig, moved to Bristol 26 years ago. They were looking for a community that would be a good place to raise a family and offer a safe, hometown feel. They also wanted to settle down in a community where they felt that they could make a difference and over the years get involved in a number of issues that meant a lot to the community and to both of them.

Laura was fortunate to have parents who were wonderful role models. They had made planned gift designations to several different organizations in whose values they believed so that these organizations could continue the wonderful work that they were doing to benefit so many people. When Laura Minor celebrated her 50th birthday several years ago, rather than receiving gifts, she asked her friends to consider making a donation to the Main Street Community Foundation's Women and Girls' Fund. "I participated in one of the focus groups early on when the Women and Girls' Fund was being organized," commented Laura. "I am impressed by the huge cross section of women from all walks of life who support this effort. These bright, courageous, assertive women were role models of all kinds who wanted to make a difference in this community."



Laura has once again extended her vision and her legacy by leaving

a bequest to the foundation. As stated in her will, the Laura Schlesinger Minor Fund will be established upon her death and will support the initiatives of the Women & Girls' Fund. Laura wishes to be remembered for doing good deeds going well beyond her life and feels that creating this fund can help women and girls in this community for many years to come. She feels the Main Street Community Foundation makes the community a better place and offers people who love this community the opportunity to leave an indelible mark and provide something better for future generations. "Our goal should be to make this community better for the next generation," added Laura.

Like so many others who trust the Main Street Community Foundation as their partner in philanthropy, she found a way to perpetuate her vision in a positive way, shaping our community forever.

I expect to pass through this world but once. Any good thing, therefore, that I can do or any kindness I can show to any fellow human being, let me do it now. Let me not defer nor neglect it; for I shall not pass this way again.

— STEPHEN GRELLET

# Applying for Grants and Scholarships

The Main Street Community Foundation welcomes grant applications from any organization serving the Connecticut communities of Bristol, Burlington, Plainville, Plymouth, Southington, and Wolcott. An organization must be recognized as a tax-exempt public charity under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Grants are made in the fields of arts & culture, community development & outreach, education, health, human services, environment, and animals. Grant application guidelines are available for each of the grant programs listed. Interested organizations should contact the Foundation office at 860-583-6363 to first discuss any proposal ideas and application process.

The distribution process for grants from both Immediate Response and Donor Advised funds are approved throughout the year, as requests or special initiatives are presented to the Foundation. These requests are matched to the interests of specific funds.

Scholarships are available to individuals pursuing educational goals at various levels of education and in a variety of fields.

#### General Competitive Grants

#### March 31 and September 30 Application Deadlines

Competitive grants are made to eligible community organizations for future, planned expenditures and not to cover operating deficits or previously incurred obligations. Preference is given to an organization if the program/ project:

- Responds to changing or emerging needs of the community;
- Leverages or generates other funding or resources;
- Promotes collaboration among nonprofit agencies without duplication of efforts;
- Enhances an existing program to encourage sustainability.

The Foundation's Distribution Committee, a volunteer group of appointed community representatives, recommends all grant decisions for final approval by the Foundation's board of directors. Grant decisions are made in June and December.

### Women & Girls' Fund

September 30 Application Deadline

The Women & Girls' Fund mission is to make it possible for women and girls to improve the quality of their lives. Competitive grants are made to organizations that align with this mission and serve females in the towns of Bristol, Burlington, Plainville, Plymouth, Southington and Wolcott. The funding focus seeks to assist women and girls to obtain skills and competencies to develop their potential and improve the quality of their lives. In addition to the programmatic focus on women and girls, preference will be given to proposals that identify ways the organization will build capacity as a tool for programmatic and organizational sustainability.

The Women & Girls' Fund Advisory Board recommends all grant decisions for final approval by the Foundation's board of directors. Grant decisions are made in December.

#### Plainville Community Fund

March 15 Application Deadline

The Plainville Community Fund was established by a group of community leaders in early 2006 as an endowed fund to create an additional resource for charitable projects and programs that benefit the Plainville community. Competitive grants are made to organizations for projects that will enhance the quality of life for residents in Plainville.

The Plainville Community Fund Advisory Board recommends all grant decisions for final approval by the Foundation's board of directors. Grant decisions are made in June.

### Scholarships

Deadline varies by scholarship

The Foundation administers over 50 named scholarship funds, each with different application criteria requirements. The list of available scholarships is posted annually on the Foundation's web site at mainstreetfoundation.org by January 15. Scholarships are available at elementary, secondary and higher education levels.

Most award decisions are made in May.



### Friends of the Foundation

We gratefully acknowledge the Friends of Main Street listed on this page that generously supported our 2009 annual appeal. This annual campaign, overseen by past board member and founder, Tom Barnes, provides the necessary administrative financial support to advance the charitable activities of the Foundation to better serve our communities.

In appreciation, a donor and friends reception has been annually hosted by a Foundation supporter. In 2009, the reception was hosted on a glorious July evening by Bruce and Debbie Yarde. Over 100 guests enjoyed a beautiful event on Cedar Lake in Bristol. Sincere thanks to Bruce and Debbie for their generosity. Many thanks to all who support our annual friends appeal and to all donors who value the work of the foundation. You can be proud of the strong and solid base you have created for the philanthropic future of the communities you care about.

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# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

	DECEMBER 31, 2009	DECEMBER 31, 2008
ASSETS		
Cash and equivalents	\$811,824	\$474,479
Investments	21,610,115	18,981,296
Notes receivable	1,504,422	1,744,422
Pledges receivable	102,726	170,135
Prepaid expenses	1,050	1,050
Furniture and equipment, net of depreciation	7,341	10,189
Total assets	\$24,037,478	\$21,381,571
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$O	\$0
Grants payable	22,200	35,400
Administrative fee payable	0	0
Agency endowments	2,302,432	2,260,967
Total liabilities	\$2,324,632	\$2,296,367
Net assets	\$21,712,846	\$19,085,204
Total liabilities and net assets	\$24,037,478	\$21,381,571

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

	DECEMBER 31, 2009	DECEMBER 31, 2008
SUPPORT AND REVENUES*		
Gifts and contributions	\$580,274	\$1,112,138
Interest and dividend income	711,966	736,669
Other income	205,264	262,410
Investment gains/(losses)	2,236,303	(5,966,375)
Total revenues and support	\$3,733,807	(\$3,855,158)
GRANTS AND EXPENSES		
Grants	\$473,647	\$974,889
Scholarships	44,493	170,077
Other grants and expenses	253,833	430,858
Operating expenses	334,192	327,549
Total grants and expenses	\$1,106,165	\$1,903,373_
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	\$2,627,642	(\$5,758,531)
Net assets at beginning of year	\$19,085,204	\$24,843,735
Change in net assets	2,627,642	(5,758,531)
Net assets at end of period	\$21,712,846	\$19,085,204
*net of agency fund activity		



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