

Celebrating 20 Years of Gathering, Growing and Giving

Summer 2015

Larry Drummond Family Fund Established

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Harry Truman once said, "Men make history and not the other way around. In periods where there is no leadership, society stands still. Progress occurs when courageous, skillful leaders seize the opportunity to change things for the better."

No quote could better describe the leadership Larry Drummond, John T. Oliver, Jr., J. George Mitnick and Pat Willingham modeled when working together to create this foundation. Because of their influence, this community endowment was born and will forever serve as a foundation for our future.

It is only fitting that in this, the year of our 20th anniversary, we would have the privilege to announce the creation of The Larry Drummond Family Fund. Larry loved his family, his church and his community and served them well and accomplished much in his life. For all of his accomplishments, the one that meant a great deal to him was being able to help others. His family follows his lead in the creation of this Donor Advised Fund that meets the general needs of nonprofit organizations, which will in turn benefit an untold number of individuals across our state and nation.



(L to R) Front row: Debbie Drummond, Mary Stewart Drummond, Lindsay Jane Drummond, Miller Drummond. Second row: Patrick Drummond, Scott Drummond, Abbie Drummond, Kelsey Lyon,

John Lyon, Terri Lyon and Hank Ingram.

Larry's daughter, Terri D. Lyon comments on the creation of the family fund, "Daddy observed his parents giving to their community, therefore he learned by example. My family and I want to continue his legacy."

Eddie Jackson, Chairman of Walker Area Community Foundation, says, "This fund is not only a tribute to Larry Drummond and his family, but will continue the efforts Larry started 20 years ago when this Foundation was born. The impact this size of gift makes on the Foundation, and what we can do with it in conjunction with Larry's family, will be significant. Without benefactors, like Larry and his family and all the kind gifts we receive from our donors, we would not be where we are today." Celebrating 20 Years of Gathering, Growing and Giving

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Why I Give to Our Foundation

Philanthropy is more than just money, it's "us". Every dollar counts, all of us giving at the level we can to the things we care about. A little bit of money from us... together makes bigger things happen for our community. We can do so much more together than we can alone.



Chris Ross

"I give to the Community Foundation because I see that the impact of the Foundation is so very far reaching. I believe its importance to our community is invaluable. I was truly inspired when I first learned of the history of its conception. Those business and city leaders were forward thinking, true humanitarians who wanted to see our communities flourish. My annual gift is small, but it's so obvious that our gifts, pooled together, make it possible for the Foundation to continue to enrich our community and to help our neighbors when unexpected tragedies occur." – Chris Ross

"Walker Area Community Foundation supports causes, organizations and programming that move our community and its citizens forward. The Foundation operates in a prudent and fiscally responsible manner and expects the same accountability from the organizations they support." – Jenny Short







Jill and David Gamotis

"We love Walker County and have been proud to call it home since 2008. There are so many good people here that are continuing to work hard every day to make our community a great place to live. Helping to support that endeavor is what the Walker Area Community Foundation is all about. As such, it is our honor and privilege to support the Foundation." – Jill and David Gamotis

"The Church used to be the primary giver to charities, hospitals and needy people. But the government has taken over the Church's job and has done a poor job. It is incumbent for people who can give to the Foundation to do so. We have many needy folks in our area." – Keith Lewis



Keith Lewis

Bankhead House & Heritage Center

Open to the public Tuesday-Friday from 10 a.m.- 4 p.m. • Third Saturday of each month from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. • Admission is free.

WALKER 24/7:

A Day in the Life of Walker County Photography Contest and Exhibit from August 4 - October 16

A time capsule in photographs, the objective of this contest and exhibit is to recognize amateur photographers and historically document and depict all aspects of life in our county during a specific time each year. Past contests captured photos during Winter and Fall. This year's contest features photos from Spring taken in the month of April. Entries were judged by a panel of local residents.

Our Grand Prize winner was Emily Dutton (Kindergarten through Fifth Grade category) with a photo titled Post Fire Cleanup taken at the Jasper Fire Department. Emily received \$500 as the Grand Prize winner. Come by the Heritage Center and see her photograph exhibited along with the winning photographs from all six categories as well as additional selected photographs.



Emily Dutton receiving her award from Pat Nelson, Contest Committee Chairman

Make plans now to participate in our next contest during the summer of 2016! Cash prizes are awarded in each category. Official rules and submission forms will be available next year on our website, www.wacf.org.







Pat Nelson, contest chairman presenting prizes.



NOVEMBER 3 - JANUARY 1 Helen Keller Art Show of Alabama Opening Reception: Nov 3 from 2 - 4 p.m.

A state-wide exhibit of artwork by children and youth with visual impairments will be on exhibit at selected sites throughout Alabama. Come experience this unique collection with emphasis on creativity, color, and tactile media.

Group tours are available upon request.

Walker area school groups can apply in advance for transportation assistance. For more information, call (205) 302-0001

UPCOMING EVENTS

We host a variety of events throughout the year, so be sure and check our website or join our Facebook group!

- Website: wwww.wacf.org click the Bankhead House and Heritage Center and then click Events.
- Facebook: Search for Bankhead House & Heritage Center and select Public Group.

The Walker County Room

From Parrish to Nauvoo to Dora and Sumiton, come by to see our exhibit honoring the strong history and vibrant future of our wonderful county!



University of Alabama Summer Interns for Walker County

For the Walker Area Community Foundation, the onset of summer signals the arrival of a new group of students from The University of Alabama who serve for eight weeks as Jean O'Connor Snyder Interns.

The internship is a partnership between Alabama's New College, David Mathews Center for Civic Life, and the

Foundation. The interns, who spend the summer working for the Foundation and various community partners throughout Walker County, immerse themselves in life in the area. This summer's interns had diverse backgrounds and interests, yet their common denominator was their steadfast dedication to service.

Here are the summer's interns who served our area:

Aundrea Bevis is a fifth year senior pursuing a double major in Psychology and the Sociology of Health. She is passionate about health as it affects social dynamics and is interested in addressing health disparities in communities due to class divisions. She is especially interested in mental health issues like addiction and recovery. Aundrea is originally from Suffolk, Virginia, but her current hometown is Killen, Alabama. In her free time, she likes to cook and run. Aundrea worked this summer with the Walker County Health Action Partnership.

Emily Pickert is a junior studying nonprofit management with a concentration in the arts through New College. She loves the arts, especially visual arts, and hopes to one day open



(L-R) Cameron, Stephanie, Jeff, Emily, Andrea, and Mary Caroline.

and run an organization dedicated to the arts. She was incredibly excited to work in Walker County where she had the opportunity to learn and meet many new people through her assignment with the Arts Alliance, Tallulah Bankhead Film Tribute, and the Downtown Jasper Business Association.

Jeff Rogers is from Birmingham and is currently majoring in Chemical Engineering. He is passionate about public education and hopes to make an impact in shaping the way we interact with students to make their experience in school more productive and personal. He enjoys reading, golfing, and listening to music in his spare time. This summer, Jeff worked with the Walker County Center of Technology.

Stephanie Ray is from Birmingham and is currently pursuing a dual degree in Elementary and Special Education. She is also studying Nonprofits through New College. She is passionate about Education and Education Policy, specifically concerning low-SES and atrisk individuals. Her dream is to establish a mentoring program and facility for foster and at-risk youth. This summer, she worked with the Walker County Children's Advocacy Center and with the Foundation to connect nonprofits across our area.

Intern Coordinators:

Mary Caroline May is a recent graduate of The University of Alabama, where she pursued an interdisciplinary degree in Community Development through New College. Her admiration and passion for Walker County brought her back to Jasper this summer to serve as the June intern coordinator after she spent summer 2014

working on the Foundation's Early Childhood Education initiative. Mary Caroline is passionate about connecting with people while seeing communities and individuals develop and realize their goals. She plans to attend The University of Alabama School of Law this Fall.

Cameron Lyons is a senior from Tuscaloosa pursuing a degree in Community Development with a concentration in Education Policy and Programming. He is especially passionate about creating programs in schools as outlets for students' talents to be showcased and students' voices to be heard. He believes that his time here in Walker County has brought him the depth of experience and opportunity for growth that he's received in some of his travels in Latin America. This fueled his decision to return as the July intern coordinator.



In Memory

Jeannette McPhail Argo Rosalyn Smith

Jane Beaman Aycock Woodie and Louis Payne

Catherine Whitley Barren Patsy and Dan Johnson

Robert Dale Bennett Jeanette and Pete Smith

Patricia Ann Birdsong Kathy and Jerry Byars, Jr. Kay Byars Consensus Club Deborah and Donald Frazier Olivia Hyche Kathern and Ollie Clay Hyche Kim and Hamilton Poyner

Nelda Bookout Bowen Daphne and James Bradley

Jerry Cain Byars Virginia Brown

Johnnie Lou Childers Elizabeth and Rusty Richardson

William Arthur Counts Abbie Sue Drummond Robbie and Brack O'Rear

Charles Dudley Cross Patsy and Dan Johnson

E.A. Cunningham Jeanette and Pete Smith

Charles Owen Davidson, Jr. Robbie and Brack O'Rear

Herman Davis Patsy and Dan Johnson

Lawrence Diehl Boogie Franklin Linda and Robert Maddox Woodie and Louis Payne

Hazel Louise Hardin Dowdey Abbie Sue Drummond Alice and Raymond Thompson

Joseph R. Downs, III Abbie Sue Drummond Lee and Stan Eggers Sudie and Robert Reed Aline Stewart Drummond Carol Mathews

E.A. Drummond Deborah and Donald Frazier Olivia Hyche Kathern and Ollie Clay Hyche

Dora Christine White Duncan Lee and Stan Eggers Debbie and Joey Sanders Susan and Marlin Shubert

Melba Faye Eads J.H. Graham, Inc. John Kellum

Carlee and James Ergle Regina and Tex Ergle

Leon Estes Kay Byars Abbie Sue Drummond Jane and Sam Murphy Jimmie Carol Sherer

Walter Herbert Greene June and Bill Hudson Mimi Hudson

Ham Radio Operators Linda and Jimmie Dill

Trenton Shane Harbison Mary Jo and Paul Gunter

Johnnie B. Harris Jenny and Mike Short

Grady Hendrix Patricia and Mike Putman

Marie Annette Hitchcock Patsy and Dan Johnson

Linda May Horwitz Brenda Beard Marlene and Rick Beringer Kay Byars Abbie Sue Drummond Betty Jo Goldstein Rebecca May Jane and Sam Murphy Jerome Newmark Elizabeth and Rusty Richardson Carol Savage Jimmie Carol Sherer Jeanette and Pete Smith Elizabeth and Shane Weber

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Donna Baxter Justice Stewart Lubricants & Service Co., Inc.

Catherine Kennedy

Kristi and Brian Alexander Carol and Jim Alexander Anne and Jack Allen Patricia and Richard Barnes Aundrea Bevis Kay Byars Pamela and Kevin Callahan Cawaco Resource Conservation and Development Council Edith Ann Crump Downtown Jasper **Business** Association Abbie Sue Drummond Louise Faught Karen and Chip Globetti Debbie and Bert Hendrix Mary Neal Hendrix Mimi Hudson Emelil and William Humphries Sabrina Keating Amanda and Tyler Keene Sue and Travis Lett Patricia and Keith Lewis Cameron Lyons Helen and Pat Morrison Jerome Newmark Barbara and John Oliver Mary Putman Patricia and Mike Putman Debbie and Joey Sanders Billie and Jerald Sherer Jenny and Mike Short Jeanette and Pete Smith Kimberly and Gregory Taylor Walker County Soil and Water Conservation Board

Jean Mathews Lee Carol Mathews

Amelia Frost Lum

Joyce Barton Virginia Brown Kay Byars Sara Clem Downtown Jasper Business Association Abbie Sue Drummond Karen and Chip Globetti Mimi Hudson Sabrina Keating Linda and Robert Maddox Judy and Gerson May Rebecca May

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Jane and Sam Murphy Debbie and Joey Sanders Jimmie Carol Sherer Jenny and Mike Short Holly and Hugh Smith Jeanette and Pete Smith Karyn and Brent Uptain

Sue Manasco Maxwell Jeanette Smith

Sarah Creagh Webb McCollum Daphne and James Bradley Lee and Stanton Eggers

Bobby Mitchell Elizabeth and Rusty Richardson

Cynthia Casey Peacock Patricia and Keith Lewis

William H. Philpot Carol Mathews

Bobbie Norris Posey Karen Cross

Bonita Carol Posey Sabrina Keating

Evelyn Keel Posner Abbie Sue Drummond McArthur Rigsby Patsy and Dan Johnson

Carolyn Bevill Sargent Abbie Sue Drummond

Doris E. Gregory Shaneyfelt Kay Byars Abbie Sue Drummond Iris and Grant Jarvis Lynn and Jerry Mosley Elizabeth and Rusty Richardson Debbie and Joey Sanders Jessica and William Walker

Samuel Lee Smith Patsy and Dan Johnson

Katherine Jeanne Stough Woodie and Louis Payne

Bobby Clayton Stovall Chip Graham Howard Graham

Donald Boyd Taylor Bonita, Melanie, and Landon Taylor

Ruby Lucille Gilbert Taylor Robbie and Brack O'Rear Carolyn Shurbitt

Barbara Drummond Thorne Sara Cook Maggie Ryan Williams Thornell

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Kay Byars Lynn and Jerry Mosley Jeanette and Pete Smith

Clara Belle Harris Tubbs The Ferrell Sisters Elizabeth and Rusty Richardson

Billy Ray Waldrop Abbie Sue Drummond Elizabeth and Rusty Richardson

Charles Clinton Watts, Jr. Sara Clem Abbie Sue Drummond Lee and Stan Eggers Leah and Chip Graham Barbara and Howard Graham Sudie and Robert Reed Elizabeth and Rusty Richardson

Lynn Frances Weinstein Brenda Beard Margaret Parsons Jimmie Carol Sherer Elizabeth and Shane Weber Lucy and Steve Weinstein

Arthur H. Zimmer Louise Zimmer

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WACF FINANCIAL SUMMARY			
Year	Grants Awarded	Gifts Received	Total Assets
Through 2015	\$ 560,763	\$ 914,155	\$24,675,784
2014	\$1,288,045	\$ 632,234	\$23,971,032
2013	\$3,073,770	\$ 1,187,126	\$23,900,784
2012	\$3,626,636	\$ 2,868,415	\$23,366,184
2011	\$1,190,071	\$10,228,804	\$22,241,646
2010	\$ 627,450	\$ 887,700	\$13,385,864
Total	\$ 9,805,972	\$15,804,279	144
5-yr Average	\$ 1,961,194	\$ 3,160,856	2200
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Brad Baugh Renae and Mark Wilson

Pam and Kevin Callahan Susan and Marlin Shubert

Kevin Callahan Renae and Mark Wilson

Rebecca Carroll Sara Cook

Anthony Christain Renae and Mark Wilson

Edith Ann Crump's Birthday Pam and Kevin Callahan

Abbie Sue Drummond Beth and Paul Kennedy

Billie Ruth Drummond Beth and Paul Kennedy

Billie Ruth Drummond's Birthday Kay Byars

Libba Elliott Renae and Mark Wilson Gregory Ellis Renae and Mark Wilson

Michelle and Chris Hallmark Alaina and Christopher Hallmark

Gary Hallmark Renae and Mark Wilson

Neal Hendrix Karen Cross

Allison Jones Renae and Mark Wilson

Sarah and Carl Kennedy Leigh Ann and Rafi Rotter

Paul Kennedy Renae and Mark Wilson

Angie and George Lum Holly and Hugh Smith

Lewis Manderson Beth and Paul Kennedy

Susan McKinney Renae and Mark Wilson

Lynn Mishkel Beth and Paul Kennedy

Eric Nail Renae and Mark Wilson

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Mike Putman Beth and Paul Kennedy 7

Greg Reed South University

David Rowland Beth and Paul Kennedy

Carol Savage Patsy and Rufus Reed

Carol Savage's Birthday Jeanette Smith

Jeanette Smith Beth and Rick Stukes

Beth Stukes Sara Cook

Larry Thorne Sara Cook

Holly Trawick Renae and Mark Wilson

Betty Underwood's Birthday Kay Byars

Lou Vick Renae and Mark Wilson

PROJECT COMMUNITY BE A PART OF MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Project Community is a giving society for adults ages 25-55 who desire to make an impact in their community. Group members:

- socialize and meet people of like age in the community
 - learn about philanthropy and giving
- learn about the nonprofits we have in our community
 - accept grant applications from nonprofits
 - agree on funding decisions

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Dinner at Bankhead House & Heritage Center - November 5 at 6 p.m.

For more information or to join Project Community, contact Cristy Moody at cmoody@wacf.org.



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Leadership Alabama and WACF

We are pleased to announce the selection of Robbin Reed Allen to the Leadership Alabama Class of XXVI.

Leadership Alabama is a statewide nonprofit organization which each year brings together a class of 50-60 participants from across the state. The members are nominated and selected based on their leadership abilities, career accomplishments, volunteer activities, contributions to the community and commitment to help shape a better Alabama. They do not share a common age, gender, lifestyle, career or hometown. What they do share is a vision of what Alabama can and must be as we move Alabama forward.

Class members visit communities across the state, and as they seek a mutual understanding of the problems and priorities facing the state, they also seek to invent vital solutions to the challenges that define the future of our state.

Since its founding in 1990, over 1,000 citizen leaders in Alabama have participated in the Leadership Alabama program. Alumni from the Foundation include: Jack Allen, Doug Warren, Haig Wright, Paul Kennedy and Mimi Hudson.





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