

MAY 2019 NEWSLETTER

FOUNDATION FORUM

Updates from the Coweta Community Foundation

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Foundation



From the Coweta Community Foundation Executive Director

BY ORREN JONES



It's been a busy winter and spring here at the Coweta Community Foundation, and one of the Foundation's achievements that I'm most proud of is that our board members were able to personally distribute this year's grant awards and directly see the impact of the grants. That was really a nice way to announce the grant recipients, and we all found it so rewarding to be able to visit our recipients and share the good news with them. This year's recipients were CASA, CORRAL, Coweta Pregnancy Services, Angel's House, Newnan-Coweta Boys and Girls Club, Flint River Council Boy Scouts, Real Life Center, One Roof, Meals on Wheels of Coweta, Bridging the Gap, Rutledge Center, Newnan-Coweta Habitat for Humanity, Southern Conservation Trust, Patrons of the Centre, Christian City, Piedmont Newnan Cancer Wellness Center and the Senoia Area Historical Society. If you want to beam with pride for your community, I encourage you to take a look at the work these organizations are doing every day.

I've also enjoyed getting to know the youth on our Community Service Team. They studied ten different Coweta County nonprofits, making site visits, planning a presentation to the entire group, and then ultimately voting on the recipient of the \$500 grant that is given from their own funds. This year, they selected the Thomas F. Chapman Family Cancer Wellness Center at Piedmont Newnan Hospital.

Through our Annual Partnerships, local businesses have demonstrated just what a giving community Coweta County really is. People are so open to giving, and I know the requests they receive are constant, yet they always step up and give when and where it's needed.

In March, our board members participated in a Strategic Planning Retreat. One of the things we really zeroed in on was the fact that there are so many nonprofits locally, collaboration is a must if we are all going to achieve the goals we are working for. The board's goal is for the Coweta Community Foundation to truly be a catalyst for this collaboration among all of Coweta's nonprofits, and it's exciting to think that we can play a role in making this happen.

Retiring board members honored, new members welcomed



At our January 18 board meeting, the Coweta Community Foundation presented crystal peaches to retiring board members Joseph Wyant and Herb Cranford Jr. to thank them for completing their term of service with the Foundation. From left are Executive Director Orren Jones, Wyant, Cranford, and 2019 CCF Chair Michelle Boyd.



Our new board members for 2019 include, from left, Lalit Mani, Chellie Phillips, Brandon Lovett, Chris McGarity, Kandice Bell, and Kevin Barbee. Not pictured are Barry Debrow and Marvin McCoy.



Coweta Community Foundation

2018-2019
Grant Cycle

Over \$43,000 awarded
to 17 nonprofits

Thank you,
Annual
Partners!



2018 - 2019

Grant Recipients



Community Service Team Spends Spring Visiting Local Nonprofits

Each year, our Community Service Team spends many months learning about the nonprofits of Coweta County, making site visits, and deciding which of the ten nonprofits they have studied will get their grant for the year. And when these youth visit, they don't just observe – they go to work!



Samantha Morrison is winner of 2018-2019 CST Scholarship

Our Community Service Team held its end-of-year social on May 16, 2019 at our offices, and the group announced that its 2018-2019 grant is going to Piedmont Newnan Hospital's Cancer Wellness Center. Also, outgoing CST chair Samantha Morrison was named the winner of this year's CST scholarship.

Samantha is graduating from Northgate High School with high honors and will be attending Oglethorpe University in the fall and plans to study Communications, Urban Leadership, and Theatre Management. This year, she has been Northgate's Drama Department President, Northgate's Chorus Department President, Northgate's National Honors Society President, and CST Chairwoman. "Out of my busy schedule, I find Coweta Community Foundation to honestly be my favorite," she said. "I have loved being involved with my community and being able to know that I have made an impact. Also, I would like to say a huge thank-you to my parents, Tracy and Keith, for always supporting me, and to everyone at CCF who has taught me that one person can truly change the world!"



Pictured above: Coweta CST class of 2018-2019, CST members participate in activities at their monthly meetings, CST members serving at Meals on Wheels of Coweta and Newnan-Coweta Habitat for Humanity

Teens interested in serving on the 2019-2020 Community Service Team should check our website at the end of summer for application details. New applications will be available in early August for the 2019-2020 school year.



Crystal Peach Society reception at Piedmont Newnan honors CCF supporters

On April 11, Piedmont Newnan Hospital's Thomas F. Chapman Family Cancer Wellness Center was the backdrop for the inaugural gathering of our Crystal Peach Society, which recognizes those CCF supporters who have given \$1,000 or more in contributions over the past year. We were welcomed by Jennifer Palmer, Cancer Wellness Coordinator, and Vicki Kaiser, a CCF board member who serves as Executive Director of Oncology, Support Services & Community Affairs at Piedmont Newnan Hospital. Our supporters got to hear an update on some of the latest happenings at the Foundation, tour the Cancer Wellness Center, and enjoy a reception in the Thomas F. Chapman Family Wellness Café. To make a gift and become a part of our Crystal Peach Society today, give us a call at 770-253-1833.





Coweta Community Foundation
invites you to join us for

Southern Saturday Night

September 14th, 2019 | 5 pm - 9 pm

At Hal & Linda Barry's Bear Creek Farms, Moreland, GA
Home of the Bear Creek Hounds



Join us for the presentation of the horses & hounds, live music,
craft beer, bourbon, & grilled meats

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Southern Saturday Night

Mark your calendars now for our first signature event of the fall, Southern Saturday Night!

The event is set for Saturday, September 14, 2019 from 5-9 p.m. at Hal and Linda Barry's Bear Creek Farms in Moreland. Guests will see the presentation of the horses and hounds during cocktail hour and enjoy live music, craft beer, bourbon, and grilled meats. The attire is country casual.

Tickets are available now at www.cowetafoundation.org.



SAVE THE DATE!
Southern Saturday Night is
September 14, 2019



SAVE THE DATE!
Farm to Table is
November 7, 2019