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LAKE DEVELOPMENT UNDERWAY AT FAIRGROUNDS

By Guest Columnist Dean Blair

There have been many exciting things happening at the Clark County Fairgrounds in the past year. One of which, is being made possible by a \$25,000 grant from the Springfield Foundation. Our Lake Development Project, a plan to turn a 115-acre former gravel pit turned lake, into a widely known water sports venue, is in its beginning stages. Because of the Springfield Foundation's generosity, the Fairgrounds has entered into an agreement with a motorsports company to research potential water sports events and pricing quotes and a strategic plan has been

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developed by a surveying and engineering firm. Next steps on the project include corporate and funding partnerships for the finishing stages of phase one.

The ultimate goal is to host a series of water sports events including: on-the-water boat shows, Formula series boat races, solar boat races and wave runner races, as well as fishing tournaments. The Fairgrounds is a major component in the tourism industry for Clark County and the

development of the lake will only enhance our draw. Currently, events held at the Fairgrounds account for approximately 70% of all tourism traffic in our county.

The Fairgrounds is considered an "up and coming" venue in the powerboat industry and has been the topic of conversation at the American Boat Association's annual meeting, as well as the Indianapolis and Los Angeles trade shows.

The Lake Development project also brings additional resources to the community. The design of a cross-country course will begin around the lake as soon as the weather permits. This course will allow for multiple schools to host local, county, regional and hopefully state cross country competitions. A partnership with CTC and GISA Stem School has been established to help construct the course. Working with and supporting local youth is our mission at the Agriculture Society and these partnerships could not align any better. A new fire barn will be built by CTC's carpentry class and will be completed by the Fourth of July fireworks celebration. An additional \$12,000 grant was awarded to the Fairgrounds from the Robert M. Farish Family Building Trades Fund held at the Springfield Foundation. This fund provides grants for educational and training opportunities in the building trades industry for residents of Clark County. Through this grant, CTC will also be constructing a large shelter house located near the lake to be utilized for events.

So much good news, so many new



Foundation Executive Director Ted Vander Roest presenting check to Dean Blair, Executive Director, Clark County Fairgrounds

partnerships, so many new friends and strengths recognized. So many positive impressions on our community from all over the nation. And it all began through a grant from the Springfield Foundation. Amazing things are to come from well-sewn seed money. We wish to deeply thank the Foundation for all they are doing for us and this entire community!

Thank you.

2016 GRANTS IN ACTION

The discretionary grants listed below made up \$594,508 of the total \$4,042,337 in grants approved by the Springfield Foundation in 2016.

ARTS & CULTURE/TOTAL \$57,600

Clark County Historical Society:

Operational Support

Clark State Community College PAC:

2017 Season

Gammon House: Juneteenth Celebration

New Carlisle Chautauqua Council, Inc.:

Operational Support

Springfield Arts Council: The 2017

Summer Arts Festival

Springfield Arts Council: ASL

Interpretation

Springfield Foundation: Arts and Culture Marketing

Springfield Museum of Art: Operational Support

Springfield Symphony Orchestra

Association: Operational Support

Tecumseh High School: Tecumseh Muse Machine Club

The Westcott House Foundation:

Operational Support

CIVIC AFFAIRS/TOTAL \$50,453

Antioch College Corporation/WYSO:

Clark County Reporter

City of Springfield: CultureFest 2017

Clark County Agricultural Society:

Lake Development

Clark County Junior Fair Board Awards

Committee: Ribbons and Rosettes

Community Improvement Corporation of Springfield-Clark County: Operational Support

Ohio Equine and Agricultural Association: Operational Support

Springfield City School District: A/V Enhancement and Student Tech Training

EDUCATION/TOTAL \$58,800

Clark County Literacy Coalition: Basic Literacy

Clark County Retired Teachers Association: The One Room School Program

Clark State Foundation: The Champion City Scholars Program

Crayons to Classrooms: Operational Support

Ohio State University Foundation: OSU

EFNEP Farmer's Market Project

Springfield Christian Youth Ministries-

West: Biz Ba\$ics Entrepreneurship Program

Springfield City School District Board of Education: Project Springboard Family Literacy Program

Springfield Promise: Operational Support

WellSpring: SPARK

Wittenberg University: Wittenberg

Health Wellness & Athletics Complex

Wittenberg University: Hagen Center's

Summer Internship Program

ENVIRONMENT, CONSERVATION, & ANIMAL WELFARE/TOTAL \$59,000

Humane Society Serving Clark County, Inc.: Spay and Neuter Program

Master Gardeners: Feature Garden at Snyder Park Gardens

National Trail Parks and Recreation

District: NTPRD Chiller Ice Arena

Tecumseh Land Preservation Association: Operational Support

HEALTH/TOTAL \$111,332

Alzheimer's and Related Disorders

Association Miami Valley Chapter:

Operational Support for Clark County

Community Mercy Foundation: Cancer Care Outreach Program

Community Mercy Foundation:

Community Mercy Med Assist

Dayton Children's Hospital: Cardiology Equipment for Springfield

National Society to Prevent Blindness-Ohio Affiliate: Healthyeyes

Oesterlen Services For Youth, Inc.:

Oesterlen's STAR Group Therapy Program

Planned Parenthood Southwest Ohio Region: Operational Support

Pregnancy Resource Clinic of Clark

County: Healthy Infant Nutrition

Rocking Horse Children's Health Center: Chronic Disease Care Coordination

Rocking Horse Children's Health Center: CHAMP Care Coordination

HUMAN SERVICES/TOTAL \$157,181

Bethel Churches United: Food Pantry

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Springfield

Inc: Youth Mentoring

Clark County Board of Developmental Disabilities: LOVE: Loyalty, Openness, Value, Empathy

Clark County Family & Children First Council: Substitute Care Resources Program

Clark County Fuller Center For Housing: Operational Support

Covenant United Methodist Church: Freedom School

Deaf Community Resource Center (DCRC): Clark County Deaf Community Resource Center

Girl Scouts of Western Ohio: Leadership Experience Program

Girls on the Run of Dayton, Inc.:

Participant Scholarship Assistance

Goodwill Easter Seals Miami Valley:

Child Screening Program

Interfaith Hospitality Network of Springfield: Overflow Shelter

Marriage Resource Center of Miami Valley: Love Well/Live Well (LW2)

On-The-Rise: Operational Support

Project Woman of Springfield and Clark County: Prevention Education

Ronald McDonald House Charities of the Miami Valley Region, Inc.: Nights of Stay & Family Room Support

Rotary Club of Springfield, Ohio Foundation: Services to People with Disabilities Program

Second Harvest Food Bank of Clark, Champaign and Logan Counties: Weekend Backpack Program

SiFi Ministry: Safe Harbor House Operational Support

Springfield Family YMCA: Financial Assistance

Springfield Family YMCA: Adaptive Aquatics

Springfield Initiative: Operational Support

Springfield Peace School: Peace Camp

Springfield Soup Kitchen: Operational Support

TAC Industries, Inc.: Operational Support

The Riding Centre: Operational Support

United Way of Clark, Champaign &

Madison Counties: 2-1-1 Support

WellSpring: Families and Schools Together (FAST)

INITIATIVES/TOTAL \$100,142

SpringForward: Downtown Initiative

WELCOME NEW FUNDS

Bethany Thompson Memorial Scholarship. Scholarship fund established to honor the memory of Bethany Thompson. Scholarship benefits graduating seniors of Triad High School. First preference given to students who have survived cancer, are planning to study veterinary medicine or study ministry.

The Amrit and Shashi Chadha Charity Fund. Field of Interest fund which provides funding for local homeless shelters and organizations providing services to individuals with special needs.

Patrick E. Field Endowment Fund. Designated fund established to benefit the Springfield Museum of Art, Springfield Catholic Central High School and the Springfield Foundation.



Members of the Fortnightly Musical Club

Fortnightly Musical Club Scholarship Fund. Scholarship fund established to assist graduating seniors from Fairborn High School in Greene County, any Clark

County High School or Homeschooled senior to further their studies at an accredited college or university and major in music

Hertzler House Endowment. Established by an anonymous donor to benefit the Hertzler House, barn and grounds located on the George Rogers Clark Historic Park

Kiwanis Children's Garden. Agency Fund established to provide ongoing support for the Kiwanis Club Children's Garden.

Fred and Maxine Leventhal Scholarship Fund. Established through a gift from the estate of Fred R. Leventhal, this scholarship aids graduates of Springfield high school attending Clark State Community College.

New North Street AME Scholarship. Scholarship Fund established for members/

family members of local AME churches to further their educational studies.

New North Street AME Church Endowment. Designated fund established for the unrestricted support of New North Street AME church.

Parlato Unrestricted Endowment. Unrestricted fund established by a gift from Mr. Parlato in memory of his late wife Rita Parlato and Sister, Martha Giordano.

Kathleen Wachsmuth Catholic Central High School Tuition Assistance Fund. Designated fund established to award tuition assistance to students attending Catholic Central High School.

Kathleen Wachsmuth Catholic Central Elementary Tuition Assistance Fund. Designated fund established to award tuition assistance to students attending Catholic Central in grades one through eight.

Kathleen Wachsmuth Education Scholarship Fund. Scholarship fund established to benefit college juniors or seniors from any Clark County High School enrolled in an accredited Ohio college or University with a major in Education.

Kathleen Wachsmuth Veterinary Medicine Scholarship. Scholarship fund established to benefit students from Clark County, Ohio attending an accredited Ohio college or university perusing an associates, bachelors, masters, or doctoral degree in veterinary medicine.

Dr. Michael Yerian United Way Endowment for Clark County Residents. Designated fund for the unrestricted support of the charitable or education purposes of United Way of Clark, Champaign and Madison Counties for the benefit of Clark County Residents.

United Way KTH Endowment for Champaign County Residents. Designated fund established for the unrestricted support of the charitable or education purposes of United Way of Clark, Champaign and Madison Counties for the benefit of Clark County Residents.

BOARD CHANGES

The Springfield Foundation welcomes Springfield Police Chief, **Steve Moody**, as the newest Springfield Foundation Trustee. Steve is a lifelong resident of Springfield, Ohio, and a graduate of Catholic Central High School, Clark State Community College and Urbana University. He holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Criminal Justice Leadership and is graduate of the 195th session of the FBI National Academy at Quantico.



Steve Moody

Steve is heavily involved in the Springfield Community. He has volunteered as a student mentor for Lincoln Elementary, is a member of the Springfield Rotary Club, a graduate of the Clark County Leadership Academy and has served as a board member for Second Harvest Food Bank, Project Woman and Clark County Child Advocacy Center.

Ed Leventhal departs the Springfield Foundation Board of Trustees after serving the maximum number of terms. Ed has been a Trustee since 2004 and served as a member of the Distribution Committee, Personnel Committee, Finance and Impact Committees. Ed's critical input during the distribution process has been very valuable, and will be missed.



Ed Leventhal

Thank you Ed for your dedicated service!



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Applications to apply for the Springfield Foundation's competitive grant cycle will be available beginning June 1, 2017. Completed applications are due no later than August 18, 2017. For more information, please visit www.SpringfieldFoundation.org. For questions, or inquiries, please contact Suzie Carey, Director of Grants and Scholarships, at 937-324-8773.

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