

CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE



Our community celebrated its 153rd Anniversary this past year and our history is replete with many remarkable economic and social successes. We have a rich heritage and while this is something to be very proud of we must understand it also represents a sacred responsibility to carry this tradition of success forward. We are indeed living in one of the most critically important times of our community's existence and the decisions we make will dictate the future our children and grandchildren will face.

As we all know High Point has gone through a dramatic economic transition and we are currently in the process of "reinventing" who and what we will be in the near future as well as for the next 50 years. The Community Foundation has been studying and responding to the needs of our community for

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over 15 years. Now we believe that a prosperous future will depend upon our private sector's willingness to step up and invest in High Point.

Whether it is the City Project, the Southside Renewal, or the makeover of Washington Drive we, as a collective community, must decide if we want to continue to be a strong, independent entity, or simply slip into the role of a "bedroom community" for Greensboro and Winston-Salem. We have seen the impact that private investment and leadership has made at High Point University where decisions are driven by a desire to create an atmosphere of excellence. Now we must implement that same spirit in the reinventing of our community.

The Community Foundation believes in financially investing in community projects that serve both the social and economic good of this community. We see our Annual Granting Program and our Donor Advised Funds as critically important financial vehicles that will support and drive this change. We ask you to join us in this quest and consider using the products we offer to make your investment in our future.

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PRESIDENT'S PERSPECTIVE



"We could not have done any of this without our donors, the people who believe in our mission and want to ensure that the Community Foundation exists in perpetuity."

The month of May marked the 15th year since we first opened the doors for business in a one-room office Phil Phillips provided free of charge in his First Factors Group office. I had a single picture up on the wall my father had given me and a whole lot to do in a short amount of time.

I was blessed with a remarkable Executive Board that included Jim Millis, Sr., Bill Horney, Bill McGuinn, Nido Qubein, Jim Morgan, Charlie Greene, Charles Odom and George Erath. These men led a committed group of Trustees who knew our city needed an economic safety net to provide for current and future needs.

Our Annual Grants Program has supported numerous educational initiatives and given many grants to individual public schools. We have helped build a Hispanic Center, supported nationally recognized crime deterrence and domestic violence initiatives and partnered with many faithbased initiatives. We've supported Communities in Schools, invested in Washington Drive, partnered with the United Way, supported the City Project, invested in Open Door Ministries, partnered with the Community Resource Network, and supported the Community Clinic of High Point.

I've enjoyed the journey and there is still much to come. We could not have done any of this without our donors, the people who believe in our mission and want to ensure that the Community Foundation exists in perpetuity. I'm proud to say we have an outstanding track record with our investments, we've run a tight, economically efficient ship and we've worked with integrity and transparency. Thanks to all of you for supporting us, it is indeed a privilege and an honor to serve this great community. **!**

Always, Paul

Paul Lessard. President **High Point Community Foundation**

THE HIGH POINT COMMUNITY FOUNDATION EXISTS TO:

- · Build an endowment through donations of all sizes for the community that will provide for the changing needs of the citizens of High Point for generations to come.
- · Administer an Annual Granting Program that serves the needs of the greater High Point community by financially supporting nonprofit organizations and initiatives that are positively impacting lives in our community.
- · Manage Donor Advised Funds, Special Interest Funds, and Organizational Endowments for individuals, families, local businesses and nonprofit organizations; and assist them in fulfilling their philanthropic interests.
- Serve as a community leader, convening agencies and coordinating resources to make good things happen in the community.

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THE PRINCIPALS' FUND FOR STUDENT NEEDS

A Helping Hand For Students





Grant Presentation to Northwood Elementary

Funds to be used to help upgrade their media center which will include moveable furniture, shelving, new computer monitors and a "smart board." Those pictured in the photo are: Principal Scott Winslow, members of the Principals' Fund Committee, community supporters and the Northwood Student Council.





Grant Presentation to Southwest Elementary

Funds to be used to purchase additional document readers and projectors for the school. The technology provides students with an amazing tool that allows them to have a more dynamic and interactive class lesson. Photos include members of the Principals' Fund Committee, HPCF staff, Principal Brian Muller, 3rd grade teacher Lindsey Jones, Guilford Co. Schools administrative staff, members of the PTA, and students who demonstrated how the document reader worked



Grant Presentation to Oak View Elementary

Funds to be used to purchase walkie-talkies for all grades which will enhance their crisis/emergency plans and allow them to better communicate with staff in times of need. Photo includes HPCF staff members of the Principals' Fund Committee, and Principal Heather Bare.

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HIGH POINT HOSTS PREMIER SPORTS EVENT

In what may be one of the great coups in High Point sports history, the High Point Cycling Classic, a Criterium or "Crit" race that has taken place in our city for the past 3 years, has been awarded USA Cycling's Professional Criterium National Championships for 2013 and 2014. This prestigious event is coming to High Point for several reasons, including our outstanding venue that incorporates the Mendenhall Transportation Terminal in front of the IHFC building as a start/finish area, Dr. Chip Duckett's strong leadership team including Redding Communications, Randy Carta, and others who aggressively pursued the event, and High Point's growing reputation as a cycling friendly community.

"Hosting the Criterium National Championships for the next two years will be an awesome opportunity to showcase our community to the entire country," shared Duckett. "Not only will the Championships be a great economic development driver for High Point, but it will also bring people downtown and give them a chance to see elite Olympic caliber athletes in action while having a great time."

For those of you who have never been to a Criterium race High Point's event will offer high speed, action-packed bike racing in its most dynamic form. The .7 to 1.5 mile course begins with a mass start and is laid out in



"Supporting the Criterium Races was a priority for the Foundation... it will generate thousands of dollars that will be granted to multiple charities in High Point."

High Point's viewer friendly downtown area. The cyclists will race around the course with the pack returning to the starting point every 2 to 3 minutes. The races typically last 30 to 60 minutes and have been described as "NASCAR on two wheels." The action is nonstop, with lots of jostling for position, tight corners and aggressive riders. It will bring the best of cycling's strategy with the power and speed of a contact sport. For more information, visit www.hpcyclingclassic.com.

Piedmont Charity Sports Promotions, who facilitates the event, is a 2012 grant recipient of the Community Foundation. To date, they have raised over \$100,000 for local charities. "Supporting the Criterium Races was a priority for the Foundation," states Paul Lessard, President, HPCF. "It's an economic development event that will bring money and notoriety to our city, and it's a world class event that will put High Point on a national platform. Most importantly, it will generate thousands of dollars that will be granted to multiple charities in High Point."

The event will take place July 25th through the 28th, with the National Championship races held Saturday night from 5:30 – 8:30. This year it will also include a Charity Ride, lots of children's events, plus an outstanding music venue that the event has quickly become famous for. A new part of the weekend is "The Bicycle: Art Meets Form." This will be a galleried exhibition of the 5 "leading lights" (standout designers) in modern handmade bikes, which will be held in conjunction with a hand built bicycle show, conferences and discussions, movies, music and vintage rides. It is hoped that this event will create a tradition that will become an annual program and another revenue source for the city.

The Foundation is proud of its partnership with Piedmont Charity Sports Promotions to support this premier sports event that will attract folks of all ages from High Point, North Carolina, and beyond. Come join us for this free event!



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National Championship July 27

Bicycle: Art Meets Form July 25-28

Kids Zone July 25-28

United Way Charity Ride July 27

Civic Challenge July 27

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HONORING JIM AND JESSE MILLIS:

Millis Family, Community Foundation, and UNC School of Medicine Team up to Fight Melanoma

According to current statistics, at some point in our lives nearly all of us will be impacted by one of the deadliest forms of skin cancer, melanoma. The disease is a silent killer that is often associated with overexposure to the sun. It can lurk quietly inside our bodies and often be discovered too late to effectively treat. The family of Bill Millis, of High Point, has experienced the devastation of melanoma firsthand and, in response, has established a partnership with one of the top melanoma researchers in the world, Dr. David Ollila of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Medicine. They have teamed up with Dr. Ollila to support melanoma research through their Donor Advised Fund at the High Point Community Foundation.

"I am very proud of the tremendous impact Bill Millis has had upon this groundbreaking research through grants made from a Donor Advised Fund that his parents set up here at the Foundation," states Paul Lessard, President, HPCF. "Jim and Jesse Millis, who played such a key role in the establishment of our Foundation, were both taken from us by this disease, and we at the Foundation consider it a great honor to partner with Bill and the UNC School of Medicine to support research that will lead to a cure."

Gifts from the William B. Millis
Donor Advised Fund have established
the James H. and Jesse E. Millis
Distinguished Professorship for
Melanoma Research at the University
of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School
of Medicine. Income from this endowed
fund will support the work of Dr. David
Ollila, the surgical director of the UNC
Multidisciplinary Melanoma Program.
Dr. Ollila is one of the most recognized
and respected melanoma researchers/
surgeons in the world. This support
has been invaluable to enabling UNC
to continue to be a leader in melanoma



research.

Dr. Ollila received his MD from the University of Cincinnati, completed his general surgery residency at Riverside Methodist Hospital in Columbus, Ohio, and his oncology fellowship at the John Wayne Cancer Institute in Santa Monica, California. He recently spent six months as a visiting scholar at the University of Sydney (Australia) and the Melanoma Institute Australia, working closely with Professor John Thompson, a true pioneer in melanoma research.

Dr. Ollila is known for his commitment to narrowing the gap between laboratory research and the day-to-day work of clinical medicine. Ollila's initial contribution to North Carolinians was introducing the sentinel node biopsy procedures he learned

during his fellowship and immediately improving the care of patients diagnosed with melanoma at UNC. His work using the biopsy as a method to improve the ability to determine tumor extent and minimize surgery is well known.

Ollila's early work with sentinel nodes has spawned collaborative work in an epidemiology study being run by the UNC School of Public Health and several basic science projects in the UNC Lineberger Comprehensive Cancer Center. He has also garnered great interest in the cancer community for his use of positron emission tomography (PET) imaging to help plan and guide surgery.

"My passion is bridging gaps in knowledge to create a new, higher level of knowledge that will ultimately help an individual melanoma patient," states Dr. Ollila. "Bill Millis has understood on a very personal level that all melanomas are not created the same and huge knowledge gaps exist. He has backed my pursuit to close these gaps, supporting my ability to unite basic scientists, population scientists and clinical medicine. Slowly we are starting to understand why some melanoma patients conquer their disease while others are not so fortunate."

Dr. Ollila's work has dramatically impacted the lives of patients all over the world and even here in High Point it has played a critical role in the successful recovery of two local medical professionals. Dr. Tom Walsh, a well respected High Point surgeon who attended the Wake Forest School of



Medicine, the University of Pittsburgh for his internship, residency and fellowship in surgery, not only uses the sentinel node procedure on his cancer patients, he also personally benefited from it when he went through his own successful treatment for melanoma.

"The sentinel node biopsy procedure requires a smaller incision, is more accurate and is much less stressful for my patients," noted Dr. Walsh. "In my own personal experience with melanoma I can tell you that the diagnosis can be traumatic, but it can be survived. I believe God used it to make me a better physician who now empathizes and cares for my patients more sensitively and effectively."

Another health professional, Jean Sellers, who worked for many years as an oncology nurse at High Point Regional and now lives and works in

Chapel Hill is also a melanoma survivor and a passionate advocate for research.

"Over 580,000 people will die of cancer this year,"

shared Sellers. "Research is what enabled us to find a cure for childhood Leukemia, testicular cancer and advanced Hodgkin's disease and it is what will help us conquer melanoma. My youngest cancer patient was 10 years old and my oldest was Jim Millis, Sr. who courageously battled melanoma at 81 years old. I had my own personal struggle with melanoma and it was a frightening experience, but I survived because of the research that had been

done and must continue."

While groundbreaking research is being done by doctors like David Ollila, there is still much that must be done to eradicate this disease. It is hoped that the example set by Bill Millis will inspire others to contribute to this important research professorship. This professorship, which has produced so much in such a short period of time, is a very viable and extremely productive venue through which all of us can contribute to keep up the fight for a cure.

"Both my mother and my father fought very courageously against melanoma, and I saw up close how cruel and unrelenting this disease can be," remembers Millis. "My goal in establishing this research professorship chair is that one day families who are faced with what we went through will

"Income from this endowed fund will support the work of Dr. David Ollila, the surgical director of the UNC Multidisciplinary Melanoma Program."

> be able to know that this disease can be beaten. I hope other High Pointers will join me in supporting this most important effort."

There would be no finer legacy than to be able to look back years from now and know that the contributions you made led to the cure of this very deadly form of cancer. If you are interested in contributing to the funding of this research, please contact the Foundation office at 336.882.3297.

2012 GRANT AWARDS

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A Total of \$301,760 was Granted to 20 Local Nonprofit Agencies

The High Point Community Foundation is dedicated to strengthening the community for both present and future generations through the growth, management and disbursement of donated funds. Grant applications are accepted beginning June 1.

ORGANIZATION	HPCF Allocation	Cory McInnis	Violet Hutchens	PURPOSE OF GRANT
Communities in Schools of High Point	10,775			Achieving Educational Excellence in African American Male Students program
Dustins GreenHouse Memorial Fund	20,800			Service learning program for High Point schools
Family Promise	16,750			High Point Homeless Children & Families program
Ferndale Middle School		1,000		Ferndale Middle School 2013 Cultural Fair
Green Street Baptist Church	6,150			World Changers housing repair project for homes in High Point
Guide Posts of Strength	18,025			Volunteer & mentor programs for cancer patients
Helping Hands High Point	21,700			Expansion of case management program
High Point Area Arts Council	3,850			Scholarships for arts education programs
High Point Community Against Violence	18,465			Consistent offender contact/Accurate preparatory offender assistance program
Horsepower	6,475			Scholarships for therapeutic riding program
Junior Achievement of Central NC	100	9,590		Business professionals volunteer program to promote STEM career development
North Carolina Shakespeare Festival	18,150			"Shakespeare To Go" program for High Point schools
Open Door Ministries	20,725			Rapid re-housing program
Piedmont Charity Sports Promotions	32,950			National High Point Cycling Classic charitable event
Salvation Army Boys & Girls Club	6,275			Healthy snacks for children's afterschool care program
Salvation Army of High Point	26,515			Capital for a new delivery truck
Sisters of Charity of St. Vincent De Paul	4,605		16,170	"Emerging Heroes" preschool scholarships
Special Olympics North Carolina, Inc.	8,825			2013 Special Olympics NC Fall Tournament Program
West End Ministries	26,365			Leslie's House Emergency Assistance Program
Win-Win Resolutions	7,500			BOTSO & LOTSO Mentoring & Tutoring program
TOTALS	\$275,000	\$10,590	\$16,170	TOTAL GRANTS \$301,760

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HIGH POINT COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

2012 ANNUAL GRANTS



"Since opening the doors in 1998, the

Foundation's Annual Grants Program has

awarded more than \$3.6 million to nonprofit

organizations in the greater High Point area."

Twenty nonprofit organizations serving the High Point community received \$301,760 in High Point Community Foundation awards as the Foundation celebrated its 15th year of granting. The annual community grants luncheon was hosted by the Kiwanis Club of High Point on December 14, 2012. Since opening the doors in 1998, the Foundation's Annual Grants Program has awarded more than \$3.6 million to nonprofit organizations in the greater High Point area. In addition, the Foundation has approved more than \$31.9 million in Donor Advised Fund grants, bringing the combined total to \$35 million over 15 years.

Community projects received \$178,445 in grant awards. Piedmont Charity Sports Promotions received \$32,950 to bring the National Criterium Cycling Championships to High Point for the next two years.

This project not only will be the first national championship to be hosted in our community, but it also will bring national exposure to High Point and will be a boon to the downtown area. The Salvation Army of High Point was awarded \$26,515 towards the purchase of a new delivery truck for the organization, a key component to daily operations and a continuing fight against poverty.

Educational grants included \$20,775 to the Sisters of Charity St. Vincent de Paul, to be used to support the community's only 5-Star bilingual pre-school program that has played a major role in aiding the Hispanic community's assimilation into High Point. Dustin's GreenHouse, an

organization that offers high school students an innovative service learning opportunity, received \$20,800 for their annual summer Globetrotters travel and cultural learning program.

Each year, two High Point families play a major role in the granting process with their funds supplementing educational projects. The Cory McInnis "Compassion in Education" Endowed Fund which was established to honor the courage of Cory McInnis who passed away in 2005 after an extended and valiant struggle with muscular dystrophy supplements programs that impact students in High Point schools. The

Violet Hutchens' Children's Education Fund was established in 2006 and was given to the Foundation by Mrs. Violet Hutchens in her will to perpetuate her lifelong commitment to helping young people in the High Point Community.

Funding for health

projects included a grant for \$18,025 to underwrite Guideposts of Strength(GPS), an innovative mentoring program to assist and guide cancer patients and their families. Granting to the arts included \$18,150 to the North Carolina Shakespeare Festival for the Shakespeare-To-Go program that brings plays and opportunities to learn to local public schools. Win-Win Resolutions mentoring and tutoring programs for youth rounded out the giving receiving \$7,500.

For more information about annual grants, please visit our website at www.hpcommunityfoundation.org.

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HEART OF HIGH POINT FUND MEETS EMERGENCY NEEDS





Electrical upgrades enabling them to move into new facility



Final dollars to purchase a new delivery truck



Computer upgrades needed to maintain services



Food pantry basement leak repairs to allow safe food storage



Rapid Re-housing replacement funds



Repairs to bring building into compliance to allow continued services



Replace obsolete phone system in order to continue providing services

The Community Foundation is proud to partner with the nonprofits that are eligible for Heart of High Point funding that are serving the most needy in High Point. Currently, they are:

Open Door Ministries

Ward St. Community Resources

West End Ministries

Alcohol & Drug Services

Caring Services

Helping Hands

Community Clinic

Triad Health Project

Salvation Army shelter

High Point Community Against Violence

Each of these organizations devotes over half of their budget and human resources to meet basic needs in the community.

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CORNERSTONE HEALTH CARE FOUNDATION

Providing Educational Experiences Outside the Classroom



On June 21, a room full of proud relatives, friends, volunteers and staff, celebrated the graduation of 18 students who successfully participated in the Camp Cornerstone program sponsored by the Cornerstone Health Care Foundation. The Foundation's mission is to encourage area youth to pursue careers in health care.

Students who participate in the camp are recommended by their school guidance offices and interviewed by the Camp Coordinator for final selection. High Schools invited to participate in the 2013 camp were High Point Central, The Academy at Central, Andrews, Southwest, Wheatmore, Glenn, Trinity, Thomasville, and the Middle College at UNCG. Two students from each school were selected for the camp. Recommended students are rising juniors who have a strong interest in a medical career with the



aptitude and motivation to become medical professionals, but may lack the necessary resources to help them reach their goal.

Each student spends three days shadowing providers and staff at Cornerstone practices that have volunteered to give the students an inside look at their day-to-day duties and responsibilities. Students benefit from this exposure to the real world of medicine and medical professionals who may serve as mentors and references for future endeavors. The students are also provided with information on the college



admissions process to better equip them to submit competitive applications.

It is the hope of the volunteers and staff at Cornerstone that participants will emerge from the camp more focused, confident in their skills, aware of future health related careers, and with an enhanced awareness of their own talent and potential. Congratulations to all graduates!!

We Honor the Generosity and Support of Donors who have given to the unrestricted fund of the High Point Community Foundation during our fiscal year ended June 30, 2013

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THE IMPACT OF ANNUAL GRANTS

Spotlight on Salvation Army

Salvation Army workers are driving around the greater High Point area in a shiny new delivery truck that replaced one that had been in use for more than 14 years. Thanks to a grant from the High Point Community Foundation, an additional grant from the Heart of High Point Fund and gifts from local donors, the truck was delivered by Ilderton Dodge Chrysler Jeep dealership in High Point. Tim Ilderton, local philanthropist, of Ilderton Dodge Chrysler Jeep on North Main Street went to great lengths to make the truck affordable and worked with other vendors to help the organization get more for their money.

"The Salvation Army has been committed to creating a dependable revenue resource with their Furniture Sale and their delivery truck has always played a huge role in this event," noted Martha Yarborough, Chair, Heart of High Point Committee. "We commend them for their commitment to create and sustain

"The truck is a lifeline to the women's shelter, foodbank, thrift store and more."

this unique business model that not only provides financial resources but also creates a positive image of self-sufficiency. We really liked the idea that our grants could be used to attract more money."

For 10 years, the Women's Auxiliary of the Salvation Army of High Point has held its popular Furniture Sale fundraiser, with shoppers lining up hours in advance for a chance to purchase new furniture at great prices and also support the local organization and its work. The delivery truck, which enables transportation of donated furniture to the annual event in addition to performing vital services for daily operations, carries the instantly recognizable Salvation Army trademark as well as the High Point Community Foundation and Heart of High Point logos.

The driving spirit behind the push for the vehicle was a long-term stalwart at the Salvation Army, board member and volunteer extraordinaire Bill Goodman. Over the years, Bill and his wife, Robin, have made the organization the focus of their philanthropic endeavors. In 2012, they were presented the Salvation Army's highest recognition for volunteers.

"Due to the generosity of the High Point Community Foundation, the Heart of High Point Fund and friends of the Salvation Army, we were able to purchase a new truck," Bill said, "which is the lifeline for serving our women's shelter, food bank, Thrift Store, and picking up other donated items for those who need them. I'm proud to live in a city with organizations such as the Community Foundation and the Salvation Army - places to go when we are in need."



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BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES

Investing in Young Lives

Did you know that on any given day you could be walking by a child who has been abandoned by their parents either through neglect, abuse, addiction, economic crisis or emotional illness? Some of these children make it through their challenges and go on to live normal lives while many end up failing educationally, making bad decisions with alcohol and drugs, getting pregnant, participating in illegal activities or joining gangs which segues them into the endless cycle of our legal system. One organization who has been playing a key role in saving and caring these children for over 128 years is the Baptist Children's Home of North Carolina and they need our help.

Over the years this organization has provided hope and opportunity for thousands of boys and girls who have gone on to become doctors, teachers, lawyers, soldiers, nurses, college professors, and pastors and they have made great contributions to their communities, state and country. This year alone nearly 7,000 young people will be nurtured, loved and cared for by the Baptist Children's Homes at one of their 23 facilities in 19 different communities across the state of North Carolina.

The organization, which is constantly evolving to react to ever changing needs, offers traditional residential care, emergency care, after care, family care, Teen Mother and Baby Residential Care, Residential Wilderness Camping and a Developmental Disabilities Ministry which provides long-term residential care to special needs adults. These days the traditional family is under attack as never before and the needs of families in crisis will continue to change dramatically. This is where Baptist Children's Homes becomes an invaluable resource as they are serving



"A safety net for struggling families and children at risk."



as a safety net providing for struggling families, children at risk and they are doing it in an environment that provides safety, love, Christian values and most of all a chance for young people to make a productive life for themselves.

Baptist Children's Homes has been supported by churches, grants, but most of all it sustains itself with gifts from individual donors. Every child deserves a chance to reach their full potential and a gift from you could make the difference they need.





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NEW DONOR ADVISED FUNDS

Attract Young Leaders of Vision and Compassion

It has been said that one is defined by the company they keep and these days the Community Foundation is definitely feeling proud of the newest members of their donor advised fund family. Each of these new donors bring their own sense of philanthropy and collectively are infusing strong and impacting leadership that is changing the High Point community for the better.

Matt and Emily Thiel believe in faith, family, friends and community. Matt, a graduate of Notre Dame, served as an officer in the US Air Force rising to the rank of Captain before he moved into the financial world. These days he is helping his clients financially prepare for their future at Wells Fargo Advisors.

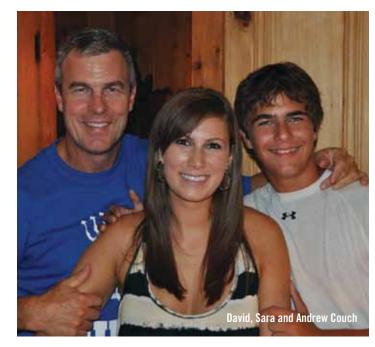
Matt is known for his attention to detail, his commitment to his clients and a strong sense of integrity that emanates from his Catholic faith. These past few years he has emerged as one of the key young leaders in the community with his leadership in projects ranging from Furnitureland Rotary



Club's charity auction which he took to a new level, to playing a key role in fundraising for the new Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish Life and Education Center on Johnson Street and most recently stepping into the presidency at the String and Splinter Club. Matt's wife, Emily, a graduate of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, is also well known for her passion for High

Point and her contributions with the Junior League of High Point. Matt and Emily have two young children, a daughter, Sarah Brian, and a son, Adam. Their plans for their donor advised fund include using it as a means to support the causes and projects that they believe are significant to the future of our community.

"Emily and I were looking for a way to make our giving more meaningful, organized, and impactful", notes Matt. "Paul and his team worked with us to develop an overall charitable strategy and to open our eyes to new opportunities for giving. Joining the High Point Community Foundation has allowed us to take our gifts and make the most of them."



David Couch, President and CEO of the Blue Ridge Companies, is a local business man who has established himself as one of the premier developers in this part of the state and an innovator in both his work and the causes he supports. He is perhaps most well known for one of his signature projects, The Palladium in north High Point, which is an extremely successful development that has mixed retail, Regal Cinemas and a variety of restaurants to create one of High Point's favorite destinations.

David, an outstanding athlete, played both football and baseball at Wake Forest University. These days his love for baseball continues through his involvement and generosity to the very successful Westchester Country Day Baseball program where his son Andrew plays and he helps coach. David's interests also include organic farming and developing healthy, local food sources which he raises on his working farm. One of David's other passions is bringing character-based leadership into our local public schools in which he has been partnering with another Community Foundation leader, AB Henley. This past year they sponsored a program led by Joe Ehrmann of Coach for America who is a successful advocate for character based learning in schools.

"David is a not only a dynamic and successful business man, he is also someone who cares deeply about his community and is always willing to invest his resources to make life better for others," stated AB Henley, former Chairman of the High Point Community Foundation. "I like being around David because he makes everyone a more focused person through sheer example."



Steve and Kim Andrews live in Reidsville, NC and found their way to the Community Foundation through Scott Tilley, who has worked with them for years as a financial advisor at Merrill Lynch Wealth Management, a division of Bank of America. Steve has enjoyed a long and successful career in the business community. His formal education was in accounting which ultimately led him into corporate leadership and finally ownership. These days he is involved with a group called C12 which is a mentoring program for

business leaders that emphasizes accountability, integrity and faith based leadership. Steve and Kim are strong Christians and their philanthropy has predominately supported missions and other Christian endeavors. They believe that one can tell a person's priorities by how they spend their time and their money and they are making a firm statement that they are investing in things eternal.

"Steve and Kim are people whom I deeply respect for their outward commitment to live out their faith in all they do every single day," noted Scott Tilley. "They have achieved so much in their lifetime; raised a great family and for most people that would be enough, but they see the bigger picture and are committed to serving God in all that they do."



Eric and Alyce Hill are a couple who have made key investments in our community. Eric is an entrepreneur who had been very successful selling products in the pharmaceutical field while Alyce has long been known and respected in the legal community having worked in litigation for over 15 years.

The Hills approach their philanthropy with a very organized and businesslike manner that is underscored by not only investing their financial resources but also providing hands on leadership. They both share a common passion for supporting High Point Central High School. Alyce provides leadership through the school's PTA and Eric is currently working on organizing and funding a program to help local students who struggle with obesity. They have also supported other public schools and the Communities in Schools program. Alyce and Eric have two boys, Andrew, and his older brother, Alex, who plays on the High Point Central tennis team.

"Eric and Alyce have been tremendously supportive of High Point Central these past few years," shares Bob Christina, Principal, High Point Central. "They see the critically important role public education plays in this community and they are committed to sharing their time, leadership and resources to help all the students in this

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Four families, four different approaches to giving and leadership and they all share one common denominator, the High Point Community Foundation. Donor advised funds are one of the most flexible vehicles in the financial

world and, according to the latest figures, DAFs have become the most popular way to practice wise and effective philanthropy in the United States. They are easy to set up and very user friendly so that donors can concentrate on their giving and not have to worry about the administration, management of the assets, due diligence or paperwork.

"Our primary goal here at the Foundation is to help people accomplish their personal version of philanthropy," states Paul Lessard, President, HPCF. "This is what makes our work at the Foundation so fulfilling as everyone is different and therefore have their own approach. We're here to make it efficient, effective and fun. Donor advised funds are exciting because I can see how parents are using them to model their values and faith for their children and that is what family is supposed to be about."

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SERVICE LEARNING PROGRAM

Underscores HPU's Commitment To Area Non-Profits





Dr. Joe Blosser, Director of High Point University's Service Learning Program, is yet another symbol of our local university's commitment to creating an academic environment that combines ethics, spirituality and academic rigor to form true servant leaders. He received his B.S. in economics and religion from Texas Christian University, an M.Div. from Vanderbilt University and a Ph.D. in religious ethics from the University of Chicago. In addition to this, Dr. Blosser is an ordained minister in the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) and has served several churches, including Rockefeller Memorial Chapel at the University of Chicago. He joined the

HPU faculty in 2011 after teaching for three years at DePaul University. He currently teaches courses such as Business Ethics, Social Ethics, the Philosophy and Ethics of Education and Contemporary Christian Theology.

Dr. Blosser views HPU's Service
Learning Program as the foundation upon which young
scholars can build their future careers through a commitment
to values, faith, character and integrity, which will equip them
to make a significant impact on a world that sorely needs
servant leaders.

"High Point University students serve 30,000 hours in our community every year, and the Service Learning Program is working to both increase the number of hours students serve

and the impact of those hours," says Blosser. "In the short time I have been in High Point, it is plain to see that this is a generous community. We want HPU students to learn in this laboratory of generosity, and we want them to share their knowledge, gifts, and labor with the city. We truly want this to be High Point's University."

The mission of the Student Learning Program at HPU is to engage students in experiential and interdisciplinary learning experiences that promote their understanding of and commitment to responsible civic leadership. Faculty must compete for the opportunity to teach courses in this program and are provided with special training. Faculty then partner with agencies in the community that are committed to furthering the common good. Service Learning places students in volunteer opportunities that are directly relevant to their courses, and all of the courses emphasize ethical thinking and encourage students to enhance their leadership by developing skills that benefit the local community.

The Service Learning Program is central to HPU's mission of offering a holistic and experiential education. This commitment to combining a student's core curriculum with service in the community is taking learning out of the classroom and into the world. For example, HPU's Biomedical Ethics course partners students with organizations like the Community Clinic, the Guilford County Health Department, Triad Adult and Pediatric Medicine, Cornerstone Healthcare and other agencies that address community health needs.

The Strategic Communication Campaigns course places students in partnership with local non-profits, like the YMCA,

to help them create a turn-key marketing campaign. The Spanish Advanced Conversation course partners with the Latino Family Center

and St. Mary's Episcopal Church where HPU students work with at-risk Latino high school students to help them with their homework and assist them in preparing their essays, resumes and applications for college. HPU students gain essential Spanish conversational skills that go beyond learning words and grammar, and, in turn, they help young Latinos in our community.

Expanding the Service Learning Program is a top priority

for the University, with an aggressive goal of growing the number of students involved to 1000 by the 2015-2016 school year. Support for the program starts with the example set by Dr. Nido Qubein. "I was blessed to have a mother who mentored me and modeled for me the valuable principles of life," shares Qubein. "She'd say "who you spend time with is who you become; what you choose is what you get; how you change is how you succeed. These messages were embedded in my life and Mariana and I taught them to our children. At the end of the day, our lives ought to transcend beyond success to significance, beyond earning to serving, beyond caring to sharing. That is exactly what Dr. Blosser teaches at HPU through our Service Learning Program. At HPU, he and others are committed to investing in our community and reaching out to our citizenry."

The High Point Community Foundation is particularly excited about Dr. Blosser's program as they work with so many nonprofits in the community and constantly see opportunities in which HPU students could make a tremendous impact with their volunteerism. For over 15 years, the Foundation has been committed to "meeting the unmet needs of the community," and so often this is accomplished through relationships that have developed over the years. The Foundation and the Service Learning Program are planning an ongoing partnership to connect local nonprofits with these students. The ultimate beneficiary will be a healthier, more productive High Point. &

FOUNDATION WELCOMES NEW INVESTMENT COMMITTEE CHAIR



One of the most important leadership positions at the High Point Community Foundation is the chairmanship of the Foundation's Investment Committee. Over the 15-year history of the Foundation this post has been manned by some of the best business minds in the community. The Committee oversees the management of all the Foundation's assets and is responsible for keeping up with multiple investment managers. The Foundation's newest Investment Committee Chairman, Barry Safrit, is a native son of High Point who brings extensive accounting,

corporate management and leadership experience to the position.

Barry was born and raised in High Point and is the son of "Pinky" and June Safrit. After graduating from UNC-Chapel Hill Barry earned his CPA credentials and went to work at Arthur Andersen in the audit division which helped lay a strong foundation for his future work in corporate America. After serving 8 years in Charlotte as the CFO of CHF Industries, he went on to work as the Senior Vice-

President and CFO at one of the Furniture industry's major players, Basset Furniture Industries in Virginia. Most recently Barry has become a principal in a

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new and exciting business, NextGen CFO, which is an innovative approach to servicing small to mid-size companies who need an experienced CFO but not necessarily on a full-time basis. What started as a niche endeavor has evolved very quickly into a rapidly growing enterprise that is making tremendous impact in this region and the state.

"I've known and admired Barry for many years and have always been impressed with his integrity, his strong business acumen and his humility," shared AB Henley, Past Chairman, HPCF. He is a quiet leader who works well with a wide variety of people and he is all about servant leadership which is why he will be a tremendous asset to the Community Foundation."

Over the years, Barry's expertise has been improving companies' financial processes and reporting, business planning, financial planning and cash flow improvement. He has also become well known for his skills at working on senior level financial issues including; banking relationships, credit facilities, merger/acquisitions/divestitures, investor relations, insurance renewals, risk management, SEC reporting and employee benefit plans.

Barry is an active community leader and family man. The Community Foundation is honored to have him continue the tradition of strong leadership in the Investment Chair role.

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KELLY STEWART

2013 High Point Central Class of 1960 Scholarship Winner

The High Point
Community Foundation
is proud to be a partner
with the High Point Central
High School Class of
1960 who established
a scholarship program
that impacts our local

students here in High Point. Over the years the scholarship has become a prestigious honor that is both competitive and reflective of the principals and values of this great school that has served High Point so well over the years.

This year's recipient is Kelly Stewart, a remarkable young woman by many of the more traditional standards of success. She has been a successful athlete with both the Softball and Cross Country teams, she has maintained a 4.57 GPA while taking part in the International Baccalaureate Program, she

is a member of both the National Society for the Gifted and Talented and National Society of High School Scholars, as well as earning a Service Learning Diploma and being ranked in the top 10% of her class.

However, what makes Kelly truly significant is that she has accomplished all of this while enduring the loss of her mother from an incurable brain cancer. Instead of allowing this incredible tragedy to break her, she has instead used it as a way to memorialize her mother by dedicating her career to medicine and specifically to find a cure for cancer. This fall Kelly will be attending UNC Chapel Hill where she plans on pursuing a degree in pharmacy that will open doors for research and perhaps one day a cure.

The High Point Central Class of 1960 and the High Point Community Foundation take great pride and joy in honoring a young woman of great talent, character and courage as the 2013 Class of 1960 Scholarship recipient.