“WE MUST USE TIME WISELY AND FOREVER REALIZE THAT THE TIME IS ALWAYS RIPE TO DO RIGHT.”
~ NELSON MANDELA

2017 ANNUAL REPORT

OUR TIME IS NOW!
The North East Community Foundation has been sharing its gifts with the North East community for 26 years! As many of you are aware, the original concept for the Foundation was to bring Mercyhurst College to North East and that idea has transformed into a Foundation that has made a difference in the lives of our neighbors. The Foundation granted $225,510 to 74 non-profits organizations and individuals in 2017. Those gifts have come in many shapes and sizes and from a variety of places. Some individuals have been able to create large funds or donate large sums, while others have given of their time and expertise, or given smaller sums to favorite organization. However they gave, these past generations have set the stage for building our future. Every year, the North East Community Foundation awards the Lake & Smith Award for Excellence in Community Service to an organization or individual who embodies the spirit of giving to the North East community. This year’s recipient is Robert Mazza, owner of Mazza Vineyards in North East, PA and Five & 20 Spirits & Brewing in Westfield, NY. Please join the Foundation in thanking Bob for his wonderful contributions to our community!

As your foundation strives to fulfill its mission to improve the quality of life for everyone in and around the North East community, we invite you to join us in this worthwhile endeavor. Every gift counts and every donor leaves a lasting impression. If you have ever considered leaving a legacy, contact us at 814-725-7107 to learn how you can create a permanent endowment to ensure the future of your community.

Billy Lewis
Chairman

A MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN

2017 LAKE & SMITH AWARD WINNERS

Nick Mobilia was the recipient of the Lake & Smith Award for Excellence in Community Service presented at the 2017 annual meeting of the North East Community Foundation. Nick has served the community in many capacities over the years, providing help and leadership to the North East School Board of Directors, to the Erie County Farm Bureau, to the Boy Scouts, and to the North East Community Foundation.

Nick is a native to North East and the third generation owner of Mobila Fruit Farms. Growing up in the family business of farming, Nick has always been a part of the farm. It wasn’t until 1970 when Nick became full-time farm operator that he began to grow Mobila Fruit Farms into the 225 acres it is today. Of the 225 acres, 120 acres are 14 varieties of grapes, the rest consists of cherry, peach and apple trees, and a vegetable garden. Business, family and community work hand in hand, and Nick and his family and employees have built Arrowhead Wine Cellars from a farm market into a successful winery and major supplier to the wine industry. The Arrowhead family offers support to local organizations with fundraising activities throughout the year. The Lake & Smith Award for Excellence in Community Service is named in honor of long-time North East residents, the late Gerrie Smith and the late Ernest Lake. Mrs. Smith and Mr. Lake were instrumental in the establishment of the North East Community Foundation, and served as trustees.

Representatives from North East area non-profits gather to celebrate at the 2017 Annual Meeting.

DONOR BILL OF RIGHTS

The North East Community Foundation makes it easy for you to start your own fund. A suggested minimum for opening a fund is $10,000 but you can establish a fund in any amount. A representative is available to meet with you and/or your financial advisor to discuss the establishment of a fund or any other aspect of your charitable gift planning. Please call Melissa Fisher at (814) 725-7107.

DONOR FUNDS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2017

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OUR GRANTS

The North East Community Foundation was honored to fund $225,510.32 in grants during 2017

Charles Barton Scholarship Fund
Penn State Erie, The Behrend College .......................... 500.00
Total Distribution ........................................... 500.00

Dorothy Bertges-Thornton Endowment
First Baptist Church of North East .......................... 1,182.40
Fuller Hose Company ........................................... 591.20
Crescent Hose Co. ............................................... 591.20
North East School District ..................................... 1,182.40
United Neighborhood Facilities Health Care Co .......................... 1,182.40
North East Food Pantry ......................................... 1,182.40
Total Distribution ............................................. 5,912.00

Currie Family Fund
Episcopal Church of the Holy Cross .................. 1,230.50
McCORD Memorial Library .................................. 615.25
Total Distribution ............................................. 1,845.75

The Robert Whitney Erie County Farm Bureau Agricultural Scholarship
Case-Western Reserve University .......................... 500.00
Syracuse University ............................................ 500.00
Total Distribution ............................................. 1,000.00

First Presbyterian Church of North East, Knapp Endowment
General Funds .................................................. 803.00
Total Distribution ............................................. 803.00

Nancy Anderson GE Chairman’s Award Endowment
Community Nursing Services of North East 673.00
North East School Scholarship Fund .................. 735.00
Total Distribution ............................................. 1,470.00

Richard C. Gorzynski Memorial Scholarship Fund
LaRoche College ................................................. 250.00
Total Distribution ............................................. 250.00

Geraldine Smith Fund
Mercyhurst University North East .................. 2,281.51
Episcopal Church of the Holy Cross .............. 2,281.51
North East Historical Society ......................... 2,281.51
McCord Memorial Library ................................ 2,281.51
Community Nursing Services of North East .......... 2,281.51
Total Distribution ........................................... 11,407.55

Ralph L. Hartley Fund
Boy Scout Troop # 82 ........................................ 2,800.00
Cub Scout Pack #57 .......................................... 2,200.00
North East Arts Council .................................... 1,300.00
McCord Memorial Library ................................ 6,423.20
Penn State University ........................................ 6,423.20
Penn State Erie, The Behrend College ......... 6,423.20
Crescent Hose Co. ........................................... 4,282.13
Fuller Hose Company ....................................... 2,141.08
Total Distribution ........................................... 31,992.80

William & Beth Lewis Family Fund
Mercyhurst University ....... 10,035.87
Mercyhurst University ......................................... 15,323.94
Total Distribution ............................................. 25,359.81

McCord Memorial Library Fund
General Funds .................................................. 951.00
Total Distribution ............................................. 951.00

The James R. Meehl Memorial Scholarship
Colgate University ............................................ 500.00
Total Distribution ............................................. 500.00

North East Community Foundation General Fund
Girl Scouts Western Pennsylvania ......................... 3,000.00
North East Arts Council .................................. 1,885.00
North East Arts Council .................................. 4,000.00
Boy Scout Troop 57 ........................................... 1,800.00
Cub Scout Pack 82 ............................................ 2,800.00
4 N.E.N.E. Thrift Shop ........................................ 4,500.00
North East Little League .................................. 5,350.00
Downtown North East, Inc. ................................ 15,000.00
North East Recreation Commission ............. 8,795.00
Total Distribution ............................................. 13,724.01

Park United Methodist Church Funds
General Funds .................................................. 1,120.00
Total Distribution ............................................. 1,120.00

Park United Methodist Church Scholarship Fund
Park United Methodist Church ......................... 2,388.00
Total Distribution ............................................. 2,388.00

Walczak Family Fund
St. Gregory School ............................................ 2,270.00
Total Distribution ............................................. 2,270.00

2017 DONORS

A BIG THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE AND ORGANIZATIONS WHO MADE CONTRIBUTIONS AND/OR ESTABLISHED NEW FUNDS DURING 2017

Anonymous
4 N.E.N.E. Thrift Shop
Nancy & Garrett J. Anderson
James Baur
David Bradford
Meghan Brundage
Michele Campbell
Katherine & Dennis Cantoni
The Cork 1794
Patrick Coyne
Ethelyne & Craig Cunningham
Ronald Dunham	
Sonia A. Fails
Linda & Pat Federicki
The Fish Family
Melissa & Roy Fisher
Sara & Vernon Frye
GE Foundation
GE United Way Campaign
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Pam & Bill Goetz
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Jean & Bill Lewis
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Kitty & Brett Maloney
Charlotte Mansion
Anna & Hugh McCartney
David W. Meehl
Christopher R. Miller
Brent Moore
Sue and Don Moore
NE Foods, Inc.
Mac Neil
Joellen Nelson
North East Recreation Commission
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Park United Methodist Church
Sarah & Doug Parton
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Janet & Samuel Trychin
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Bob Uglow
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United Way of Erie County
Bev & Al Walz
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Kathleen & James Weinheimer
A. J. Whitmore
William D. Whitmore
Robin & Tom Wilkinson
Ryan and Jannine Williams
Andrew Wojcicki
Jeanne & Daniel C. Young
Barb & Paul Zorzie

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