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Thoughtful giving for stronger communities, better lives

ETF Welcomes...



“TOGETHER WE WILL WIN”

From The Pat Summitt Foundation

The Pat Summitt Foundation (PSF) is a growing force in the fight against Alzheimer’s disease. The Foundation is focused on awareness, advocacy, and research. The PSF’s work includes support of patients and their caregivers coupled with efforts on a scientific level in search for the cure.

Pat Summitt and her son, Tyler, created The Pat Summitt Foundation as an extension of their personal fight against Alzheimer’s disease. Pat and Tyler accepted the diagnosis and then decided to act in an effort to help others battling a similar diagnosis.

Coach Summitt has made her home in East Tennessee for the majority of her adult life. She has become an important figure in the Knoxville community, and she felt it appropriate to begin building a team for this new challenge in East Tennessee. East Tennessee Foundation (ETF) has rallied around Coach Summitt and is a great partner and teammate in this project to fight Alzheimer’s at a local and national level. ETF is supporting Pat’s efforts to build a grantmaking foundation which can assist in finding a cure and making a difference in the lives of people dealing with this disease.

Her vision is to work to help others while assisting the effort to find a cure. Pat has committed her efforts to the Pat Summitt Foundation and is personally involved on a daily basis in the decision making and direction of the PSF. She continues to be supportive of the many efforts being made around the nation to fight Alzheimer’s and its related dementias.



Tyler and Pat Summitt

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Exciting Things

Exciting things are happening at East Tennessee Foundation (ETF): The Pat Summitt Foundation (PSF) HAS COME HOME and is now an ETF fund - bringing new staff, events, merchandise, and, most importantly, the goal to cure Alzheimer’s. The Women’s Fund of East Tennessee is ready to help women and girls by accepting Requests for Consideration for 2013 Grant Awards. ETF is helping more students in 2012-2013 than ever before – see pages 2-5. The Mount Rest Fund grants have been awarded and totaled \$186,500 – see page 6. And, on October 31, Trinity Health Foundation will convene community leaders to help identify key healthcare areas where grants can have greatest impact.

We are pleased to welcome new staff: Sherri Alley as our new V.P. for Advancement, Patrick Wade as the PSF Director, and Adam Waller as the PSF Director of Community Relations. ETF board and staff are presently involved in strategic planning that will, with your help, ensure the sustainability and continued effectiveness of East Tennessee Foundation.



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L to R: Danielle Donehew, Pat Summitt, Adam Waller, and Mike McClamroch at Bristol Motor Speedway to watch the "We Back Pat" car race.

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Tyler's goal is to build the Pat Summitt Foundation into a legacy his mother can be proud of, one that extends far beyond basketball.

"When a West Tennessee farm girl who through her own will and determination grows up to be the winningest coach in college basketball history tells you that she wants her most important legacy to be defeating Alzheimer's, you know you better get busy because she means business. So... we are busy...very busy with the good work of building the Pat Summitt Foundation knowing that we will change many, many lives," said Mike McClamroch, *ETF President & CEO*.

For more information about the Pat Summitt Foundation and how you can help, please contact Patrick Wade, PSF Director Adam Waller, PSF Director for Community Relations www.patsummitt.org

Watch ETF
on CTV - Channel 12
Tuesdays - Noon
Saturdays - 9:30 p.m.

SCHOLARSHIPS

East Tennessee Foundation Scholarships - Investing in Our Region's Future

Thanks to the generosity of our donors dedicated to investing in students' futures, we administer more than 40 scholarship funds. ETF scholarship program requirements range from financial need to scholastic achievement. Several scholarships are targeted toward specific schools or counties, students involved in certain extracurricular activities, or those who may not display the highest scholastic rankings yet still possess great potential and motivation. Others are geared toward students pursuing a specific field, such as business or nursing. Students apply to the program and, if eligible, can be awarded scholarships from one or more of these unique funds established by a variety of donors.

For the fall of 2012, over \$188,000 was disbursed in scholarship awards to 124 students participating in ETF scholarship programs. Scholarships provided through ETF help fulfill the dreams of those students wishing to obtain a post-secondary education, whether they are graduating high school seniors or returning adult students.

Scholarships administered by ETF allow individuals and groups to honor loved ones while helping change the lives of those pursuing higher education. Many of the scholarships have been established to honor the memory of a lost parent, spouse, or child, while others have been founded to honor teachers, coaches, or prominent community leaders.

East Tennessee Foundation scholarships change lives, one person at a time. As we "invest" in our students, we are also investing in our region's future.



2012 Cobb Scholars

L to R: Jordan Cormack, Megan Butler, Katielynn Parrott, and Hunter Amos



2012 Coffey Scholars

L to R: Brandye Hankins, Brittany Ridenour, Katie Styles and Samantha Owens

For more information, please contact Beth Heller, ETF Scholarship and Program Officer, at (865) 524-1223, toll free at 1-877-524-1223 or by email at bheller@etf.org. For additional information about the scholarships available through ETF, please visit www.easttennesseefoundation.org.



SCHOLARSHIPS

New Scholarship Recipients for 2012

B & W Y-12 Scholarship

Kayla Aloisi, Anderson County

Coach Jack Blair Scholarship

Chandler Christopher, Greene County

Ruby A. Brown Memorial Scholarship

Mickey Harchis, Loudon County

Harold W. Canfield Memorial Scholarship

Julie Davenport, Knox County

Vera and Lawrence Carson Scholarship

Douglas Manning, Scott County

Gordon W. and Agnes P. Cobb Scholarship

Megan Butler, Blount County

Jordan Cormack, Knox County

Hunter Amos, Blount County

Katielynn Parrot, Knox County

Steven L. Coffey Memorial Scholarship

Brandye Hankins, Anderson County

Samantha Owens, Anderson County

Katie Styles, Anderson County

Brittany Ridenour, Anderson County

Craighead Limestone Scholarship

Chase Joslin, Monroe County

R. G. and Ruth Crossno Memorial Scholarship

Richard Collinsworth, Anderson County

Michael Curtin Renaissance Student Memorial Scholarship

Lydia Lowe, Anderson County

Greene County Scholarship Program

Rebecca Ormsbee, Greene County

Michael David Greene Memorial Scholarship

Andrew Littleton, Knox County

Heather Buchanan, Knox County

John D. Grubb and Louise G. Sumner Fund for Monroe County Scholarship

Allie Bowden, Monroe County

Michael Curtis, Monroe County

Abigail Swabe, Monroe County

Dalton Rinehart, Monore County

Jack F. and Edith Updyke Harmon Scholarship

Joshua Jordan, Bristol, Virginia

Johnson County Education Growth Scholarship

Rachel Cornett, Johnson County

Kenneth Blevins, Johnson County

Johnson County Scholarship

Samantha Forrester, Johnson County

Matney Plyler, Johnson County

Dorsey and Betty King Scholarship

Corey Byrge, Campbell County

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2012 SCHOLARSHIPS AT A GLANCE

- 328 applications were received.
- 63 new scholarship awards were given.
- 61 previously awarded students are continuing to receive multi-year scholarships.
- 124 individuals, attending 33 different colleges/universities, are participating in ETF scholarship programs in Fall 2012.
- Over \$188,000 has been disbursed in scholarship awards for Fall 2012.
- Over one million dollars has been committed for new and continuing students currently on ETF scholarships.
- 120 volunteers serving on scholarship selection committees

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SCHOLARSHIPS

New Scholarship Recipients for 2012 continued

Knox Central High Class of '50 Alumni Association Scholarship

Chrissy Hughes, (In Memory of Dan Y. Boring)
Knox County

Julian Cosner, Knox County

Tabatha Schronce, Knox County

H.G. Loy Teacher Award: Katherine Nichols

Knox Central High Class of '50 Alumni Association-Strader Scholarship

Kasirel Babiker, Knox County

Knoxville Business Association Scholarship

Abigail Underwood, Knox County

Brandy Maples Memorial Scholarship

McKenzie Chamberlain, Knox County

McMinn County High School Alumni Scholarship

Kelaiah King, McMinn County

Miller/Vicars Scholarship

Jonathon Hammonds, Scott County, Virginia

Reuben Louise Cates Mount and the Junior Service League of Blount County Memorial Scholarship

Erica Stephens, Blount County

Ollie and Floyd Sloan Scholarship

Jonathon Hammonds, Scott County, Virginia

Stepping-Stone Scholarship

Ashley Sizemore, Laurel County, Kentucky

Lawrence Strader Boy Scouts of America Scholarship

Justin Carroll, Anderson County

Strader Family Fort Scott High School Scholarship

Ashley Allen, Bourbon County, Kansas

Oak Ridge Rotary Club Brad Sturm Memorial Scholarship

Saajid Haque, Anderson County

Evan Mitchell, Anderson County

John O'Neil, Anderson County

Teen Town "Pride of the Hill" Scholarship

Emily Shepherd, Washington County

Blaine Gosey, Washington County

Tennessee Judicial Conference Foundation Scholarship:

Nashville School of Law, Judge Joseph S. Daniel Award:
Steven Blake Bratcher

Nashville School of Law, Suzanne G. Keith Award:
Michael Wrenn

University of Memphis School Of Law, Judge William H. Williams Award: Tamara Davis

University of Memphis School of Law, Dr. Benjamin Hooks Award: Thomas Williams

Vanderbilt University Law School, Justice Frank F. Drowota, III Award: Blair Byrum

UTK College of Law, Judge Houston M. Goddard Award:
Todd Davis

UTK College of Law, Robert W. Ritchie Award:
AnCharlene Davis

UTK College of Law, Judge Herschel P. Franks Award:
Celsy Rimmer

UTK College of Law, The Honorable Penny J. White Award:
Estefania Chavez

UTK College of Law, Lt. Governor Jared Maddux Award:
Ashlee Jenks

UTK College of Law, Judge Tom Hull Award: Evan Daniels

UTK College of Law, Larry Wilks Award: Cara Rains

LMU Duncan School of Law, Donald Franklin Paine Award:
Jeffery Glaspie

LMU Duncan School of Law, Judge Joe D. Duncan Award:
Kyle Vaughn

Belmont University College of Law, Chancellor Bob Corlew Award: Nathan S. King



SCHOLARSHIPS

In their own words...

“There is no way to possibly express to you in this letter how thankful I truly am, because this has literally changed my life. You are giving me the opportunity of a lifetime to pursue my dreams.”

2012 Gordon W. and Agnes P. Cobb Scholarship recipient

“I’m the first in my family to go to college and there are a lot of expectations I have to fulfill. I can’t thank the Stephen L. Coffey Memorial Scholarship committee enough for selecting me as a recipient. I plan to excel... and show that I was an excellent choice as a recipient of this scholarship. Thanks so much for giving me a chance to pursue my dreams by going to college.”

2012 Steven L. Coffey Memorial Scholarship recipient

“...the preceding years have allowed me to battle hypophosphatemic rickets and overcome the struggles in life. As a biomedical engineer it is my dream to test, produce, and provide higher quality, safer and more comfortable devices for children around the world with bone disorders similar to my own...earning a degree in biomedical engineering will make this goal a reality and your organization is contributing first-hand.”

2012 Lawrence Strader Boy Scouts of America Scholarship recipient

“When I was informed that I was a recipient (of this scholarship) I immediately burst into tears. This scholarship makes things I could previously not have dreamed of doing a reality. Coming from my background...I cannot tell you how many nights I spent wondering and worrying about how I was going to pay for college...thank you from the bottom of my heart for allowing me to make my dreams come true.”

2012 Gordon W. and Agnes P. Cobb Scholarship recipient

“This scholarship makes communities stronger and lives better through thoughtful giving, and I have to say it made my life better and it has helped out for college. Cooking has always been my dream and this scholarship will help my dream come to fruition. Once I am a chef and have my own restaurant I will have a seat saved for you. Thank you again for helping me be able to go to my dream college (Johnson and Wales University).

2012 Johnson County Education Growth Scholarship recipient

“Your generosity has inspired me to succeed in my college studies and help others along the way. I hope one day I will be able to help students achieve their goal as you have helped me.”

2012 Knox Central High Class of '50 Alumni Association Scholarship recipient

“If it were not for the support you have given me my dreams of college might not have been as realistic as they are now. I wish to not only thank you for the monetary gift-I would like to thank you for honoring Brandy in such a practical way. What you are doing is not only changing my life but has changed the lives of many others...so on behalf of us all thank you. When I graduate it will not be only for myself, it will be for Brandy...thank you from the depths of my heart.”

2012 Brandy Maples Memorial Scholarship recipient

ETF Welcomes New VP for Advancement



Sherri Alley
VP. for Advancement

We are pleased to announce the addition to our team of Sherri DeCosta Alley as Vice President for Advancement. Originally from Rhode Island, Sherri came to Knoxville by way of Atlanta and Charlotte (where she earned a B.S. in Business Administration from U.N.C.), to attend the University of Tennessee College of Law. Her six years of experience as an estate planning and probate attorney with Kizer and Black Attorneys, PLLC make Sherri very well-suited to her new position as ETF's chief development officer. She brings a wealth of information about the important role of philanthropy in estate planning and is available to help donors and their professional advisors in planning for their philanthropy. Please join us in welcoming Sherri to our ETF family by calling or emailing her - (sdalley@etf.org).

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MOUNT REST FUND

Mount Rest Fund 2012 Grants

In 1894, Mount Rest Home was started by a group of forward-thinking women at their own expense, as a residence for elderly ladies who had very little funds or family to care for them. The devoted women of the board of Mount Rest Home tended to every need of the house and the ladies who lived there. Although the lovely home eventually closed, many of the daughters and granddaughters of the original board members have continued to provide for the welfare of women and children in Knox County. They established the Mount Rest Foundation in 1994 and then the Mount Rest Fund of East Tennessee Foundation in 2004 to secure their families' legacy of caring for Knox County's women and children. Organizations which were awarded grants and their funded projects summaries follow:

Cancer Support Community

The Women with Advanced Cancer Networker group provides support for women with advanced cancer, and the Kids Support Program helps children who have a loved one with cancer.

Catholic Charities of East Tennessee

Columbus Home Group Home for Boys serves youth who have been placed with them due to problems of abuse, neglect or other issues negatively affecting their well-being.



Child & Family Tennessee

The "Great Starts Women's Employment Improvement Project" provides job readiness training for women who have substance abuse problems, while helping them remain with and care for their children.



InterFaith Health Clinic

Community School of the Arts

The Career Center for Creative and Culinary Arts is an innovative interdisciplinary program that offers creative media and culinary opportunities to underserved, inner-city middle and high school students.

Crutcher Memorial Youth Enrichment Center

"Body and Mind" is an afterschool program designed to improve students' academic achievement, health and nutrition.

East Tennessee Children's Hospital

"Keeping Our Children Safe" provides specialized car seats and safety restraints for medically fragile children who cannot use regular car seats.

East Tennessee Technology Access Center

The "Technology for Youth" program provides academic intervention, adaptive software and hardware, and other services for youth who suffer from traumatic brain injury and other less visible disabilities.

Helen Ross McNabb Center

The Therapeutic Preschool is an intensive group program for children who have experienced abuse, neglect and/or trauma, which operates like a traditional preschool while incorporating a therapeutic environment.

Hope Center

"Women4Women" addresses the unique barriers to medical care and treatment and challenges affecting Knoxville area HIV+ women.

InterFaith Health Clinic

Health care services such as primary medical visits, dental exams, and mental health counseling sessions are provided for low-income, working, uninsured women.

Knoxville Re-Animation Coalition

Fiscal Sponsor: East Tennessee Community Design Center
Odd Fellows Scholars Program students will work with Carpetbag Theatre to develop digital media which will educate the community about Odd Fellows Cemetery's rich African-American history.

Socially Equal Energy Efficient Development (SEED)

Fiscal Sponsor: Community Shares
SEED's Pre-Apprenticeship Program prepares disadvantaged youth from Knoxville's inner city to be successful in apprenticeships and entry level careers in the high-growth green jobs sector.



Community School of the Arts

Tribe One

Children's Defense Fund Freedom Schools Program provides summer and after-school enrichment that helps children fall in love with reading, increases their self-esteem, and generates more positive attitudes toward learning.

WC TWO

The First Tee Learning Center uses instruction, enrichment activities, and golf to help at-risk youth develop positive skills for continuation of their education and for future employment.

**Total Funding Awarded:
\$186,500**

ADVANCEMENT

Coming Home

Perhaps Dorothy's character in the "Wizard of Oz" said it best: "There's no place like home!" Few of us could argue with that. I am not originally from East Tennessee, but there is no denying that it is my home. Home is not necessarily where you were born or raised, but when you find it, you know, beyond a shadow of a doubt, it's where you belong.

For me, my journey home began one spring weekend, just before my senior year of undergraduate study at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte. My parents visited Bristol, Tennessee and its famous motor speedway for the big spring race. Upon their return home to Charlotte, my father announced that during the trip, they saw a job advertisement for an engineering manager position at a manufacturing plant, and, if he got the job, they would be moving to the Johnson City, Tennessee area, post haste. Shocked, and wondering where I was going to do my laundry for free during my final year of college, I asked, "Is that, like, near Nashville or something?" (Ah, youth!) I had never been to Tennessee and thought country music was the only thing happening beyond those mountains in western North Carolina.

Well, my father got the job, so my parents packed up my grandmother and soon settled into a wonderful little house in Jonesborough, Tennessee. During the ensuing academic year, I headed there a few weekends each semester and during holidays and breaks. What I found was the friendliest place on earth! When it came time to apply to law schools, my father and I visited the University of Tennessee College of Law and I found the same friendly and collegial atmosphere, which is antithetical to the reputation of most law schools. So, right after graduation in 2000, I headed to Jonesborough and lucked into two summer jobs: answering phones at the Johnson City Press and serving up delicious barbecue at The Firehouse Restaurant in Johnson City. When fall arrived, I moved to Knoxville for law school. I soon realized that I loved life in East Tennessee so much that it had truly become my home and I would not be venturing far upon graduation.

East Tennessee is my home and I doubt I could love it more if I had lived here all my life. The feeling of coming home, which is always one of pure comfort and reassurance, can occur in so many contexts – as a weary airline passenger returning to your home airport from a long trip, as an energetic college student heading home to mom's cooking and free laundry service, or as a busy working person arriving home to don your well-worn slippers before tackling dinner preparations. I recently experienced the feeling in another context: my move to East Tennessee Foundation. After nearly nine years of practicing law, six of them at a firm where my colleagues became like family and my husband still practices, I left the law to start a whole new adventure in my career. As I write this, I am beginning my fourth week as Vice President for Advancement at East Tennessee Foundation and I feel as though I was born for this role and all my prior education and experience was, unbeknownst to me, preparing me for it. I am home.

I suspect that many of our fund holders feel the same way about East Tennessee Foundation. From the nonprofit agencies whose endowment funds we manage to the donors who support a myriad of causes through donor advised funds, we share the same goal of having a lasting beneficial impact on East Tennessee's communities. Fund holders can establish their funds at East Tennessee Foundation, then relax in the knowledge that the funds are well managed. We will tend to the details of asset management and the attendant paperwork, so the fund holders can focus on their work of identifying worthy programs and serving their communities. I sincerely hope that our fund holders feel the comfort and reassurance of knowing they belong here; they have arrived home, safe and sound.



Sherri Alley
V.P. for Advancement

Speaking Engagements

Sherri welcomes the opportunity to speak at business and civic meetings in our East Tennessee region. Contact her at Email: sdalley@etf.org or Phone: (877) 524-1223

Sherri Alley and Dr. Nathan Ford at a recent Lions Club program in Newport, TN.



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