

Connections

The East Tennessee Foundation

Resources to enrich lives and strengthen communities

Fall 2001

McClamroch Named East Tennessee Foundation President

Michael T. McClamroch has been named as the new President and CEO of the East Tennessee Foundation. McClamroch, 37, is a Knoxville native and has been an attorney with Egerton, McAfee, Armistead & Davis. He is a graduate of Webb School, Furman University, and a 1991 graduate of Cumberland School of Law in Birmingham. He is married to former ETF board member Kim Wood McClamroch and the couple has one infant son.



Michael T. McClamroch

Mike is past president of the Knoxville Habitat for Humanity, Chairman of Children's Educational Opportunity of Knoxville, a board

member of Knox County Animal Center, Knoxville Chamber Partnership, and Young Life of Knoxville. He began his duties at the East Tennessee Foundation on September 17th. "I look forward to the challenge of continuing the foundation's goal of providing the best of all possible services to our donors and grant recipients – to introduce them to genuine, life-changing philanthropy. Our community will be more engaged and enriched as a result," Mike said.

Board Chairman Lloyd L. (Monty) Montgomery III said that the board

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"looks forward to continuing our legacy of enriching lives and strengthening communities as a regional grant maker and in growing philanthropy throughout East Tennessee. The board is confident that with Mike's leadership, the East Tennessee Foundation will extend our vision of being a catalyst, a convener, and a resource to this area."

Mike replaces Dr. Jerry Askew, who left the Foundation in April to become Senior Vice President for Advancement and Community Development at St. Mary's Health System.

Giving in Time of Crisis



On September 13th donor advised fund holders began responding to the attack on Americans by requesting grants be made to the September 11th Fund. Several thousand dollars were quickly sent by the Foundation to aid in the rescue and healing processes. The September 11th Fund donations are being handled by the New York Community Trust. Monies will go to nonprofits in the New York and Washington D.C. areas so that local people can determine local needs. The United Way of Greater Knoxville also received many donations that they forwarded to the September 11th Fund. As always, East Tennesseans proved themselves to be compassionate and generous. East Tennessee Foundation is proud to have played a small part in the recovery efforts.



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Donor Advised Fund Update

Donor Advised funds at the Foundation are wonderful alternatives to family foundations and a perfect way to teach the lessons of giving to children and grandchildren. They are subject to some IRS regulations that limit the freedom they allow donors to recommend grants to the foundation's board.

One question donors and their advisors frequently ask us is, "May I buy tables at a charity event, pay for the meal or concert, and then ask the East Tennessee Foundation to provide the charitable portion?"

The IRS says "No" to that question. The government's reasoning is that the donor

would not be able to attend the charitable event and enjoy the perks unless the Foundation allowed this through its grant to the charity. The IRS will not allow us to divide ticket values in charitable and noncharitable components.

We suggest that donors wishing to support a charitable event indicate to the charity and to the East Tennessee Foundation that no tickets are to be sent for the event. That way, the total grant will go to the charity's budget and the IRS will be satisfied that the gift was completely charitable.

Please call Debra Poole or Tamara Ownby with questions about donor advised funds.

GRANTEES

Grants Made Since Fall 2000

2001 Youth Endowment

Category I: Institutional Excellence

1. CASA of Anderson Co.

\$9,000

Anderson County

Funding is awarded to support a half-time Program Coordinator to recruit, train, and supervise CASA volunteers who advocate on behalf of abused and/or neglected children, ages birth to 18 years. The need for this position arises as CASA of Anderson County expands to provide/develop services in Anderson, Campbell, Morgan, Roane and Scott Counties for approximately 300 children.

2. Community Mediation Services

\$6,000

Anderson County

Funding is awarded to support Teen & Parent Mediation, in which trained volunteer mediators help teens in Anderson County (ages 11-19)

Gift of Stock Still a Good Choice

39.1% TAX RATE The chart below demonstrates how appreciated stock is still a great asset to gift to charity, even with the changes in tax law.

Gift of Appreciated Stock with a \$100,000 current value and cost basis of \$20,000	\$100,000
Income Tax Savings at 39.1% tax rate	\$39,100
Capital Gains Tax Savings at 20% tax rate (\$80,000 capital gain x 20%)	\$16,000
Total Tax Savings	\$55,100
NET COST OF GIFT	\$44,900

NOTE: A gift of appreciated property is not subject to the alternative minimum tax.



and their parents use positive communication skills to address issues of truancy and unruly behaviors and to resolve family conflicts in a non-violent manner.

3. Emerald Youth Foundation

\$9,000

Knox County

Funding is awarded to support the Youth Leadership Initiative, which is a strategy to provide youth-at-risk in Knoxville's urban neighborhoods with leadership development skills. Youth (grades 1-12) will be provided with adult and academic support, community services and extracurricular activities, with each youth's progress being tracked and evaluated as the child achieves his/her goals.

4. SafeSpace

\$7,000

Sevier County

Funding is awarded to support Domestic Violence Awareness and Healthy Relationships, a two-part school program which benefits 2,000 sixth grade students in Cocke, Jefferson and Sevier Counties. Domestic Violence Awareness identifies and empowers children caught in abusive relationships, while Healthy Relationships teaches students about dating violence.

Sub-Total

\$31,000

Category II: Small Grants for Creative Solutions

5. Campbell County's Promise-Alliance for Youth

\$5,000

**Fiscal Sponsor:
Regional Education and Community Health Services (REACHS)**

Campbell County

Funding is awarded to support Self-Exploration 101, a start up 5-year program that will follow the approximately 500 members of Campbell County's 2001-2002 seventh grade class through the twelfth grade. These students will be provided with age appropriate education, activities, and events that focus on and strengthen their development and emotional health, which are as critical to their success as their academic health.

6. Children's Advocacy Network

\$4,000

Anderson County

Funding is awarded to support the "Parent Resource Project," a community-wide effort to educate, train and empower parents to be more

effective in preventing risky behavior by their preteen and teenage children. Children aged 9-18 and approximately 700 parents in Anderson, Campbell, Jefferson, Knox, Morgan, and Union Counties will benefit from this project.

7. Children's Museum of Oak Ridge

\$4,000

Anderson County

Funding is awarded to support "Homework Club," an after-school year-long program that targets students 11 years and older that have been identified as at-risk. This project serves as an intervention program for 30-40 children in the Museum neighborhood, to help increase their self-esteem and solve neighborhood problems of truancy and anti-social behavior.

8. Community House Cooperative

\$3,000

Cocke County

Funding is awarded to support Cocke County's "Young & Restless" program which will utilize a trained team of youth leaders to engage at-risk high school students in meaningful activities during after school hours. Sessions will address topics such as conflict resolution and anger management as well as provide art and computer activities and regional travel opportunities.

9. Florence Crittenton Agency

\$3,000

Knox County

Funding is awarded to support the Child and Parenting Skills (CAPS) program, a secondary child abuse prevention program geared toward pregnant and parenting teens in Anderson and Knox Counties. Teen fathers are invited and encouraged to participate in this program, which aims to break the cycle of teenage pregnancy, child abuse and neglect, school dropout and unemployment.

10. Girl Scouts of Tanasi Council, Inc.

\$2,500

Knox County

Funding is awarded to support Daughters of Vision, a new alternative delivery system for at-risk girls between the ages of 10-14 years in Blount County. Volunteers will serve as mentors and positive role models for the girls as they participate in the program's seven components (which address personal development and career goals).

**Gifts to the Foundation were received in memory or in honor of the following people:
April 17, 2001 - September 11, 2001**

IN MEMORY OF

Lucille Curtin

Vicki Dunaway

Beth Maloan

Joneda Sands

Debbie Van Cleave

James C. Witt Sr.

IN HONOR OF

Dr. Donald K. Carson

Amanda Lee Dunaway

Seth Claiborne Dunaway

11. Humans and Animals Learning Together (HALT)

\$3,700

Knox County

Funding is awarded to support HALT, a program which benefits at-risk adolescents and dogs selected from an animal shelter. Adolescents teach dogs basic obedience commands during a four-week supervised course, providing therapeutic intervention for the student trainers, while increasing the adoptability of unwanted dogs. Children from Knoxville's Community Development Corporation's "The Shop" will participate in this community-based, after-school and summer program that serves 6th-8th grade students.

12. Jubilee Project, Inc.

\$5,000

Hancock County

Funding is awarded to support the Jubilee YEAR Project (Youth Empowerment, Apprenticeship & Responsibility), which will empower Hancock County youth (ages 10-18) by improving their self-esteem and their preparation to be healthy, responsible adults. This program treats approximately 75 local youth holistically by using leadership development, workshops, recreation, community service, mission trips and career planning activities.

13. The Opportunity House of Greene County, Inc.

\$1,200

Greene County

Funding is awarded to support temporary emergency shelter for (adults and) children, ages newborn through 19 years. Children are provided with clothing, food, shelter, health care and immunizations, and counseling, and are enrolled in schools.

14. Union County Board of Education

\$4,000

Union County

Funding is awarded to support Top Wrench, a year-long program for students in high school vocational programs which culminates in a one day competition in a timed engine troubleshooting contest. Approximately 240 students from high schools in Anderson, Blount, Knox, Monroe, Sevier and Union Counties will participate in the competition at McGhee Tyson Air Force Base, yet as many as 177 classes benefit from the year-long Top Wrench Program. Top Wrench emphasizes drug free living as a way to help students achieve life goals and dreams.

Sub-Total

\$35,400

Category III: Early Childhood Intervention Program

15. Anderson County Health Council

\$3,500

Anderson County

Funding is awarded to support Healthy Start, a prevention program which provides voluntary home visitation services to first-time parents in Anderson County who are assessed as being at risk for child abuse or neglect. Visits begin prenatally and can last for five years or until the child begins school. Healthy Start's primary goal is to attack the underlying causes of child abuse and neglect by educating and supporting parents and by linking them to other community resources.

16. Associated Catholic Charities of East Tennessee

\$5,000

Knox County

Funding is awarded to support Parent Place, the only supervised parent visitation program in Tennessee. Parent Place provides a safe environment in which non-custodial parents can visit with their children, primarily under the age of 10, and learn appropriate parenting skills.

17. Health Opportunity Protection and Encouragement (H.O.P.E.) Center

\$3,600

McMinn County

Funding is awarded to support development of a Children's Advocacy Center for children ages birth through 18 years who live in McMinn and Monroe Counties. The project will enable therapists, law enforcement officers, prosecutors, social workers and other community professionals to interview victims of child abuse in a single, child friendly location.

18. Scott County Rural Health Agency

\$2,000

Fiscal Sponsor:

Oneida Special School District

Scott County

Funding is awarded to support development of Talking About Touching, a personal safety curriculum for children ages 4-10 years in Scott County daycare facilities, preschools and elementary schools. The program is being developed by the Children's Center of the Cumberland Mountains, a child advocacy center, to reduce the trauma to physically, sexually and mentally abused victims and to promote healing.

19. Unicoi County Board of Education

\$5,000

Unicoi County

Funding is awarded to support the First Years Parent Workshop a series of eight prenatal parenting workshops on a variety of topics that will be presented to families who are expecting a child or have a child under the age of 2 years. Students in the Unicoi County High School or vocational school will be specifically targeted to attend the Workshop and will be invited to the "Largest Baby Shower in Unicoi County," after successfully completing at least six workshop sessions.

Sub-Total

\$19,100

Special Project Funding from the Youth Endowment

Knoxville's Promise

\$5,000

Funding is awarded to provide general operating support for Knoxville's Promise, an organization with a goal to mobilize the Knoxville community to secure the Five Promises outlined by America's Promise for children. The Five Promises are directed toward enabling children and young people to grow up to be caring and competent adults.

Total Funds Awarded:

\$90,500

Opportunity Funds

1. Fund for Campbell County

\$5,000

Funding is awarded for general operating support.

2. Fund for Greater Kingsport

\$5,000

Funding is awarded for general operating support.

3. Fund for Greene County

\$5,000

Funding is awarded for general operating support.

4. Fund for Unicoi County

\$2,500

Funding is awarded for general operating support.

Total Funds Awarded:

\$17,500

Fund for Greene County

A Component Fund of the East Tennessee Foundation

1. Backyard Learning Centers

\$3,000

Funding is awarded to support summer activities for approximately 65 children, ages 5-8, who reside in low-income housing developments, including Greeneville Terrace and Executive Manor.

2. Greeneville-Greene County Literacy Council

\$1,125

Funding is awarded to support the Adult Basic Education program. Grant funds will be used to support 25 scholarships, which will be awarded to students who are financially incapable of paying the \$45 assessment fee to take the statewide GED exam.

3. Rural Resources

\$1,500

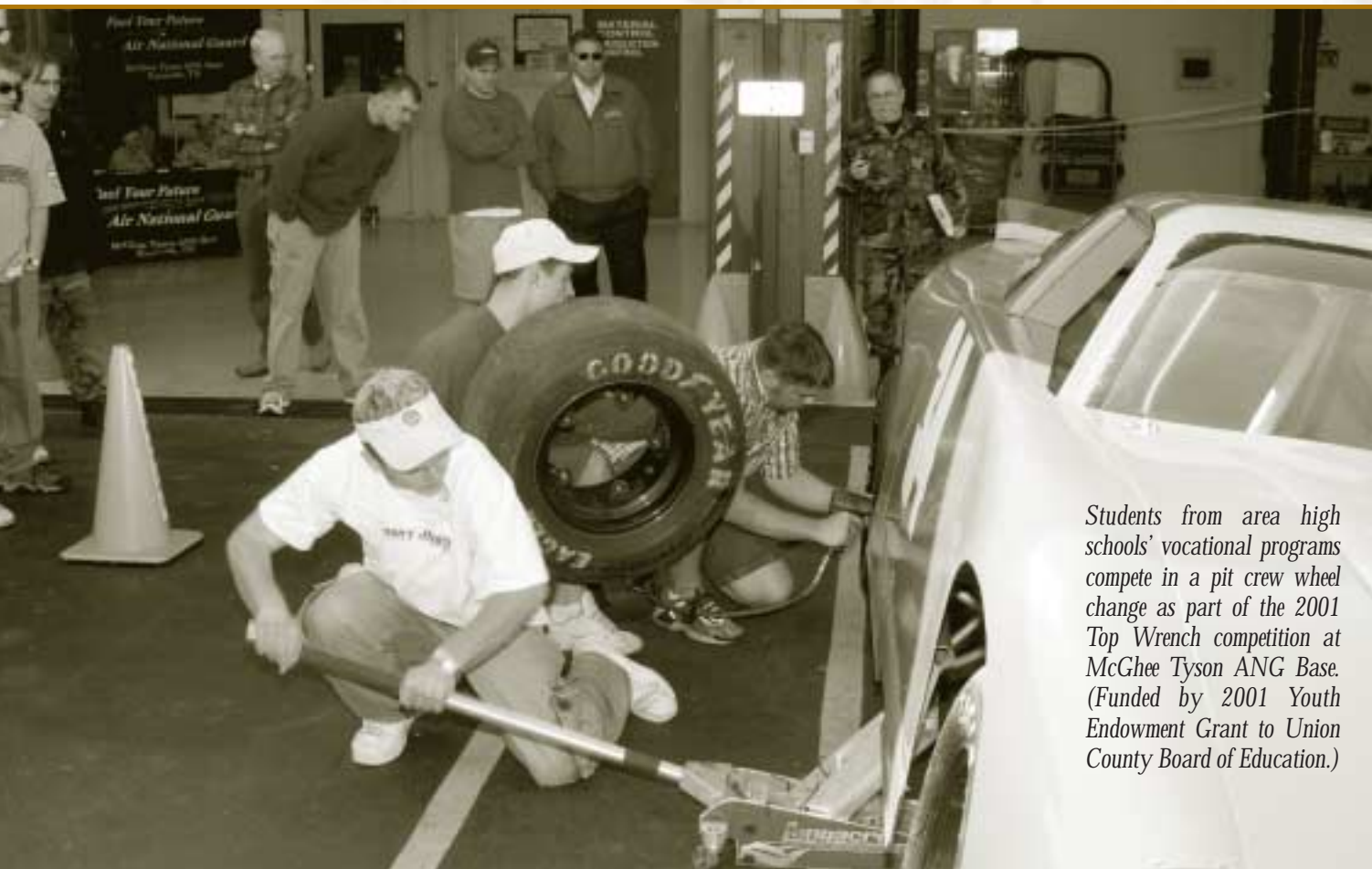
Funding is awarded to support farm-based entrepreneurial training for low-income children in local after-school programs.

4. Second Harvest Food Bank of Northeast Tennessee

\$1,500

Funding is awarded to support the Second Helpings program, which delivers prepared food from local community donors directly to feeding agencies in Greene County. Using a refrigerated van, food will be delivered to the





Students from area high schools' vocational programs compete in a pit crew wheel change as part of the 2001 Top Wrench competition at McGhee Tyson ANG Base. (Funded by 2001 Youth Endowment Grant to Union County Board of Education.)

Salvation Army, soup kitchens and other organizations that provide meals for hungry residents in the county

Total Funds Awarded: \$7,125

Neighborhoods Small Grants Program

1. 2400 Block of Linden Avenue and Parkview Avenue

\$2,500

Fiscal Sponsor: Center for Neighborhood Development

Funding is awarded to support the repetition of last year's successful neighborhood projects, which include: a Community Clean Up Day, a Rummage Sale, Youth Activity Night, National Night Out, and several holiday celebrations.

2. Burlington Homeowners and Resident Association

\$2,200

Fiscal Sponsor: Center for Neighborhood Development

Funding is awarded to support projects which improve the appearance of the community and

develop community pride and unity. Activities will include lawn care and assistance for elderly/disabled residents, beautification projects and the erection of a neighborhood sign.

3. Council of Involved Neighborhoods (COIN)

\$3,000

Fiscal Sponsor: Center for Neighborhood Development

Funding is awarded to support participation by six COIN members in the 2001 Neighborhoods USA Conference in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. The Conference will feature workshops on neighborhood issues and provide opportunities to network with neighborhood organizations from across the country.

4. Green Hills Resident Association

\$500

Fiscal Sponsor: Center for Neighborhood Development

Funding is awarded to support an increase in the capacity of the existing food pantry and an increase in outreach efforts.

5. Historic Fort Sanders Neighborhood Association

\$500

Fiscal Sponsor: Center for Neighborhood Development

Funding is awarded to support a neighborhood trash clean up followed by a neighborhood party to reward the participants.

6. Pond Gap Neighborhood Association

\$2,000

Fiscal Sponsor: Center for Neighborhood Development

Funding is awarded to support PicNics, production of an Association newsletter and survey, development of a neighborhood history, and the design and installation of neighborhood signage.

Total Funds Awarded:

\$10,700

New Funds Established

Several new funds have been established at the Foundation since the last newsletter was published. New donor advised funds are the **Mary Louise Waters Hailey Fund**, **Emily and Morton Rose Fund**, and the **David Paine Waters FLP Fund**.

Two new scholarships were founded in memory of special women. The **Vicki Dunaway Memorial Scholarship Fund** was established in memory of Vicki Dunaway, who was the principal of Powell High School. The **Debbie Van Cleave Scholarship Fund** was established by Debbie's parents in memory of their talented daughter, who was a renowned local potter. The **McMinn County High School Alumni Fund** was established by the Class of 1951. All three funds are accepting donations from friends, family, and graduates.

The **Johnson County Champion Community Fund** was founded as a county-wide field of interest grant-making fund to benefit nonprofits in Johnson County. Members of the 2001-02 Board of Advisors are: **Evelyn Cook, Nelson Gray, Lewis May, Minnie Miller, Jean Ann Savery, Larry Shoun and Dr. Donald Tarr**. Through the Johnson County Fund, residents may make donations of cash, stock, property, and other assets to benefit programs and projects inside Johnson County.

The **East Tennessee Region of Promise Fund** is a special project of the Foundation and was established by a \$300,000 grant from UPS. Funds will go to Knoxville's Promise, Campbell County's Promise, and Greene County's Promise for youth programs.

The **James Agee Park Fund** was established by residents of Ft. Sanders and others concerned about remembering the famous author. Funds will provide a park and memorial at the corner of Laurel Avenue and James Agee Street in Knoxville. The project partners include the University of Tennessee, City of



Presentation of the initial fund distribution grant awarded to ETF and its regional partners from the UPS Foundation's Volunteer Impact Initiative. Pictured from left to right: Stephanie Grimm, Campbell County's Promise; Madeline Rogero, Knoxville's Promise; Dan Carlyle, Chief Operating Officer, TN. District, UPS; Terry Holley, ETF; Tracy Pointer, Public Relations, TN District, UPS; Kathy Knight and Brian Cutshall Greeneville/Greene County's Promise.

Knoxville, James Agee Park Steering Committee, Historic Ft. Sanders Neighborhood Association and ETF.

New Board Members Elected for Affiliate Fund Boards

New board members have been elected to serve on the following affiliate fund boards:

The Fund for Campbell County welcomes new board members **Rob Asbury, Dolores Bartley and Bess Stout**.

The Fund for Greene County welcomes **Kidwell King and Susie Loven**.

The Harris Fund for Washington County welcomes **Tom Hodge**.

A Gift for Professional Advisors

At last – expert advice at no cost and just a “click” away. The East Tennessee Foundation is proud to be a sponsor of the **East Tennessee Planned Giving Design Center (ETPG)**. As a subscriber, you receive e-mails (news alerts) when significant charitable legislation or tax rulings transpire. The site also offers sample documents and material tailored to planning techniques, wills, trusts, IRA gifts, insurance, stock gifts, family limited partnerships and more.

A sample tour: **The Design Room** offers case studies to illustrate various planning objectives, using specific assets and planning vehicles. **The Reading Room** contains in-depth commentaries

News for Our Grantees

Guidelines Available

Grant guidelines for our competitive grants will be available in November. Guidelines will be published on the web site at www.easttennesseefoundation.org later in the year. Please contact Brenda Walker at 865-524-1223 for a hard copy of the guidelines.

Newsletters

ETF constantly searches for ways to reduce operating costs in order to have more funds for grant making. Please help us by reading our spring and fall newsletters on the web site at www.easttennesseefoundation.org. If you do not have internet access, please call us to request the newsletter by mail.

on legislation (such as the new estate tax law), trends in planning, analysis of CRT design, lump sum distributions, a summary of income, estate, and gift tax rules on charitable giving, and examines issues associated with non-cash gifts. **Reference Desk** provides links to legal and tax research, professional organizations, and U.S. government sites.

Many of this area's estate planners, accountants, and financial planners are already using the East Tennessee Planned Giving Design Center. According to estate planning attorney **Dan Holbrook**, "The Planned Giving Design Center is the one web site I know I can count on to keep me up-to-date on matters involving charities and charitable giving. It has a wealth of background research information for practitioners as well as for lay people. It's the place to start when the path ahead isn't clear."

To take advantage of this valuable information source, simply register on-line through our web site at www.easttennesseefoundation.org. The link to ETPG will take you to the opening page where you will log in and choose a password. The East Tennessee Planned Giving Design Center covers professionals in 23 counties in our region. We have partnered with Baptist Hospital Foundation and St. Mary's Medical Center to bring this service to East Tennessee. Together, we offer it to professional advisors who need a comprehensive, current resource to help them better serve their clients. For additional information about the Design Center please contact Debra Poole, J.D. at the Foundation.

Scholarship Update

In calendar year 2000, 103 students received scholarships from ETF. These students received a total of \$142,254 and attend 25 different colleges/universities.

In May, a farewell luncheon was held at Regas restaurant for **Lona Livingston**,

the long-time scholarship coordinator for the Steven L. Coffey Memorial Scholarship Fund. Scholarship founders, David L. and Patricia B. Coffey, attended the luncheon. Lona's gift from the foundation was a scrapbook from Coffey scholarship recipients. Tamara Ownby, Donor Services Officer, secretly notified the students that Lona was moving back to her home in the Chicago area and invited them to contribute to her scrapbook. Students sent in photos, poems and letters expressing their love and gratitude to Lona.

The Steven L. Coffey Memorial Scholarship Fund was established in 1988 and made its first awards in 1990. The fund is named in memory of the Coffeys' son. The fund is intended to benefit Anderson County residents, both recent high school graduates and adult residents, who wish to pursue a college education at the community college level. The Fund also provides college support services through the Coordinator that are designed to encourage academic success and provide support. Recipients must plan to complete an associate degree program at either Roane State Community College or Pellissippi State Technical Community College as full-time students. Recipients who complete one year of community

college work and receive a 2.0 GPA or better are eligible for financial assistance throughout the duration of their undergraduate education at a four-year, state-supported institution as long as they continue to meet the program's minimum requirements. Since 1990, 78 students have received assistance from the Fund.

Thirty-nine students have graduated from RSCC/PSTCC with an AA or AS degree. Twenty students have gone on to transfer to a four-year university and 80 percent of those students received their BA or BS degree. These numbers are more favorable than the national average due to Lona's involvement.

Dan Foltz-Gray has been named the new Coffey Scholarship Coordinator. Dan is an Associate Professor of English at Roane State Community College. He has also held a number of administrative positions at Roane State including Department Head for Academic Development Communications. Dan coordinates remedial/developmental instruction within the Humanities Division. He is a Fulbright Fellow and holds degrees from the University of Pennsylvania and the University of Chicago. ETF welcomes Dan and looks forward to working with him in supporting the Coffey students.



On Wednesday, April 4th the Foundation held a reception for the four Gordon W. and Agnes P. Cobb Scholarship recipients. Both television and print media attended. Cobb family member Judy Nolan was present for the celebration. Cobb Scholars for 2001 are (left to right): Amber E. Bennett of Maryville HS, Kali E. Phillips of Maryville HS, Clint R. Paden of Knox Central HS and Jennifer A. Rymer of West HS. Each will receive \$40,000 in scholarship assistance over four years to pursue medically-related studies.

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