HOLIDAY LIGHTS AT DREXEL CIRCLE FUNDED BY OUR BEXLEY BEAUTIFICATION FUND.

CONENT

• 2015 Grant Awards
• Two New Funds in 2015
• Simply the Best Recap
• 2016 Grant Cycle
The Alum Creek Pathway is now open! A 2014 grant of $20,000 to the City of Bexley, the newly created pedestrian path is along Alum Creek between East Main Street and Livingston Avenue. The path is part of the bigger Alum Creek Park Plan, to expand recreational facilities throughout Bexley.

The Board of Directors of the Bexley Community Foundation, along with other community members, toured the path and proposed athletic fields with Mayor Ben Kessler and Recreation and Parks Director, Michael Price. New athletic fields will be the first step in creating new recreational space in South Bexley serving our entire community. The fields will also increase exposure to the area, resulting in greater stability and awareness of the neighborhood as part of the Bexley Community.
TO OUR DONORS AND FRIENDS

2015 has been another successful year for Bexley and our Foundation. This year our total grants to the City of Bexley, the Bexley Public Library and other community groups reached over $615,000. Our investments also generate additional public and private grants and in-kind and cash investments by our community partners. We estimate that the economic impact of our Foundation on the Bexley community over the last five years exceeds $1 million.

If you have already made your 2015 gift, THANK YOU. If you have not yet done so, we ask you to consider a year-end tax deductible donation to the Bexley Community Foundation. Gifts can be made by credit card through our website or by check using the enclosed envelope. Please join us in making Bexley better together.

Happy Holidays,

Jim Gross
Board Chair

Hallie Raskin
Executive Director

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The Susie and Charlie Rath Creative Arts Fund was established in 2015 in memory of Susie's father, Leland S. McClelland, a highly regarded local artist and longtime Bexley resident. The Fund is established to promote the creative arts, including the visual and performing arts, vocal and instrumental music, writing and communication, design, and digital and other media, in the Bexley Community.

Jay and Jeanie Schottenstein Family Fund

Bexley Community Foundation

The Bexley community has long been a charitable priority of the Schottenstein family, and the new fund will advance the mission of the Bexley Community Foundation by providing financial support to the Foundation and, through the Foundation's grants programs, other nonprofit organizations serving the Bexley community.

NEW FUNDS!

2016 GRANT DEADLINES

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The Bexley Community Foundation celebrated its fifth annual gathering and five years of grant making with over 200 donors, volunteers, grantees and friends on Thursday, October 8, 2015 at The Columbus Foundation. The evening focused on community projects and programs funded by the Foundation that help make Bexley Simply the Best.

Since 2011 the Foundation has invested over $615,000 in the Bexley community through 70 grants to local public entities and nonprofit organizations. “These grants are made possible by our donors. Every gift counts, and annually over half of our gifts are in the amount of $100 or less,” said Jim Gross. The Foundation’s goal is to reach over $1 million in grants by 2018.

Peter and Janet Halliday were the honorary chairs of the event. Pete and Janet were instrumental in starting the Bexley Community Foundation and its predecessor, the Bexley Heritage Fund. Pete served as the Foundation’s first Board Chair and continues as a member of the Board. Janet has been a member of the Grants Committee of the Foundation since its inception.

CORNERSTONE AWARD

The Cornerstone Award for Philanthropy and Service is given each year to honor current or former Bexley residents who inspire and challenge us by their examples of exceptional service and giving to Bexley and the greater community. This year’s recipients were the Yenkin and Brachman Families which trace their Bexley roots to the purchase of the home at 381 South Drexel by Jacob and Mary Yenkin in 1928. The Yenkin and Brachman Families are committed to philanthropy and service through three, four and five generations, and name any area of service to society - education, social service, the arts, religion and civic service and you will find a history of involvement and leadership by the Yenkin and Brachman Family members. Members have continuously, consistently, and relentlessly shown a dedication to service and a willingness to lead.

Friends of the Drexel Theatre received a $55,530 grant to restore the marquee of this Bexley landmark.

The Bexley Celebrations Association (BCA) received a $20,000 grant to purchase key equipment and to support the 2015 4th of July Celebration.

A $4,680 grant funded the Block Party Activity Kit (BPAK) which can be rented from the Recreation and Parks Department.

A grant of $1,000 from our Youth and Recreation Fund was awarded for the City’s third annual Splish, Splash and Dash youth triathlon with over 325 participants.