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Grants in Action—SCHOLARSHIPS

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Jason Long,
2006 Awardee
Dr. Samuel R.
and Twila Black
Medical Arts
Scholarship
Fund

What is a scholarship fund?

A way to help others pursue their education with a focus of the donor's choice. The ACCF offers scholarship for technical school, medical arts, music, engineering, various other majors, and even for the nontraditional adult student.

Scholarship funds can be set up in a benefactor's name or the name of a loved one, so a deserving individual can get an education they might not otherwise receive. The Community Foundation offers a simple solution to donors who want to start a scholarship program. For your convenience, we perform all the administrative duties and conform strictly to standards. Donors can contribute to existing funds or establish a new scholarship fund. Let us know how we can help you realize your charitable goals.

The 2007 Application Deadline is March 15th!

Visit our website at <http://www.accfound.org/scholarships.php> to apply. Read criteria carefully. Apply online or print and mail!

ACCF 2006 Report in Brief

In 2006, the ACCF increased our assets by \$860,619 over the 2005 year-end; awarded 12 scholarships totaling \$22,600 (over 3 scholarship awards in 2005), increased the number of funds from 29 to 40, and awarded 37 grants to area nonprofits amounting to \$48,628! **THANK YOU** to our donors, volunteers, and supporters!



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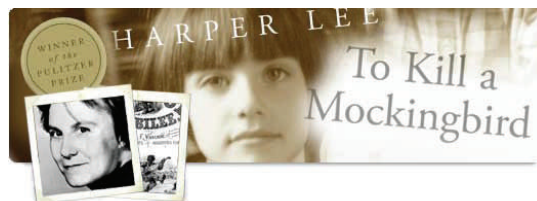
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MISSION: The Armstrong County Community Foundation, a public nonprofit corporation, serves the people of Armstrong County to enhance the quality of life by:

- ☞ Giving grants, scholarships, and organizational support to address the changing needs of our community
- ☞ Building a permanent endowment for our community and helping our donors create a legacy for the future
- ☞ Promoting informed philanthropy and volunteerism to increase charitable resources for the region
- ☞ Providing leadership and building partnerships to identify and solve community issues

Attention, Book Lovers!

WE NEED YOUR HELP . . .



The Big Read is an initiative of the National Endowment for the Arts designed to restore reading to the center of American culture. The ACCF and the Kittanning Library want to bring The Big Read to Armstrong County, and we need your help . . .

First Planning Meeting – **Thursday, February 8th** – Kittanning Public Library – **11:00 – 1:00 pm** Lunch Provided by ACCF (so Paula needs to know if you are planning to come!)

WHO: Amanda Powell, Kittanning Library (will draft application), Paula Rummel, ACCF (will coordinate program planning), and Community Partners (which includes *YOU*, we hope!)

WHAT: Plan 3-4 weeks of programming based on the book, *To Kill a Mockingbird*, by Harper Lee in order to apply for an NEA grant (which the ACCF will match)

WHEN: The programming will take place between September and December 2007

Call Paula at 724.548.4275 if you can help with the initial planning meeting, or email her at paula@accfound.org.



ACCF Website Redesign in Progress

Mindy and Tiffany Bennett of [Allegheny Graphics](#) Website Design (mostly Tiffany), have been hard at work on a complete redesign of the ACCF website. Although the original site is beautiful, we have outgrown its functionality. Our launch is planned for March; stay tuned for our announcement. We hope you will be pleased with the new format, ease of use, and timeliness of the news important to our donors, our grantees, and our community.

Pay it Forward *tip of the month*

Your click on [The Breast Cancer Site's](#) "Fund Free Mammograms" button helps fund free mammograms paid for by the site's sponsors for women in need through the efforts of [The National Breast Cancer Foundation](#).

Many of my readers already know that I have been diagnosed with breast cancer. Follow my personal journey on my [blog](#). You have an opportunity to help women get the early detection that saves lives, and all it costs is a moment of your time.

Take a moment to click around the site for other opportunities to increase your impact by purchasing items or visiting sponsors. Thank you!

Mindy

