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Luke Elsner 1st Walk to Remember Raises Nearly \$7000.00



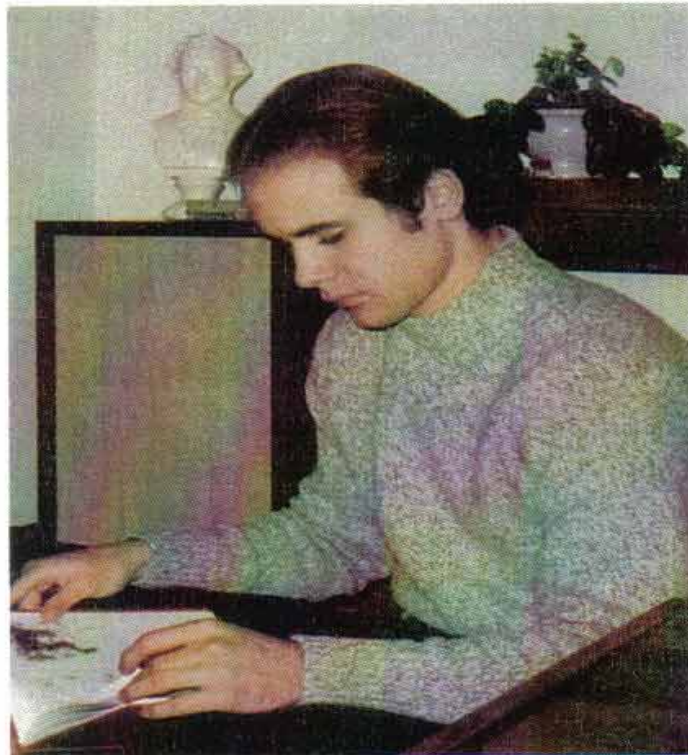
Barb Shaw, JCCF director, receives donations for the Luke Elsner Memorial Scholarship from Amber Elsner, Luke's mother. In front are Lane Elsner, Luke's big brother, and Max Maschino, Luke's best friend. Courtney Maschino, who organized the Walk to Remember, is holding her youngest son, Brock. At right is Andy Elsner, Luke's Father.



Luke Elsner

Luke or "Lukie" as many of his family members and friends called him died last February at only 2 1/2 years old of complications from a congenital heart ailment. Luke won't be forgotten, however thanks to the efforts of over 200 individuals who participated in the inaugural Walk to Remember. The 1 1/2 mile event, held during the Hayden Festival, raised nearly \$7000.00 for the Luke Eisner Memorial Scholarship fund. The walk was organized by Courtney Maschino who was Luke's babysitter. Courtney was overwhelmed by the response of many family and friends who attended the walk. Many traveled from Aurora and Indianapolis to support the walk. The Scholarship will be awarded annually starting next year to a Jennings County area high school senior who is planning to study agriculture in college. Luke really loved riding on tractors and combines and was always eager to help with the farm work. That is why the family wants the scholarship to go to a student in the agricultural field. Donations for the Luke Elsner Scholarship Fund can be mailed to the Foundation Office at 265 E Main Street, North Vernon, IN 47265.

Eric Berkshire Scholarship For The Arts



Pieces For Keyboard

These offerings, volume 1 and 2 of Pieces For Keyboard, are of Eric's playing his own music. The selections are taken from tapes made while composing. The finished products, vivid displays of creative thinking, are indeed first-rate.

Eric Berkshire piano

This two-disc set is comprised of basic repertory - Liszt, Debussy, Bartók, etc.- a variety of musical vocabularies. The playing is fine; the result, good listening.

Either single disc or the two-disc set may be yours for a suggested donation of \$15.00 to the: **ERIC BERKSHIRE SCHOLARSHIP FOR THE ARTS ENDOWMENT** with the Jennings County Community Foundation.

Please contact the Jennings County Community Foundation, a 501-C-3 charity located at 265 East Main Street, North Vernon, Indiana 47265. Telephone (812)346-5553

Checks may be made payable to: JCCF-Eric Berkshire Scholarship for the Arts.

Foundation Offers Gateway 8-08 “Funding” the Future Challenge Match Program

Explanation Meeting To Be Held October 15th, 7:00 p.m. at Jennings County Public Library

The Challenge

The Foundation continues to implement its Gateway 8-08 Initiative with the announcement of a “Funding”

the Future Challenge Match Program. This new challenge match is designed to grow the existing funds in the foundation and seek out new funds.

The foundation is challenging donors to increase their existing funds or begin new funds and is providing an incentive for donors to do just that! Using \$30,000 from interest earned in 2007, JCCF is excited to offer this unique “Fund Growing” opportunity to the community to better meet the future needs of the funds. The Foundation will match donations to new or existing funds until the Match Money in each of the categories is **gone**.

The Program

The “Funding” the Future Challenge is a \$1 for every \$3 donation match for new and existing funds in the Foundation. JCCF has set aside \$30,000 for funding the program distributed as matching money into the following fund

- \$9,000—in JCCF Match money for adding to existing
Scholarship funds
- \$3,000—in JCCF Match money for donors establishing new Scholarship funds.

Agency Funds \$6,000 Total

- \$4,000—in JCCF Match money for adding to existing funds
- \$2,000—in JCCF Match money for agencies establishing new funds.

Individual Funds \$12,000 Total

- \$9,000—in JCCF Match money for adding to existing funds
- \$3,000—in JCCF Match money for donors establishing new Scholarship funds.

Interested donors will need to secure and deposit with the foundation at least \$500 in newly developed funds for existing funds or in newly developed funds for starting a new fund in the foundation. Monies cannot come from any existing foundation source money (grant OR earned interest money) from the foundation but must be new sources of money for the organization or individual fund. **Maximum funds to be accepted as eligible to be matched are \$3,000.**

Eligibility

To be eligible for consideration for the fund matching challenge, interested donors must attend a *mandatory* “Funding” the Future’s Announcement and Explanation Meeting to be held at the Jennings County Library on Wednesday October 15, at 7:00 p.m.

Participants will be asked to complete and return the *Application & Intent to Participate* in the “Funding” the Future Challenge Match Program.

General Disclaimer

As noted, all funds will be matched on a **first-come first-serve basis** until the match money has been depleted. Funds must be a complete match to receive money (at least the minimum of \$500 to be matched). There will be NO PARTIAL matching of funds.

The Community Foundation will be the sole decider of any rulings related to the operation of this **“Funding” the Future Challenge Match Program.**

<u>Donation to a Fund</u>	<u>Additional Match from Foundation</u>
\$ 500 minimum	\$ 167
\$1,000	\$ 300
\$2,000	\$ 600
\$3,000	\$1,000 maximum

For additional information or questions, contact Barb Shaw, Executive Director, Jennings County Community Foundation at 346-5553 or by email at jccf@comcast.net.



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Meet the Staff



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Barb Shaw, Executive Director—Barb is a retired bank executive and has been with the Foundation 4 years. Barb is a life long resident of Jennings County, has served in many capacities in the community and brings with her a passion for Jennings County and well being for the citizens of this community.

Ruth Adrian, Program Director has been with the foundation for 4 years and served as Office Manger until her semi-retirement in 2007. Since that time Ruth has served as the overseer of the Traditional and Lilly Scholarship Programs in a part-time capacity.

Joanie Van Horn, Office Manager, is the newest member of the Foundation's staff. Joanie provides day-to-day support for the foundation on a part-time basis.

The staff is available Monday through Friday at the Foundation office (346-5553) or via e-mail JCCF@Comcast.Net

“Our Mission is to develop endowments that will greatly improve the quality of life for Jennings County residents in perpetuity; to provide responsible stewardship to these gifts; to promote leadership in addressing community issues; and to make grants in the fields of community service, social service, education, health, the environment and the arts.”