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December 2022

Happy Holidays! We're excited to share so much good news with you – from surprise grant awards to the latest Lilly scholar announcement and the biggest REC Center development in two years! We hope these updates fill you with the warmth of the season.

As always, Rush County celebrates with spirit and good cheer. Whether you enjoy dazzling light displays or the warm glow of candles, the [community events calendar](#) has something for you. [If you're just not feeling in the holiday spirit, that's ok, too.](#) We're sending a little extra love your way. Wishing you comfort and joy, friends!

REC Center Update #5: Construction Costs Fully Funded



Rush County residents have dreamed of a community center for decades. Timing and circumstances never seemed to align. Until now. **With construction costs fully funded, the REC Center is happening.** Construction is scheduled to begin in the first half of 2023 with a completion date in the second half of 2024.

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Congratulations to Kelby Roberts, 2023 Rush County LECS Recipient!



One of the best days of the year for us is getting to surprise one high school senior with the life-changing news that they've earned the **Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship**.

Congratulations to this year's recipient, Kelby Roberts! She will receive full 4-year tuition, required fees, and up to \$900 per year for books. Kelby plans to attend Purdue and double major in political science and ag economics with a focus in prelaw and public policy. *"I am speechless. This will really help my dreams come true,"* she said. Don't worry, Kelby. We think your smile says it all!

Read on to learn more about Kelby and see more photos.

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Surprise Grants for Three Organizations



To kick off the giving season and celebrate our nonprofits' good work, we invited founders and donors of our Community Grants Funds to an open house. **"Sips & Poker Chips: A Grant Giveaway Game Night"** was held at the Booker T. Washington building. Guests enjoyed sips and swanky treats while they played games. **They earned chips, then used them to vote for three organizations to receive surprise grants.**

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Executive Director Position Posted

The job posting for the RCCF Executive Director position is open until 12/15. If you or someone you know is interested, the time to apply is now.

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What Will Your Legacy Be?



Join a special group of donors whose impact and love will last forever by including RCCF in your estate planning. Leaving a bequest is an easy way to do so. Find sample language and learn more.

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CIRCLE Fund Annual \$300 Memberships Due 12/31/2022

Donate **ONLINE** or by check and mail/deliver to: RCCF, 117 N. Main St., Rushville, IN 46173

Scholarship applications due 2/15/2023

Some scholarships require additional information, so please don't wait until the last minute!

Community Events Calendar

ICYMI (In Case You Missed It)

Here are the top stories from last month.



Welcome
Gerald!



Cycle II
Community Grants



CBAP Update:
Getting Things Done

November Tribute Gifts

Each gift you make in memory or in honor of a loved one supports Rush County forever. We are grateful for your kindness and generosity!

In Memory of:

Alice Ruth Wiley, Glen Wiley,
Lauren Alice Wiley
Art Carroll
Brian Sutter
Dena Bills
Donna Houston
Janet Sparks
Kyle Henderson
Larry Lloyd
Marjorie Loggan
Maurice Oldham
Patricia A. "Patty" Bright

Pippa Flanary
Renea Bowling
Ruth VanNatta
Ruthelaine Bradfield
Sally Cull
Sue Reeves
Tom Montgomery
Walter "Pete" Osting

In Honor of:

Alisa Winters
Patricia and Phillip Simmermon



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