



The Bailey Family

Foundation Newsletter

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Message from the Founder

Dear Family & Friends:



We wrapped up our winter scholarship application period earlier this month and received 3,100 applications from area high school and college students. We'll award scholarships to 500 deserving students for Fall 2013 college tuition. Congratulations to our 2013 Bailey Scholars! We couldn't review and score all those applications without the efforts of our dedicated Scholarship

Selection Committee. We have over 200 scholarship application reviewers and over 25 have helped review applications for the past 10 years. On behalf of the 40,000 students who applied, thank you! We're always looking for qualified volunteers. If you're interested, please let us know.

Well, it took a few years, but we recently printed the second volume of The Bailey Family book. The Bailey Family II was written 14 years after the original and gives updated information on births, marriages and deaths of George Patton Bailey (generation 6) family members...thru generation 12. If you are interested in a copy, please send an email to contact@bailey-family.org with your mailing address. We also have some of the first volume still available.

Our Easter Egg Hunt in Plant City was held a week before Easter this year but the kids were ready! I enjoy watching the veteran hunters as well as the little ones just learning the ropes. We had great weather, a yummy BBQ lunch and spent the day with family and friends. What could be better? You can see the photos on page 5.

The Tampa Bailey Family is gearing up for the trip to Camp Creek for the Memorial Day Family Reunion. I am looking forward to seeing everyone there.

I hope you had a great start to the new year. Please enjoy this edition of the Bailey Family Foundation Newsletter.

Ron K. Bailey
President

Don't Forget:

The 35th Annual Bailey Family Memorial Day Reunion

Saturday, May 25, 2013

12:00 noon

Camp Creek State Park, WV



What's Happening?

Births



Descendants of George Patton Bailey:

Youther, Mason Allen: born April 2, 2013 to **Allen & Sydney Youther.** Mason weighed 7 lbs, 2.3 oz.



Allen, Sydney and baby Mason Allen Youther

Scholarship Recipients and Friends of the Foundation:

Borio, Jordyn Brooke: born on March 29, 2013 to **Russ and Lauren Borio.** Jordyn weighed 6 lbs, 9 oz and was 20 inches long. She is the second granddaughter of **Rochelle Flashner**, who has served on our Scholarship Selection Committee for five years.



Jordyn Brooke Borio

Deaths

Descendants of George Patton Bailey:

Heslep, James Edward: passed away on February 3, 2013 at GlenWood Park Retirement Village in Princeton, WV. He was 80 years old.



James Heslep (middle), his wife Donna & Ron Bailey (taken at the 2007 family reunion)

Scholarship Recipients and Friends of the Foundation:

Gabis, Mark A.: passed away on Monday, November 12, 2012, at his residence. He was 64 years old and a member of the Bailey Family Foundation's Scholarship Selection Committee.

Graham, Buddy E., Sr.: passed away on December 6, 2012 at Princeton Community Hospital at the age of 66. He was the son of the late Drewey E. Graham and Ivory Roberts Graham.

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Descendants of George Patton Bailey:

Kornowski, Cody: graduated from high school in May 2012 and is attending Akron University. Cody is a grandson of **Gussie Mae (Bailey) Blankenship.**



Cody Kornowski, recent high school graduate

Kornowski, Marsha: Health Commissioner **Krista Wasowski** (right), recognized **Marsha Kornowski, RN** (left) for 24 years of service and an Excellence Award for her work in a recent outbreak investigation. Marsha is the daughter of **Gussie Mae (Bailey) Blankenship.**



Saunders, Larissa: will graduate Washington County Technical High School in 2013 with a full scholarship to Shepherd University for photography. Larissa is a recipient of the Heritage Scholarship.



Larissa Saunders, descendant of Bertha Sylvia (Bailey) Bean.

Scholarship Recipients and Friends of the Foundation:

DelPrete, Angela: writes, "I am approaching my final months as a UCF undergrad and was just recently accepted to UCF's College of Medicine. From freshman year to senior year, the BFF has had such a significant impact on my time at UCF, and I cannot thank you all enough. Thank you for all that you have done for me and for the rest of the community."

Hurst, Taylor: writes, "I graduated last May in Health Sciences and Sociology and am currently in Malawi working on a child nutrition study this spring. I have just been accepted to Johns Hopkins to continue my public health education with an MPH in International Health this fall. While I have yet to make a final decision on where I will be enrolling come September, I could never have made it this far without the Bailey Family Foundation and all of the support you have provided me over the last four years! I feel very fortunate to have been selected by the foundation and I can't say enough great things about what you do!"

McCann, Hael: graduated from USF this spring, one year early with a double major in Technical Writing and Corporate Communication. She writes, “Thank you once again for the opportunity that you have given me and so many other students.”

Melanson, Megan: graduated on December 15, 2012. She writes, “I will have a Bachelor’s of Health Science with a Minor in Public Health. Also, I was accepted to the University of Tampa for the Spring 2013 term to their Nursing Program! I want to personally thank you for blessing me with this scholarship! I would not have been able to pursue my college career without the Bailey Family Scholarship.”

Osborne, James: Finished 3rd place at the 2013 Publix Gasparilla Distance Classic 15K with an incredible time of 51 minutes. James is the oldest son of **Laura Osborne**, BFF’s Office Manager.

James Osborne places 3rd in the 2013 Gasparilla 15K



Reich, Lindsey: graduated from Clemson University in December 2012 with a B.S. in Nursing. She was offered, and accepted, a position at a hospital in North Carolina. Her parents John and Patty write, “The Bailey Family Foundation scholarship helped significantly in easing the financial burden of out-of-state tuition in pursuit of her degree.”



Lindsey Reich, 2008 Scholarship Recipient

Seaton, Autumn: is a 2013 graduate of Marquette Senior High School. She plans to attend Northern Michigan University and will major in either Nursing or Psychology. Autumn is a recipient of the Hope for Tomorrow Scholarship.
Congratulations Autumn!



Autumn Seaton, 2013 HS Graduate

Sively, Richard: was featured in a November 2012 article in the *Princeton Times*. Richard, along with other members of the Vietnam Veterans Chapter 628 joined forces with Planet Xtreme Teen Center to turn the old Cornerstone Family Church building into a new, safe, state-of-the-art community center for local teens. Richard has been friends with BFF President, **Ron Bailey**, since high school.



Richard Sively (on left) and members of Vietnam Veterans Chapter 628

Tran, Ly: graduated from USF in December 2012 with a Bachelor degree in Biomedical Science. This May she will go on to Armstrong University in Savannah, Georgia to work toward a Doctorate degree in Physical Therapy. Her mother, **Thu Tran**, writes, “Your dreams gave them their dreams. Your success became their success. You have changed the course of lives for so many of our young generation.”

Foundation News & Activities



University of Tampa’s Scholarship Luncheon



Laura Osborne & Kimberly Czabaj with UT scholarship recipients

The annual luncheon, held in November, honored scholarship recipients and donors. Through BFF and Bailey endowed scholarships, 12 scholarships were awarded in 2012 to UT students.

Tree of Lights Breakfast



The 19th annual Salvation Army Tree of Lights Breakfast kicks off the Red Kettle Program and brings attention to the thousands of local families struggling to make ends meet, and the additional help needed particularly during the holiday season. Kent Bailey serves on the Salvation Army’s Advisory Board and the Bailey Family Foundation was Matching Gift sponsor of the event.



Representing BFF: Kimberly Czabaj & Laura Osborne

StarShip Christmas Cruise

We were back on StarShip Dining Cruise to celebrate Christmas. It was a beautiful evening on the water and everyone had a great time!

*BFF: Party of 29!
Enjoying our time
on StarShip:*



Michael, Karen, Bev & Ron

The kids' table



Megan, Sofia and Cameron love to dance



Night at the Circus

Tampa General Hospital Foundation's annual Night at the Circus benefits TGH's Neonatal Intensive Care Unit.

Photos from the Patrons' Party before the show:



*Cameron
&
Megan
Bailey*

*Bailey & Isabella Piboolunurk, and
Lily Bailey*

Tyler Hammond



Cameron, Justin, Brandon & Kyle Bailey



Friend of the Theatre Award (a follow-up)

In the Fall 2012 Newsletter, we mentioned receiving the Friend of the Theatre Award from Plant City Entertainment, Inc. In January, **Dodie White** and **Marsha Passmore** stopped by our offices to present the award.

*Marsha Passmore, Ron & Bev Bailey
and Dodie White*



Bailey Scholars in Kenya

2013 scholarship recipients at the Samburu Community School:

Moses Lokoro & Tepen Lenanyake are very excited to be going onto secondary school!



BFF supports local FFA programs



Alex Fernandez, Chaplain of the Durant HS Senior FFA and Max, his Angus cross that weighs 1,212 pounds.



Nicholas Fernandez, Strawberry Crest HS and Little Man, weighing in at 1,084 pounds.

Cure on Wheels

BFF supported the **Cure on Wheels 2013 Capitol Ride** – a team bike ride from **Moffitt Cancer Center** in Tampa to the steps of the **Capitol Building** in Tallahassee. 100% of the money raised goes to finding a cure for cancer and families in the Tampa Bay community who have been diagnosed with cancer.

On the team's journey, they met Cat (the girl up front in the below photo) and her family. Cat lost part of her left leg to cancer but it hasn't slowed her down!

An update from Cat's dad came after the ride. "Thanks for your hard work and dedication toward finding a cure," he wrote. Cat is very excited about her jersey... when we left you guys we went on to the doctor to find that her quarterly CT scans were still all clear! Praise God!"



Tampa's Cure on Wheels Team w/ Cat and her family

This bell was in Ron's grandmother's school in Beartown, WV. She was in 3rd grade in 1903. Ron's mother also attended the school. When the school's bell tower was removed, BFF put it up at the farm.



Annual Easter Egg Hunt

There was so much going on at the Easter Egg Hunt this year – we had fun entertainment and a petting zoo! And let's not forget Gator rides.



Ron is ready to release the egg hunters

Kids and adults enjoyed the entertainment



The Silver family takes a gator around the property

Bailey Family News & Activities

Setting Standards

Strayer University's success under **Ron Bailey's** leadership was highlighted in *Setting Standards: 100 Years of Accredited Career Education*, by Virginia author Bob Cohen. The book illustrates the motivation behind self-governance and voluntary quality assurance of private career colleges and schools.

Sharing of 2012 Holiday Photos:

Grandkids on Halloween



The family's annual Thanksgiving photo at the farm



Christmas Day at the Bailey home

Ron making his famous gravy



The animals in the petting zoo were very friendly

Michele & Megan



Isabella & Pi Piboolnuruk

Upgrades to the Bailey Log Cabin

Christmas Open House pictures:

Looks cozy!



Grandparents Day at AHN

Ron & Bev attended Grandparents Day Mass at the Academy of Holy Names

Ron & Bev and grandkids Cameron, Lily, Sofia and Justin



Happy 8th Birthday, Cameron!

Bev, Ron, Cameron, Brandon & Megan



Happy Birthday, Michele!

Michele Bailey celebrated her February birthday with a luau-themed party at her home. I'm sure everyone had a blast!

Ron, Bev, Michele & Kyle at Michele's birthday party



Gasparilla Invasion Party

Jose Gaspar and his krew of pirates invaded Tampa Bay again this year and Ron & Bev Bailey hosted the festivities.

Dan Hammond, Robert Youther, James Osborne & Michael Glisson



Spring Breakers

Ron & Bev met up with friends Bob & Linda Shellhouse over on Florida's east coast.

Linda has volunteered on our Scholarship Selection Committee for over 10 years.



Karen Glisson, Brigitte Johnson-Sheppard, Ron Bailey & Carolyn Bosse

Marilyn Williams, Michael Glisson & Ron Mason



The Baileys of Tampa

In addition to "The Bailey Family II," BFF printed "The Baileys of Tampa," a personal memory book about Ron Bailey's family and friends and how the Bailey Family settled in beautiful Tampa, Florida.



Jose Gaspar invades Tampa Bay!

Bailey

2012 Hockey Pictures

Although there wasn't a professional hockey team to watch this fall, the Bailey boys never took a break from the ice.



Justin



Brandon



Cameron

Letters of Appreciation:

"With the aid of the Bailey Family Foundation Scholarship, I was able to attend the University of South Florida without having to place too much of a financial burden on my family's shoulders. The scholarship also opened my eyes to the need to help others to achieve their goals in order to contribute to a brighter future."

- **Sarah Darson, University of South Florida**

"As I reflect on this past year and all the blessings I have had, I can't help but think of my college graduation and my job as being two of the most significant. I just wanted you to know that I think of you often and marvel at how much you have blessed me and so many other young people."

- **Lauren Der**

"I'll be applying soon to nursing school and I can't believe I'm almost a junior! I am ever so thankful for the scholarship you have graciously given me. I am closer each day to getting to do what you all do – help others."

- **Samantha Duval, University of Central Florida**

"It has been an honor receiving a financial contribution from the most well-known financial contributor in the Tampa Bay area. Words cannot describe the excitement and blessedness I have experienced throughout the year from your contribution. Thank you for this opportunity and it will never be forgotten!"

- **Brittany M. Klempin, University of South Florida**

"Your scholarship has allowed me to focus on my studies and not stress about financial aid. Saint Leo University has been great. . .I could not think of a better university for me. Thank you for your generous help. My family and I really appreciate everything you have done to help me reach my career."

- **Victoria Martinez, St. Leo University**

"You have been such an integral part of my life for the last two years and for that I am so thankful!"

- **Shivangi Patel, University of South Florida**

"I wanted to extend my appreciation in being awarded this wonderful scholarship. Because of it, I have been able to pursue my dreams at the University of South Florida. It has been everything I imagined it would be! It is because of your foundation that my dreams of studying biomed are now tangible. Nothing will come between me and practicing medicine."

- **Jonathan Schiller, University of South Florida**

"Words cannot express how thankful I am for the scholarship. It will truly help as I complete my nursing education."

- **Tammie Snyder, Rowan Cabarrus Community College**

"I just wanted to sincerely thank you for your continued support and partnering with me as I pursue my dreams and goals at FSU. As I reflect on these past two years, I know all of the things I have achieved and experienced would not be possible without your support."

- **Andrew Tew, Florida State University**

"For the past two years, my daughter, Grace Hasha, has been a recipient of The Bailey Family Foundation Scholarship. This scholarship has allowed my daughter to attend the University of North Florida to pursue her dreams of becoming an Art Therapist. She is currently studying Art Education with a minor in Psychology. He hopes to attend a workshop at University of Florida, either this summer or next, for certification. As a father, I want to tell you how much of a blessing your foundation has been to my daughter. I am a minister; my wife is a teacher, and Grace works at a pizza parlor. It takes all we have to buy her books and keep her in an apartment with food on the table. In addition, Grace suffers with a pain syndrome which periodically sends her to the hospital. In spite of these challenges, she remains a good student at UNE. I want you to know how much of a blessing The Bailey Family Foundation Scholarship has been to Grace. It has taken a tremendous amount of financial stress off of her. Thank you.God did provide and he used you as his instrument of blessing.

May God bless you, your family, and The Bailey Foundation for being a blessing to my daughter, our family, and hundreds of students around central Florida. Know that one thankful father in Polk County is praying for you."

- **Michael W. Hasha, Grace's father**

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Directors and Staff:

All of us at The Bailey Family Foundation work hard to serve you: our family, friends, and community. If there is ever anything we can do for you, please do not hesitate to ask.



Stan, Wes, Laura, Kent, Kyle, Kimberly, Pi, Ron and Bev

Message from the editor:

It has been my pleasure serving as editor for the Spring 2013 Bailey Family Foundation Newsletter. Thank you to everyone who shared photos and stories with us. Please keep 'em coming!

If you have any questions, suggestions or would like to contribute to the next newsletter, don't hesitate to contact me. I would love to hear from you.

Kimberly Czabaj & son Tyler



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