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2017 Annual Report

2017 Scholarships Awarded

Foundation President John W. (Jack) Barber and Pittsfield resident Charles A. (Chuck) Barber III announced the Barber Family Foundation's 2017 scholarship awards at the Pittsfield High School Honors Banquet in May.

The 2017 Charles and Frances Barber Scholarship recipient was **Dakota Smith** of Pittsfield who is attending the University of Illinois. The Foundation made its second \$1,500 **K.C. and Eleanor Barber Scholarship** award to Neely Jones of Pittsfield. The other 2017 recipients included:



Above, Dakota Smith with Jack Barber and Chuck Barber.

The Foundation awarded a \$500 **Recreational Scholarship** to Freedom Long of Pittsfield to attend Illinois Summer Youth Music Camp. During the camp, Freedom participated in private flute lessons, group performance, and music technology classes. The experience culminated in a flute solo on the University of Illinois stage.

Shania Grummel, Pittsfield
John Wood CC

Carlee Hively, Barry
Maryville University

Kaitlyn Herald, Pittsfield
Taylor University

Hannah Koeller, Hull
SIUE

Julia Turnbaugh, Pittsfield
Lincoln University

Kayla Vortman, Pittsfield
John Wood CC

Checking in with Chuck Barber

Chuck Barber has retired after a career in the insurance industry spanning from the 1950's to 2017. His father, Charles Barber II started selling insurance while in high school and opened the B and B Agency office in Pittsfield 91 years ago. Chuck came back after graduating from Westminster College, serving in the military and working in the insurance industry in St. Louis and New York. He guided the Barber Agency for many years and through a partnership with another agency what he built in Pittsfield will continue to serve the community.

This will leave more time for Chuck to pursue his long list of past and present community activities including serving as a Mason, Jaycee, board member of Community Center, Rotary president and secretary, Pike County Housing Authority Board, and member of the First Christian Church where he continues singing in the choir. This will also allow Chuck and Carolyn time for travel and visiting with children, grandchildren, and friends

2011 award recipient Megan Sanderson graduated with her BA in Psychology and is currently in a Master's program in school and clinical counseling at Quincy University

2014 award recipient Brian Johnson is in his senior year at Truman State University. He plans to attend veterinary school in the fall in either Illinois or Missouri.

2010 award recipient Stephen Foster ("Chris") graduated from SIUE with a BA in biological sciences as well as teacher licensure (9-12). He is currently teaching at Southeastern Junior / Senior High School in Augusta.

Tax deductible donations may be sent to:

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Where We Are Heading

Since our first grants in 2005, the annual scholarship amounts awarded by the Foundation have increased by 200% for a total to date of just under \$100,000. We are committed to continuing this growth and providing greater levels of support to Pike County students. Our strategic goals are to increase participation from all Pike County High Schools and to increase our annual award amount to \$20,000 by our 20th anniversary in 2025. We welcome your support in pursuit of our goals in the form of one-time, recurring, or charitable bequests.



2017 awardees Kayla Vortman, Julia Turnbaugh, and Kaitlyn Herald with Chuck and Jack Barber.

Quick Facts

- 98% of all donations go directly to Pike County students and all administration is on a volunteer basis.
- Since inception, the Foundation has made 79 awards worth \$95,580.