

THE CARL B. KERN FUND

of The Dayton Foundation

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February, 2020

Dear Friend,

The Kern Fund Advisory Board is very pleased to present this Annual Report summarizing the Fund's activities in **2019**. If you are receiving this report for the first time (there are many of you this year!) and are unfamiliar with the Fund, please check out www.kernfund.org which summarizes our 33-year association with **The Dayton Foundation** and describes our efforts to fulfill the purpose of the Fund - paying tribute to former Dayton YMCA Boys' Work Secretary "C.B." Kern by supporting one of his most cherished activities - working with youth in an outdoor camp setting. The website includes comprehensive financial information, a complete list of Honorary and Memorial Gifts, a summary of yearly distribution amounts to **YMCA Camp Kern** since 1989, and an extensive biographical section on Carl B. Kern. Please also check out our Facebook page where Fund updates, stories, and pictures are posted periodically: www.facebook.com/cbkernfund/

This past year saw several record-breaking activities for the Fund: 1) the **75** donors from **26** states significantly exceeded the 53 donors in the previous year; 2) the **\$32,448.40** was the most raised in any year that didn't include an estate gift; and 3) a healthy 2019 stock market resulted in **\$74,545.02** from investments (market value plus investment income), by far the largest yearly investment contribution to the Fund's balance, which ended 2019 at **\$448,961.20**.

On June 13th, I presented a check for **\$15,000** to current Camp Kern Executive Director **Chris Addison** at the annual "Strawberries and Ice Cream" Dinner held at camp during Staff Training week. This increased the total amount contributed to YMCA Camp Kern on behalf of the Fund to nearly **\$181,000** since the first gift of **\$201** was distributed in 1989 to then-director **Larry Maxwell**. The continued growth of the Fund's balance will result in even bigger distribution amounts in the future.

On a personal note, I have greatly enjoyed reconnecting with so many of our donors, including my first counselor in 1968(!). Thanks to everyone who has contributed - past and present Dayton YMCA Executive Staff, former Camp Kern Executive Directors, Assistant Directors, Board Chairs and Board Members, campers and staff from as early as the 1950s, relatives of C.B Kern, and other friends, including special contingents from PEA and Pittsburgh!

Carl B. Kern was born 140 years ago in February, 1880. Thirty-five years later, he wrote in a 1915 Annual Report, "**More of permanent value can be accomplished with a week in camp with a boy than months of casual contact**". Those words remain true today. On behalf of the Kern Fund Advisory Board, thanks so much to everyone who has supported the Fund since 1987.

Sincerely,

Stuart T. Weinberg, MD, *Chair*
Carl B. Kern Fund Advisory Board
Kern Camper '68-'74; Staff '75-'78, '80-'82, '84; Board '85-'89
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80 Gifts from 75 Donors in 2019 Totaling \$ 32,448.40

as of February 7th, 2020.

Anonymous (6)	Todd D. Molfenter
Linda Scott Bartlett	Eric Moll
Bill and Kathy Beck	Ted Newill
Tim Blank	Reed Packer
Jack and Kris Blosser	Thomas and Jen Parkinson
Jim Bolenbaugh	Mike and Amy Parks
Barbara and Harry Bradbury	Victoria J. Parsons
Greg Brendel	William Pees
Elaina Garvin Briant	Si Pitstick
Mr. and Mrs. Richard H. Bridgman	Bambi Puckett
Phil Burckle	Susan Lowe Raftery
Peter T. Cade	Greg Ramm
Susan Chandler	David Root (2)
Ed Coady	Mike Sherman
Bob Crafton	Richard Sievers
Jim and Ellen Davis	Jay Silver
Kevin Davis	Slobodnyak Family
Amy and Paul DiMario	Melissa Barr Snider
Heather Duke	Jack Sperry
Kim Dunham	Jen Donaldson Stanton
Dean Erskine	Mark Stein
John Fiely	Michael J. Sterzer
Molly Whitney Grant	Cheryl Stevens
Amy L. Gresh	Bayard Storey
Judy Hepner	Sarah and Richard Sucher
Robert H. Hunsaker	Jamie Trowbridge
Dean Johnston	Mr. and Mrs. Richard Trowbridge
Tom Kuhn	Amy Rietman Vershel
Laurie and Brent Leon Family	Donald Vigliotti MD & Kathy Selvaggi MD
Rhonda M. Ludwig	John and Becky Waddell
Cheryl Majewski	Russell Waddell and Nancy Theodore
Megan Marino	Stuart T. Weinberg, MD (5)
Larry Maxwell	Marcin Whitman
Dr. and Mrs. Gerald Molfenter	Betsy B. Whitney
Scott and Rebecca Molfenter	Rich Whitney

Donations Received in Honor of:

The Old Dogs of the 60s and 70s, Susan Corn, The Singerman Family, Stuart Weinberg, Stuart and Anne Weinberg

Donations Received in Memory of:

Bill Arnold, Bob and Barbara Barr, Tami Greenfield Boehmer, David (Loaf) Bredenfoerder, Steve Bull, Gary Corn, Cleo and Bill Garvin, George E. Kuhn, Thomas Majewski, John Mathews, Jackie Maxwell, Rick E. Molfenter, William Parkinson, Frank Root, Gary Saxton, Jack Singerman, Walter G. and Earl E. Sterzer, Bob Terwilligar, Howard Whitman, Lee Whitney, Dick and Marge Youngen

Honorary and Memorial Gifts Since 1987

updated February 1, 2020

Just as this Fund recognizes and honors Carl B. Kern for his work and the impact he had on the lives of others, so has the Fund made it possible for donors to recognize those special 'camp people' and other individuals who have had an impact on their lives.

Honorary Gifts

The 1976-79 Kern Staff
The Old Dogs of the 60s & 70s
Julian Bailes, III
Kent Barnheiser
Dr Harold L. Boda
Susan Corn
Michael T. Engel
Frank Hoernemann

George E. & Vera P. Kuhn
Larry L. Maxwell
Jeff, Amy & Luke Merhige
Dr. & Mrs. Gerald Molfenter
Mary Kuhn Sigel
Jack Singerman
The Singerman Family
Chuck Snyder

Thomas D. Sydnor, II
Anne M. Trowbridge
Max A. Trowbridge
Mr. & Mrs. Richard Trowbridge
John Waddell
Stuart T. Weinberg

Memorial Gifts

Teddy Alvero
Bill Arnold
Tala S. Arnovitz
Charles L. Backus, Jr.
Bob & Barbara Barr
Don D. Battelle
David Beck
Charles J. Blank
Tami Greenfield Boehmer
David (Loaf) Bredenfoerder
Steve Bull
Mr. & Mrs. Carl F. Burckle Jr.
Wm. T. Butt
Joseph J. Carey
George O. Coleman
Gary Corn
James E. Cossman
Bob Daganhardt
T.C. 'Chad' Dunham
Dr. James H. Erbaugh
James W. Falter

Bill and Cleo Garvin
Robert C. Gray
Robert M. Harding
Leo L. Homich
Paul H. Jansen, Jr.
Carl B. Kern
James F. Kern
Mary Elizabeth Kern
Beulah E. Kern Kuhn
George E. Kuhn
William Kuhn
Edward L. Kohnle
Robert W. Lecklider
Jimmy Lewis
Kathy Johnston Long
Thomas Majewski
Charles S. Martin
John P. Mathews
Jackie Maxwell
Graham A. McConnell
Paul H. McKee

Rick E. Molfenter
Minor F. 'Bud' Neff
Robert C. Neff
Cynthia Norwalk
William Parkinson
Diane Rannes
Vivian Rhyner
Ralph D. Roehm
Frank Root
Gary L. Saxton
Jack Singerman
Baby John Slobodnyak
Walter G. & Earl E. Sterzer
Robert C. Terwillegar
Jed M. Whitaker
Dr. John R. White
Howard Whitman
Leon A. Whitney
William A. Young
Dick & Marge Youngen

From **Dean Johnston** (Kern OE Naturalist, '75-'80) in 2019 - "I first knew **Bob Terwillegar** (Mr. T) as my science teacher in grade school. He was a great teacher who believed in bringing out the best in students. His teaching was not only theoretical but always took us further into a hands-on understanding of science. I have fond memories of Bob in the classroom teaching us science while seated with a large black rat snake wrapped comfortably around his arm. "T's" greatest interest was in natural science, especially in the wise use and preservation of natural resources. Later after college, I had the privilege of working with Bob when he brought his classes to Camp Kern for environmental educational camp. Bob was an inspiring teacher and master naturalist. His energy, enthusiasm and knowledge inspired several generations of students in the Indian Hills School System as well as Kern staff who were lucky enough to work with him. He was my inspiration to follow the career path I choose of becoming an interpretive naturalist at Forest Park Nature Center, Peoria, Illinois. I feel blessed to have known him."

Distributions from The Carl B. Kern Fund - Past 5 Years

- 2019 \$ 15,000.00 - total to the 2020 Camp Kern Annual Campaign to fulfill camper scholarship requests
2018 \$ 10,000.00 - total to the 2019 Camp Kern Annual Campaign to fulfill camper scholarship requests
2017 \$ 6,000.00 - total to the 2018 Camp Kern Annual Campaign to fulfill camper scholarship requests
2016 \$ 5,489.49 - \$4,000.00 to the 2016 CK Annual Campaign to fulfill camper scholarship requests
- \$1,489.49 to the 2017 CK Annual Campaign to fulfill camper scholarship requests
2015 \$ 5,921.00 - final payment on 4-year \$25,000 pledge for Charles Snyder Recreation Hall *
* - total includes additional gifts from Kern Fund Advisory Board members to assist with the pledge

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In the News - Dayton Foundation Features Fund in its 2018-19 Annual Report

The Carl B. Kern Fund continues to receive attention from The Dayton Foundation, as it was highlighted on page 4 of its 2018-19 Annual Report. Check out the "In the News" dropdown on the Kern Fund website at www.kernfund.org and look for '2018-19 Foundation Annual Report pg4'.

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Thanks to Our Estate Gifts

Since the creation of The Carl B. Kern Fund, there have been four (4) estate gifts. Thanks to **George E. Kuhn, Mary Kuhn Sigel, Roz Young, and Robert Salisbury** for their significant contributions to the Fund through their bequests.

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How to Donate

If you would like to make a donation to The Carl B. Kern Fund, there are several options available. Please check out our website at www.kernfund.org and click on the 'DONATE!' link in the top navigation bar. Thanks for your support!

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It is quite impossible in a small space - or even a large one - to do justice to a great character. The life of Carl B. Kern will never be adequately written, yet it is very real. It was 'caught' by the boys whom he touched and goes on reinfesting those whom they touch. The power of his example, the results of his efforts are as the bit of yeast that is saved after each baking to leaven all the succeeding loaves."

Tribute Booklet to C.B. Kern
Dayton Y.M.C.A. Boys Dept., 1917