# THE CARL B. KERN FUND

of The Dayton Foundation

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February, 2021

Dear Friend,

The Kern Fund Advisory Board is very pleased to present this Annual Report summarizing the Fund's activities in **2020**. If you are receiving this report for the first time (blame me - I've been on the internet quite a bit!) and are unfamiliar with the Fund, please visit **www.kernfund.org** which details our relationship with **The Dayton Foundation** since **November**, **1987** and 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**/

Despite the incredible challenges created by the pandemic, this past year saw several recordbreaking activities for the Fund: 1) the **84** donors from **27** states and territories exceeded the 75 donors in 2019; 2) the **\$34,010.00** was the most raised in any year that didn't include an estate gift; and 3) a remarkably positive 2020 stock market generated **\$49,913.92** in investments (market value plus investment income), resulting in a milestone 2020 year-end Fund balance of **\$510,659.39**.

The annual distribution check, which is usually presented in June at camp's Strawberries and Ice Cream event, was this past year mailed directly to Camp Kern from The Dayton Foundation in mid-April. The **\$16,000** check was available sooner this year due to an accelerated Dayton Foundation grant schedule, and the Kern Fund Advisory Board wanted camp to have access to these funds as soon as possible. This increased the total amount contributed to YMCA Camp Kern on behalf of the Fund to nearly **\$197,000**. The continued growth of the Fund's balance will result in even bigger distribution amounts in the future.

Support for camps during this pandemic period has been critical. On behalf of the Kern Fund Advisory Board, thanks so much to everyone who has made this support possible.

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 stwmd@stwmd.net

## 89 Gifts from 84 Donors in 2020 Totaling \$ 34,010.00

as of February 6th, 2021.

Anonymous (5) Mr. and Mrs. William Allbery Tim and Lucy Baker G. Kent Barnheiser Linda Scott Bartlett **Douglas Beattie** Tim Blank Jack and Kris Blosser Harry and Barbara Bradbury **Elaina Garvin Briant** Haley Brown Phil Burckle Scott Burris Peter Cade Susan Chandler Ed Coady **Bob Crafton** Cole Davis Jim and Ellen Davis **Kevin Davis Amy and Paul DiMario Steve Dimlich** Sereana Dresbach Dean Erskine **Tracey Gaslin Kevin and Janis Gilbert** Mary Kay Graf Mr. and Mrs. Douglas G. Grant Mark and Donna Griffen Traci Hale Jack Harding Susannah Horwitz Julie Stark Janning Joseph Family **Beth Ann Bethel Konves** Scott Lambert John A. Laughrey Laurie and Brent Leon Family Laura Pohlman Livingston Cheryl Majewski Megan Marino

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### **Donations Received in Honor of:**

Rocco, Jean and Dominic Baker; Beth Barnheiser Lowy; Amy Barnheiser Waddell; Stuart & Anne Weinberg

#### **Donations Received in Memory of:**

Bill Arnold; Bob and Barbara Barr; Steve Bull; Bob Daganhardt; J. Martin 'Marty' Erbaugh; Robert and Suzanne Gilbert; Kathy Johnston; Tom Majewski; Rick E. Molfenter; Viola Packer; George P. Sperry, MD; Walter G. and Earl E. Sterzer; Bob Terwillegar; Dr. John White; Lee Whitney; Bonnie Williams; Dick and Marge Youngen

#### Honorary and Memorial Gifts Since 1987

updated February 7, 2021

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. Comments from 2020 honorary/memorial gifts are listed below.

\* now deceased **Honorary Gifts** The 1976-79 Kern Staff George E. & Vera P. Kuhn \* Thomas D. Sydnor, II The Old Dogs of the 60s & 70s Beth Barnheiser Lowy Anne M. Trowbridge Julian Bailes, III Larry L. Maxwell Max A. Trowbridge Rocco, Jean & Dominic Baker Jeff, Amy & Luke Merhige Mr. & Mrs. Richard Trowbridge Dr. & Mrs. Gerald Molfenter Amy Barnheiser Waddell Kent Barnheiser Dr Harold L. Boda \* Mary Kuhn Sigel \* John Waddell Susan Corn Jack Singerman \* Stuart T. Weinberg Michael T. Engel The Singerman Family Frank Hoernemann \* Chuck Snyder **Memorial Gifts** Teddy Alvero Robert & Suzanne Gilbert Robert C. Neff Bill Arnold Robert C. Gray Robert S. Neff Tala S. Arnovitz Robert M. Harding Cynthia Norwalk Charles L. Backus, Jr. Leo L. Homich Viola Packer Bob & Barbara Barr Paul H. Jansen, Jr. William Parkinson Don D. Battelle Carl B. Kern **Diane Rannes** David Beck James F. Kern Vivian Rhyner Charles J. Blank Mary Elizabeth Kern Ralph D. Roehm Tami Greenfield Boehmer Beulah E. Kern Kuhn Frank Root David 'Loaf' Bredenfoerder George E. Kuhn Gary L. Saxton Steve Bull William Kuhn Jack Singerman Marilyn Singerman Mr. & Mrs. Carl F. Burckle Jr. Edward L. Kohnle Wm. T. Butt Robert W. Lecklider Baby John Slobodnyak George P. Sperry, MD Joseph J. Carey Jimmy Lewis Walter G. & Earl E. Sterzer George O. Coleman Kathy Johnston Long Gary Corn Thomas Majewski Robert C. Terwillegar James E. Cossman Charles S. Martin Jed M. Whitaker Bob Daganhardt John P. Mathews Dr. John R. White T.C. 'Chad' Dunham Jackie Maxwell Howard Whitman Dr. James H. Erbaugh Graham A. McConnell Leon A. Whitney J. Martin 'Marty' Erbaugh Paul H. McKee **Bonnie Williams** James W. Falter Rick E. Molfenter William A. Young Bill & Cleo Garvin Minor F. 'Bud' Neff Dick & Marge Youngen

In honor of **Rocco**, **Jean and Dominic Baker** - "To honor the many joyful hours and weekends spent at Camp Kern with the Indian Guides". - *Tim and Lucy Baker* 

In honor of Stuart and Anne Weinberg - "For all the work you do for this fund." - Dick & Muriel Trowbridge

In memory of **Bill Arnold** - "Dad introduced us to Camp Kern through Family Camp in the 1960s. Kern was a very important part of my life during high school & college and I thank him for it." - *Lynn Arnold Sparks*. "Dedicated camp counselor at Camp Ozone and wonderful father." - *Cheryl Arnold Stevens* 

In memory of **Steve Bull and Kathy Johnston** - "Steve was a great friend and the reason I worked at Camp Kern for four years. Kathy was fun and brightened everywhere she went." - *Pete Cade* 

In memory of **Robert and Suzanne Gilbert** - "My parents are an inspiration to me and many people who knew them. The six summers they sent me to Camp Kern were very important in building character and a great way to spend a couple weeks. Thanks Mom and Dad!" - *Kevin Gilbert* 

In memory of Rick E. Molfenter - "Rick always looked forward to going to Camp Kern!" - Dr. & Mrs. Gerald Molfenter

In memory of **George P. Sperry M.D.** - "A camp counselor himself at Camp Keewaydin in Canada who showed me the love of outdoors & camping. Also, my father was the first M.D. to receive a license to practice medicine from the state of Alaska after its transition to statehood in 1959." - *Jack Sperry* 

In memory of Walter G. and Earl E. Sterzer - "My father and uncle, who attended the old camp circa 1928-1937." - *Michael J. Sterzer* 

In memory of **Bob Terwillegar** - "Dean Johnston's tribute to Bob Terwillegar [last year] has prompted my memory of this remarkable man. He was the consummate friend, mentor, and teacher." - *Mike Sherman* 

In memory of Lee Whitney - "Camp Kern always a part of our life - many happy memories." - Betsy Whitney

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

April, 2020	\$ 16,000.00	<ul> <li>\$8,000 to the 2020 CK Annual Campaign to fulfill camper scholarship requests</li> <li>\$8,000 to the 2021 CK Annual Campaign to fulfill camper scholarship requests</li> </ul>
June, 2019	\$ 15,000.00	- total to the 2020 Camp Kern Annual Campaign to fulfill camper scholarship requests
June, 2018	\$ 10,000.00	- total to the 2019 Camp Kern Annual Campaign to fulfill camper scholarship requests
June, 2017	\$ 6,000.00	- total to the 2018 Camp Kern Annual Campaign to fulfill camper scholarship requests
June, 2016	\$ 5,489.49	<ul> <li>\$4,000.00 to the 2016 CK Annual Campaign to fulfill camper scholarship requests</li> <li>\$1,489.49 to the 2017 CK Annual Campaign to fulfill camper scholarship requests</li> </ul>

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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 the following individuals for their significant contributions to the Fund through their bequests:

George E. Kuhn - (deceased March 1, 2001) - nephew of Carl B. Kern; founding Kern Fund Advisory Board member (1988-1999)

**Roz Young** - (deceased August 18, 2005) - widow of former Camp Kern Director William A. 'Uncle Bill' Young; noted Dayton educator, historian and journalist

Mary Kuhn Sigel - (deceased July 12, 2007) - niece of Carl B. Kern

**Robert Salisbury** - (deceased July 26, 2016) - former Camp Kern Camper/Staff, 1935 thru 1949; former YMCA director in Dayton, Cleveland, St. Louis, and Milwaukee

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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 reinfecting 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