



# Annual Conference

## October 2-3, 2007

### Stonewall Resort

## Leadership in a Time of Change

### AGENDA

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#### Pre-Conference Programs

##### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 2

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| 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. | Best Practices for Private Foundations (\$25 registration fee) |
| 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. | Leadership Meeting for Community Foundations                   |

#### Annual Conference

##### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 2

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| 7:00 p.m. | Reception Opens   |
| 7:30 p.m. | Welcome<br>West Virginia First Lady Gayle Manchin<br>Sam Cipoletti, Verizon |
| 9:00 p.m. | Reception Concludes   |

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##### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 3

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| 8:30 a.m. – 8:45 a.m.   | Welcome  |
| 8:45 a.m. - 9:15 a.m.   | Annual Meeting   |
| 9:15 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.  | Economic Impact of Nonprofit and Foundation Community<br>Presentation of WV Giving Study   |
| 10:30 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. | Breakout Workshops<br>A: Great Ideas and Why We Funded Them <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ <i>Bob Stephens, Bernard McDonough Foundation</i></li> <li>▶ <i>Sheri Ryder, The Greater Kanawha Valley Foundation</i></li> <li>▶ <i>Nelle Chilton, Herscher Foundation</i></li> <li>▶ <i>Sister Helen Skormisley and Sister Janice Landwber, Sisters of St. Joseph Health &amp; Wellness Foundation</i></li> </ul> B: Evaluation: Are These the Outcomes We Intended? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ <i>Kathleen DuBois</i></li> </ul> |
| 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.  | Lunch – Tables Organized by Topics of Interest   |
| 1:15 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.   | Keynote: Leadership in a Time of Change <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Karen McNeil-Miller, President, Kate. B. Reynolds Charitable Trust</li> </ul>   |
| 2:15 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.   | Awards and Future Plans  |
| 2:45 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.   | Closing and Evaluations  |

## Guest Speakers

### **Karen McNeil-Miller** **President, Kate B. Reynolds Charitable Trust**

Karen has spent more than 20 years working in the non-profit sector. In her role as President of the Kate B. Reynolds Charitable Trust, she works on health-related issues in North Carolina, as well as issues affecting the poor and needy of Winston-Salem. Before her appointment in 2005, she was a Vice President at the Center for Creative Leadership. Karen is a graduate of Isothermal Community College and the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. She also holds a doctoral degree in administrative leadership from Vanderbilt University.



### **David Biemesderfer** **President, DJB Consulting Services**

Dave's in-depth understanding of philanthropy comes from more than a decade of experience in the field, including several years as Vice President of Communications and Information Services at the Minnesota Council on Foundations. While at the Council, Dave developed a strategic communications program that gained local and national recognition, while also managing the Council's nationally recognized government relations, research and information services functions. He holds a B.A. from Gustavus Adolphus College and an M.B.A. from the University of Minnesota.



## Good Practices for Private Foundations Pre-Conference Workshop

**Tuesday, October 2, 1:00-4:00 p.m.**  
**Registration Fee \$25**

David Biemesderfer, President of DJB Consulting Services, will introduce foundation staff and trustees to the new *Accountability Self-Assessment Tool* developed by the Forum of Regional Associations of Grantmakers, in partnership with the West Virginia Grantmakers Association. Appropriate for both staffed and unstaffed foundations, the assessment tool is designed to help foundation leaders understand good practices in the field, as well as key laws and regulations.

## Climate and Conference Attire

Business-casual attire is encouraged during the conference and networking reception. Given the unpredictable nature of West Virginia's weather in early October, layered clothing is also suggested.

## No Solicitation Policy

West Virginia Grantmakers Association is committed to providing a forum for professional networking; therefore, we ask that all attendees respect the learning environment of the conference and refrain from soliciting funds or other business during this event.

## Conference Housing

Reservations must be made directly with Stonewall Resort. A special room block will be held for conference participants until **September 2, 2007** at the following rates:

- ▶ Single occupancy \$129
- ▶ Double occupancy \$150 (\$75 per participant)

Room rates on October 2 include dinner on Tuesday evening and breakfast on Wednesday morning at Stillwaters Restaurant. Meal tickets will be available at the registration desk.

Contact Stonewall Resort at (304) 269-7400 or [www.stonewallresort.com](http://www.stonewallresort.com) and mention the West Virginia Grantmakers conference when making your reservation.

A special room rate of \$140 is also available for guests staying additional nights.

## Recreational Opportunities

Located on the banks of Stonewall Jackson Lake, Stonewall Resort boasts outstanding amenities, including an Arnold Palmer golf course, day spa, gym, indoor/outdoor pool, hiking trails, paddle boats and much more.

Golf rates are \$75. Spa and golf reservations are encouraged and can be made directly with the resort at (304) 269-7400.

# Registration

## 2007 West Virginia Grantmakers Annual Conference

Name \_\_\_\_\_

First Name for Badge \_\_\_\_\_

Grantmaking Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Role with Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_

ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Day Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Office    Cell    Home    (Circle One)

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Special Needs \_\_\_\_\_

Organization Type:

- Private/independent foundation
- Family foundation
- Corporate foundation or giving program
- Community foundation
- Government grantmaker
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

### Topics of Interest

Participants will be offered an opportunity to spend the lunch hour discussing a topic of special interest. To help us identify appropriate topics, please check your issues of interest.

- Proposal screening/conducting site visits
- Grantmaker/grantee relationships
- Investments/fiduciary responsibility
- Managing an unstaffed foundation
- Qualities of an effective board
- Legal issues
- After school and summer programs
- Healthcare
- Economic/workforce development
- Arts and Culture
- Environment
- Other \_\_\_\_\_



## Conference Fees

Registration includes conference materials, lunch and two breaks.

*Make checks payable to West Virginia Grantmakers.*

Registration fees are non-refundable.  
Remit to P.O. Box 985, Weston, WV 26452

Type of Registration (check all that apply)




- Private Foundation Pre-Conference Workshop..... \$25
- Member .....\$100
- Non-Member .....\$150
- Spouse/Guest\*\* .....\$50

Total amount included \_\_\_\_\_

\*\* Includes shared sleeping room with conference participant at single room rate, as well as one dinner, breakfast and lunch at Stillwaters Restaurant

# West Virginia Grantmakers

*West Virginia Grantmakers centers its work on three goals:*

-  *Building philanthropy*
-  *Enhancing philanthropy, and*
-  *Supporting philanthropy.*

With operating support from the Claude Worthington Benedum Foundation and The Ford Foundation, the Association is able to provide a menu of low-cost programs and services that allow West Virginia's grantmaking community to improve its efficiency and effectiveness.

Please join us on October 2-3, 2007 at Stonewall Resort for our annual gathering of foundation staff, trustees and volunteer leaders from across the Mountain State. Participants will network, learn and share as we continue to build our local philanthropic community.



## Stonewall Resort

Stonewall Resort is located in Lewis County near Weston, West Virginia. From I-79, take Exit 91 at Roanoke. Follow the signs to Stonewall Jackson Lake State Park. The park entrance is approximately 2 miles from the interstate.

Room reservations can be made by calling (304) 269-7400.

**Reservations must be made by September 2, 2007 to receive the conference rate.**



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