

FOUNDATION CONNECTION



IMPORTANT UPDATES & DEADLINES



- Cycle 2 Preliminary Grant Applications Due: May 10
- Cycle 2 Grant Applications Due: June 14 (for those invited to apply)
- Women's Giving Circle: May 19 via Zoom



If you are interested in being a sponsor of 250 Plates, please reach out to Sarah Stoughton at [sstoughton@fairfieldcountyfoundation.org](mailto:ssoughton@fairfieldcountyfoundation.org) for more information.

SCHOLARSHIP UPDATE



2021-2022 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS ARE UNDER REVIEW

Review of scholarship awards has begun and will continue until early June. Students who receive a scholarship offer from an online scholarship will be notified via the email address used to log on to their account. Not all scholarships are awarded at the same time.

Students awarded a scholarship must accept it by completing the follow up form in the online portal **before JUNE 8th**.

Students can visit the online portal anytime to check the status of each scholarship they were eligible to receive.

****If there are any changes to your application including change in school, major or financial aid received that are different from your original application,*



Scholarship Update!

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FOUNDATION GRANTS AT WORK



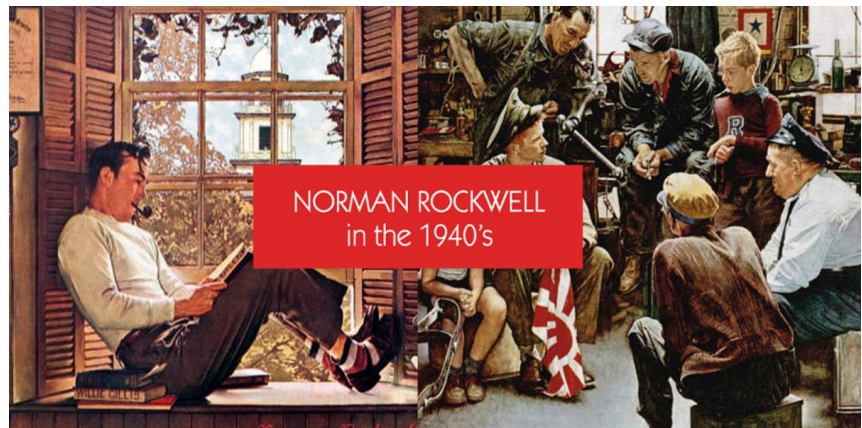
GRANT HELPS FUND NORMAN ROCKWELL EXHIBIT AT THE WAGNALLS MEMORIAL FOUNDATION

The Wagnalls Memorial Foundation will be offering an unforgettable in-person traveling museum experience that will connect visitors to works of art created by American painter and illustrator Norman Rockwell. A grant from the Ann Chess Fund helped make the experience possible, with funds being used to help cover rental, shipping and marketing expenses.

The exhibition, titled “Norman Rockwell in the 1940s: A View of the American Homefront,” is a comprehensive collection of historic covers from the *Saturday Evening Post* magazine, which encompass a time period when American families were coping with life during World War II. The traveling exhibit is on temporary loan to Wagnalls Memorial from the Norman Rockwell Museum in Stockbridge, Massachusetts.

Rockwell is most famous for the iconic cover illustrations of everyday life he produced for The Saturday Evening Post magazine from 1916 to 1963. Some of Rockwell's most well-known works, including Four Freedoms, unforgettable Rosie the Riveter, exuberant Homecoming Soldier, and Hapless but Lovable Infantryman, Willie Gills, are among the many magazine covers that guests will be able to enjoy on display.

The free, public exhibit will be on display from 4 - 8pm on Thursdays and 10am - 2pm on Saturdays beginning May 20 through June 30, 2021.



FUND SPOTLIGHTS



NORMAN A. KUSHEN PAY IT FORWARD SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Norman “Norm” Kushen was born in Mentor, Ohio in 1945. He lived in a one-bedroom house without running water until he was in high school. Norm often spoke of his childhood experiences and how he was the first in his family to go to college. He earned a bachelor's and subsequently a master's degree from The Ohio State University. During his time as a Buckeye, he lettered in wrestling and had the pleasure of meeting Coach Woody Hayes. Coach Hayes, who was known beyond his coaching career for his work with children's charities, preached the “pay it forward” concept, hoping to inspire his players and fans to use their skills and gifts to improve the lives of others. This resonated with Norm, as many had helped him along his journey. Norm became a math teacher, coach and eventually principal with Columbus Public Schools. He was an active member of Optimist International and Big Brothers Big Sisters of America, and participated in countless other activities in order to pay it forward throughout his life.



Coach Hayes, of course, was not the first to entertain the concept of helping others as you have been helped. Ralph Waldo Emerson, in his 1841 essay, *Compensation*, wrote: “In the order of nature we cannot render benefits to those from whom we receive them, or only seldom. But the benefit we receive must be rendered again, line for line, deed for deed, cent for cent, to somebody.”

Norm was a staunch believer in helping others. He was known for gently reminding his loved ones that we are our brother's keeper. His family has continued this legacy with a Pay It Forward Scholarship in his name. Applicants will be tasked with an essay detailing how they intend to help others throughout their lives, in hopes to make this world a better place and keep hope alive for all.

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Since 1989, the Fairfield County Foundation has helped donors create lasting charitable legacies that carry on their names, their values and their priorities. Within the Foundation are more than 390 individual charitable funds, each created by donors to address those local causes they are most passionate about. Today, Foundation grants support the arts, children's programs, health and wellness projects, community development, academics and much more. From scholarships for deserving Fairfield County youth and equipment to keep people fit and healthy, to improvements to green spaces throughout our county and grants to feed the hungry, the Fairfield County Foundation touches every member of our community in some way.

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