

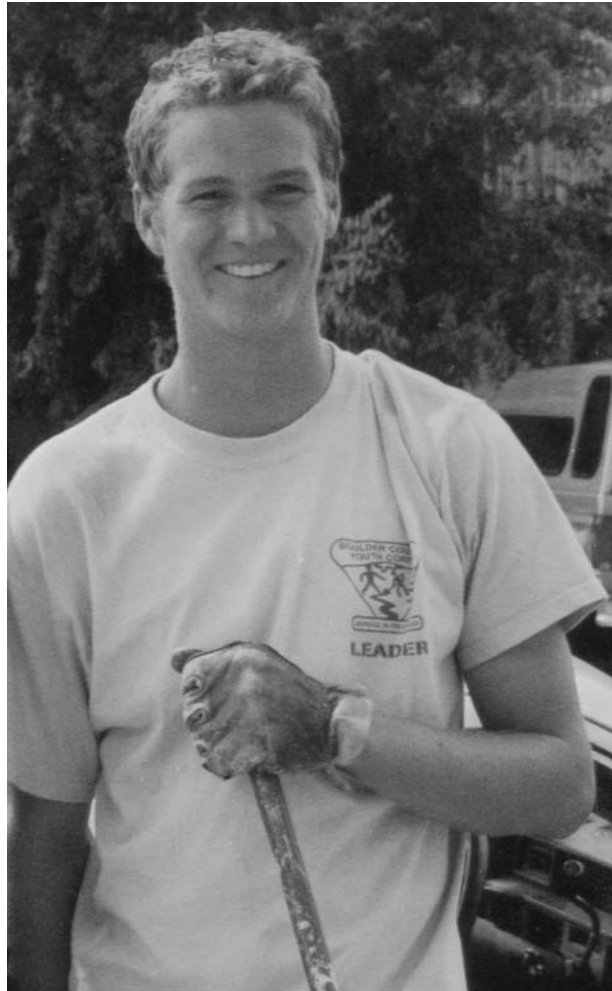


Timothy Hackett Memorial Fund

HUGE COMMUNITY
OUTPOURING
FOR NATIVE SON

The awful news no family should ever have to hear arrived for Bob and Nancy Hackett and their children on a cold, gray day last February: the second child in the family, Tim, had been killed in a small plane crash in Delta, CO. Tim was dead at the age of 24.

A graduate of Grand Junction High School and CU/Boulder, Tim Hackett loved the outdoors and was interested in using his engineering degree to impact the environment in a positive way. His plans included attending graduate school in the fall of 2007 to pursue renewable energy. His mom, Nancy, notes that he grew up with a conservation mindset: "As a family we recycled, handed down and had solar heating." Tim coupled his interest in environmental causes with his dedication to children; his summer jobs in college included camp counseling, and leading kids in The Boulder County Youth Corp and the Telluride Academy. He was a children's ski coach when he died. One Christmas the



Hackett family agreed to give gifts to underprivileged kids instead of to each other. Tim said it was the best Christmas because he got to shop in toy stores. He was a kid at heart and loved spending time with children.

A donor-advised fund at our Community Foundation, funded by memorial gifts, was established by the family in Tim's name. "We wanted to keep Tim's memory alive by continuing to contribute to causes after his death that he was passionate

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about. Our Christmas traditions from now on will probably include deciding what organizations will benefit from the **Timothy Hackett Memorial Fund**. This can be Tim's Christmas present each year to the world."

Named Endowment Funds — an Enduring Memorial

Many people establish funds at WCCF to honor and memorialize a loved one. The donor family has a number of options to choose from in establishing a named endowment fund. For more information, please call 243-3767.

Western CO Community Foundation celebrates 10th anniversary

Incorporated ten years ago, the Western Colorado Community Foundation celebrated its 10th anniversary on November 3 with a dinner and awards ceremony. Twenty-five community leaders and donors who have helped build our Community Foundation this first decade were recognized with a series of fun awards acknowledging their contributions.

As we celebrate our 10th anniversary, we also celebrate....

- \$1.8 million in grants and scholarships awarded since our inception
- 105 donor funds
- Nearly \$7 million in permanent endowment assets to benefit our community



Community Grants for 2006

Our Community Foundation is pleased to announce our community grants for 2006:

\$1,000	Black Canyon Boys & Girls Club	(Olathe Clubhouse Community Greenhouse)
\$1,000	CASA of Mesa County	(general support)
\$500	Climbing Tree Children's Museum	(general support)
\$500	Colorado Northwestern Community College Foundation	(avalanche beacons)
\$1,000	Columbine Home Health	(Clinics)
\$1,000	Columbine Senior Services	(nutrition services)
\$1,000	Community Food Bank	(general support)
\$1000	Early Childhood Partners	(start-up costs)
\$1,000	Girl Scouts of Chipeta Council	(Delta and Montrose programs)
\$1,000	Community Options	(Great Start program)
\$1,000	Habitat for Humanity of Montrose County	(materials)
\$1,000	Hilltop Community Services	(Latimer House)
\$1,000	Homeward Bound	(general support)
\$1,000	Marillac Clinic	(Williams Sound Pak)
\$500	Meet the Wilderness	(general support)
\$1,500	Mesa Developmental Services	(screening equipment)
\$1,000	Mesa Land Trust	(Agricultural Heritage Preservation Project)
\$1,000	Meth Task Force	(general support)
\$1,000	Montrose County Senior Citizens Transportation	(general support)
\$500	Red Ribbon Project	(general support)
\$1,000	Riverside Tutoring Center	(general support)
\$500	Schumann Singers	(music)
\$1,000	Suicide Prevention Foundation	(Heart Beat program)
\$1,000	Surface Creek Community Services	(general support)
\$1,000	Valley Youth Orchestra	(musical instruments)
\$1,000	Voyager Youth Program	(general support)
\$500	Weehawken Creative Arts	(general support)
\$1,000	Western Slope Center for Children	(general support)
\$1,000	YouthZone	(scholarships)

New Initiative!

PHILANTHROPIC KIDS CLUB – RAISING THE NEXT GENERATION TO GIVE

Many of us care about raising our children to share our values and care about others and the community we live in. This year, WCCF is launching a brand new program for donor families to involve their children. Families establishing donor-advised funds can name children between the age of 5 and 16 as advisors, making recommendations on what nonprofits to fund with the earnings on the fund each year. Children members of the Kids Club will come together at least once a year to learn about an issue in the community as well as what a nonprofit organization is, how they are funded and why they

need support. Tours of certain programs of interest to children will also be planned. Tips for encouraging families with children to volunteer and other information about giving back will be shared.

To date, we have six donor families signed up. Two of these families have actually named the charitable giving fund after their children. Notes one donor, "it will be a great collaborative project for our girls to work together – and not fight! – in talking through community needs and agreeing on what they want to support each year." And one donor family hopes to involve local grandchild-

dren as well as their children in the program.

Anyone interested in joining the Kids Club to participate in programs in early 2007 should get in touch with our office before the end of December.

Kids Club Families

Jamie and Kristen Lummis

Dennis and Alice McCary

Dave and Crystal Murphy

Jim and Julie Prinster

Chuck and Toni Wanebo

Anne Wenzel & David Miller

WCCF Partnering with Private Foundations

The Western Colorado Community Foundation is pleased to be providing administrative and grants management services to several private foundations awarding grants in our region. Since June, WCCF has provided administrative support to the Bacon Family Foundation. In September, we served as local host and partner, helping the Colorado Health Foundation organize a community health care forum and information session for grant seekers. And several weeks ago, we finalized arrangements to work with the John and Maureen Hendricks Charitable Foundation to do research and assist with their local grantmaking.

Bacon Family Foundation Endows N*STAR Training Program

Three years ago our Community Foundation launched a nonprofit training program, NSTAR (Nonprofit Support Training and Resources), to strengthen nonprofits in our region. Over 800 staff and board members have participated in a variety of brown bag lunch seminars, workshops and special training events. In honor of our 10th anniversary, the Bacon Family Foundation has made a generous donation that will allow us to continue these trainings for years to come.



Nonprofit Support, Training and Resources



Thank you to our Circle of Friends!

Our regional community foundation gratefully acknowledges and recognizes its Circle of Friends donors, providing a pledge of general operating support.

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End-of-year Giving Tip: If you are 70½ or older and are required to take a minimum withdrawal from your IRA but don't need additional income, consider making a gift to charity by transferring up to \$100,000. Contact your accountant for more information.

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Community Foundation Welcomes New Accountant

We are pleased to announce that Cece MacVittie, CPA, has joined our team two days a week as our Accountant and Financial Manager. Cece has lived in western Colorado for over 30 years and brings decades of accounting experience and a strong interest in no profit financial management to the job.