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2015 Annual Report

2015 Scholarships Awarded

Foundation President John W. (Jack) Barber and Pittsfield residents Charles A. (Chuck) Barber III and Bryn Barber Fine announced the Barber Family Foundation's 2015 scholarship awards at the Pittsfield High School Honors Banquet in May.

The 2015 Charles and Frances Barber Scholarship recipient was **Victoria Collins-McKinnon** of Pittsfield who is attending Western Illinois University.

This year, the Foundation made its first **K.C. and Eleanor Barber Scholarship award**. This \$1,500 college scholarship will be awarded annually to a Pittsfield High School graduating senior who participates and excels in the

school's golf program. The award is made in memory of K.C. Barber, who was a longtime Pittsfield resident and veteran of World War II, and his wife Eleanor. K.C. was the seven time club champion at Old Orchard Country Club and also once won as club champion at Jacksonville Country Club. Eleanor was an avid golfer and also charter member of Old Orchard CC. The first recipient of this award was **Peter Greening** of Pittsfield, IL who is attending Lincoln College.



The other 2015 award recipients include:

Taylor Abney, Nebo Hannibal-LaGrange University

Francesca Craven, Griggsville SIUE

Michael Johnson, Baylis SIUE

Morgan Plattner, Pittsfield University of Illinois

Brian Renoud, Pittsfield SIUE

Pictured from left to right, Chuck Barber, Peter Greening, Morgan Plattner, Victoria Collins-McKinnon, Taylor Abney, Brian Renoud, and Jack Barber.

Checking in with Michael Johnson, five time award recipient

The Barber Family Foundation Scholarship has been a key part of my collegiate success thus far. I have been afforded many great opportunities thanks to the generosity of the Barber Family Foundation. I am currently in my last year of the pharmacy program at Southern Illinois University Edwardsville. During my six years of college, it has been my goal to involve myself in every educational, volunteer and networking opportunity as possible. However, this goal would not have been met without the support that I receive each year from the Barber Family Foundation. Through this support, I have been able to participate in two Jamaica Dental Mission trips, where I have provided physical assessments and pharmaceutical care for patients in need of dental procedures. I spent time studying medicinal plants and tropical diseases in Costa Rica. I am scheduled to complete 5-week clinical rotations in Vail, Colorado and Fairbanks, Alaska. I have been able to participate in many health fairs across central and southern Illinois, and have also been able to perform presentations and science experiments with various elementary schools. I have spent time volunteering with KEEN Sports/Swim, an organization that offers fun and games for children with special needs or developmentally disabled. I helped establish and promote philanthropy events to benefit our military men/women and their families, as well as law enforcement. These are just a few opportunities that I have been able to take part in, and I am unbelievably grateful for the support from the Barber Family Foundation in each of my efforts.



In Memoriam

Almost one year ago, we said goodbye to Eleanor Barber. In her memory, the Foundation received 17 donations totaling \$805. An avid reader and having served on the Pittsfield Library Board for twenty three years, Eleanor would be pleased that such a scholarship is being awarded. She wanted to be a teacher and regretted that K.C.'s war injuries kept her from completing her studies at the University of Illinois.

Tax deductible donations may be sent to:

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By the Numbers

- 98% of all donations go directly to Pike County students.
- Since inception, the Foundation has made 65 awards worth \$77,580.
- 55% of awardees since inception have been women.
- 90% of awardees were Pittsfield High School graduates but awards are available to all Pike County students.