

# Wythe-Bland Community Foundation

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Spring/Summer 2007

## Improving life in Wythe & Bland Counties...



### From the Executive Director:

We welcome Dr. Belle Jones and Mr. John Berry as new board members. Mario Machi completed his first term on the board and did not seek a second term. Mr. John McLain resigned to take a job in TN. We are indebted to Mario and John for their leadership and dedication to the board in its beginning stages and will miss them very much. We thank both of these community leaders for their service to the foundation.

Dr. Jones is a pediatrician and Mr. Berry is the Interim CEO of Wythe County Community Hospital.

It is a busy and exciting time Gail!

### April 1st Grant Recipients

The Wythe-Bland Community Foundation is pleased to announce the awarding of its Spring 2007 grants for a total of \$554,274 to qualified 501 (c) (3) organizations (or governmental entities) serving Wythe County and Bland County Virginia, that support, promote and/or further the Foundation's mission. The funds are awarded to:

**Town of Wytheville Dept. of Museums Summer of Polio Symposium,** \$ 5,000

**Wythe County Public Schools,** medical Equipment, 10,240

**Crossroads Shelter, Inc.,** materials to build beds, \$1,000 and program to end recidivism for homeless, \$13,080

**Wythe County,** needs assessment & Long range planning for Rescue Squads, \$50,000

**Bland County Medical Center,** exam tables & cabinetry for renovation project, \$91,000

**Mt. Rogers Community Services Board,** Camp Chinquapin for wellness activities, \$13,000

**Wythe County Public Schools Foundation for Excellence,** summer enrichment program, teacher mini-grants, development coordinator, \$100,000

**Wytheville Community College,** start-up costs & play-ground equipment for Child Care Center, \$84,550

**Mountain Community Action,** free drugs program, \$24,000

**Brock Hughes Free Clinic,** increase capacity & develop business plan, \$87,404

**Ceres Alumni Association, LLC,** renovation project/walking, \$25,000. Challenge grants of up to \$25,000 each were issued to the **Wytheville-Wythe-Bland Chamber of Commerce** and the **Bland County Public Schools** if each agency raises an additional \$25,000.

### Grant Application Deadline

The next grant application deadline for the Wythe-Bland Community Foundation will be August 1, 2007. Please review the **Grant Guidelines** at: [www.wbcfoundation.org](http://www.wbcfoundation.org) for the latest update to the guidelines. All 501-© (3) nonprofit organizations are invited to submit applications. Grants will be awarded October 1, 2007. Please contact Dr. Catron at 276-228-8001 to discuss ideas for possible grants.

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May 30-31

PLANNING A-Z: Leadership & Business Planning Seminar

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**HEALTHY EATING:** Students in Wythe County Schools are eating Chef Salads two days a week as a result of a wellness program funded by a WBCF grant in April, 2006.