
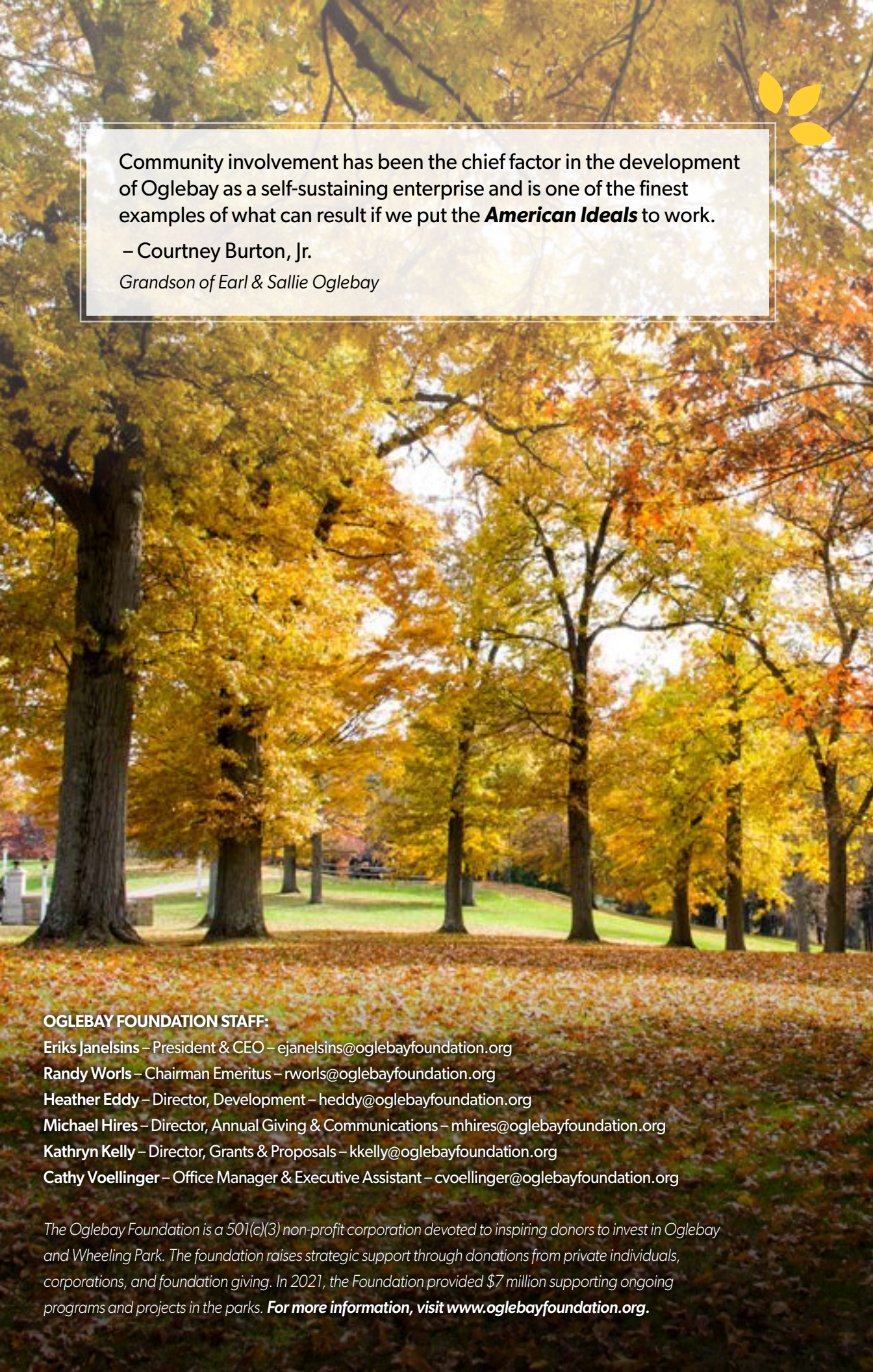


THE OGLEBAY FOUNDATION'S
**AMERICAN
IDEAL**

FALL 2022





Community involvement has been the chief factor in the development of Oglebay as a self-sustaining enterprise and is one of the finest examples of what can result if we put the **American Ideals** to work.

– Courtney Burton, Jr.

Grandson of Earl & Sallie Oglebay

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GROWING THE TEAM



Introducing **Heather Eddy**,
the Foundation's new
director of development

Dear Friends,

Fall in the park, there's nothing like it. As leaves begin to take on their colorful autumn hues, **significant improvements for Wheeling Park** are being finalized with groundbreaking this November.

Thanks to American Rescue Plan Act funds granted by the City of Wheeling, major renovations to the White Palace will revitalize the venue, reimagining the heart of Wheeling Park. Plans include a coffee shop with a deck overlooking Good Lake, meeting spaces and a façade facelift. Arriving at the largest ballroom in the Ohio Valley – updated and modernized -- will feel like an event in itself.

We look to our community for the additional contributions needed for all the Wheeling Park improvements to happen. Our goal is to celebrate Wheeling Park's enhancements for its centennial on Memorial Day 2025.

Oglebay continues to renovate cottages and in the **ABCs** on page 4, you'll read about three generous families who refurbished and endowed standard Speidel Cottages, transforming each into deluxe accommodations.

Park benches are at a premium, so we're introducing a new opportunity to name lampposts to meet the demand for community members to honor or memorialize loved ones.

Pidge Fleming, the 87-year young golfer shames us all, still hitting the links four times a week. In this issue, we learn how she's planning to **Make a Difference in the Parks** and about her lifelong love of the game playing her favorite course, Crispin, designed by her father Bob Biery.

Parks are about having fun. In our line of work, fun is often introduced during holiday celebrations or grand openings. A mariachi band trumpeted in the opening of the **Lakeview Cantina** generously underwritten by Foundation board member Joe Eddy and his wife Debbie. We also celebrated with the Schenk family in our annual **Salute to Patriotism** reception with a fireworks display generously underwritten by the Schenk Charitable Trust.

The **45th annual Oglebayfest** presented by WVU Medicine Wheeling Hospital and WVU Medicine Reynolds Memorial Hospital will have happened by the time you're reading this newsletter. **Light Up Night** begins our Festival of Lights presented by WesBanco on November 10th; the holiday rush will soon descend upon us all as we race to the end of what for us in the park has been a really great year.

For now, I'm enjoying the park's transition, the cooler days, the colorful changes to the trees, menus turning to savory soups and stews. Sweater weather has arrived.

Beauty can be found in the parks throughout the year, but there's something about fall. So, come and experience fall in Oglebay.



Then & NOW

Oglebay Through The Years



Oglebay's Wilson Lodge
(Circa 1950)

Wilson Lodge



Oglebay continues to be the crown jewel of municipal parks anywhere in the world. Your investments in the Oglebay Foundation ensure that Oglebay will be here for generations to come. Submit your family photos to foundation@oglebay.com.



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THE ABCs OF COTTAGES

Renovating Oglebay's cottages continues to be a major fundraising priority for the Oglebay Foundation. This past summer, we reached a major milestone and can proudly report that 30 of the 55 cottages on property have been renovated and generously endowed by donors. Improvements at Speidel Cottages 1, 3 and 6, now known as Altmeyer (1), Bippus (3) and

Carenbauer (6) in honor of three families who generously made these renovations possible.

The newly updated spaces, somewhat delayed because of supply chain issues, now feature new flooring, furniture, drapes, kitchen countertops and gas fireplace inserts. Bathrooms have been refreshed, and the new décor includes



dramatic pictures of Oglebay in all its four-season glory.



The Altmeyer family has a long and ongoing history with Oglebay. A friend of Randy Worls for years, Jim Altmeyer was acquainted with the need for donors to help refurbish Oglebay's cottages. Jim and his family decided to be part of the



Jim Altmeyer and Randy Worls

change, recognizing their contribution could encourage others to do the same.



Carl Bippus rented a series of cottages while renovating his kitchen. As often happens with remodeling, it took longer than expected. Over the protracted course of his home improvements, Carl stayed in several cottages in various states of pre and post renovation. This experience raised his awareness of the giving opportunity, so he and his sister Lily Cenkus dedicated Bippus Cottage to honor the memory of their parents Bud and Mary Bippus and their brother Bip.



Carl Carenbauer dedicated Carenbauer Cottage in memory of his wife Mary Jacqueline Morgan Carenbauer. Jacki



Carl Carenbauer and daughter Erin

truly loved the park and used many of its facilities on a regular basis. She especially loved hosting family and friends in cottages during reunions, family celebrations, special events and her favorite, Oglebayfest.

By early summer of 2023, Oglebay will renovate another 11 cottages, an aggressive, but important undertaking. The cottages play a vital role in our transient or leisure guest revenue. They're also a major draw for group sales, especially golfers and families.

When all is said and done, all the cottages will be renovated. The remaining cottages require some extra care and consideration. The plans need to honor their past and importance in the development of the park from its earliest days while offering the amenities that today's guests and visitors expect.

Oglebay's cottages provide families and friends a home away from home. They are the backdrop where loved ones gather to celebrate milestones, honor traditions and create new memories. They are the launch pad to explore nature, play endless sports and games, and enjoy this incredible park.

Thanks to the generosity of the Altmeyer, Bippus and Carenbauer families, along with the community of donors who continue to invest in the future of the park, Oglebay endures as a place that means so much to so many. The beauty of giving to the park is in part thanks to its simplicity; it's as easy as ABC. 🌿





Mary Lou and Ron Mauck

HONORING OR MEMORIALIZING LOVED ONES

Many Oglebay park benches have been named by family and friends for loved ones who have passed or in celebration of life occasions. Everyone loves to find a bench at a convenient spot to rest, take in the scenery or visit with a friend. It's often a surprise to see who endowed the bench you stopped to use on any given visit. Oglebay isn't quite there, but we're getting close to the maximum number of benches we can comfortably accommodate.

This year, the park is starting a new naming opportunity along the historic Hilltop, offering the iconic lampposts that illuminate our path while supporting beautiful, seasonal hanging baskets.

Contact the Foundation office at (304) 243-4166 or foundation@oglebay.com for more information about this new opportunity.

MAUCK FAMILY REMEMBERS

The Maucks have rented cabins semiannually, during Oglebayfest and the week between

Christmas and New Year, to come together and celebrate their love of each other and their love of Oglebay. Mary Lou and Ron raised their three children Eric, Jay and Missy, all of whom worked in the parks as teens. Eric stayed into his early adult career as VP of Operations. And all three now have children of their own. When Mary Lou passed, Ron endowed a bench in her memory. With Ron's passing earlier this year, Eric, Jay and Missy wanted to enhance the family's memorial of their mother with a tribute for their dad. At the suggestion of the Oglebay Foundation, they have endowed the adjacent lamppost to memorialize the family's love of the park and their dearly departed father.

Oglebay's Senior Vice President of Operations, Rod Haley shared, "Eric is a great guy from a great family. Hard working with strong family values, it was a pleasure to work with Eric. He was a true mentor and someone I consider a friend. The Maucks' gift in memory of their dad is such an appropriate way for them to celebrate their memories of coming together at Oglebay for so many years." 🌿



EXCITING CHANGES AT Wheeling Park

AMAZING plans have been in the works to revitalize the White Palace – the renderings show the future corner café and a grand entrance to the ballroom. We're also addressing the roof over the ice rink.



The **City of Wheeling** granted American Rescue Plan Act funds for these renovations to happen. The grant requires at least 50% of the costs be covered by matching funds.

**Be part of the change
by making your
donation of
support today.**





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IN
2020

**32-Foot-Tall
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2021

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Tree**



IN
2022

**Trackless
Train at the
Good Zoo**




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Making a Difference IN THE PARKS

Charitable planned gifts offer a tremendous opportunity for you to provide valuable financial support, receive a benefit in return, and leave a lasting legacy.

Wheeling Park was created through 170 leadership gifts made in December of 1924, and 98 years later the community continues to benefit from the visionary philanthropy of civic leaders who purchased Wheeling Park and created the Wheeling Park Commission.

Through a bequest, Earl Oglebay left a legacy of 750 majestic acres, gardens, historic farm buildings, a tradition of quality hospitality, and a vision for a future of first-class recreational opportunities that has grown into the park we all know today.

You don't have to be rich to leave a legacy. There are several giving strategies that can be used to fund the things you love.

An estate gift is one of many ways you can make a difference in the parks. At the Oglebay Foundation, Eriks Janelins can guide you or your financial advisor on the giving vehicle that makes the most sense for your circumstances.

IRA ROLLOVER BENEFITS

An IRA rollover allows people age 70½ and older to reduce their taxable income by making a gift directly from their IRA.

Benefits of an IRA charitable rollover

- Avoid taxes on transfers of up to \$100,000 from your IRA to the Oglebay Foundation.
- Make a gift that is not subject to the deduction limits on charitable gifts.
- Support an area of Oglebay or Wheeling Park that you love.

How an IRA charitable rollover gift works

- Contact your IRA plan administrator to make a gift from your IRA to support the Oglebay Foundation.
- Your IRA funds will be directly transferred to the Oglebay Foundation (FEIN: 55-0750128) to ensure the park you love is here for generations.
- Please note that IRA charitable rollover gifts do not qualify for a charitable deduction.
- Please contact us if you wish for your gift to be used for a specific purpose.

*Wheeling native **Pidge Fleming** is the daughter of Robert and Gene Biery. Her father was one of the Wheeling Park Commission's first fulltime employees (see next page). Pidge has been playing golf since she was 18 months old, "Dad cut down a set of clubs; he was on one side, mom on the other. They hired a photographer to document the occasion. It took 18 strokes to finish the hole," Pidge retells with a smile.*

The family spent their early years in Shepherd's Cottage, just above the Crispin Course's first tee. "I had the greatest childhood. Oglebay lifeguards taught me to swim; evenings spent playing golf, and my own pony to ride all over the park."

Later moving to Woodsdale, Pidge graduated from Mt. De Chantal in 1952. She went to work for Wheeling Steel, "as what they used to call a secretary." There she met her husband, Dick. After 20 years, she went to work for Ohio County Schools first at the Board of Education (BOE), then for Triadelphia and Wheeling Park High Schools. With golf always a constant in her downtime, Pidge "left the BOE office for the schools because I got two more weeks of summer play."

Always finding time for the links at Oglebay and Wheeling Park, Pidge and Dick extended their playtime with trips to Myrtle Beach. Starting in 1962, they played an amazing 90 out of the 100 courses in the area before Dick's passing in 1996. Pidge, who retired in 1997, says her record is playing 43 holes in one day!

Today, at 87 years young, Pidge remains active in both the Women's Golf Associations for Oglebay and Wheeling Park and plays up to four times a week. "Dick and I were able to travel extensively. In all our years we never found a better place for a family to come together and enjoy everything the park has to offer."

Pidge has included the Oglebay Foundation as a beneficiary of her estate. "Oglebay's always been good to me. I've lived here all my life. It is an honor to have the opportunity to give back." 🌱

For more information on ways your estate can shape the parks you love, go to oglebaygiving.org or contact the Foundation at 304-243-4166.





Pidge Fleming



Thanks to the generosity of the local golf community, 1.4 miles of the Crispin cart path were repaved this summer.

Robert “Bob” Biery

Wheeling Park Commission’s First Employee

- 1901** • Born July 2 Wheeling, (Greggsville) WV
- 1906** • Introduced to the game of golf as a fore-caddy at Wheeling Country Club (WCC)
 - too small to carry bags he would run ahead to check where balls landed
- 1916** • Promoted to WCC Caddy Master
- 1917** • Promoted to WCC Assistant Golf Pro
- 1920** • Promoted to Golf Pro, first native-born West Virginian to go pro
- 1922** • Worked with Emmett Deveroux, foremost Golf Architect as Construction Superintendent on WCC’s back-nine
- 1922** • Hired by WPC to lay out and build the nine-hole course at Wheeling Park
- 1925** • Wheeling Park Course opens
- 1927** • Layout and build of Crispin front-nine begins
- 1937** • Back-nine of Crispin Opens
- 1984** • Inducted into the Wheeling Hall of Fame*
- 1991** • Passed away at age 90

Biery established Oglebay’s Caddy Camp and was instrumental in the design and development of additional golf courses at Belmont Hills, Moundsville Country Club and Vine Cliff in Rayland.

**Dates and information compiled from Wheeling Hall of Fame Citation*



Bob Biery

Pidge Fleming adds about her dad, “Even today I get stopped with stories about my dad. What’s amazing to me, my dad, who didn’t finish high school, his dedication to and love of golf shows in his life’s work. Wheeling Park opens in 1925 and other than two small-hole adjustments there’s been no change since he completed the job. I’m so proud of him.”

Thanks to the generosity of the local golf community, 1.4 miles of the Crispin cart path were repaved this summer. The paths were made wider, and curbing was added to minimize runoff during bad weather. Additionally, aprons at the end of the paths were made larger and tee repairs and upgrades were completed for holes 1-8 and No. 12 with the green at No. 9 improved as well. 🌿



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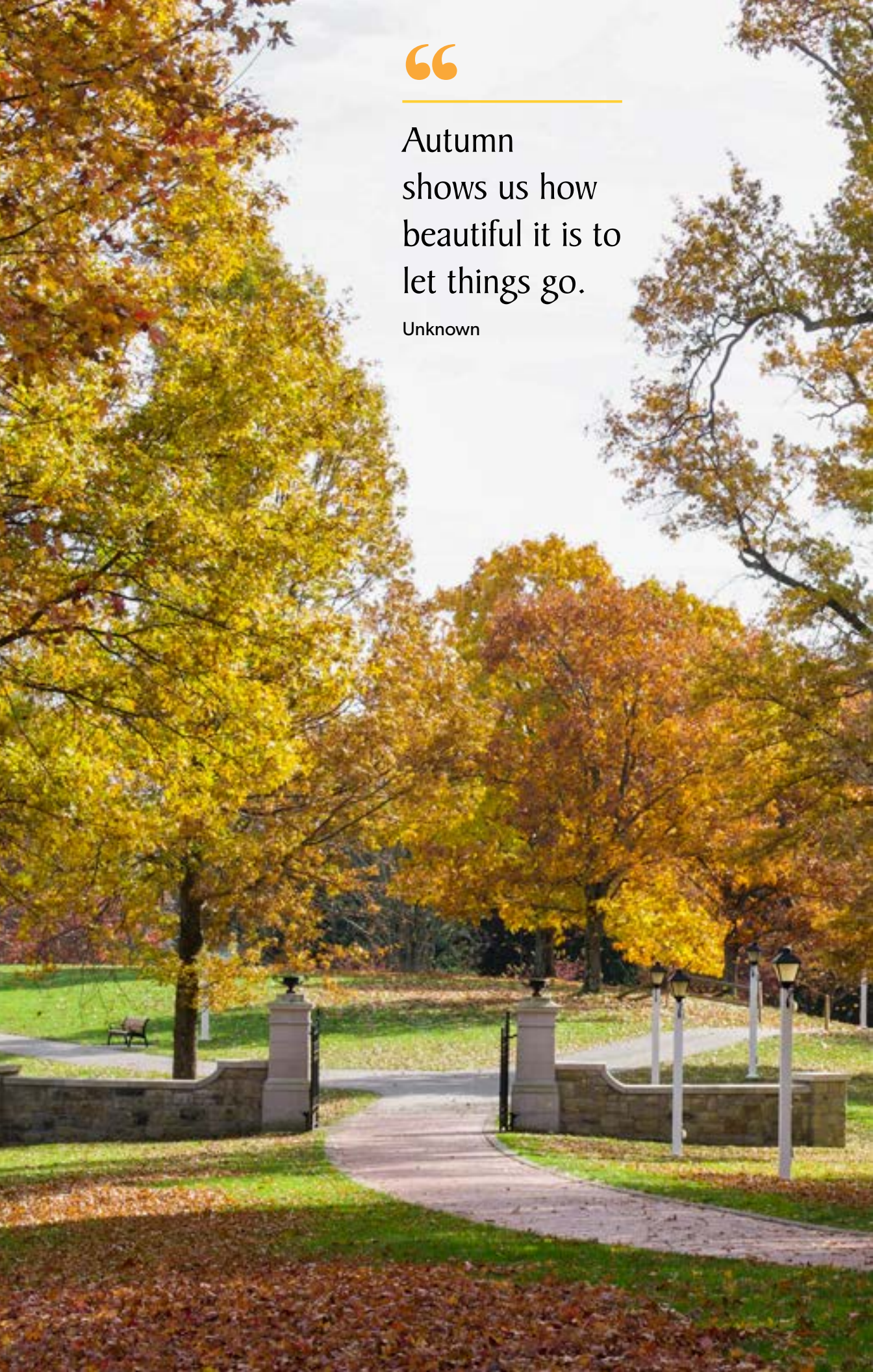




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Autumn
shows us how
beautiful it is to
let things go.

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Sponsoring ACCESS TO THE PARKS CHANGES LIVES

ACCESS TO THE PARKS was established in 1999, thanks to generous contributions to our annual fund. The scholarship program was created to address park leadership's concerns regarding the fee structure Wheeling Park and Oglebay rely on to cover operating expenses. Fees could make a summer of outdoor fun and recreation too expensive for some local families.

Over the past 22 years ACCESS SCHOLARSHIPS have provided resources to meet both fees for admission and equipment rental, a total investment of nearly \$3,000,000. This effort has given more than 35,000 area youth ACCESS TO THE PARKS, and complements programs including the Oglebay Park Children's Association, the Vaden Children's Farm Trust, and the Yates Family Youth Sports Foundation – all focused

on organized groups or lifetime sport instruction.

Our parks strive to provide opportunities to keep our children healthy and active, offering a safe place to play and explore. Finding opportunities to relax, reflect, and regroup whether you're five, 15, 50, 75 (or older!) are important for both physical and mental health and development.

Sponsoring the ACCESS TO THE PARKS program makes 18 activities in two parks possible every year.

By supporting ACCESS, you strengthen your connection to area youth by giving them a summer of fun including swimming, golfing, hiking, tennis, pedal boats, rock climbing and so much more.



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Gifts at any level are welcome and help strengthen our children and our community. Named scholarships start with your gift of \$25,000 – a pledge that can be paid over 5 years and will establish a named fund providing scholarships to eligible youth and a family member in perpetuity.

ACCESS changes lives for the better. Contact the Foundation office for more information on ways you or your business can sponsor ACCESS SCHOLARSHIPS today. 🌱

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Thank you to Bordas & Bordas and the Bordas family for their generosity and support of Oglebay!

and/or Wheeling Park events contact the office: **304-243-4166.**



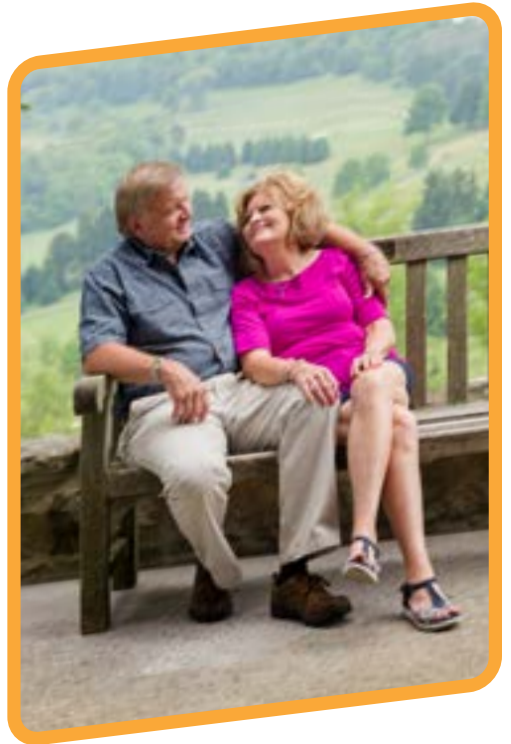
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"The resort is beautiful. We were on the lakeside and our room was clean and so spacious. The food was excellent and the landscaping and gardens are breathtaking. Plus, there is so much to do! 😊 We were only disappointed that we didn't stay longer. Can't wait to go again."

Aleisha, September 5

"The staff throughout the trip were always smiling and making sure our needs were met. Our family will continue to come here hopefully for many years to come as we are building so many wonderful memories at this resort. ❤️"

Kelly, July 24



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"Great weekend getaway. The couples massage was very relaxing. Our room was quiet."

Kim, September 9

"They have the neatest chalets, love this place!"

Maria Elena, September 19

"We had the very best time. Great instructor/guide. It was our first time and will now be a regular part of our trip home. You won't be disappointed. 😊😊😊"

Billie Jo, Segway Tour Review, August 9

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