

# COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

— OF THE FOX RIVER VALLEY —



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## Community Foundation Holds Annual Meeting, Introduces New Board Chairman

**Aurora, IL** - The Community Foundation of the Fox River Valley held its Annual Meeting on March 9, 2017 at Rush-Copley Medical Center. The meeting was attended by current and former Community Foundation directors, staff and its members.



Mark Truemper

This was the final board meeting for Mark Truemper as chairman of the board. He has retired after nearly forty years of service to the Community Foundation, with the last four as chairman. In 2016, Truemper retired from a career in banking in which he served as Vice President of Old Second National Bank and Senior Vice President of First American Bank.

When Truemper began his service in the late 1970's, the Foundation administered forty-one total funds and had just over \$2.5 million in assets. In his final chairman's report, Truemper announced the organization received \$5.5 million in gifts, awarded \$3.5 million in grants and scholarships, and finished 2016 with nearly \$80 million in total assets. Additionally, the Community Foundation reached a milestone of 500 funds administered.



John Diederich

Reflecting on his time as chairman of the Foundation, Truemper stated, "it has been a privilege serving on this board and learning from my fellow board members, past and present." He acknowledged the support he received from past chairman when he assumed the role. Three previous chairmen were present at the meeting; David Hipp, Hilary Brennan and Neal Ormond III.

"The Foundation provides an outstanding service to the community, and the scope of its service continues to grow," Truemper continued. "It has been an honor to be a part of the Community Foundation. Thank you for letting me serve."

Truemper is succeeded by John Diederich, who has been on the Foundation's board since 2013. Diederich is Senior Vice President of Operations and Chief Operating Officer of Rush-Copley Medical Center. He first became involved with the Foundation as a result of his passion for serving the community and its students through the scholarship program.

During the meeting, the Foundation also welcomed three new members to its Board of Directors:



Dana Dobosz is an attorney with Dobosz law Offices, P.C. in Elgin, Illinois. She is a graduate of Valparaiso University School of Law. Each year she attends the Heckerling Estate Planning institute. Dana is an experienced attorney in estate planning, probate administration, income tax planning and corporate matters. She lives in Sleepy Hollow.



Patty Hoppenstedt is currently the Assistant City Manager for the City of DeKalb. She is responsible for assisting the City Manager in all aspects of City government to include the management of legal services, the Deputy City Clerk's functions, the Human Resources Department and the Information Technology Department. Hoppenstedt earned her MBA with a concentration in human resources management from Keller Graduate School of Management. She lives in St. Charles.



Duane Suits was a founding partner of Sikich Gardner & Co, LLP (now Sikich LLP) where he practiced for twenty-two years. He is a financial services advisor and also an independent Director and Audit Committee Chair for Old Second National Bank and Old Second Bancorp, Inc. He lives in Geneva.

At the conclusion of the meeting, Diederich led a tour of Rush-Copley's recently renovated areas including the new lobby and main entrance, operation recovery units, surgical waiting area, gift shop and non-denominational chapel.

### **About the Community Foundation of the Fox River Valley**

The Community Foundation of the Fox River Valley is a non-profit, tax-exempt, philanthropic organization that administers individual charitable funds from which grants and scholarships are distributed to benefit the citizens of the Greater Aurora Area, the TriCities and Kendall County, Illinois.

Founded in 1948, the Foundation provides a simple and powerful approach to charitable giving. Individuals, families, businesses and organizations have the opportunity to custom design their own named funds that reflect their charitable goals and interests. Since its inception, the Community

Foundation has grown to more than \$80 million in assets and has awarded over \$60 million in grants and scholarships.

For more information on the Foundation, visit [www.CommunityFoundationFRV.org](http://www.CommunityFoundationFRV.org).

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