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BLOOD BROTHERS

Colin W. Cook, left, was surfing in the Pacific Ocean off Haleiwa, Hawaii, on Oct. 9 last year when he was attacked by an 11-foot-long tiger shark, which severed his left leg above the knee. He managed to stay with his surfboard in the bloodied water, but the shark remained in the immediate vicinity, threatening him.

Luckily, **Keoni Bowthorpe**, then 33, a filmmaker from Haleiwa, was also nearby, paddle boarding. He immediately responded to aid Cook, pulling Cook atop him and then paddling his 8-foot board to shore, which was about 600 feet away. (The photo below was taken during the rescue.) "Instinct kind of takes over and your body does things without your permission," Bowthorpe later told a reporter.

For his heroic actions, Bowthorpe was awarded the Carnegie Medal in September, as were 24 others from throughout the U.S. Details of their acts are on pages 10-17. The photo above is by Nathalie Walker of *MidWeek*, Honolulu, Hawaii, and is used with permission.



'CBS Sunday Morning' visits Hero Fund to film segment on its history and work

CBS Sunday Morning, the long-running staple of the CBS television morning lineup, is featuring the Hero Fund in a segment that was scheduled to air in late November. The network sent crews to Illinois and Pittsburgh to document Hero Fund activities as part of a story on the history and work of the Commission, and central to the piece is recognition of the heroes who have been honored and supported through the vision of Commission founder Andrew Carnegie.

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Linda T. Hills, Commission member and great-granddaughter of Andrew Carnegie, shares a moment with correspondent Scott Simon in the Commission's offices during filming of a CBS Sunday Morning segment.



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MORAL, MORTAL CHOICES AS DEFINING HEROISM

By Mark Laskow, Chair
Carnegie Hero Fund Commission



Andrew Carnegie created the Hero Fund to recognize “men or women [who] are injured or lose their lives in attempting to preserve or rescue their fellows.” He appointed members to the Commission who, with their successors and staff, have honed his charge into the following standard:

The candidate for an award must be a civilian who voluntarily risks his or her life to an extraordinary degree while saving or attempting to save the life of another person. The rescuer must have no full measure of responsibility for the safety of the victim.

I like to say that this standard demands that an awardee make a *moral* and a *mortal* choice. The choice to rescue is *moral* because it is done for purely altruistic reasons – the rescuer must have no obligation to attempt the rescue. The choice to rescue is *mortal* because it involves a very real risk of death or serious injury. Indeed, 20% of Carnegie Medals are awarded to heroes who died in their rescue attempt.

Given this high standard of heroism, I personally get a little crotchety when I hear the word “hero” applied to, say, a field goal kicker who wins a game as time runs out, or a volunteer worker who finds just the perfect – perfect! – decorations for the fund-raising gala when others have run out of ideas. All good work, mind you, but not work involving much risk of death. The members and staff of the Carnegie Hero fund are super-specialists in the subject of heroism and understandably guard against dilution of the concept when it is applied to trivial situations. I apologize for my occasional crotchetyness on the topic, but perhaps you will forgive me when you consider the extraordinary sacrifices the Carnegie Medal winners have made.

Now, in fairness, let us consider this question: Are there other forms of heroism, outside the definition of the Carnegie Medal, which nevertheless represent the same high level of moral behavior and sacrifice? It takes nothing away from the Carnegie Medal to answer, “yes.” Consider, for example, a hypothetical campaigner for democracy and human rights in a totalitarian state with a record of violence against

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Grace Abbs, granddaughter of the lone survivor of the 1904 Harwick mine disaster, was interviewed at the disaster memorial in Springdale, Pa.

CBS films Hero Fund


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Correspondent for the segment is National Public Radio’s Scott Simon, long-time host of *Weekend Edition Saturday* and acclaimed journalist, author, and guest contributor for *CBS Sunday Morning*. The show has an estimated six million viewers.

Filming began in late August over a three-day stretch at events in southern Illinois that included presentations of the Carnegie Medal to newly named awardees, interviews of medal recipients and the people they rescued, and a memorial event that honored past Carnegie heroes (see related article, page 6).

In September, the Hero Fund hosted Simon, producer Amy Wall, and the film crew at its offices in Pittsburgh. The two-day visit and shoot included interviews with Mark Laskow, Commission chair; Walter Rutkowski, president, and Linda T. Hills, a member of the Commission who is also the great-granddaughter of Andrew and Louise Carnegie.

A location shoot followed in Springdale, Pa., at the memorial for the victims of the 1904 Harwick mine disaster, which, claiming 181 lives, remains one of the worst mining disasters in U.S. history. Rescue activity during the disaster—only one miner survived—served as impetus for Carnegie’s establishment of the Hero Fund in the months that followed. Grace Abbs of Pittsburgh, the granddaughter of the lone survivor, Adolph Gunia, was interviewed on site, giving her impressions of the tragedy, its heroes, and its impact on her family through the years. (See page 3.)

Simon, Wall, and all others from the network involved in the filming showed great interest in the Commission’s work and said they were inspired by the accounts of heroism documented in the Hero Fund’s files. Simon “tweeted” to his 1.25 million followers of his experience, and Walls later made the effort to nominate a candidate for recognition. 

Family's 'genealogical curiosity' shows that culture of heroism can be nurtured

By Brandon Abbs, Ph.D.
Pennington, N.J.

The awarding of a Carnegie Medal to **Robert C. Marshall** in 1954 is part of a genealogical curiosity rooted in the origins of the Hero Fund itself, reminding us that the people who have been honored by the Carnegie Hero Fund Commission are part of a culture defined by their shared choice to spontaneously risk their own lives to save others, and the Commission itself fosters this culture by recognizing them and their shared connections.

Marshall was the nephew of Adolph Gunia, whose rescue at the age of 16 famously inspired Andrew Carnegie to establish the Commission. The rescue occurred on the morning of Jan. 25, 1904, after a blown-out shot ignited coal dust and methane inside a mine in Harwick, Pa., just northeast of Pittsburgh. Gunia was one of about 180 men and boys at work in the mine at the time of the explosion and would be the disaster's only survivor. His father and brother, also miners, were among the victims.



A German immigrant, Adolph Gunia at 16 was the only survivor of the Harwick Mine Disaster of Jan. 25, 1904.

story was certainly well known, but it's impossible to know whether this history had an effect on Marshall. All we can say for sure is that Marshall grew up knowing that but for the brave choice of a stranger to help Gunia, his uncle would have died in that mine, and that Marshall himself lived an exemplary life of service.

Marshall first served his country in the Navy through World War II and the Korean War and then served the people of Pittsburgh-suburb Fox Chapel as the police chief for more than 20 years. In between, he became a Carnegie

Selwyn M. Taylor, 42, was an engineer who knew the mine well. He arrived at Harwick hoping his expertise could save any of the miners facing an otherwise certain death. Taylor went into the mine with two other men and found Gunia alive on his first trip down. After rescuing Gunia, Taylor went back into the mine's toxic atmosphere looking for other survivors but found none. Taylor and Daniel A. Lyle, 43, both died of asphyxiation during rescue attempts. Their efforts caught Andrew Carnegie's attention and led to the Commission's inception just three months after the disaster.

Gunia and Marshall's mother, Ella, were siblings, and within the Marshall family, Gunia's

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its own citizens. First, our human rights campaigner seems to be making a *moral* choice, in that she is seeking enhanced political rights for all citizens, rather than higher office for herself. Second, she seems to be making a *mortal* choice, since the regime had shown it would act against opponents. Andrew Carnegie specifically limited the Carnegie Medal to those who undertake physical rescues of fellow human beings, but otherwise the principles are the same. Our human rights campaigner voluntarily took mortal risk for moral reasons.

The hypothetical example here is roughly based on the case of Aung San Suu Kyi of Myanmar, winner of the 1991 Nobel Peace Prize. Her case also demonstrates the difficulties of this awarding business. How would one prove conclusively that she pursued only the interests of her people, considering that she came from a politically prominent family and ultimately did hold high office in Myanmar's government? In her favor, I would say that enduring 15 years of confinement and considerable risk of a harsher fate seems a hard way to earn a position in the government of Myanmar.

The Hero Fund deals with this particular problem by avoiding the question of subjective intent. We focus instead on the more objective question of whether the rescuer had a duty to act. It is possible one of our Carnegie Medal recipients somewhere, at some time, was motivated by the possible fame that a heroic act might bring. We do not concern ourselves with this. Objectively, if you jump from a station platform in front of an onrushing train to pin a fallen victim beneath your body as that train roars by above the two of you, we won't be asking what was going through your mind as you did it.

It takes nothing at all away from Carnegie Medal recipients to acknowledge that there are others who have performed acts outside the Hero Fund's scope, but nevertheless on the same moral plane. We tip our hats to them, even as we turn back to the joyful work given us by Andrew Carnegie 112 years ago.



Aung San Suu Kyi

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Students Brady McGlynn, left, and Hunter Helt place flowers at a memorial for John A. Klang, posthumous awardee of the Carnegie Medal.

HEROIC PRINCIPAL HONORED 10 YEARS AFTER HIS DEATH

By Heather Stanek
Reedsburg (Wis.) Times-Press

As the sun rose on Sept. 29 over the main building of rural Weston School District in Cazenovia, Wis., students and staff gathered to honor one educator's legacy. It was the 10th anniversary of the death of **John A. Klang**, a beloved principal and lifelong resident of the area who was fatally shot by a heavily armed student on Sept. 29, 2006. Witnesses testified that Klang and a janitor prevented then-freshman Eric Hainstock from advancing toward students and teachers and that Klang was shot three times during the struggle.

The ceremony was dedicated to allowing students, teachers, and Cazenovia-area residents the chance to visit a memorial built to honor Klang and talk about him. Silent, grieving faces stood at the memorial, which has stood beside the elementary portion of the school since 2007. Sue Louis, the district's student, family, and community coordinator, led the ceremony for staff, which included poems and stories about Klang.

She said the memorial not only paid tribute to Klang but also celebrated what he loved. He was an avid outdoorsman who hunted, fished, and photographed wildlife. The monument includes an image of bucks captured by Klang's camera. It also features an eagle, the school's mascot, and a lamp of knowledge to represent his passion for learning and teaching.

Each class took turns taking flowers to the memorial and listening to Dale Thoreson, Weston's guidance counselor and dean of students. Despite the solemn moment, Klang likely would be smiling and laughing if he were present, Thoreson said. Numerous students wore kilts and other costumes to celebrate

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Family's 'genealogical curiosity'

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Medal awardee when he intervened in a robbery on Dec. 22, 1953. Then a milk deliveryman, 27, Marshall was walking to a grocery store near his home in Indiana Township, Pa., to get the evening newspaper when he came across the store owner's wife, Thelma E. Perry, 43, outside the store. According to a newspaper account of the robbery, she told Marshall, "There's a man with a gun inside," and offered him a .38-caliber revolver before heading back into the store.

Before entering himself, Marshall noticed that the gun was not loaded. He was nervous but ultimately chose to use the gun as a bluff.

Inside, Marshall found the owner, Calvin L. Perry, 46 and his assailant struggling for control of a gun pointed

toward the floor. The gun fired, and the bullet struck Perry in the hand before ricocheting and striking his wife in the leg. Marshall, who stood just 12 feet away from the men, pointed his unloaded weapon at the assailant and demanded that

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Carnegie Medal awardee Robert C. Marshall, nephew of Adolph Gunia, was chief of the Fox Chapel (Pa.) Police Department for 21 years. He died in 2006.

Armed Only with Empty Gun Dec. 23 1953

Milkman Captures Two in Holdup

Grocer and Wife Shot in Struggle

A courageous milkman, brandishing an empty gun, is credited with breaking up an attempted holdup in which an Indiana Township storekeeper and his wife were shot.

Robert C. Marshall, 27, disarmed the bandit with a gun he knew he couldn't shoot yesterday after he walked into Perry's Clover Farm store, at Hart's Run and Dorseyville Roads, while the holdup was in progress.

In a struggle for the holdup weapon a moment before, Calvin Perry, 46, and his wife, Mrs. Thelma Perry, 38, were shot by the same bullet when the gun went off.

Shot in the Hand

Mr. Perry, shot in the hand, was admitted to Pittsburgh Hospital, where his condition was reported as fair.

The bullet passed through Mr. Perry's hand and hit his wife on the thigh. She was admitted to St. Francis Hospital and is in good condition.

Mr. Marshall, a driver for the Rieck Dairy Co., held the bandit, and his accomplice who had been waiting outside in a truck, under guard until police arrived.

Taken into custody by county detectives, the suspects were identified as William Gaurich, 22, of R.D. 2, Tarentum, and Norman Stebel, 25, of Tarentum.

ON THE WAY TO JAIL are two frustrated bandits, William Gaurich, 22, dodging camera, and Norman Stebel, 25, both of Tarentum, led to a police car by County Detective George Neelan. They tried to hold up an Indiana Township grocery.



George W. Gunia of Springdale, Pa., was Adolph Gunia's son and was on hand in 1995 during the installation of a state historical marker commemorating the establishment of the Carnegie Hero Fund Commission.

Family's 'genealogical curiosity'

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he drop his gun. The robber and an accomplice waiting outside both surrendered to Marshall.

Every hero faces a choice to risk his or her life in order to save another's, and many factors can affect the choice to be a hero. The connection among Taylor, Lyle, and Marshall raises the possibility that a message of heroism can be spread and the culture of heroism can be nurtured, leading to more people choosing heroism when their moment of choice arrives. As Marshall considered the unloaded revolver, he may not have explicitly recalled the brave acts of Taylor and Lyle 50 years earlier, but his connection to this piece of history may have played a role in his life-long dedication to serving others, and may in turn have contributed to his heroic choice.

As the great-grandson of Adolph Gunia, I have a deep appreciation for the choice that Taylor made. Without it, my family simply would not exist. My wife and I honored this choice by giving our daughter the middle name "Taylor" when she was born six years ago. She doesn't yet understand the significance of the name, but it ensures that the story will be a part of her upbringing, as well as that of her younger twin brothers. By keeping the connection to Taylor alive in our family, I hope that if any of us is ever faced with a choice like that faced by Taylor, Lyle, Marshall, and all of the other Carnegie Medal awardees, we will choose to be a hero too. ☒

Brandon Abbs and wife Lena Steinhorn with daughter Harper Taylor Abbs, 6, and twin sons, Nolan, left, and Elliott. Abbs is a medical writer in the pharmaceutical industry.



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the school's homecoming week events, and Klang no doubt would have encouraged the kids' school spirit.

Thoreson said Klang also knew the value of a diploma: "He would want you students to think about your education and use that as a springboard to your future."

Stephanie Vick was at college when she received news of the shooting 10 years ago. She had graduated from Weston

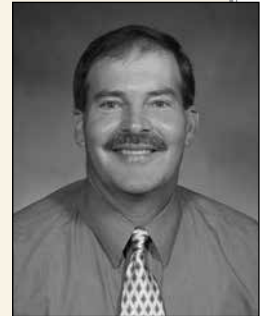
that spring and was pursuing a degree in education with the goal, now realized, of returning home as a teacher. She said before that day, she was excited to attend her first homecoming as an alumna and to enjoy the parade and football game. Instead, she attended a memorial and funeral.

Vick, who teaches second grade, said Klang was a humble, approachable man who made education fun for everyone. He would sit at lunch with the kids and greet them at the door as they arrived for the day. He was also friendly and helpful with the teachers. Vick said the anniversary was a time to talk about Klang's accomplishments, share fond stories, and carry on his spirit. "It's not that we're remembering the tragedy but who he was as a person," she said.

Louis remembered Klang for his kind, gentle nature and positive attitude. She said the way he died was especially traumatic for those who knew him, as Klang was one of the most nonviolent people she had ever met. "He's not gone. He never will be," Louis said. "He left such an impact."

(Klang was posthumously awarded the Carnegie Medal in 2008. This article appeared in the Reedsburg Times-Press and is used with permission. Memorial ceremony photo by Heather Stanek.)

15:13 calls to mind those in the Hero Fund's 112-year history whose lives were sacrificed in the performance of their heroic acts. The name identifies the chapter and verse of the Gospel of John that appears on every medal: "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends." Of the 9,893 medal awardees to date, 2,019, or 20.4% of the total, were recognized posthumously. **They are not forgotten.**



Mr. Klang



FRIENDS REMEMBERED



Mrs. Brown

Clementine U. Brown, 89, of McArthur, Calif., died July 22. She was the widow of **Roland C. Brown**, who was awarded the Carnegie Medal posthumously for his actions of July 9, 1974, by which he died attempting to save a man from drowning in Baxter Lake in Addison, N.Y. In keeping with Andrew Carnegie's wish that those financially dependent upon heroes "should not suffer pecuniarily," Brown was given a continuing monthly grant, which lasted until the time of her death. Provisions of such grants stipulate periodic financial reporting to the Hero Fund, and in her last such detailed communication, at age 88, Brown wrote, "I want you to know where the grant money is going and not wasted on frivolous items. You've been so good to me all these years and I'm so thankful and conscientious about my reports."



Mr. Cameron

Henry C. Cameron, 94, of North Little Rock, Ark., died Sept. 16. Cameron was awarded the medal in 1938 in recognition of his actions of Aug. 21 of the year earlier, by which he rescued a 2-year-old boy from a well. After the boy fell into the 20-foot-deep, dry well, Cameron, then 15, volunteered to be lowered into it, head first and secured by ropes tied

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It's 'never too late to honor a hero': ceremony cites four past awardees



A diverse group of family, friends, and strangers gathered in a quiet corner of Bunker Hill Cemetery on a hot day in late August to honor the heroes of Macoupin County, in the southern part of Illinois. The county has a proud association with the Hero Fund by virtue of the heroism of four of its native sons: **Ivah J. Coles**, who was awarded the Carnegie Medal in 1905; **Robert Bruce Ogg** (1932); **Robert H. Rutherford** (1932); and **Arthur Eugene Burke** (1939).



Dr. Rutherford

The occasion included the dedication of a memorial stone, bearing a Hero Fund marker, that was recently placed on Coles's grave, the culmination of efforts by an unlikely group of collaborators from Illinois and Pennsylvania who rallied around the legacy of the 21-year-old man from Carlinville, Ill.: Coles died June 8, 1904, attempting to save a friend from drowning.

Matthew Campbell, a numismatist (collector of medals, coins, and such) from Washington, Pa., had purchased Coles's medal earlier in the year after finding it for sale on eBay. Rather than rest on his acquisition of a mint-condition specimen of some value (and having outbid the Hero Fund in the process), Campbell saw in the medal the heroic sacrifice that it represented. He proceeded to research Coles and the medal by visiting the Hero Fund's offices in Pittsburgh and then contacting Dave Jokisch of the Macoupin County Historical Society.

A byproduct of Campbell's research came in the form of articles published in two numismatic journals, with one of the articles excerpted in this issue of *imPULSE* (see page 8). And for his "research and educational efforts in promoting the

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Betty Burke Garbin, sister of 1939 Carnegie Medal recipient Arthur Eugene Burke, received a grave marker from Eric Zahren, the Hero Fund's executive director.



Past awardees of the Carnegie Medal from Macoupin County, Ill., were called to mind at a ceremony in Bunker Hill (Ill.) Cemetery.

It's 'never too late'

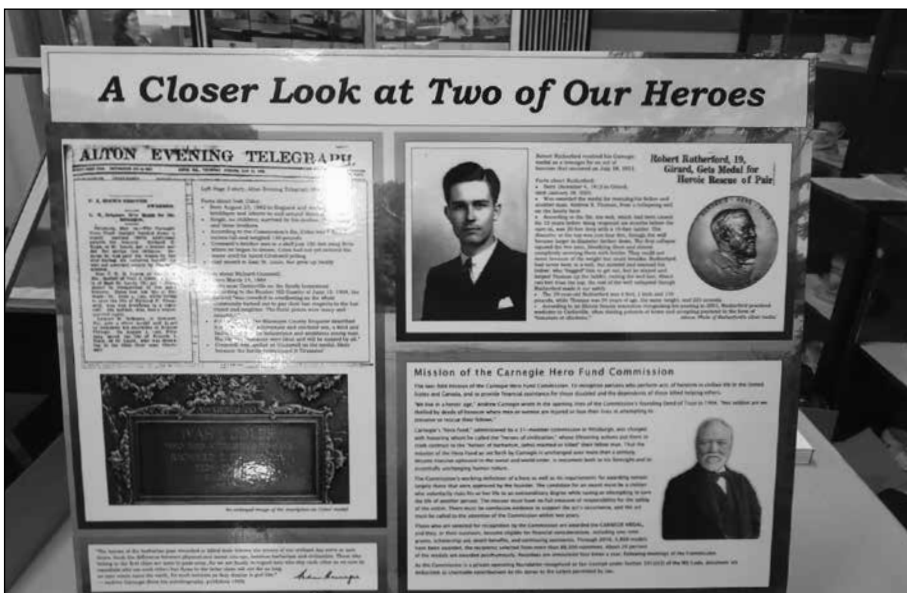
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Carnegie Medal,” Campbell was given both an outstanding achievement award in October by the Pennsylvania Association of Numismatists (PAN) and an exhibit award.

Campbell and Jokisch discovered that Coles had been buried in a family plot in Bunker Hill Cemetery, but in an unmarked grave, and through their efforts they secured a headstone. The Hero Fund, through its executive director, Eric Zahren, provided the bronze marker, and the Aug. 24 date for a dedication was set. Additional research identified three past Carnegie Medal awardees from the Macoupin County area, and the historical society was able to locate some of their family members and invite them to the memorial event.

Zahren represented the Hero Fund at the ceremony and in his remarks noted that, though long overdue, it is “never too late to honor a hero,” a sentiment echoed by several of the others in attendance. Zahren also gave grave markers and certificates to the families of the other heroes represented:

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The Macoupin County Historical Society displayed panels on the local awardees and their heroic acts.

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around his body and ankles. According to the Hero Fund's report, “Sand that fell as he scraped against the walls entered his eyes, and he could not see.” Cameron grabbed the boy by the ankles and then with him was drawn back to the surface. Cameron entered the Navy two years later and served during World War II in the Asian theater and then in Korea. He was a retired homebuilder.

Margaret Frances Pappalardo Shields, 100, of Woburn, Mass., died Oct. 14. As a 13-year-old schoolgirl in 1929, she saved another girl from drowning in an abandoned canal in Woburn after the girl broke through thin ice into deep water. Neither girl could swim. Shields was awarded the medal in 1931.

Jackie A. Wellington, 77, of The Villages, Fla., died Aug. 3. He was awarded the medal in 1954 for his rescue actions of Aug. 18, 1952, by which he saved a 12-year-old boy from drowning in the Penobscot River at Bangor, Maine. The boy, a non-swimmer, was swinging on a rope suspended from a bridge when he lost his hold and dropped into the deep water. Wellington, 14, jumped from a nearby pier and swam to him, but the boy pulled him beneath the surface of the water. Wellington broke free of him, calmed him, and towed him to a low section of the pier, from which they left the water.

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A SPECIAL DAD

A bronze grave marker cast in the likeness of the Carnegie Medal was mounted last spring on the Gooch Family headstone in Alexander Memorial Park, Evansville, Ind. **Raymond F. Gooch**, who died at 93 on Sept. 16, 2015, was awarded the medal in 1941 for helping to save three friends from drowning in the Ohio River at Cypress, Ind., on Nov. 3, 1940. “The marker is a wonderful reminder of just how special Dad was,” says daughter Kathy Frey of Highland, Ill. Grave markers are made available to families of deceased awardees of the medal at no cost. See back page.



Amedeo Pancotti climbs out of an abandoned air shaft to seek help for his fellow miners. Illustration by Benjamin Mackey.

DOCUMENTARY ON TRAGEDY TO INCLUDE HERO'S ACTIONS

The aftermath of the Knox Mine catastrophe in Northeastern Pennsylvania, which claimed the lives of 12 miners, included the convictions of mining company and union officials because of illegal digging under a river and the economically crippling cessation of deep mining in the region. But the full story of what happened on Jan. 22, 1959, when the icy Susquehanna River overflowed its banks and flooded underground mine veins with 10 billion gallons of water, is incomplete without an account of one longtime miner's slow, death-defying 50-foot climb up an abandoned air shaft to alert rescuers to the site of several trapped coworkers. For that, **Amedeo Pancotti**, 50, of Pittston, Pa., received the Carnegie Medal nine months later.

The chilling details of those events nearly six decades ago, little known outside the Pittston region, are being retold in a full-length documentary, "Knox Mine Disaster," produced by filmmaker David Brocca and his cousin, Albert Brocca. David Brocca, who was raised in nearby West Pittston, said the project has given him a newfound perspective on the region's culture.

"They say we stand on the shoulders of giants, and these miners were our grandfathers and great-grandfathers, who paid with their lives, their health, and their dreams of a better life for their children," said Brocca, who lives in Los Angeles. At the urging of Robert P. Wolensky, who has written extensively about the disaster, Brocca and his cousin started the ambitious project with a series of interviews in 2008. The following year, for the 50th anniversary of the incident, they screened a short film at the Pennsylvania Anthracite Heritage Museum in Scranton, Pa.

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Carnegie Medal's 2-year design process resulted in 'magnificent piece of work'

By Matthew Campbell
Pennsylvania Association of Numismatists

A medal was part of Andrew Carnegie's thought process from the beginning. His Deed of Trust of March 12, 1904, states: "A medal shall be given to the hero, or widow, or next of kin, which shall recite the heroic deed it commemorates, that descendants may know and be proud of their descent."

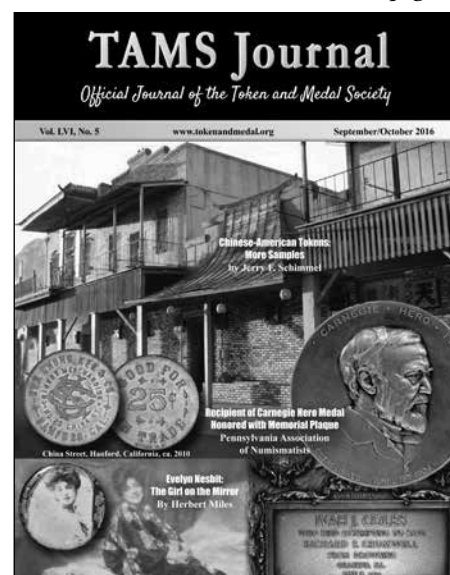
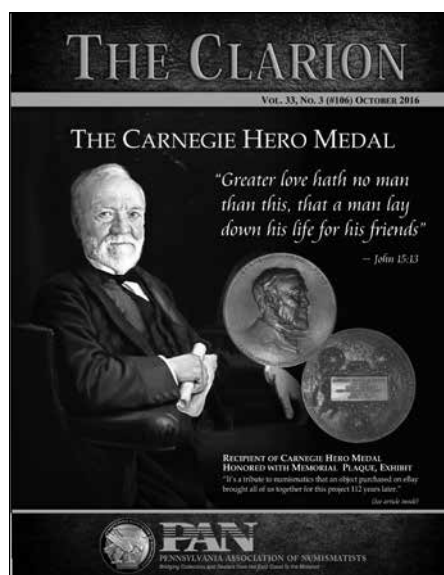
The Carnegie Medal was designed by J.E. Caldwell & Company of Philadelphia, Pa., though the process was long, taking more than two years. Designs were initially solicited not just from Caldwell but also Tiffany, Gorham, Heeren Brothers of Pittsburgh, Spaulding, and Bailey, Banks & Biddle. The specifications were for a three-inch medal 3/16 inches thick. The obverse was to include an illustration of a hero and the religious motto, "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends" (John 15:13), and the reverse was to have a miniature bust of Carnegie and a tablet for an inscription. The Commission wanted the medal to be self-explanatory and, going hand-in-hand with that, in English, rather than in Latin.

In an Oct. 4, 1904, letter from the Caldwell Company to the Commission, the company laid out the sources of inspiration for their thoughts, including a Greek story about Hercules from Murray's *Manual of Mythology*. In the story, when the king became sick, he was told by an oracle he would die unless someone volunteered in his place. The king's wife, Alcestis, did just that, and would have been carried off by the god of death but for Hercules who intervened, grabbing the god of death and forcing him to promise to leave Alcestis alone.

In another letter, of Jan. 7, 1905, Caldwell presented another source of inspiration—biblical. "The greatest example [of heroism] ever given, and the one most in accord with the spirit of the beautiful text suggested by Mr. Carnegie, is of course, that given by Christ, in his sacrifice for the World. That we have not dared to consider, while looking for a subject for the Medal, for the reason that as the reverse is to have a portrait of Mr. Carnegie himself, he would probably be the first to protest against it."

The Commission rejected Caldwell's initial designs and the designs of all the other firms, but did select Caldwell to continue the project.

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Fall publications of the Pennsylvania Association of Numismatists, left, and the Token and Medal Society carried articles on the Hero Fund and featured the Carnegie Medal on their covers.

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The medal ultimately turned out quite differently, with a bust of Carnegie on the obverse. The reverse featured a map of North America (since the Hero Fund covers the U.S. and Canada) and the seals of the U.S., Canada, and Newfoundland (then a colony), along with a plaque, or cartouche, adorned with laurel (representing glory), ivy (friendship), oak (strength), and thistle (persistence). Caldwell noted also that including the thistle was "a sentimental touch of Carnegie's [Scottish] nationality, which we know he is very proud of." Interestingly, Caldwell also suggested that the letters of the inscription be in relief rather than engraved, a tradition the modern Hero Fund continues. Individual dies are thus required for the reverse of each medal. Producer of the medal is Simons Brothers Company of Philadelphia, which traces its roots to 1839.

The Commission provided photos of Carnegie to the Caldwell company's artist for the bust, but Caldwell insisted on getting a sitting with Carnegie, which ultimately happened over two days in May 1906. Caldwell's agent wrote to the Commission's president on May 9, "I found Mr. Carnegie all you stated, most agreeable, chatty and sociable, and had the pleasure of a ride down town in his automobile afterwards..."

According to the contract between Caldwell and the Commission, dated Nov. 20, 1906, the production dies cost \$2,350. Medals were to be made of bronze, silver, and gold, with the 22-karat gold medals containing nine ounces of the precious metal. Early in the process, 14- and 18-karat gold were suggested, with a recommendation for 18 karats as "holding its color better." However, the 18-karat gold posed "grave danger to the die," requiring 80 blows to fully strike the medal, so 22-karat gold was used instead. The silver medals contain 5.5 ounces of .999 fine silver.

A set of blank medals (gold, silver, and bronze) were made and given to Carnegie. In addition, plaster casts were made for the 21 members of the Commission.

Photos of the finished medals were released in October 1906 to the press, but Caldwell's agent was upset about one thing: "The pictures of the medals look very well in the Philadelphia papers, but there was not one of them that had the decency

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- Robert Bruce Ogg of Gillespie, Ill., who saved a 9-year-old boy from drowning in the lake of a country club in Gillespie on June 4, 1931. Ogg, also 9, was a fifth-grader.
- Robert H. Rutherford of Girard, Ill., who rescued a man from a collapsing well in Girard on July 18, 1931. The man was buried at the bottom of a 20-foot-well by bricks and earth that collapsed into it. Rutherford, 19, descended to the top of the debris, freed the man, and then with him climbed out of the well to safety as the well continued to collapse. With tuition assistance from the Hero Fund, Rutherford went on to attend medical school at Washington University, St. Louis, Mo., and on graduating in 1936 practiced medicine in Macoupin County for 50 years.
- Arthur Eugene Burke of Girard, who saved an elderly man from being struck by a train in Girard on March 2, 1939. The 76-year-old man was walking rapidly toward the track on which a train was approaching at 60 m.p.h. Burke, 16, ran to him, grasped him, and fell on top of him away from the track, clearing the train by about five feet. Burke served at Okinawa during World War II but, tragically, perished in an airplane crash on Sept. 12, 1945, one day before he was to return home. Burke's medal has recently been donated to the Hero Fund for permanent display by his nephew, Bill Burke of Auburn, Ill. ☞

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Afterward, Brocca continued to collect leads for more interviews, prompting them to resume filming when they returned to the area. In all, they've done more than 20 sit-down interviews with miners, their relatives, and historians. "The interviewees were always very open and welcoming because we're hometown boys," Brocca said. "This allowed us to capture a more personal perspective that I feel we wouldn't have gotten otherwise."

Among the participants were Pancotti's daughter, Hortense Oschal, who nominated him for the medal, and grandson, George G. Oschal III. "They were very gracious and allowed me to hold his Carnegie Medal in my hands," Brocca said. "It's something I'll never forget."

The Broccas' big breakthrough happened three years ago, when they met Jack Scanella, the local television cameraman who filmed the scene. They then received permission for film archivist Dino Everett at the University of Southern California to restore Scanella's 16-millimeter film.

"One of our biggest challenges was trying to identify the people in these half-a-century-old reels. We showed the films to historians and relatives, cross-referenced them with old newspaper photographs, and even posted headshots to our Knox Facebook page asking followers: 'Can you identify this person?' We basically had to use every multimedia platform available to us, and it became a real treasure hunt."

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Filmmaker David Brocca, center, with film archivist Dino Everett, left, and Albert Brocca.

LATEST AWARDEES OF THE CARNEGIE MEDAL

SINCE THE LAST ISSUE OF *imPULSE*, THE FOLLOWING 25 INDIVIDUALS HAVE EACH BEEN AWARDED THE CARNEGIE MEDAL, BRINGING THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RECIPIENTS TO 9,893 SINCE THE HERO FUND'S INCEPTION IN 1904. THE LATEST AWARDS, WHICH WERE ANNOUNCED ON SEPT. 28, ARE DETAILED ON THE COMMISSION'S WEBSITE AT WWW.CARNEGIEHERO.ORG. THE NEXT ANNOUNCEMENT OF AWARDEES WILL BE MADE ON DEC. 21.

Dinah Keturia McGee, 67, a retired nurse from Greeneville, Tenn., died attempting to rescue her sister, Linda F. Inscore, 63, from their burning house on July 10, 2015. Inscore, who was infirm, was in her bedroom in the one-story house after fire broke out in an adjacent room. McGee ran more than 200 feet to a neighbor's house and told the neighbor to call for help, and then she returned to the scene. Despite flames spreading in the wooden structure, McGee entered the house and was not seen outside again. First arriving firefighters were thwarted by deteriorating conditions from making immediate entry. During fire suppression, firefighters located Inscore's and McGee's bodies in Inscore's bedroom. Both had died of thermal burns and smoke inhalation.

Christian E. Euchenhofer, 47, of Greene, N.Y., rescued Roger G. Quinn, 70, from a crashed and burning airplane in Greene on Sept. 1, 2014. Quinn was piloting a light-sport airplane when it crash-landed shortly after take-off. It came to rest upright in a grassy field and caught fire. Witnessing the crash from the nearby airport, Euchenhofer, an airplane mechanic, drove to the scene and ran to the plane, where he found flames engulfing the right side of the craft. He saw Quinn lying partially outside the plane, one leg trapped by wreckage and the other stuck inside the cabin. Despite fuel leaking from the wing over Quinn, Euchenhofer freed Quinn's legs and then pulled him completely from the plane and dragged him away, flames growing to consume the plane.



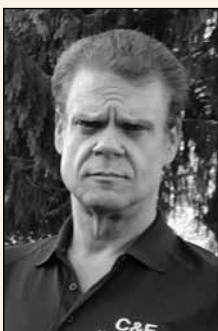
Kevin Scott Johnson II was devoted to his grandmother, Willa M. Pennington, and died trying to rescue her from her mobile home during flash flooding in the Flat Gap area of Kentucky. The aerial shot, by Allen Bolling and provided as a courtesy, shows where Pennington's home was located before it was washed away. Pennington was also a victim of the flooding.

Patrick J. Hopkins IV, 26, a police officer from Newberry, Fla., helped to save Kimberly Y. Foster, 30, from her burning house in Gainesville, Fla., on June 26, 2015. Foster was in a bedroom of the one-story house after fire broke out in the adjoining kitchen at night, spread throughout much of the structure, and filled the bedroom with dense smoke. On duty, Hopkins responded to the scene, where flames blocked entry through a front door. After he and his partner broke out a window to Foster's bedroom, Hopkins climbed through it and, crawling through dense smoke that severely restricted visibility, felt for Foster. Finding her unconscious on the floor, he pulled her to the window and maneuvered her through it. Aided by his partner, Hopkins left the burning house through

the window. He required hospital treatment for abrasions and minor smoke inhalation.

Bradley C. Runions, 58, a disabled railway worker, and **Adam Joe Martin**, 32, a cook, both of Hayward, Wis., saved a neighbor, Michael W. Remmert, 42, from his burning house on July 6, 2015. Remmert lay unconscious on the floor of the sunroom of his one-story house after fire broke out in the adjacent kitchen at night and filled the structure with dense smoke. Runions and Martin responded from their nearby homes to find smoke pouring through the door to the sunroom. Hearing Remmert wheezing from inside the structure, Runions got down onto his stomach and advanced through the sunroom, finding Remmert at the opposite end, near an opening to the kitchen. He grasped Remmert and pulled on him, standing in his efforts to move him. When he called for help, Martin ran into the sunroom, grasped Remmert, and with Runions dragged him through the door and to safety. Runions needed hospital treatment for inhaling smoke.

Oceanside (Calif.) Police Officer **Brannon D. Heathman**, 37, of Temecula, Calif., helped to rescue Karen S. Murdock, 62, and Jill D. C. Watkins, 53, from a burning apartment



Mr. Euchenhofer



Ms. McGee



Mr. Bartscher



Mr. Clausen

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in Oceanside on Dec. 16, 2014. Murdock and Watkins lay unconscious on the floor of the smoke-filled apartment after fire broke out in its living room at night. Heathman, who was on duty, crawled into the apartment and saw Murdock in a bedroom not far from the apartment door. He grasped her and dragged her to safety. A man who lived at the complex then crawled into the apartment and found Watkins. Heathman re-entered the unit, crawled to Watkins, and with the other man grasped him and dragged him outside to safety. Heathman received hospital treatment for smoke inhalation.

Mitchell Allan Williams, 28, a grounds technician from St. Pauls, N.C., rescued James E. Davis, 73, from attacking dogs in St. Pauls on June 20, 2015. Davis was in his front yard when one of three pit bulls that had entered the fenced-in property jumped on him and began to maul him. From where he was working across the street, Williams ran to the scene with a pitchfork and repeatedly struck and poked the dog, an adult male, with it. The dogs then turned on Williams, biting him severely on an upper arm and on one of his feet. When he was then able to climb onto the roof of a car that was parked on the property's driveway, the male dog attempted to get up onto the car. The other dogs left the yard as neighbors responded and kept the male dog at bay, soon dispatching it. Williams required sutures for wounds that caused him to miss a month's work.

High school student **Justin Lee Greenwald**, 17, of Calabasas, Calif., saved his neighbor, Ronald L. Lallone, 81, from a burning mobile home on Nov. 29, 2015. Lallone, 81, was asleep in a bedroom in one end of his mobile home after fire broke out at night, at the opposite end. Flames spread quickly, blocking the front door, and filled the structure with smoke. Justin responded to the mobile home's side door and, finding it locked, punched out the glass and then forced the door open. He entered to flames that were spreading in the living room and, assuming that Lallone was in his bedroom, went to that room, pulled Lallone to his feet, and, supporting him, guided him to the side door and outside to safety. Flames grew and destroyed the structure.

Keoni Bowthorpe, 33, a filmmaker from Haleiwa, Hawaii, rescued Colin W. Cook, 25, from a shark attack in the Pacific Ocean off Haleiwa on Oct. 9, 2015. Cook was surfing at a point about 600 feet from shore when a tiger shark about



After Bradley C. Runions was alerted to a nighttime fire in his neighbor's house, he responded to the structure, crawled into its smoke-filled sunroom, and located his neighbor unconscious on the floor, near where Runions is pictured. Helped by another man, Runions pulled the victim to safety. Photo, by Terrell Boettcher, is courtesy of Sawyer County (Wis.) Record.



*Scott R. Williams
(Photo courtesy of
Seven Days Vermont)* Mr. Hill



11 feet long attacked him, severing his left leg above the knee and inflicting severe hand injury. Standing on a paddle board in the water about 500 feet away, Bowthorpe witnessed the attack and immediately went to Cook, who by then had gotten back onto his board in the bloodied water. When the shark approached them, Bowthorpe thrust one end of his paddle against it to push it away. Bowthorpe then lay prone atop his board and pulled Cook onto his back. With Cook holding to him as best he could, Bowthorpe paddled about 1,300 feet over an indirect course to shore, having to stop a few times to secure Cook. Cook was hospitalized for treatment of severe injuries and was later fitted with a prosthetic leg.

Jameson Bartscher of Aberdeen, S.D., and **Todd D. Clausen** of Sioux City, Iowa, rescued Cassidy J. Wanna from a burning car after an accident in Summit, S.D., on June 9, 2015, and then Bartscher rescued Gabrielle G. Wanna and Rebecca L. Stoughton. Cassidy, 2 months, and his great-aunt, Stoughton, 53, were passengers in a sport utility vehicle that Wanna, 23, was driving on an interstate highway when fire broke out at the rear of the vehicle. As the car lost power, Wanna pulled onto the shoulder, and flames rose several feet above the rear of the vehicle and spread toward its front. Bartscher, 30, a public works employee, and Clausen, 44, a sales representative, both motorists, stopped at the scene. Bartscher used a fire extinguisher to break the window of the car's rear, passenger-side door. Together, he and Clausen freed Cassidy through the window, with Clausen unbuckling the baby from his car seat and carrying him away. Bartscher then opened that door, partially entered the vehicle, and pulled Wanna to safety. Re-entering, he aided Stoughton to escape after freeing her from an entanglement. Fire quickly engulfed the vehicle, destroying it. Bartscher recovered from minor cuts to his arms, and Clausen from minor burns.

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Michael J. Manley, Sr., of Wilmington, Del., died attempting to save Andrew Short, 17, from drowning in the Atlantic Ocean at Virginia Beach, Va., on Sept. 27, 2015. While swimming, Andrew was caught by a strong current that took him farther from shore and kept him from returning in the rough surf. From the beach, his mother's partner, Manley, 43, heavy equipment operator, waded and then swam to a point near him. He calmed Andrew and then instructed him on how to return to shore. Andrew followed his directions and safely returned to the beach, where he collapsed. Manley, however, began to struggle in the water. Firefighters and a police officer arrived, entered the water, and attempted to rescue him, but conditions were too rough, and they were pulled back in. Manley's body washed ashore shortly. He could not be revived, as he had drowned.

A physician from Midlothian, Va., **Matthew R. Bartholomew**, 44, helped to save Joyce A. Byrd from drowning in a retention pond in Midlothian on Feb. 16, 2015. Byrd, 65, remained in the driver's seat of a sedan after it left the roadway and entered the pond, which was covered with thin ice. The vehicle started to submerge nose first in the 10-foot-deep water, its rear about 10 feet from the closer bank. Driving by, Bartholomew saw the car and learned that it was occupied. Despite the air temperature of 18 degrees, with a wind-chill in the single digits, and the water at freezing, Bartholomew removed his shirt, entered the pond, and swam to the vehicle's driver's door. When the door submerged, he was able to open it, but he could not locate Byrd. Bartholomew then swam toward the bank, where a police officer gave him a police baton and one end of a rescue rope. Returning to the vehicle, Bartholomew broke out the rear window with the baton, and when Byrd's head then emerged through the opening, he pulled her out. He



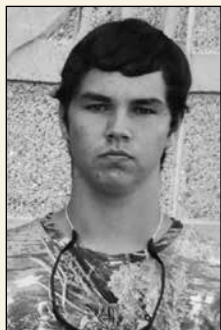
Frigid air and water temperatures on a snowy February evening didn't stop Dr. Matthew R. Bartholomew from entering a retention pond to rescue a woman whose car was sinking in the 10-foot-deep water. He broke out the car's rear window, pulled her from the vehicle, and took her to the bank. "I just thank the Lord that he was there for me and that the Lord sent him to me," the woman later told a reporter. Photo by P. Kevin Morley of the Richmond (Va.) Times-Dispatch.

supported her as the officer pulled them to the bank with the rope. Bartholomew needed hospital treatment for cuts to an arm and a finger, which required suturing.

Scott R. Williams attempted to rescue Lara K. Sobel from a gun assault in Barre, Vt., on Aug. 7, 2015. Sobel, 48, was walking in the parking lot of a commercial building when an enraged woman armed with a .270-caliber hunting rifle approached and shot her at close range. Sobel fell to the pavement. Williams, 50, an attorney from Berlin, Vt., was on the ground floor of the

building when he heard the shot. Looking through a nearby window, he saw the assailant standing over Sobel. Williams immediately ran to a door that accessed the parking lot, en route hearing a second shot. Leaving the building, he approached the assailant, shouting at her and attracting her attention. When Williams reached the assailant, he grabbed the rifle from her and disabled it. He then kept himself between Sobel and the assailant, verbally engaging her. Others who responded secured the assailant, holding her until police arrived. Sobel's wounds were fatal.

Steven Michael Hill, 45, a mover from Inkster, Mich., rescued Avalyn D. Dufek, 1, from a burning car in Jacksonville, Fla., on Nov. 20, 2015. Avalyn was in a car seat that was secured to the backseat of a sport utility vehicle being driven by her father. In a violent nighttime accident, the vehicle left the roadway and came to rest upright, flames breaking out at the rear of the vehicle and spreading to its passenger compartment. From a truck approaching the scene, Hill went to the driver's side of the burning vehicle and saw Avalyn. As the driver's door and the roof were



Mr. Page



Mr. Jimenez



Mr. Hopkins



Mr. Chmielnicki

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missing, Hill entered the vehicle through the door opening and stood on the center console. Despite flames behind and next to Avalyn's car seat, he worked to free the straps that secured Avalyn. He then lifted her from the seat, stepped from the vehicle, and took her to safety as flames spread in the passenger compartment. Hill sustained burns to his right arm.

Kevin Scott Johnson II, 34, of Flat Gap, Ky., died attempting to save his grandmother, Willa M. Pennington, 74, from drowning during sudden flooding in Flat Gap on July 13, 2015. Pennington was in her mobile home as severe thunderstorms caused nearby Big Mudlick Creek to flood. Johnson, a store clerk, responded to the scene to aid her and had just entered the mobile home to remove her when a surge of floodwater lifted it from its foundation. As the current was washing the mobile home away, Johnson exited to a porch, holding Pennington. They jumped into the water together and held each other until they were able to grab onto a tree. When a wooden structure floated by, Johnson placed Pennington on it. They were swept farther downstream and were separated. Search crews found Pennington's body the following day and Johnson's three days later. He had drowned.

Kenneth F. Smith, 48, a business operator from Milford, Del., rescued James A. Daisey, 65, from a burning dump truck after an accident in Lincoln,



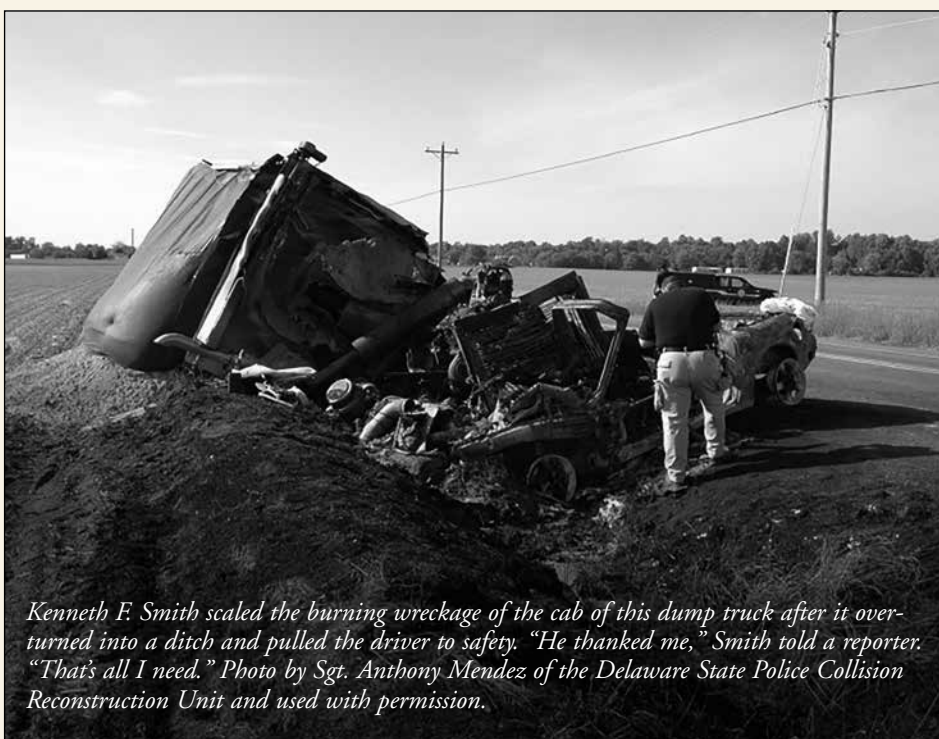
Dorothy J. Bell, seated, and her daughter, Donna L. Bell, standing, survived a massive explosion in their home that knocked out walls and collapsed the roof. Neighbors Jacob D. Kirinovic, left, and Robert Seth Ludington, center, and passerby Kenya D. Betty, right, took them from the burning structure to safety.

Del., on May 20, 2014. Daisey was driving the truck when it collided with a car that entered his lane. The truck turned onto its passenger side in

a ditch off the shoulder, and the car came to rest upright at the front of the truck. Flames broke out there. Daisey stood on the passenger door and attempted to open the driver's door. Another motorist, Smith, witnessed the accident. He was attempting to aid the driver of the car when he became aware that Daisey was trapped in the truck. Smith then climbed up the wreckage of the truck's cab, stood on its driver's side, and, opening the door wide, saw Daisey inside. He grasped Daisey and helped him through the doorway, flames by then starting to enter the cab near the passenger door. Smith returned to the ground, aided Daisey off the truck, and took him to safety. Flames grew to engulf the interior of the cab.

A 16-year-old high school student, **Leyton Page**, of Bogalusa, La., helped to save Jacob W. Morris, 8, and his brother, John W. Morgan, 6, from drowning in the Bogue Chitto River at Bush, La., on March 28, 2015. Jacob and John were thrown into the river after the boat they and others were occupying drifted over a low-head dam and capsized. Wearing life jackets, the boys were trapped in the boil of water at the

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Kenneth F. Smith scaled the burning wreckage of the cab of this dump truck after it overturned into a ditch and pulled the driver to safety. "He thanked me," Smith told a reporter. "That's all I need." Photo by Sgt. Anthony Mendez of the Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit and used with permission.

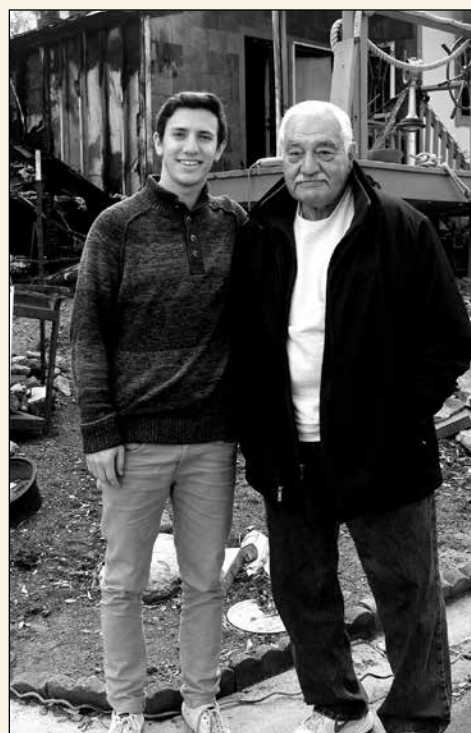


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base of the dam. Seeing them in distress from downstream, Leyton took his flat-bottomed boat to the scene and entered the boil with it. He attempted to lift one of the boys into his boat, but he lost his grip as the backwash pulled the boat to the dam. Leyton's boat also capsized there, submerging him. Surfacing, he held to the boys and to his overturned boat, which he kept between them and the dam to blunt the water's strong flow. Others responding by boat pulled all three from the water and took them to safety at the bank.

Robert Seth Ludington and **Jacob D. Kirinovic** of Hale, Mich., and **Kenya D. Betty** of New Hudson, Mich., saved Dorothy J. Bell from her collapsing and burning house in Hale on Aug. 8, 2014. Bell, 79, was in the kitchen of her one-story house when a massive explosion in the structure blew away walls and caused portions of the roof to collapse. Bell was pinned to the floor, trapped by debris. A neighbor, Ludington, 49, responded to the house, entered through its attached garage, and called out to any occupants. Hearing Bell's daughter at the other



Despite a 61-year age difference, high school student Justin Lee Greenwald is close friends with his neighbor, Ronald L. Lallone, and on a November night last year, he rushed into Lallone's burning house and led the retired medical imaging consultant to safety. Photo courtesy of The Acorn Newspapers, Calabasas, Calif.



Michael J. Manley, Sr., died attempting to save a 17-year-old boy from drowning in the Atlantic Ocean at Virginia Beach, Va., after a strong current took the boy far out. Manley swam to him and instructed him on how to return to shore. The boy reached safety, but Manley drowned. He is pictured here with his son, Michael, Jr.

end of the structure, he exited and with Betty, 38, a truck driver who also had responded, helped her escape through a window. Another neighbor, Kirinovic, 23, a maintenance worker, arrived and closed the service valve of a nearby propane tank. Learning that Bell was still inside, Betty and Kirinovic entered the house through the front door and found her, trapped under the partially collapsed roof at a point about 10 feet from the door, but they could not free her. By then the back of the house was on fire, with flames quickly growing and spreading. Ludington had re-entered the house through the garage, and at a point about 15 feet inside, he squatted under the collapsed roof and lifted it so that the other men could free Bell. Each grasping her, Betty and Kirinovic dragged Bell to the front door and outside. As the three men fled to safety with her, a wall of the house collapsed, the interior becoming engulfed by flames.

Pipefitter **Isbel Jimenez**, 47, of Breckenridge, Texas, saved his neighbor, Jeannette Marshall, 59, from her burning mobile home on Sept. 16, 2015. After a fire broke out at night in the living room of Marshall's mobile home, Jimenez saw flames issuing from the structure and immediately responded to the scene, where he learned that Marshall was still inside. As flames were blocking the front door, Jimenez

propped a board against the structure and used it as a step to access a small window about five feet off the ground. He entered the mobile home through the window, finding himself in a bathroom, where heat was intense and the smoke severely restricted visibility. He found Marshall unresponsive on the floor in that room. Maneuvering her to the window, he handed her out to two police officers who had responded. They lowered her to the ground, Jimenez then escaping through the window. He needed hospital treatment for smoke inhalation.

Pima County (Ariz.) Sheriff's Deputies **Adrian Gallo** and **Joe L. Serrano**, both of Tucson, Ariz., saved Lyndelle H. Watkins, 69, from a burning pickup truck in Tucson on May 16, 2015. After Watkins's truck was struck by another pickup, both vehicles left the roadway, came to rest only a few feet apart, and broke into flames in their engine areas. Watkins was trapped by wreckage in her driver's seat. On duty, Gallo, 34, responded to the scene, entered the space between the burning vehicles, and tried to open the driver's door of Watkins's pickup, but it was jammed shut. He then cut Watkins's safety belt and pulled on her but could not free her. Likewise, his attempts from the passenger side of the vehicle were unsuccessful. Serrano, 36, arrived about then. He positioned his patrol car

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to mention our name in connection with them. They are dreadfully afraid of giving free advertising unless there is some scandal that might be attached to it, and then you will find they will tumble over themselves to print your name any number of times in connection with it..."

The Commission's response to Caldwell on the medal, written Oct. 19, 1906: "It is a magnificent piece of work. The design of it is also thought to be the most appropriate, dignified, simple and elegant, and the likeness of Mr. Carnegie the best that has been produced in metal."

The medals were redesigned for the 100th anniversary of the Hero Fund in 2004.

The most notable change was a more modern portrait of Carnegie, although the Commission reverted to the original likeness in 2012.

The reverse of the medal was also tweaked in 2004, and the seal of Newfoundland was dropped since Newfoundland became a province of Canada in 1949.

Some Carnegie medals, including the first gold medal and a special gold medal commemorating the heroes of the Titanic disaster, can be found in museums and collections. The first gold medal was awarded in 1906 to **Mark Casto**, who used his fishing vessel to help save 54 people from a sinking freighter in a storm off the New Jersey coast. In addition to the medal, Casto's son was awarded a scholarship to study at Carnegie Tech, now Carnegie Mellon University. In 2004, the Casto family donated the medal to the university.

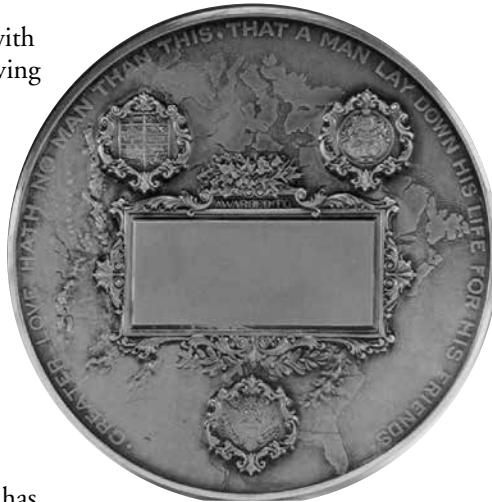
The special Titanic disaster medal was given to the Smithsonian Institution; it is now part of the National Museum of American History's National Numismatic Collection. Mounted on an ornate bronze holder, the medal is inscribed, "In memory of the heroines and heroes of the steamship Titanic, lost off the banks of Newfoundland April 15, 1912."



Mr. Campbell

The Carnegie Museum of Natural History in Pittsburgh has a collection of gold, silver, and bronze medals as well as a set of the medals for the European hero funds, which Carnegie set up following the success of the Commission. The collection was displayed at the American Numismatic Association 2004 show in Pittsburgh. ☒

This article was taken, with permission, from a larger one on the Hero Fund that appeared in the October 2016 issue of The Clarion, the publication of the Pennsylvania Association of Numismatists. Campbell, a graduate of Carnegie Mellon University, is from Washington, Pa.



Reverse of the original Carnegie Medal (1906), top, and the current look (2012), showing minor modifications.



HERO'S 1920 RESCUE ACT INTRIGUES GRANDDAUGHTER

Awarded the Carnegie Medal in 1922 for his heroic ice rescue two years earlier, the late **Clarence L. Spear** is partially to thank for the long life of the 9-year-old girl he saved. That "girl," Oneita E. Hubbard McCall, is now 106 and living in the Cambridge, Md., area.

Shirley Spear Reed of Severn, Md., never knew her grandfather—he died in 1942, eight years before she was born—but is nonetheless very proud of him. As stories of the rescue have trickled down through the years, Reed is committed to learning more of Spear's actions. Last year she secured a bronze marker from the Hero Fund and affixed it to his grave stone in Dorchester Memorial Park, Cambridge.

The rescue occurred on Jan. 11, 1920, after Oneita and two other children broke through thin ice on Cambridge Creek in Cambridge. Spear, then 34, an



Ms. Reed

auto mechanic, was skating about 350 feet away and along with several others hurried to the scene, finding Oneita panicky and calling for help. Still wearing his skates, Spear lay flat on the ice and slid toward the hole but then broke through himself. He grasped Oneita and supported her, but they submerged twice. Spear then trod water as he and Oneita held on to each other, until a rowboat was taken to the scene and pushed into the open water. A man in the boat helped Spear lift Oneita aboard and, using a rope, other men at the scene then pulled Spear back onto solid ice.

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OVERHEARD

Nobody is a bystander to an accident when you are first on the scene. You become the first responder.—

Daniel Pettett, Carnegie Medal nominee #88209, passerby who stopped at the scene of a burning vehicle after an accident.

God called on him and he answered.—Wife of **Robert Seth Ludington**, Carnegie Medal awardee #9887, who helped to save a neighbor from her collapsing and burning house after an explosion.

I kicked off my flip-flops and thought, Gator! Gator! Gator! I ran into the water anyway.—**Lisa Missana**, Carnegie Medal nominee #88183, who helped to save a woman from drowning in a pond in Florida.

The medal will help lift the dark clouds that remain after his death.—Mother of **Kevin Scott Johnson II**, Carnegie Medal awardee #9884, who died attempting to save his grandmother from drowning.

Carnegie himself would personally place the medal around their necks if he were still alive.—Witness to the actions of **Dallas Richmond**, Carnegie Medal nominee #88124, and **Craig Jackson**, Carnegie Medal nominee #88125, who rescued two people from a burning vehicle.



Pima County (Ariz.) Sheriff Deputies Adrian Gallo and Joe L. Serrano were on duty when they responded to a two-vehicle highway accident that set fire to both vehicles. With one of the drivers badly injured and trapped in the wreckage, the deputies worked to free her, finally doing so with a winch line hooked to her door. Commander Byron Gwaltney of the department told the Hero Fund, "We expect our officers to take reasonable risks in the performance of their duties when lives hang in the balance. This incident, however, does stand above and beyond our expectations." The Hero Fund agreed and in September awarded the Carnegie Medal to each deputy. Further details on page 14. Photo courtesy of the Arizona Daily Independent.

CARNEGIE'S SUPPORT

As it turns out, Andrew Carnegie's undergirding of the Hero Fund is both fiscal *and* physical. His gift of \$5 million in 1904 established the Commission, which over the following 112 years has given almost \$39 million to awardees of the Carnegie Medal and their families. The physical undergirding comes in the form of literal girders. Steel beams bearing the name "Carnegie Steel Company, Homestead Steel Works" were uncovered during the recent renovation of a ground-floor space in the Koppers Building, downtown Pittsburgh, in which the Hero Fund has its offices. Commissioned by Andrew W. Mellon and completed in 1929, the building was named after the Koppers Chemical Corporation and is one of the major distinctive and recognizable features of the city. The Hero Fund has been a tenant since 2008.



Police, other first responders figure in heroic acts Hero Fund considers

By Eric P. Zahren, Executive Director
Carnegie Hero Fund Commission

Gentlemen, we live in a heroic age. Andrew Carnegie's Deed of Trust establishing the Hero Fund in 1904 opens with those words.

If Carnegie's age was indeed heroic—perhaps formed, in part, by the plethora of dangers confronting early 20th century life during the boom of the industrial age that set the stage for heroic intervention—then one could argue that ours is heroic as well. The threat of violence that has encroached upon 21st century society is often met by heroic actors.

On the front lines of society in any age, and in our own perhaps more than ever, are the men and women who wear the badge. In that position, police officers and other first responders hold a unique and recurring role in relation to heroism as defined for Carnegie's purposes. In almost every heroic act considered by the Hero Fund, there is the presence of a police officer, whose involvement falls into one or more of three categories.

First, the officer plays a major role in the Commission's efforts to establish the facts of the case under consideration. Officers are often witnesses to the rescue, or, more likely, they investigate the event that threatened the victim for purposes of filing incident or investigative reports. In this context, the Hero Fund's own investigators avail themselves of the police reports and seek to interview officers and supervisors

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for additional data in support of the heroic act. Those officers or other department members who know of the Hero Fund know also that their nominations of acts of heroism for consideration are very much welcomed by the Commission. On occasion, an officer or a department volunteers their services in presenting the medal to the awardees.

Second, there are the cases where civilians come to the aid of police officers, which sheds new light on the often debated and potentially misleading media reporting and resulting public perceptions of the current state of police/community relations. It is not unusual for the Commission to investigate and recognize civilians who find themselves witnesses to attacks on police officers and then risk their own lives to intervene. Though the reactions of officers and departments to these incidents can range from celebrated formal recognition of the rescuer to a misplaced sense of embarrassment or even denial, civilian engagement of the type should be seen for what it is, the ultimate form of community support for the work of police officers. Is it not worthy of recognition when ordinary civilians share the inherent risks of police officers in extreme circumstances?

Third, there are police officers and first responders whose own lifesaving actions are considered for recognition by the Commission. Carnegie's vision was to honor civilian heroism in all of its forms, much as the military provides honors for its members. Active members of the military are therefore exempt from award consideration, but the Commission has long considered heroic acts by law enforcement officers and other first responders as eligible—provided that the actions are clearly “above and beyond” the line of duty. In making the call, the Commission considers a number of factors, including the officer's training, readily available equipment and backup, and job expectations. Was the officer on duty or off? Was he or she within his or her department's jurisdiction or in another geographical area? Crucial to a determination in such cases is the word of the officer's supervisor regarding departmental expectations of an officer under the figuring circumstances.

Undeniably, police and other public safety departments play an integral role in the work of the Hero Fund by identifying heroic acts and establishing the facts of each case brought to its attention. The decision to award or not is, in all cases, a difficult one. Cases involving police officers, firefighters, and emergency personnel as rescuers are especially so, and often excruciating when they involve the act-related death or disability of the responding public safety officer. The Commission's decision not to make the award should never be interpreted as a judgment against the heroic merits of the officer's actions, as it is understood that the men and women who are sworn to protect us routinely exhibit courage, bravery, and, yes, heroism, in the course of their duties. And in so doing, they have contributed to each and every “heroic age.” That is abundantly clear to those of us who serve and protect Carnegie's vision. 



Deputy Gallo



Deputy Serrano

HERO'S 1920 RESCUE ACT

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Reed said that in addition to being a mechanic, Spear farmed, growing corn, tomatoes, kale, collard greens, and other crops that he sold to local markets. He once met Annie Oakley, the famous sharpshooter, who showed him her techniques. They were passed down through the family to Reed herself when she learned to shoot as a teenager. Now retired, Reed was a detective in forensic anthropology.—*Melissa McLaughlin, Case Investigator*

DOCUMENTARY ON TRAGEDY

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“We can see the light at the end of the tunnel and are aiming towards a film festival premiere in 2017,” Brocca said. “The goal is to attract a distributor that can get the documentary out to a worldwide audience.”

For more information about the documentary, see knoxminedisaster.com.—*Chris Foreman, Case Investigator*

LATEST AWARDEES

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at the burning pickup and, with a winch line that he attached to the door, forced it open. He and Gallo then reached through the doorway and pulled Watkins from the vehicle, flames then burning at the dashboard. Gallo needed hospital treatment for smoke exposure and a minor burn.

Christopher Chmielnicki, 34, of Henryville, Pa., helped to save Brenda D. Jelley from a burning motorhome in Mount Pocono, Pa., on Sept. 18, 2015. Jelley, 50, was in the bedroom of the 37-foot vehicle that her boyfriend was driving through a business district. Alerted to smoke issuing from the motorhome's engine, which was at the rear of the vehicle, the boyfriend pulled over and exited to look at the engine. Inside, Jelley went to the floor because of heavy smoke but then lost consciousness. From nearby, Chmielnicki ran to the scene and entered the vehicle. He went to the floor and crawled toward the rear of the motorhome until he located Jelley. Securing a hold on her, Chmielnicki took her to the door, where with help he took Jelley down the motorhome's steps and outside to safety. Chmielnicki suffered smoke inhalation that required hospital treatment.



COMMISSION'S TUITION AID BENEFITS SON OF LATE HERO

Michael J. Thanos, 22, of Chesterton, Ind., the son and grandson of Carnegie Medal awardees, is a senior at Purdue University, West Lafayette, Ind., where he is studying aviation flight and management—and doing quite well, with a 3.76 grade-point average. Over the summer, he was one of four flight operations interns at Delta Air Lines, and we asked him about it:

"The internship was located at Delta's headquarters in Atlanta, Ga. I supplemented the flight operations floor, which is in charge of anything to do with the flight crew. My day-to-day duties were wide-ranged. For instance, one of my projects was to create a Facebook group for the flight training department. It was geared towards Delta's newly hired pilots who would request to be a part of the closed group until we removed them on their passing a simulator check ride. I created a full executive summary for this project, which should be approved by the executive leadership and activated by the end of the year.

"Besides the day-to-day duties, I was given an unbelievable opportunity to learn for my future career as an airline pilot. I flew every simulator in the Delta fleet. I went to London, Rio de Janeiro, and Rome. I jump-seated on every aircraft in the Delta fleet except for the 747 and learned from the best pilots in the industry. I observed high-profile

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Altruism in a civil society stressed at Carnegie's hero funds gathering

Representatives from six of the hero funds established by Andrew Carnegie more than a century ago met in The Hague, Netherlands, in early October. Nine of the 11 original funds are still in existence, and they have formed an association, the Carnegie Hero Funds World Committee, to address matters of mutual concern and to share with each other how they go about their work. The committee strives to meet yearly and most recently has convened in New York, Rome, and Edinburgh.

The latest gathering was hosted by *Stichting Carnegie Heldenfonds*, the Dutch hero fund, whose chair is Jaap Smit. Smit is also the King's Commissioner, or governor, of South Holland, the largest of the country's 12 provinces, and as such presides over the 55-member provincial parliament. It was in the parliament's headquarters, *Provinciehuis*, that the Carnegie delegates met, and Smit, a theologian by training who also worked as a union leader, welcomed them with a charge: Join forces and celebrate the legacy of Andrew Carnegie.

That legacy includes being a society by building caring communities, Smit said, adding to a quote from former U.S. President Bill Clinton, "It's *not only* the economy, stupid." The Dutch hero fund of late has been undergoing a philosophical rebirth along those lines, he said, with its newly launched National Heroes Day held in The Hague. The first such observance, in 2015, had this message for the Dutch people: Look at these heroes and see how they acted as co-owners of our society. Similar events are planned for 2016 and 2017.

Applying the concept of a national "heroes day" on a greater scale intrigued the Carnegie delegates. Boi Jongejan, the Dutch fund's vice chair, said the possibility of a world movement is in the making, as people need to be reminded that "when you're a part of a society, you look around to help."

The meeting was chaired by William Thomson of Scotland, one of the great-grandchildren of Andrew and Louise Carnegie. He told the delegates that altruism

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Representatives attending a meeting of the Carnegie Hero Funds World Committee in October in The Hague, Netherlands, were, from left, Gerard Borgman (Belgium); Karl Van Santen (Belgium); Bart Van Santen (Belgium); Bart Brands (Netherlands); Theo Van Santen (Belgium); Jos Stierhout (Netherlands); Helen MacDonald (U.K.); Jaap Smit (Netherlands); Boi Jongejan (Netherlands); Liv Arnesen (Norway); William Thomson (committee chair); Eric Zahren (U.S.); Gabor Toth (Italy); Nora Rundell (U.K.); and Walter Rutkowski (U.S.).

Altruism in a civil society

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Eric P. Zahren, right, the Hero Fund's executive director, presented one of the Commission's limited-edition centennial commemoration medals to Jaap Smit, chair of the Dutch hero fund, Stichting Carnegie Heldenfonds.

fund representatives Linda Hills, Mark Laskow, and Walter Rutkowski, who met with the funds of Belgium, Norway, Denmark, and Switzerland in recent years. Eric Zahren, executive director of the U.S. fund, commented on the importance of taking advantage of social media applications, both privately among committee members and in public forums. New this year to his position, Zahren is broadening the U.S. fund's social media exposure.

Engaging the U.S. ambassadors or their staffs in the funds' activities was also addressed, and Zahren, a former U.S. government employee, volunteered his services by being a contact with the U.S. Department of State.

Funds represented at the meeting were those of Norway, the U.K., the U.S., Belgium, the Netherlands, and Italy, and the host city was certainly no stranger to Carnegie interests. Virtually in the shadow of Provinciehuis is the stately and

drives a civil society and that the hero funds are relevant, all while alluding to the financial difficulties that a few of the funds are facing. Those funds were directed to prepare proposals for assistance that the committee might be able to accommodate.

Other topics addressed were raising awareness of the funds' activities in their respective countries and how to maintain strong lines of communication among the funds during the period between their meetings. The effectiveness of informal, off-year visits among the funds was noted by Nora Rundell, chief executive of the U.K.'s Carnegie Hero Fund Trust. She referenced visits by Thomson and U.S.

magnificent Peace Palace, which was built with a \$1.5 million gift in 1903 from Andrew Carnegie. Owned and maintained by the Carnegie Foundation of The Hague, the structure is home to the International Court of Justice, which is the highest judicial body of the United Nations. Carnegie attended the building's inauguration ceremony in 1913.

The next meeting of the Carnegie Hero Funds World Committee will be held in New York City in the fall of 2017, in conjunction with the biennial awarding of the Carnegie Medal of Philanthropy by the Carnegie Corporation of New York.

CARNEGIE'S HERO FUNDS

Here are the nine existing hero funds established by Andrew Carnegie from 1904 to 1911:

Carnegie Belønningsfond for Heltemod, Denmark
Carnegie Hero Fund, Belgium
Carnegie Hero Fund Commission, U.S.
Carnegie Hero Fund Trust, U.K.
Carnegie Rescuers Foundation, Switzerland
Carnegies Heltefond for Norge, Norway
Carnegiestiftelsen, Sweden
Fondazione Carnegie, Italy
Stichting Carnegie Heldenfonds, Netherlands

Hero funds established in Germany and France are now defunct. Records of heroes cited by the French fund, Fondation Carnegie, are kept by the National Archives of France: dji.an@culture.gouv.fr

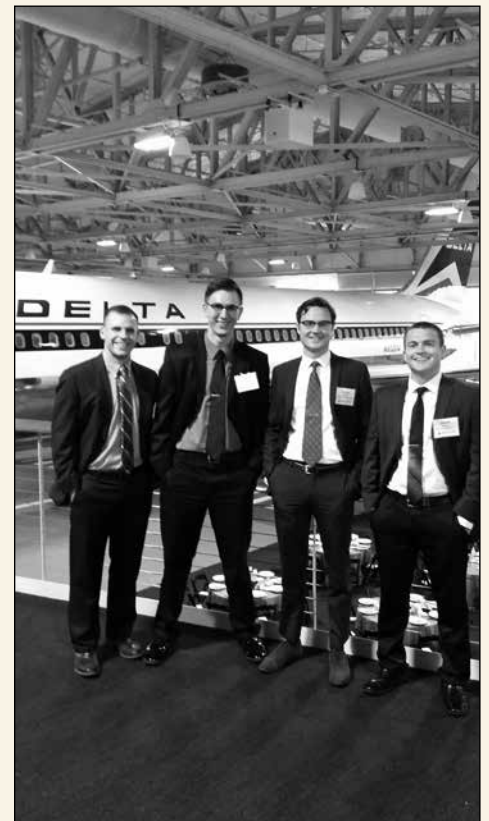
COMMISSION'S TUITION

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meetings that decided the future of the company and built strong relationships with many members of the 80,000-member workforce. It was the best summer of my life, and I am so fortunate that I received the opportunity.

"I plan to spend my career at Delta Air Lines. First, I have to spend a few years building hours at a regional airline, but I am excited for the future with such a great company. I am now back at Purdue to finish my senior year and can feel the big transition on the horizon, which I look at with wide eyes."

As the son of a posthumous awardee of the medal, Thanos is receiving tuition aid from the Hero Fund. His father, **Mark John Thanos**, and grandfather, **John Mikel Thanos**, both died on Sept. 14, 2008, while attempting to save a neighbor boy from drowning in a flooded drainage ditch in Chesterton. "I want to re-emphasize how grateful I am that this scholarship fund has allowed me to venture into the industry," Michael writes. "I would have never been able to afford my flight training otherwise. I think about my father and grandfather and the sacrifices that they made to indirectly allow me to follow my passion."



Four aspiring pilots served as flight operations interns at Delta Air Lines last summer. From left: Michael Thanos; Paul Scherry of Delaware State University; Christopher Wall, St. Louis University; and Davin Miles, Southern Illinois University.



PRESENTING



FAST FRIENDS

Andrew Baugh, second from left, of Mason City, Ill., was presented his Carnegie Medal in late August at the home of the young man he rescued, Chase W. McDermard, left, of Springfield, Ill. With them are Chase's parents, Kevin and Shelly McDermard. Chase was driving a midget-chassis race car at a speedway in Lincoln, Ill., on June 12, 2015, when a fire broke out in its engine and grew to engulf the car. Also in the race, Baugh pulled over and extracted him from the vehicle. The young men have become close friends but remain competitors on the racetrack. Eric Zahren, the Hero Fund's executive director, made the presentation.



HE LOVED HARD

Calindo C. Fletcher, Jr., played football for Buckhorn High School, New Market, Ala., and it was on the same football field that his family was presented his Carnegie Medal, awarded posthumously, before a game in September. Fletcher, then of Huntsville, Ala., died at age 20 on July 4, 2015, while attempting to save a man from drowning in a lake in Athens, Ala. Receiving the medal were his parents, Calindo, Sr., and Tracilla Fletcher, and sisters Khadesia, center, and Ka'Daysha. The presentation was made by 1963 medal awardee **Charles S. Harris**, right, of Ooltewah, Tenn. Fletcher "loved and he loved hard," his mother said. Photo by Teresa Harris.

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YOUNG HEROINE

Ashley Marie Aldridge lives near a passenger rail track in Auburn, Ill., and on Sept. 15 last year saw a 75-year-old man attempting to negotiate a track crossing in his motorized wheelchair. As she went to check on him, the crossing's gates and lights were activated, indicating that a train was only 20 seconds away. Barefoot, Aldridge pulled the man from his wheelchair and backed away from the track, the train passing them within seconds at about 78 m.p.h. Aldridge received her Carnegie Medal from the Commission's Eric Zahren at Auburn City Hall in late August in the presence of family and friends and was also cited by Illinois State Representative Sara Wojcicki Jimenez.



TACKLED ASSAILANT

Larry J. Koos, left, of La Motte, Iowa, is a Jackson County, Iowa, supervisor, and it was at a supervisors meeting on Sept. 9, 2014, that he charged after a gunman who had opened fire in the meeting room. Koos tackled the man, who then shot himself. About 40 county officials, family members, and others attended a supervisors meeting in late September to see Koos receive the Carnegie Medal for his actions. It was presented by **John P. Williams** of La Crosse, Wis., who was awarded the medal in 2012.



AIDED OFFICER

M. Neil Jones, Sr., right, of Binghamton, N.Y., was at his job as a hospital valet supervisor when he helped to save a Johnson City, N.Y., police officer from an armed assailant on March 31, 2014, in Johnson City. Jones and another hospital employee witnessed the assault, pulled the man off the officer's back, and helped to subdue him. For his actions, Jones was awarded the medal in June, and in October it was presented to him by **Michael T. Chura** of Baldwinsville, N.Y. Chura received the medal in 2011.

FROM THE ARCHIVES

The Carnegies visit Santa Cruz



Andrew Carnegie, center, was honored at a luncheon among the redwoods. Photo courtesy of Santa Cruz Public Libraries.

By contemporary accounts, the visit of Andrew Carnegie and his wife, Louise, and daughter, Margaret, to Santa Cruz, Calif., on March 11, 1910, was thoroughly enjoyed by both the visitors and their hosts. The Carnegies were in the middle of a six-week rail tour that started in New York City, and on the agenda was a visit to the Carnegie Library of Santa Cruz, which was built in 1903 with a \$20,000 grant from Carnegie.

The *Santa Cruz Sentinel* recorded the visit in an article by Josephine Clifford McCrackin as appearing the next day: “Royalty itself had never a more royal welcome than the Carnegies had at the library... Every inch of standing room was occupied on the main floor of the

library; all that Santa Cruz holds of men prominent in mercantile enterprise and the professions, ecclesiastics and men in literary pursuits and journalistic branches, was present.” Children were given a half-day off school to see the “greatest public educator in the world.”

McCrackin described their benefactor: “Naturally Andrew Carnegie himself was the object on which every eye was fastened, a slender-built elderly gentleman, not above medium height, but with head and face remarkable for character and expression. His pictures do not do him justice; I had thought him a severe, stern-looking man; but his face is genial, and he has the most beaming smile, as though his very soul looked out through his eyes. With the most unaffected interest he seemed to listen to all that was told him; shaking hands and making friends, for it is easy to prophesy that all to him this kindly, pleasant-faced man speaks, will be his friends for all times. Yet there is something shrewd and penetrating in these eyes, a canny Scot, who can not be deceived.”

Festivities then included a visit by the Carnegies and local dignitaries to a stand of redwoods, with a steak luncheon for 50 served in the grove (top photo). Carnegie was clearly impressed by the giant trees: “Several times I have murmured to myself today, ‘the groves were God’s first temples,’ and I do not believe any temple ever reared by the hand of man can be considered in the same place with this before us.” *Sentinel* coverage reported that he was “speechless to describe all that he had seen. His wife replied, ‘Yes, especially with your phonetic spelling and the limited vocabulary you advocate.’”

Margaret, who would turn 13 later that month, recorded in her journal: “We were shown all the biggest trees... and our inclination was to talk in whispers. I felt as if I were in church.”

The Carnegies were given redwood seeds as well as a redwood sprout planted in a small baking powder can. Carnegie said his intent was to plant the young tree and the seeds on the grounds of Skibo, his estate in the Highlands of Scotland. Before the party rose to their feet to sing *Auld Lang Syne*, Mrs. Carnegie said, “I will remember these big trees always, but more still I will remember the big hearts of your people.”

Steel Magnate Struck Dumb

Bares His Head to the Monarchs of the Forest and Wonders If His Eyes Deceive Him--“I Never Will Forget Santa Cruz”, Is Parting Word of Carnegie.

The reception to Andrew Carnegie, to be good Republicans because they had a Scotch mother.

“That’s the thing, that’s the thing,” said Councilman Howe of the County Central Republican Committee, but

Cruz to get his first view of the Iron Master.

AT BIG TREES.

When the party arrived by auto at the Big Trees, it was very apparent that Mr. Carnegie was astonished at much that he saw. Turning to Mayor Drillard he asked why it was that the redwood trees were so straight, and the Mayor dryly replied that it was because there was no room for them to grow any other way. Mr. Drillard explained that there was a tree in the grove which the people had been saying to give to Mr. Bryan and he now thought that they would give it to Carnegie provided he would agree to take it along with him. Mr. Carnegie replied that he considered that Bryan’s chance was perhaps lost, and he was not adverse to taking it himself.

The party then stopped at one of

An English lady stepped forward at the point to thank him for what good his libraries had done in England, and he replied that he had established fifty-four in that country and intended to keep up the good work.

EMPEROR OF GERMANY.

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ANDREW CARNEGIE.

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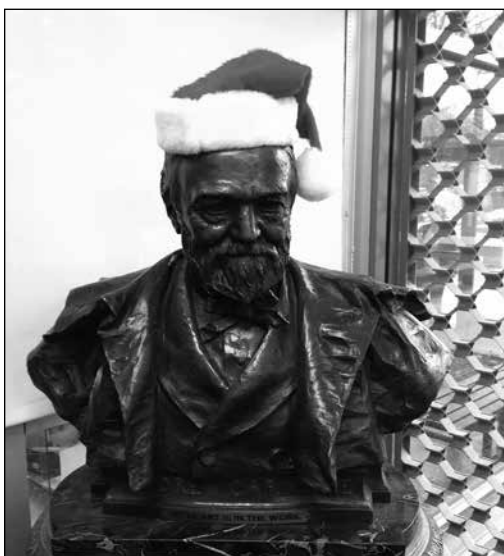
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— From *An American Four-in-Hand in Britain*, 1888, page 36.

Bust of Andrew Carnegie in Warner Hall of Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, during the holidays in 2015.

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