

The Hillside Trust Resource Development Committee

Notes from Thursday, April 17, 2025

The Committee discussed next year's Pope Coleman awards which will be Thursday, April 24, 2025. To date, the event has garnered \$111,200 compared to \$106,400 gross last year. Polly continues to bring in more reservations including Laurie Nippert Leonard and Frank and Janna Williams; Bravo Polly! Currently we have 205 people attending, with two tables allocated as complimentary to Cathryn Hilker's friends, family and Zoo colleagues. Anne Warrington Wilson also wants to attend. Charlie Shor cannot attend. Don Hoffheimer is attending and John Anning/UBS has contributed \$1,000.

Eric is preparing the timeline and script for the evening. Roxanne Qualls is delighted and able to serve as our Master of Ceremonies and Eric is confirming details with our keynote speaker Vanessa Hannah. Eric, Rick, Polly and Rosemary visited the Cincinnati Woman's Club and made final arrangements with Club Manager Bryan Du Quinn. Eric is paying Bourbon Street Bartending online and working with owner John Fowler. Eric suggests the Committee arrive at the event by 4:45 PM to greet all our guests. Eric and Rosemary will arrive by 4:00 PM to arrange name badges on the entry table and test the audio visual system.

Eric is picking up the awards, and preparing sponsorship table tents and signs on easels to recognize event sponsors. Amanda is printing name badges on her computer and Eric invited the committee to come to the office on Monday to arrange seating and table placement. We will give Chicobags as party favors. Kathy Merchant will have her books about Cathryn available and Rob Bilott will also have his books available at the event.

The Committee discussed bestowing the Pope Coleman Awards on Beth and Jim Schiff in honor of Robert and Adele Schiff, Noah Fleischmann, Thane Maynard and Lynn Friedlander next year and featuring Samuel James as a keynote speaker at the 2026 Awards or the Annual Meeting. The committee also considered Charlie and/or Sylvia Shor.

The Committee considered major gifts and updating an existing brochure touting the Hillside Trust to hand to major gift prospects. Eric is surprised by outdated the brochure is and is revising it. Chris Jenco discussed with Eric our making an additional request of the Friedlander Family Fund after the remaining \$50,000 gift is made. Rosemary suggested considering our major donor list as prospects for endowment donations and Bizzy said she would talk with her aunt, No No Allen. The group also discussed Dick Geier as a major gift

prospect and will work to meet with Dick when he returns to Cincinnati in May.

The Committee adjourned at 9:50 AM. The next Hillside Trust Resource Development Committee meeting date will be Tuesday, May 6, 2025, 8:30 AM in-person at the Hillside Trust headquarters.