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**Gideon Miller Cancer Fund
started with Community Foundation**

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The Gideon Miller Cancer Fund has been started with The Community Foundation of the Dan River Region. The Fund will benefit organizations that assist cancer patients and their families in Danville, Pittsylvania County and Halifax County.

Gideon Miller was a native of Pittsylvania County who recently passed away on January 29, 2011. He received his Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration from St. Paul College. Gideon was employed with Wachovia-Wells Fargo for nearly 23 years and served as a personal banker and Vice President in the Centerville office in South Boston.

Gideon was a faithful supporter of his family and his community. He served as the Treasurer of the 640 Community Rescue Squad. He was a member of the Longwood Small Business Advisory Board and was an active member of the Central Western Chapter of the Alzheimer Association. Gideon's past community involvement included: Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Halifax/South Boston Mentor Role Model Program, Halifax County United Way and Budget & Allocation Committee. He also served for eight years on the Danville Community College Board of Directors.

Gideon's brother, Dexter Miller, has been instrumental in starting the Gideon Miller Cancer Fund. "This is something he really wanted done," said Dexter. "Gideon was really concerned for the other patients he saw while receiving treatments."

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The Community Foundation will continue to encourage donations of all sizes and types as it seeks to help the fund reach the \$10,000 required to permanently endow it.

Anyone can make donations to Gideon Miller Cancer Fund in memory of Gideon or any other cancer victim. Notifications will be made to the families when specified. Checks should be made to The Community Foundation, with the Gideon Miller Fund specified, and mailed to 541 Loyal Street, Danville, VA 24541. Gifts of stock, life insurance, and personal property can be accepted, as well as credit card gifts and will bequests. All gifts are tax deductible.

The Community Foundation of the Dan River Region is a fully tax-exempt organization. It has total assets of \$22 million, with 87 different funds under its umbrella.

The Foundation began in 1996 as DPC Community Foundation with a core service area of Danville, Pittsylvania and Caswell Counties. In 2004, the Foundation changed its name to The Community Foundation of the Dan River Region to offer its services to Martinsville/Henry County and South Boston/Halifax County.

For more information on the Gideon Miller Cancer Fund or establishing a charitable fund of any type, contact the Foundation office at 434-793-0884 or visit the web site www.cfdr.org.

Attached: photo of Gideon Miller