



68th Annual Report / 2012



2012 Community Foundation of Mount Vernon & Knox County Annual Report



As the 2012 annual report of the Community Foundation of Mount Vernon & Knox County is being readied for press, the former Mount Vernon PPG glassworks is being consumed by heavy demolition equipment and salvaged for scrap. The site will eventually merge with the existing Foundation Park (top of photo) to create an expansive and aesthetically surprising recreational destination.

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New Philanthropy match encouraged fund creation

The Community Foundation of Mount Vernon & Knox County took an optimistic leap forward in 2012, ending the year with an asset value of \$38,228,700. The record total represents a 31 per cent increase since 2008.

Improving investment markets had a profound impact on the Foundation's success, as did a 20 percent increase in contributions over fiscal year 2011. The \$1,743,180 contributed in 2012 was encouraged in large part by a matching grant program funded by the Ariel Corporation Fund (see below), and a general improvement of the national economy.

Year in review

The Community Foundation board of directors also opened new pathways for giving in 2012, for the first time enabling endowment investment accounts to be opened with area fund managers in addition to its historic, and highly successful, relationship with the First-Knox National Bank Trust Department.

Over its 68-year history the proceedings of the Community Foundation – formerly the Community Trust – have been chronicled by only four secretaries, all attorneys: Charles M. Zelkowitz (1944-73), Fred Barry, Jr. (1974-76), James J. Cullers (1977-94), and Robert L. Rauzi, the latter of whom resigned at year-end after 18 years of service as secretary. He will be succeeded in the post by attorney and board member Kim M. Rose.

Fourteen new funds added to Community Foundation

Nothing speaks to the vitality of the Community Foundation as does the creation of new funds. Aided significantly by the announcement of the Ariel Corporation's "New Philanthropy Fund" matching grant program, 14 new funds were created in 2012.

Ariel Corporation CEO and Foundation Vice Chair Karen Buchwald Wright recommended \$250,000 in matching funds be committed from her company's donor-advised fund to provide a 50 percent match of individual, non-estate, endowment gifts between \$10,000 and \$50,000. By year-end qualifying gifts totalling more than \$395,000 were contributed, and matched by the "New Philanthropy Fund," magnifying the charitable impact of donors' gifts. The matching funds were added primarily to new and existing donor-advised funds.

The 2012 fund additions to the Community Foundation of Mount Vernon & Knox County, grouped by fund type, were as follows:

The Fred Barry Jr., Virginia M. Barry, Douglas A. Barry and Barbara A. Barry Fund – A donor-advised fund established with a gift from Barbara Barry in honor of her family. Fred Barry Jr., served as the second secretary of what was then the Mount Vernon Community Trust.

"Nearly 70 years ago civic leader Beatty B. Williams envisioned the Mount Vernon Community Trust as a 'foundation for all.' The 'New Philanthropy' matching grant program builds upon his vision by encouraging donors to insure the futures of their favorite charities with a contribution to the Community Foundation, sooner rather than later."

– Karen Buchwald Wright
Vice Chair, Community Foundation
of Mount Vernon & Knox County



Attorney Robert L. Rauzi resigned as secretary of the Community Foundation in December 2012, following 18 years of volunteer service.

The Mary Jane and Rick Bayer Foundation – A donor-advised fund created by the Bayer family of New Albany, the proceeds of which will be used to support community endeavors in Knox County where the family for several years has maintained a second home.

The Mankins Family Fund – A donor-advised fund, initially supporting a Mankins Family scholarship at Ashland University, established by Fred W. Mankins, a local investments advisor with Edward Jones, and a partner investments manager of the Community Foundation.

The Joe and Krys Mortellaro Fund – A donor-advised fund established by local McDonalds restaurant operators, and Ronald McDonald House of Central Ohio benefactors, Joseph and Krys Mortellaro.

The Herb Rock Memorial Fund – A donor-advised fund established by Robert Rock in memory of his late brother Herb Rock, a local philanthropist. The fund will initially benefit the Knox County United Way, The Kokosing Gap Trail, The Knox County Humane Society and the unrestricted grants fund of the Community Foundation.

The Gordy and Fran Yance Family Fund – A donor-advised fund established by retired First-Knox National Bank President Gordon Yance and his wife Fran. Mr. Yance has served on the Community Foundation board since 2011.

The William S. and Pearlene E. Rowley Fund – A designated fund created by the estate of Mr. and Mrs. Rowley for the benefit of Saint Paul's Episcopal Church and Christ Church at the Quarry restoration and maintenance.

The Madcap Memorial Fund – An organization fund created with a transfer of assets by the Madcap Memorial Fund board of directors, in memory of former Mount Vernon High School classmates Rick L Scott and Michael Whetsel, providing annual scholarship and other philanthropic support.

The Ronald McDonald House Charities of Central Ohio Fund – An organization fund established with a founding grant from Joe and Krys Mortellaro and a matching grant from the Community Foundation to aid the Ronald McDonald House of Central Ohio in providing lodging for Knox County families utilizing Nationwide Children's Hospital in Columbus.

The Delta Kappa Gamma Mary Scoles Alpha Pi Chapter Grant-in-Aid Fund – Established by the local education sorority in the name of benefactor Mary Scoles to provide grants-in-aid to Mount Vernon High School graduates.

The Nick Gaumer Scholarship Fund – Created by friends and family in memory of Nick Gaumer to provide an annual scholarship to Knox County Career Center students from the Fredericktown School District. Preference is given to students enrolled in the sports-medicine program and/or to students who have lettered as cross country or track athletes.

The Margaret E. Lambert Academic Scholarship Fund – Established by friends and family members in memory of former educator Margaret E. Lambert to provide scholarships for area graduates.

The William S. and Pearlene E. Rowley Scholarship Fund – Established by the estate of Mr. and Mrs. Rowley to provide scholarships to Knox County graduates attending either Bowling Green University or Ohio University.



Knox County high school YPI members deliberate following interviews with 2012 prospective grantees.

The Stephanie Thompson Sprang Memorial Scholarship Fund – Created in memory of Stephanie Thompson Sprang by her family and friends to provide scholarships to female graduates of Mount Vernon High School, with a preference for those who have competed in track or cross country.

Youth Philanthropy Initiative issues first competitive grants

Culminating a year of preparation the Foundation's charter Youth Philanthropy Initiative (YPI) members conducted their first competitive grant process early in 2012, resulting in the award of five grants totalling \$6,650 for youth-focused projects in Knox County.

The first YPI grant cycle was preceded by extensive training in the fundamentals of philanthropy and the design and implementation of a needs assessment in all Knox County high schools. The group was led in its efforts by Kenyon College senior Ellen Blanchard, an experienced youth grant-maker from Petoskey, MI.

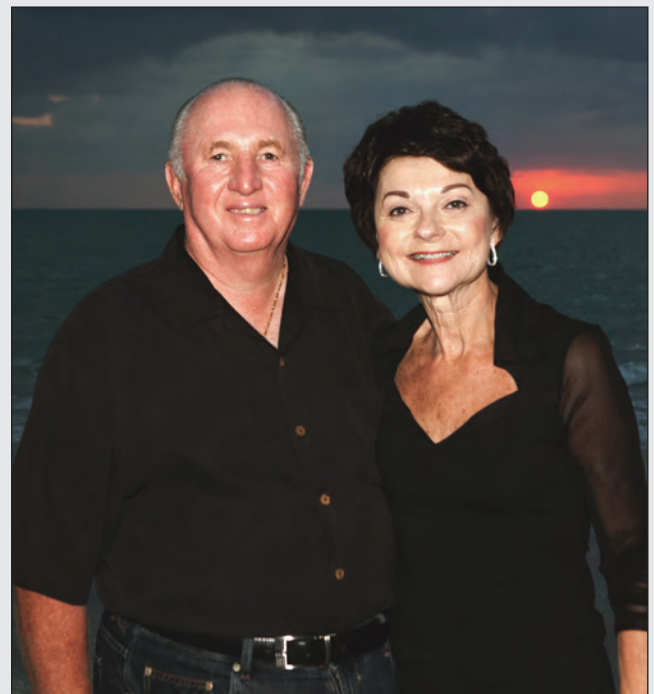
Making successful cases for funding before the group of 12 high school YPI members were: the Knox County Park District for an outdoor skills event; the Mount Vernon High School Latin Club for a mosaics-based project pairing club members with developmentally disabled classmates; the Knox County Learning Center for technology purchases at its West Side School location; the Centerburg High School Robotics Team for necessary electronics equipment; and the Knox County Health Department for pre-school health and safety programming.

Initial funding for YPI grant-making was provided by the Community Foundation board, augmented by additional contributions from Foundation donors who wished to encourage youth interest in the practice of community philanthropy.

Annual Report fund reporting reformatted for 2012

This year's annual report takes a different approach than in recent years to presenting information on fund values, contributions and grants. Data is being reported by fund type (donor-advised, designated, scholarship, for example), beginning on page 4 with an easy to read summary of important year-end values, followed by more detailed reporting of contributions and grant-making activity. We hope this format makes it easier for you to locate fund information of special interest.

*New funds honor local donors,
remember beloved family members*



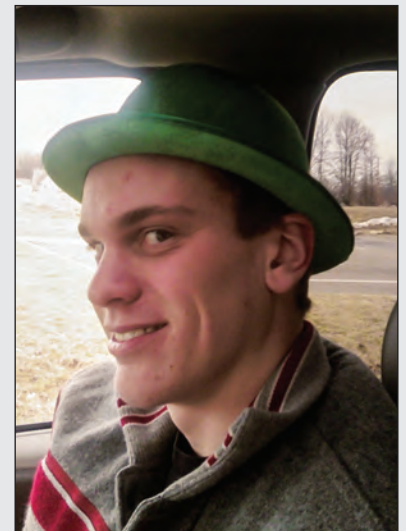
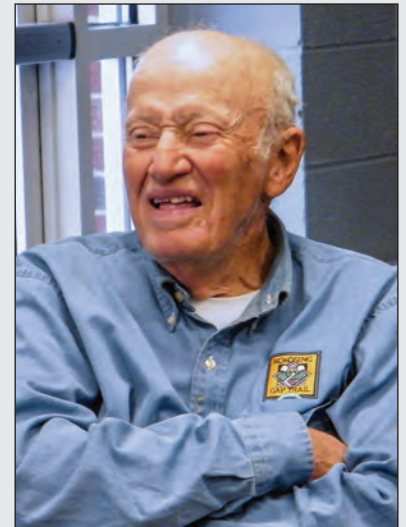
Gordy and Fran Yance (top), and Joe and Krys Mortellaro (above) established donor-advised funds with the Community Foundation of Mount Vernon & Knox County in 2012



(Top) Virginia (seated) and Barbara Barry were photographed at the 2012 Knox County OSU Alumni Buckeye Spirit Event. Barbara established a donor-advised fund in honor of her family's long association with the Foundation. The estate of William and Pearlene Rowley (above) established a designated fund to benefit Saint Paul's Episcopal Church and Christ Church at the Quarry restoration efforts, as well as a scholarship fund to support Knox County students attending Bowling Green or Ohio Universities.



Fred Mankins (left) will use his new donor-advised fund initially to support a family scholarship at Ashland University. Former educator Margaret Lambert (center) will be memorialized with a new scholarship fund established by friends and family members, as will be former local philanthropist Herb Rock (below) with a new designated fund benefitting various local charities.



Scholarship funds were established in 2012 to remember Fredericktown student Nick Gaumer (above) and Mount Vernon High School alumna Stephanie Thompson Sprang (left), whose lives were tragically ended in 2011 and 2010, respectively.

Funds of the Community Foundation

A summary of
contributions,
distributions, and
market values for the
Community
Foundation's 310
component funds

Donor-Advised Funds

	Contributions	Distributions	Balance
Apple Valley Property Owners Association Fund (2005)	\$95	\$0	\$5,471
Ariel Corporation Donor-Advised Fund (2006)	\$368,500	\$217,767	\$4,598,295
Sam and Paula Barone Family Fund (2004)	\$506	\$0	\$6,583
Fred Barry Jr., Virginia M. Barry, Douglas A. Barry, and Barbara A. Barry Fund (2012)	\$15,000	\$0	\$14,991
Mary Jane and Rick Bayer Foundation (2012)	\$125,000	\$0	\$124,997
Blizzard Family Fund (2009)	\$26,377	\$1,000	\$50,149
Douglas & Patsy Brenneman Donor-Advised Fund (2006)	\$0	\$950	\$11,629
Aaron Christopher Donor-Advised Fund (2006)	\$0	\$0	\$6,218
Edgar and Joan Clipse Family Fund (2007)	\$0	\$0	\$5,773
Gary W. and Carol A. Didingr Fund (2004)	\$0	\$5,000	\$53,211
Givens Family Fund (2006)	\$0	\$0	\$5,538
Sheryl A. Hall Memorial Fund (2006)	\$3,015	\$0	\$48,632
Lois and Burt Hanson Donor-Advised Fund (2005)	\$0	\$3,500	\$8,296
Don and Sigrid Harnsberger Fund (2004)	\$0	\$0	\$12,340
Sgt. Benjamin J. Laymon Memorial Fund (2008)	\$975	\$296	\$9,196
Francis R. LeFurjah Family Fund (2007)	\$18,025	\$300	\$36,469
Mankins Family Fund (2012)	\$45,000	\$0	\$44,243
Judith and Leon Marlow Family Fund (2009)	\$0	\$4,000	\$815,969
Joe and Krys Mortellaro Fund (2012)	\$15,000	\$0	\$14,964
Richard B. & Susan B. Murray Donor-Advised Fund (2008)	\$0	\$0	\$16,079
Mount Vernon Machine & Tool Fund (2007)	\$15,000	\$3,000	\$41,458
Sally and Joe Nelson Family Fund (2004)	\$45,000	\$0	\$49,954
Noel and Suzanne Parrish Legacy Society Fund (2010)	\$0	\$0	\$1,179
Plocki-McManus Family Fund (2004)	\$0	\$300	\$111,919
Dr. Clyde L. and Dora L. Purdy Fund (1997)	\$0	\$583	\$16,250
Ramser Family Fund (2003)	\$0	\$3,300	\$16,705
Ruby and Alan Riedel Fund (2003)	\$5,000	\$0	\$31,189
Richard, Barbara & Travis Ritter Fund (2004)	\$500	\$1,000	\$5,728
Herb Rock Memorial Fund (2012)	\$60,637	\$0	\$60,582
Schnormeier Family Fund (1998)	\$200,000	\$219,000	\$591,922
William and Peggy Stroud Donor-Advised Fund (2005)	\$0	\$8,500	\$245,422
Totus Tuus Fund (2005)	\$0	\$23,260	\$306,220
C. Watkins Family Fund (1997)	\$0	\$5,000	\$7,922
Ian and Charlotte Watson Family Fund (2004)	\$75,000	\$0	\$81,946
Gordy and Fran Yance Family Fund (2012)	\$75,000	\$0	\$74,751

Designated Funds

	Contributions	Distributions	Balance
Altrusa Club of Knox County (1997)	\$0	\$545	\$15,318
Ariel Corporation Stacy Doyle Fund (1998)	\$0	\$2,153	\$58,962
Fred Barry Jr. Memorial Fund (1993)	\$0	\$1,315	\$36,326
Ruth T. Bemis Knox County Symphony Orchestra Fund (2006)	\$0	\$917	\$25,767
Lester R. and Mildred E. Bennett Memorial Fund (1993)	\$0	\$1,645	\$46,240
Robert Black Fund (1989)	\$0	\$4,089	\$114,908
Rose M. Blair Cancer Society Fund (1959)	\$0	\$72	\$2,028
Rose M. Blair Heart Association Fund (1959)	\$0	\$72	\$2,028
Sterling B. and Edna B. Braddock Fund (1984)	\$0	\$400	\$11,242
Gordon & Roberta Chalmers Library Fund (1955)	\$0	\$3,697	\$218,657
Character Building Fund (1945)	\$0	\$0	\$4,936
Garfield & Mazie Colgin Memorial Fund (1971)	\$0	\$3,602	\$103,936
Community Improvement Fund (2004)	\$0	\$0	\$117
Helen Hope Cooke Fund (1994)	\$0	\$21,885	\$615,453
Central Ohio Technical College Fund (2006)	\$0	\$0	\$56,288
Paul G. Crawford Fund (2005)	\$0	\$945	\$26,568
Debes Heart Fund (1969)	\$0	\$1,060	\$29,787
Fletcher M. Devin Fund (1961)	\$0	\$38	\$1,077
Didingr Family Knox County Humane Society Fund (2007)	\$0	\$760	\$21,360
Didingr Family Knox Community Hospital Fund (2007)	\$0	\$760	\$21,360
Didingr Family St. Luke's Catholic Church Fund (2007)	\$0	\$760	\$21,360
Didingr Family Fund for United Way (2007)	\$0	\$760	\$21,360

Early Learners Scholarship Fund (2007)	\$870	\$4,976	\$108,765
Education & Scholarship Fund (2004)	\$0	\$0	\$1,304
Greg Farmer Memorial Knox County 4-H Clubs Fund (2006)	\$0	\$2,211	\$62,156
Dorothy Farmer Pike Twp. Cemetery Fund (2006)	\$0	\$739	\$20,783
First Congregational Church Building Fund (1959)	\$0	\$85	\$2,383
First Congregational Church Fund (1966)	\$12,446	\$119	\$15,785
Wilbur Gaunder Harcourt Episcopal Church Fund (1999)	\$0	\$3,454	\$97,059
Wilbur Gaunder Hospice of Knox County Fund (1999)	\$0	\$3,454	\$97,059
Wilbur Gaunder Knox County Humane Society Fund (1999)	\$0	\$3,292	\$92,516
Wilbur Gaunder Nursing Scholarship Fund (1999)	\$0	\$3,600	\$99,339
Wilbur Gaunder Knox County Red Cross Fund (1999)	\$0	\$3,454	\$97,059
Wilbur Gaunder Salvation Army Fund (1999)	\$0	\$3,292	\$92,516
George & Ruth Gelsanliter Memorial Fund (1997)	\$0	\$730	\$20,529
Hannah Browning Home Fund (1998)	\$0	\$18,834	\$602,913
Ellen M. Heckler Fund (1969)	\$0	\$123	\$3,447
H. Grant Heckler Memorial Fund (1970)	\$0	\$189	\$5,299
Thomas E. Heine Memorial Fund (2002)	\$0	\$167	\$4,679
W. Glenn Hess Fund (1983)	\$0	\$14,472	\$411,497
Zack T. Hollister Bird Cemetery Fund (1980)	\$0	\$73	\$2,065
Humane Society Barbara S. Jones Fund (1999)	\$0	\$0	\$131,793
Ethel V. Jamison Fund (1987)	\$0	\$251	\$7,056
Margaret Jamison Church Fund (2002)	\$0	\$8,337	\$234,275
Margaret Louise Jamison Interchurch Fund (2002)	\$0	\$1,391	\$39,076
Margaret Louise JamisonYMCA Fund (2002)	\$0	\$1,391	\$39,076
Alice Jewell Memorial Fund (1955)	\$0	\$32	\$894
Harold C. and Roberta C. Johnson Fund (2008)	\$0	\$62,500	\$1,904,719
F. William Kahrl Fund (1964)	\$0	\$120	\$3,382
Pauline Jamison Kartman Fund (2002)	\$0	\$1,395	\$39,216
Knox County Society for Crippled Children & Adults Fund (2004)	\$0	\$3,518	\$98,850
Knox County Medical Society Fund (1991)	\$0	\$0	\$2,072
R. B. Kincaid Fund (1985)	\$0	\$1,694	\$47,593
Kiracofe Family Fund (1995)	\$0	\$377	\$10,595
Kokosing Gap Trail Fund (1994)	\$2,863	\$213	\$11,079
Emerson Laird Kokosing Gap Trail Fund (1993)	\$0	\$209	\$5,887
Richard Landers Fund for Knox County Career Center (1994)	\$0	\$0	\$5,047
Harriett Buchanan Lawler Memorial Fund (1986)	\$0	\$3,063	\$103,443
Harriet B. Lawler Memorial Fund (1986)	\$0	\$4,594	\$155,163
League of Friendship Fund (1992)	\$0	\$92	\$2,580
Carolyn Lord Double Bass Chair Fund (2010)	\$25	\$0	\$7,216
Ethel Lyman Memorial Fund (1955)	\$0	\$205	\$5,758
James K. Lyman Memorial Fund (1959)	\$0	\$10	\$284
Howard McDonald Friends Cemetery Fund (2001)	\$0	\$921	\$22,986
Ida T. McHugh Pleasant Street Library Fund (2008)	\$0	\$139	\$4,089
Mount Vernon Academic Boosters Fund (1993)	\$0	\$0	\$2,507
Mount Vernon High School Alumni Fund (1998)	\$0	\$0	\$1,189
Mount Vernon Livestock Co-op Association Fund (1957)	\$0	\$0	\$5,418
Mount Vernon Theater Guild Fund (1963)	\$0	\$0	\$683
Wesley Judd Park Fund for Mount Vernon Nazarene University (2008)	\$0	\$342	\$9,695
Daniel Pealer Memorial Fund (2001)	\$0	\$203	\$5,750
J. R. and Lorene Purdy Fund (2001)	\$0	\$3,374	\$94,812
George H. and Eleanor M. Ralston Memorial Fund (2007)	\$50	\$155	\$4,572
Arthur E. and Grace E. Rawlinson Fund (1971)	\$0	\$895	\$25,160
Andy Rassing Memorial Fund (1994)	\$0	\$0	\$10,938
William S. and Pearlene E. Rowley (2012)	\$40,803	\$0	\$40,606
Walter and Jane Rudin Family Fund (2000)	\$0	\$3,286	\$92,338
Delbert C. Schmidt Fund (1992)	\$0	\$193	\$5,487
Kathryn Sheedy Sanctuary Memorial Fund (2003)	\$0	\$1,786	\$50,171
Short Term Project Fund	\$1,035	\$1,035	\$0
Walter T. Starr Memorial Fund (1965)	\$0	\$97	\$2,738
Howard S. Tarr First Congregational Fund (1970)	\$0	\$201	\$5,642
Mae S. TaylorYMCA Fund (1975)	\$0	\$456	\$23,981
Zenno E. & Mae S. Taylor Memorial Fund (1976)	\$0	\$1,862	\$52,329
Martha Turner Walker Memorial Fund (1980)	\$0	\$38	\$1,065
James R. Westerheide Memorial Fund (1985)	\$100	\$187	\$6,499
Amy Fairchild Williams Memorial Fund (1953)	\$0	\$5,242	\$251,380
Beatty B. Williams Community Endowment Fund (1974)	\$0	\$6,410	\$272,708
Beatty B. Williams Fund (1974)	\$0	\$5,056	\$347,569

Donor-Advised Funds

Designated Funds

Organization Funds

Scholarship Funds

Unrestricted Funds

Beatty B. Williams Library Fund (1959)	\$0	\$2,905	\$81,747
YWCA Girls' Fund (1984)	\$0	\$322	\$18,395
Charles Zelkowitz Chamber of Commerce Fund (2007)	\$0	\$0	\$27,225
Charles and Helen Zelkowitz Soroptimist Fund (2006)	\$0	\$500	\$10,737
Zelkowitz Family Knox County United Way Endowment Fund (2007)	\$0	\$595	\$16,725
Zelkowitz Family YMCA Endowment Fund (2007)	\$0	\$623	\$17,516
Helen E. Zelkowitz Fund (2000)	\$0	\$4,250	\$106,708

Donor-Advised Funds

Designated Funds

Organization Funds

Scholarship Funds

Unrestricted Funds

Organization Funds	Contributions	Distributions	Balance
Alcohol and Drug Freedom Center Fund (2009)	\$0	\$300	\$34,530
Sandra Barrick Knox County Humane Society Fund (2010)	\$0	\$0	\$28,998
Community Concerts Association of Knox County Fund (2010)	\$0	\$0	\$49,198
Danville Academic Fund (2009)	\$3,200	\$0	\$15,522
Faith Lutheran Mission Fund (2010)	\$0	\$7,000	\$140,251
Friends Cemetery Association Fund (2008)	\$921	\$0	\$23,082
Fredericktown Community Center Fund (2003)	\$0	\$0	\$387,669
Fredericktown Community Foundation (2003)	\$7,500	\$4,521	\$42,733
Interchurch Social Services Fund (1986)	\$523	\$1,773	\$104,060
Knox County Historical Society Fund (1994)	\$40	\$232	\$13,102
Knox County Parks Fund (2007)	\$1,019	\$0	\$48,991
Knox County Symphony Association Fund (2008)	\$3,100	\$0	\$76,983
Knox Community Hospital Foundation Fund (2004)	\$0	\$0	\$70,265
Kiwanis Club of Mount Vernon Fund (2005)	\$188	\$0	\$9,273
Madcap Memorial Fund (2012)	\$23,596	\$1,500	\$22,696
Mount Vernon Board of Education Fund (2003)	\$959	\$0	\$92,986
Mount Vernon Elks Lodge #140 Fund (2004)	\$4,881	\$12,800	\$135,110
Mount Vernon Rotary Foundation Fund (2006)	\$0	\$0	\$45,949
Mount Vernon YMCA Trust (1996)	\$0	\$1,000,000	\$67,372
Mount Vernon Youth Baseball Leagues Fund (2004)	\$0	\$0	\$4,843
Christ Church at the Quarry Restoration Fund (2009)	\$6,375	\$1,570	\$13,443
Ronald McDonald House Charities of Central Ohio Fund (2012)	\$20,000	\$0	\$20,616
Schnormeier Gardens Foundation (2005)	\$0	\$0	\$2,041,397
United Way of Knox County Fund (1996)	\$0	\$0	\$218,736
Youth Philanthropy Initiative Fund (2011)	\$11,018	\$6,650	\$21,182

Scholarship Funds	Contributions	Distributions	Balance
John Ackerman Community Scholarship Fund (2008)	\$50	\$500	\$15,079
Aljian-Barnes Scholarship Fund (2010)	\$0	\$500	\$5,636
American Legion Post #136 Scholarship Fund (2010)	\$0	\$0	\$69,345
Robert C. Appleton Fund (1980)	\$0	\$4,500	\$132,679
Arck/Crowthers Fund (1992)	\$0	\$1,000	\$5,210
Ariel Corporation Scholarship Fund (2009)	\$368,500	\$202,909	\$751,765
Chief Thomas E. Bartlett Scholarship Fund (2006)	\$1,200	\$1,000	\$16,848
Elizabeth W. Bell Scholarship Fund (2005)	\$0	\$1,000	\$10,646
Clark and Lucy Biggs Fund (1991)	\$0	\$9,000	\$249,286
John Gordon Bone Jr. Student Aid Fund (1983)	\$0	\$12,745	\$686,441
Karl W. Brown Writing Award Fund (2003)	\$1,400	\$500	\$15,733
William Burgett Builder & Contractor Scholarship Fund (2011)	\$37,500	\$1,000	\$63,110
Phil Burghard Memorial Scholarship Fund (2004)	\$0	\$1,000	\$24,419
Charles E. Cassaday Fund (1990)	\$0	\$0	\$5,749
Helen Hope Cooke Scholarship Fund (1994)	\$0	\$30,000	\$726,509
Norma J. Cornell Memorial Saint Vincent Education Fund (2001)	\$0	\$9,786	\$272,529
Norma J. Cornell Memorial Fund (2001)	\$0	\$10,500	\$279,204
Harold B "Cookie" Cunningham Fund (1996)	\$0	\$0	\$15,214
Daughters of the American Revolution Lucy Knox Chapter Frances Sturtevant Scholarship Fund (2011)	\$108	\$0	\$5,729
Delta Kappa Gamma Mary Scoles Alpha Pi Chapter Grant-in-Aid Fund (2012)	\$47,000	\$0	\$46,840
Geraldine "Gerri" Dennis Scholarship Fund (2010)	\$1,150	\$1,000	\$15,146
Martha Deppner Scholarship Fund (2005)	\$8,000	\$1,500	\$71,267
Gary and Carol Didingar Scholarship Fund (2007)	\$0	\$5,000	\$86,267
Joe Divelbiss Memorial Scholarship Fund (2007)	\$350	\$500	\$6,286
Beverly Jo Dremann Early Childhood Education Scholarship Fund (2010)	\$2,500	\$500	\$10,118
East Knox Community Scholarship Fund (2010)	\$1,000	\$0	\$4,980

Ralph and Ara Flack Scholarship Fund (2000)	\$0	\$750	\$24,332
Pauline B. Freeman Scholarship Fund (1982)	\$0	\$32,000	\$970,688
Blake and Chloris Fritz Scholarship Fund (2010)	\$0	\$1,000	\$21,195
Fredericktown Academic Loan Fund (2006)	\$0	\$500	\$9,913
Nick Gaumer Scholarship Fund (2012)	\$8,770	\$500	\$7,653
Wilbur Gaunder Engineering Scholarship Fund (1999)	\$0	\$28,000	\$1,198,038
Gelsanliter Family Fund (1965)	\$0	\$268	\$14,726
Pauline L. Gordon Memorial Scholarship Fund (2007)	\$372	\$1,000	\$17,727
Donald A. & Sigrid O. Harnsberger Scholarship Fund (2000)	\$0	\$10,000	\$28,481
Lillian C. Hickman Fund (1996)	\$0	\$10,500	\$427,777
William S. Hunter Fund (1990)	\$0	\$700	\$18,451
W. Joan Levering Scholarship Fund (2011)	\$0	\$500	\$12,963
Cody L. Johnson Memorial Scholarship Fund (2003)	\$1,130	\$500	\$11,836
J. R. and Lorene Purdy Fund (2001)	\$0	\$25,766	\$979,088
Edwin Kaylor Scholarship Fund (2005)	\$0	\$3,000	\$88,429
Knox County Fraternal Order of Police Scholarship Fund (2003)	\$0	\$500	\$11,022
Raymond E. Kinney Scholarship Fund (2011)	\$2,873	\$0	\$5,267
Ila Ward Kohl Scholarship Fund (1983)	\$0	\$0	\$6,683
Barbara C. Lamb Fund IMO Rex M. Lamb, Jr. (1985)	\$0	\$2,000	\$59,029
Margaret E. Lambert Academic Scholarship Fund (2012)	\$910	\$0	\$965
Larry Hall Fund (2009)	\$0	\$0	\$3,922
Harriet B. Lawler Memorial Scholarship Fund (1986)	\$0	\$3,000	\$89,617
John M. Lee Scholarship Fund (2002)	\$0	\$1,000	\$9,851
Ruth Leedy Scholarship Fund (2005)	\$0	\$0	\$110,808
Leedy Student Aid Fund (2005)	\$0	\$2,000	\$9,685
Alexandra D. Letz General Scholarship Fund (1985)	\$0	\$1,000	\$24,897
Alexandra D. Letz Nursing Scholarship Fund (1984)	\$0	\$1,500	\$39,991
Kathryn Ann Levering Memorial Scholarship Fund (2001)	\$365	\$750	\$20,270
Meharry Family African-American/American-Indian Nursing Scholarship Fund (2006)	\$500	\$500	\$8,045
Anna B. and Ralph V. Mowery Scholarship Fund (1989)	\$0	\$1,000	\$57,565
Ohio Lodge#199 F. & A. M. Scholarship Fund (2003)	\$0	\$1,500	\$31,378
Ohio's Junior Miss Scholarship Fund (1987) (aka Distinguished Young Women of Ohio Scholarship Fund)	\$18,863	\$23,911	\$5,647
Edna Osborn Fund (1969)	\$0	\$0	\$1,850
The Ohio State University Knox County Alumni Club Scholarship Fund (2007)	\$14,586	\$0	\$61,346
Arthur J. Packard Jr. Memorial Fund (1992)	\$0	\$750	\$20,429
Dolly Mae Paige Scholarship Fund (2007)	\$0	\$1,000	\$24,448
Richard T. Poling Scholarship Fund (1992)	\$0	\$7,000	\$73,661
William E. & Helen F. Pond Fund (1996)	\$0	\$500	\$14,670
Sarah Karolin Pressler Memorial Scholarship Fund (2002)	\$0	\$500	\$11,878
Psi Iota Xi Scholarship Fund (2007)	\$250	\$750	\$21,376
Caitlin C. Pugh Scholarship Fund (2006)	\$1,875	\$500	\$18,716
Dr. Clyde L. and Dora L. Purdy Scholarship Fund (1997)	\$100	\$750	\$17,786
Charles Pursel Memorial Scholarship Fund (2000)	\$11,590	\$1,000	\$54,391
John P. and Agnes D. Rentz Scholarship Fund (2006)	\$50	\$1,000	\$5,366
Justin T. Richert Scholarship Fund (2010)	\$950	\$1,000	\$9,302
Pauline S. Riel Scholarship Fund (2003)	\$0	\$500	\$9,033
Mary Catherine Ritter Scholarship Fund (2004)	\$0	\$500	\$20,144
Roelofs Family Scholarship Fund (2005)	\$0	\$0	\$3,027
Hugh Cameron Roelofs Scholarship (2005)	\$0	\$0	\$6,032
William S. and Pearlene E. Rowley Scholarship Fund (2012)	\$81,605	\$0	\$81,210
Larry A. Schisler Memorial Scholarship Fund (2002)	\$1,100	\$2,000	\$37,432
Fred Schuller Scholarship Fund (2007)	\$0	\$750	\$23,344
Rick L. Scott Memorial Scholarship (1999)	\$0	\$2,000	\$53,971
Charles F. & Zella H. Simpson Scholarship Fund (1998)	\$0	\$1,500	\$46,574
Sims-Rose Scholarship Fund (2002)	\$1,119	\$500	\$14,325
John N. and Nancy L. Sinclair Scholarship Fund (2008)	\$125	\$500	\$5,478
Dean & Audrey Spearman Rollin' Buckeye Fund (2000)	\$5,000	\$5,500	\$174,736
Stephanie Thompson Sprang Memorial Scholarship Fund (2012)	\$3,204	\$1,000	\$1,017
Strang Memorial Fund (1995)	\$0	\$1,000	\$24,424
Student Scholarship Fund (1964)	\$0	\$0	\$648
Carlos E. Watkins First-Knox Scholarship Fund (2006)	\$20,000	\$61,291	\$660,527
Vaughn Wiester Music Scholarship Fund (2010)	\$11,001	\$2,500	\$17,423
Jay M. and Sarah L. Wilson Scholarship Fund (2000)	\$15,000	\$4,000	\$100,473

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William E. Wing Scholarship Fund (1990)	\$0	\$500	\$16,064
Charles M. Zelkowitz Community Service Fund (1973)	\$0	\$1,200	\$34,571
Charles and Helen Zelkowitz Fund (1969)	\$0	\$1,200	\$22,311
Stephen W. Zelkowitz Distinguished Young Women of Ohio Fund (2007)	\$0	\$100	\$1,612
Stephen W. Zelkowitz Ethics Scholarship Fund (1993)	\$0	\$1,500	\$35,700
Unrestricted Funds	Contributions	Distributions	Balance
Ariel Corporation Fund (1997)	\$0	\$8,080	\$232,583
Frank L. and Anna Beam Fund (1979)	\$0	\$671	\$19,311
Henry L. Beecher Fund (1944)	\$0	\$252	\$7,262
Luke B. Biggs Fund (1991)	\$0	\$6,293	\$181,122
Ralph L. and Doris Boyer Fund (1987)	\$0	\$6,493	\$186,881
Donald W. Clutter Fund (2008)	\$12,434	\$2,467	\$80,470
Charles F. Colville Fund (1959)	\$0	\$67	\$1,930
Community Foundation Memorial Fund (1944)	\$0	\$950	\$27,332
Ellen Grant Crawford Fund (2008)	\$0	\$1,319	\$37,962
George Culbertson Fund (1967)	\$0	\$372	\$10,697
M. Elizabeth Cummings Fund (2009)	\$0	\$9,464	\$272,394
Samuel and Marie D. Cureton Fund (2008)	\$0	\$9,931	\$285,846
Cutler Memorial Fund (2006)	\$0	\$2,115	\$60,869
James H. Debes Fund (1969)	\$0	\$6,703	\$192,945
Jennie J. Debes Fund (1969)	\$0	\$9,907	\$285,168
Mr. and Mrs. Frank L. Fairchild Memorial Fund (1959)	\$0	\$101	\$2,897
Harry M. and Lovella R. Foster Memorial Fund (1992)	\$0	\$3,908	\$112,485
General Operating Account (1944)	\$1,000	\$0	\$157,081
Dorothea M. George Fund (2007)	\$0	\$965	\$27,779
Morton M. Hansen Fund (2003)	\$0	\$7,004	\$201,587
Knox County Savings Bank Fund (1962)	\$0	\$268	\$7,725
Lamb Glass Company Fund (1946)	\$0	\$335	\$9,653
Robert B. and Helen W. Lantz Fund (2006)	\$5,271	\$1,773	\$51,029
Lawrence and Josephine Lewis Fund (1991)	\$0	\$1,317	\$37,910
James A. McElroy Fund (2009)	\$0	\$233	\$6,713
John and Genevieve Minor Foundation Fund (1993)	\$0	\$212	\$6,116
William L. Moore & Geraldine Moore Fowler Fund (2002)	\$0	\$174	\$5,019
The Mount Vernon Bridge Company Fund (1945)	\$0	\$503	\$14,484
Ohio Magazine Fund (1994)	\$0	\$154	\$4,435
Nancy J. Page Fund (1987)	\$0	\$7,910	\$227,688
Havilah Phelps Fund (1995)	\$0	\$256	\$7,367
Margaret Polahar Memorial Fund (1995)	\$0	\$137	\$3,953
Pond Motors Sales Fund (1950)	\$0	\$27	\$772
J. R. and Lorene Purdy Memorial Fund (2001)	\$0	\$29,576	\$851,304
Russell E. Ramser Jr. Memorial Fund (1996)	\$0	\$578	\$16,646
Residential Homes of Knox County Fund (1999)	\$0	\$692	\$19,921
Rudin Company Fund (1947)	\$0	\$671	\$19,311
J. W. Rudin Jr. Fund (1947)	\$0	\$67	\$1,930
J. W. Rudin Sr. Fund (1977)	\$0	\$146	\$4,190
W. M. Rudin Fund (1960)	\$0	\$67	\$1,930
Sanderson-Salisbury Memorial Fund (1968)	\$0	\$1,888	\$54,336
Berta H. Schnebly Fund (1992)	\$0	\$967	\$27,846
Kathryn A. Sheedy Memorial Fund (2003)	\$0	\$14,817	\$426,491
Belle Shrontz Fund (1983)	\$0	\$40,936	\$1,178,260
Special Projects Fund	\$25,000	\$42,000	\$115,071
Mrs. Walter J. Sperry and Family Fund (1966)	\$0	\$188	\$5,420
Blanche Stevenson Fund (1993)	\$0	\$648	\$18,650
Mary Blanche Stuckey Fund (1994)	\$0	\$612	\$17,621
Frederick and Carol Surlas Fund (1974)	\$0	\$185	\$5,318
Zenno E. and Mae S. Taylor Fund (1976)	\$0	\$19,397	\$558,301
Perry and Louise Trinkner Fund (1989)	\$3,092	\$1,495	\$43,049
Unrestricted Fund (1944)	\$4,350	\$582	\$16,795
Jean Ann Wagner Fund (1998)	\$0	\$2,544	\$73,238
Beatty B. Williams Memorial Fund (1986)	\$0	\$34,332	\$988,189
Edith Hindley Williams Fund (1973)	\$0	\$706	\$20,328
Lawrence F. and Ruby Williams Fund (1969)	\$0	\$10,144	\$291,975
Arthur C. and Ada B. Wolfe Memorial Fund (1969)	\$0	\$1,342	\$38,622

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Dresden Young (center) and Caleb Snyder (right), students in Fredericktown Schools' Project Lead the Way, demonstrate engineering concepts to guests during a community observance of the program's success. The Foundation provided funds for technology enhancement in 2012.

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Grants awarded in 2012 from all Community

Foundation funds totalled \$2,628,048.

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Gordy and Fran Yance Family Fund	\$25,000
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Herb Rock Fund	\$20,212
Blizzard Family Fund	\$8,792
Francis R. LeFurjah Family Fund	\$6,000
Mankins Family Fund	\$15,000
Joe and Sally Nelson Family Fund	\$15,000
Kokosing Gap Trail	\$45,263

Blizzard Family Fund

Hope Now Inc.	\$500
Knox County Historical Society	\$500

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YMCA of Mount Vernon	\$950
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Gary W. and Carol A. Didingler Fund

Danville Athletic Boosters	\$2,000
Danville Village	\$3,000

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East Knox Local Schools	\$1,000
Foundation Park Conservancy	\$1,000
Friends of Knox County Animal Shelter	\$500
Kno-Ho-Co Community Action Center	\$500
Knox County Park District	\$500

Sgt. Benjamin J. Laymon Memorial Fund

Hiawatha Water Park and Pool Fee Assistance Fund	\$296
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LeFurjah Family Donor-Advised Fund

Gay Street United Methodist Church	\$150
Saint Labre Indian School	\$150

Judith and Leon Marlow Family Fund

Campus Crusade for Christ	\$1,000
Faith in Action Caregivers, Inc.	\$3,000
Grace Centers of Hope	\$3,000
HeartBeat of Morrow County	\$3,000
Knox County Career Center	\$1,000
Pregnancy Resource Center of Athens County	\$1,000
WYSO Supporters, Inc.	\$3,000
YMCA of Mount Vernon	\$2,000
Young Life	\$1,000
Young Women's Christian Association	\$3,000

Plocki-McManus Family Fund

Friends of Cathedral Basilica of Saint Francis	\$300
New Mexico Children's Fund	\$300

Ramser Family Fund

Community Concerts Association of Knox County	\$1,500
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Community Concerts Association of Knox County	\$1,500
Community Foundation Operations Fund	\$300

Richard, Barbara & Travis Ritter Fund

Knox County Park District	\$1,000
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Schnormeier Family Fund

Community Concerts Association of Knox County	\$1,000
First Congregational United Church of Christ	\$8,000
Knox Community Hospital Foundation	\$5,000
Knox County Art League	\$1,000
Knox County Symphony Association	\$1,000
MTVarts, Inc.	\$1,000
Mount Vernon Nazarene University Development	\$200,000
Mental Health America of Knox County	\$1,000
New Directions	\$1,000

William and Peggy Stroud Donor-Advised Fund

Mount Vernon City	\$8,500
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Totus Tuus Fund

Care Net Pregnancy Services	\$500
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Catholic Diocese of Columbus	\$1,000
Catholic Men's Luncheon Club	\$250
Central Ohio Technical College	\$5,000
Distinguished Young Women of Ohio	\$1,000
Pregnancy Decision Health Center	\$1,310
Saint Paul's Outreach	\$1,200
St. Gabriel Radio, Inc.	\$10,000
St. John Neumann Church	\$1,500
Women's Care Center	\$1,000

Carlos E. and Celestine A. Watkins Family Fund

United Way of Knox County	\$5,000
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Grants from Designated Funds

Altrusa Club of Knox County

Knox County Career Center	\$182
Mount Vernon City School District	\$182
Public Library of Mount Vernon & Knox County	\$182

Ariel Corporation Stacy Doyle Fund

Kokosing Gap Trail	\$2,153
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Fred Barry Jr. Memorial Fund

Kenyon College	\$1,942
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Ruth T. Bemis Knox County Symphony Orchestra Fund

Knox County Symphony Association	\$917
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Lester R. and Mildred E. Bennett Memorial Fund

East Knox Local Schools	\$823
Knox County Career Center	\$823

Robert Black Fund

Mental Health America of Knox County	\$4,089
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Rose M. Blair Cancer Society Fund

American Cancer Society	\$144
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Rose M. Blair Heart Association Fund

Knox County Heart Association	\$72
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John Gordon Bone Jr. Student Aid Fund

Kenyon College	\$19,118
Mount Vernon Nazarene University Development	\$6,373

Sterling B. and Edna B. Braddock Fund		Wilbur Gaunder Knox County Red Cross Fund	
Ebenezer United Methodist Church	\$400	American Red Cross of Knox County	\$3,454
Hannah Browning Home Fund		Gelsanliter Family Fund	
Faith Lutheran Church	\$3,139	Kenyon College	\$537
First Congregational United Church of Christ	\$3,139	George & Ruth Gelsanliter Memorial Fund	
First Presbyterian Church of Mount Vernon	\$3,139	Hospice of Knox County	\$365
Gay Street United Methodist Church	\$3,139	Interchurch Social Services	\$365
Mulberry Street Methodist Church	\$3,139	Ellen M. Heckler Fund	
Saint Paul's Episcopal Church	\$3,139	Eastern Star Home	\$123
Gordon & Roberta Chalmers Library Fund		H. Grant Heckler Memorial Fund	
Kenyon College	\$7,394	Gay Street United Methodist Church	\$189
Garfield & Mazie Colgin Memorial Fund		Thomas E. Heine Memorial Fund	
Messiah Church	\$3,602	Zion Lutheran Church of Jelloway	\$167
First Congregational Church Building Fund		W. Glenn Hess Fund	
First Congregational United Church of Christ	\$85	American Red Cross of Knox County	\$1,809
First Congregational Church Fund		Bladensburg Church of Christ	\$1,809
First Congregational United Church of Christ	\$119	Brinkhaven Church of Christ	\$1,809
Howard S. Tarr First Congregational Fund		Danville Church of Christ	\$1,809
First Congregational United Church of Christ	\$201	Martinsburg Church of Christ	\$1,809
Helen Hope Cooke Fund		The Salvation Army of Mount Vernon	\$1,809
First Congregational United Church of Christ	\$21,885	United Way of Knox County	\$1,809
Norma J. Cornell Memorial St. Vincent dePaul Education Fund		Utica Church of Christ	\$1,809
Saint Vincent De Paul School	\$9,786	Knox County Historical Society Fund	
Paul G. Crawford Fund		Knox County Historical Society	\$464
Mount Vernon City School District	\$945	Zack T. Hollister Bird Cemetery Fund	
Knox County Society for Crippled Children & Adults Fund		Bird Cemetery	\$73
Knox County Society for Crippled Children & Adults	\$3,518	Interchurch Social Services Fund	
Debes Heart Fund		Interchurch Social Services	\$3,545
Knox County Heart Association	\$1,060	Margaret Louise Jamison YMCA Fund	
Didinger Family St. Luke's Catholic Church Fund		YMCA of Mount Vernon	\$1,391
Saint Luke Catholic Church	\$760	Margaret Louise Jamison Interchurch Fund	
Didinger Family Knox County Humane Society Fund		Interchurch Social Services	\$1,391
Knox County Humane Society	\$760	Ethel V. Jamison Fund	
Didinger Family Fund for United Way		First Congregational United Church of Christ	\$251
United Way of Knox County	\$760	Margaret Jamison Church Fund	
Didinger Family Knox Community Hospital Fund		First Congregational United Church of Christ	\$8,337
Knox Community Hospital Foundation	\$760	Alice Jewell Memorial Fund	
Early Learners Scholarship Fund		Heart of Ohio Girl Scouts	\$32
Knox County Educational Service Center	\$4,976	Fund William Kahrl Fund	
Greg Farmer Memorial Knox County 4-H Clubs Fund		Saint Paul's Episcopal Church	\$120
4-H Clubs of Knox County	\$2,211	Pauline Jamison Kartman Fund	
Dorothy Farmer Pike Township Cemetery Fund		First Congregational United Church of Christ	\$698
Pike Township Trustees	\$739	Knox County Society for Crippled Children & Adults	\$698
Howard McDonald Friends Cemetery Fund		R. B. Kincaid Fund	
Friends Cemetery Association Fund	\$921	First Congregational United Church of Christ	\$1,694
League of Friendship Fund		Kiracofe Family Fund	
Knox County Historical Society	\$92	First Congregational United Church of Christ	\$377
Wilbur Gaunder Salvation Army Fund		Emerson Laird Kokosing Gap Trail Fund	
The Salvation Army - Mount Vernon	\$3,292	Kokosing Gap Trail	\$209
Wilbur Gaunder Nursing Scholarship Fund		Harriet B. Lawler Memorial Fund	
Knox Community Hospital	\$3,600	Gay Street United Methodist Church	\$4,594
Wilbur Gaunder Harcourt Episcopal Church Fund		Harriett Buchanan Lawler Memorial Fund	
Harcourt Parish Episcopal Church	\$3,454	Muskingum College	\$3,063
Wilbur Gaunder Knox County Humane Society Fund		Ethel Lyman Memorial Fund	
Knox County Humane Society	\$3,292	Public Library of Mount Vernon & Knox County	\$205
Wilbur Gaunder Hospice of Knox County Fund		James K. Lyman Memorial Fund	
Hospice of Knox County	\$3,454	American Red Cross of Knox County	\$10

Young scientists hit the "Spot" for year-around thought-provoking fun

The Science Play-Space Initiative (SPI Spot) in downtown Mt. Vernon is dedicated to engaging children and their parents in science through interactive games and activities. Located at 227 S. Main Street, the space contains areas focused on a variety of scientific topics, from chemistry and physics to earth science and biology.

Most games and experiments are geared primarily to children of pre-school age to mid-teens while others, such as the marble maze machine, are "beloved" by children and parents alike, according to SPI Spot director Rachel Garcia. Additionally, each week there is a special theme that is explored by visitors through age-appropriate experiments. For example, a recent focus was "smelly things," and at one of the stations children attempted to identify mystery substances using only their sense of smell.

The SPI Spot began three years

ago when Garcia, whose son was two years old at the time, realized that there were few local places for Mount Vernon parents to bring their children to have fun during inclement weather.

Inspired by scientific play areas in other Ohio communities, she began offering science games, brought from home, at the Saturday morning Makers Market on the Public Square. Having sparked the community's interest sufficiently to require more space, she and a handful of interested volunteers set up shop one day a week in the first of three South Main locations.

A Youth Philanthropy Initiative Grant from the Community Foundation allowed Garcia to purchase much-needed materials including the aforementioned marble machine, robotic cubes, magnetic tiles, new chemistry equipment, a climbing set, and tables and chairs. All of these "original" items have remained important components of the SPI

Spot as it expanded and relocated to a mid-sized space on Main Street, and then to its current larger one. "Other Community Foundation grants helped us establish ourselves as a 501(c)3 charitable entity and to buy some of the science paraphernalia our visitors enjoy the most," Garcia says.

Aided by donations and other grants, the SPI Spot has grown steadily while maintaining very affordable prices for daily, weekly, and yearly admission. With the addition of new part-time workers, and the ongoing assistance of volunteers, the Spot has extended its hours to accommodate a greater number of children and families, and hosts a series of summer camps covering a wide range of scientific interests.

Garcia hopes to average 100 or more visitors per week, and expand after-school programs while developing and enriching the space to provide children with the opportunity to experience science in enjoyable and intellectually stimulating ways.

—Nathaniel Lotze
Kenyon College '14



Director Rachel Garcia explains to Youth Philanthropy Initiative members the variety of science-based activities available at the SPI Spot, which was awarded a YPI grant for robotics equipment.

Ida T. McHugh Pleasant Street Library Fund

Mount Vernon City School District \$139

Wesley Judd Park Fund for Mount Vernon Nazarene University

Mount Vernon Nazarene University Development \$342

Daniel Pealer Memorial Fund

Mulberry Street Methodist Church \$203

J. R. and Lorene Purdy Fund

Danville United Methodist Church \$3,374

Dr. Clyde L. and Dora L. Purdy Fund

Gay Street United Methodist Church \$583

George H. and Eleanor M. Ralston Memorial Fund

First Congregational United Church of Christ \$155

Arthur E. and Grace E. Rawlinson Fund

Saint Paul's Episcopal Church \$895

Walter and Jane Rudin Family Fund

Mount Vernon City \$3,286

Delbert C. Schmidt Fund

Faith Lutheran Church \$193

Kathryn Sheedy Sanctuary Memorial Fund

Morrow County Park District \$1,786

Walter T. Starr Memorial Fund

First Congregational United Church of Christ \$97

Fletcher M. Devin Fund

Saint Paul's Episcopal Church \$38

Mae S. Taylor YMCA Fund

YMCA of Mount Vernon \$456

Zenno E. & Mae M. Taylor Memorial Fund

First Congregational United Church of Christ \$1,862

Kokosing Gap Trail Fund

Kokosing Gap Trail \$213

Martha Turner Walker Memorial Fund

First Presbyterian Church of Mount Vernon \$38

James R. Westerheide Memorial Fund

Saint Vincent De Paul School \$187

Beatty B. Williams Community Endowment Fund

YMCA of Mount Vernon \$9,254

Amy Fairchild Williams Memorial Fund

First Congregational United Church of Christ \$891

The Salvation Army - Mount Vernon \$1,206

YMCA of Mount Vernon \$3,145

Beatty B. Williams Fund

Community Foundation General Fund \$1,445

First Congregational United Church of Christ \$1,445

National Board of Y. M. C. A. \$1,445

United Way of Knox County \$1,445

YMCA of Mount Vernon \$1,445

Beatty B. Williams Library Fund

Public Library of Mount Vernon & Knox County \$2,905

YWCA Girls' Fund

YMCA of Mount Vernon \$322

Zelkowitz Family United Way Endowment Fund

United Way of Knox County	\$595
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Charles and Helen Zelkowitz Soroptimist Fund

Soroptimists International-Mount Vernon	\$500
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Stephen W. Zelkowitz Scholarship Fund

Distinguished Young Women of Ohio	\$100
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Helen E. Zelkowitz Fund

American Red Cross of Knox County	\$1,000
Food For The Hungry	\$1,000
Mount Vernon Nazarene University Development	\$1,000
New Directions	\$250
Psi Iota Xi Sorority	\$250
The Salvation Army - Mount Vernon	\$250
Soroptimists International-Mount Vernon	\$500

Zelkowitz Family YMCA Endowment Fund

YMCA of Mount Vernon	\$623
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**Grants from
Organization Funds****Alcohol and Drug Freedom Center Fund**

Alcohol and Drug Freedom Center of Knox County	\$300
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Sandra Barrick Knox County Humane Society Fund

Knox County Humane Society	\$7,000
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Faith Lutheran Mission Fund

Faith Lutheran Church	\$7,000
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Fredericktown Community Fund

Fredericktown Community Foundation	\$1,021
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Madcap Memorial Fund

Food For The Hungry	\$500
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Christ Church at the Quarry Restoration Fund

College Township Trustees	\$1,570
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Mount Vernon YMCA Trust

YMCA of Mount Vernon	\$1,000,000
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Youth Philanthropy Initiative Fund

Centerburg Local Schools	\$2,000
Knox County Learning Center	\$1,500
Knox County Health Department	\$1,500
Knox County Park District	\$650
Mount Vernon City School District	\$1,000

**Grants from
Scholarship Funds**

High School Abbreviations: (CHS) Centerburg High School; (CFHS) Clear Fork High School; (DHS) Danville High School; (EKHS) East Knox High School; (FHS) Fredericktown High School; (KCCC) Knox County Career Center; (MVA) Mount Vernon Academy; (MVHS) Mount Vernon High School.

John Ackerman Community Scholarship Fund

David A. Burns (FHS) – Miami University	\$500
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Aljian-Barnes Scholarship Fund

April M. McAllister (FHS) – Mount Vernon Nazarene University	\$250
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Robert C. Appleton Fund

Jonathan L. Zolman (MVHS) – New York University	\$1,500
Alec W. Curry (MVHS) – Otterbein College	\$2,000
Ethan D. Grant (MVHS) – Wright State University	\$1,000

Arck/Crowthers Scholarship Fund

Lucas C. Hopkins (EKHS) – The Ohio State University	\$1,000
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Grants by the Foundation

Ariel Corporation Scholarship Fund

David H. Ardrey (Granville) – The Ohio State Univ. - Newark	\$2,500
Megan E. Bailey (CFHS) – The Ohio State University	\$2,500
Kendyl N. Bissey (Klein-TX) – Texas A & M University	\$5,000
Garrett J. Blue (DHS) – Muskingum College	\$2,500
Kristin N. Boyd (EKHS) – University of Indianapolis	\$5,000
Courtney S. Byers (Edison) – Ohio Valley College Technology	\$1,500
Courtney R. Clark (EKHS) – University of Cincinnati	\$5,000
Katelynn M. Crockett (Clement-TX) – Belmont University	\$2,500
Ashley B. Crosby (Dover) – Kent State University	\$2,500
William R. Doup (MVHS) – The Ohio State University	\$2,500
Craig P. Drews (MVHS) – The Ohio State University	\$2,500
Ryan S. Egle (Pickerington) – Kent State University	\$2,500
Tasha S. Elkins (FHS) – Miami University	\$5,000
John P. Fernandez (MVHS) – Ohio Northern University	\$10,000
Heather L. Fleming (MVHS) – Western Governors University	\$2,500
John Fleming (MVHS) – Miami University	\$5,000
Clayton D. Frost (EKHS) – Zane State College	\$2,500
Jennifer N. Guyton (Northwest) – Kent State University - Stark	\$2,500
Kyle D. Hannon (FHS) – Ohio University	\$5,000
Coty S. Huff (LHS) – The Ohio State University - Mansfield	\$2,500
Nikohl S. Kennedy (Lakewood) – Ohio University	\$2,500
Chelsey N. Knoch (Lake) – Stark State College of Technology	\$2,500
Calvin R. Lortie (MVHS) – Purdue University	\$2,500
John A. Lortie (MVHS) – Ohio University	\$4,000
Olivia Y. Lowe (Viera-FL) – Louisiana State University	\$2,500
Pablo A. Maceda (Seven Lakes-TX) – Univ. of Texas -Austin	\$5,000
Landon T. Magers (DHS) – Ohio University	\$5,000
Austin S. McDonald (Heath) – The Ohio State Univ. - Newark	\$5,000
Chelsea N. Megyes (Manchester) – Walsh University	\$5,000
Megan L. Mobley (Manchester) – Stark State College of Tech.	\$1,500
Bethany L. Myers (MVHS) – The Ohio State University	\$5,000
Emily J. Newman (FHS) – Rochester Institute of Technology	\$5,000
Andre C. Nixon (MVHS) – The Ohio State University	\$5,000
Emily N. Noble (MVHS) – The Ohio State University	\$5,000
Ashley N. Ohler (Mount Gilead) – Otterbein College	\$2,500
Emanuela C. Peshel (Lake Center) – Case Western Reserve	\$5,000
Eli S. Philpott (Johnstown) – The Ohio State Univ. - Newark	\$1,500
Martin S. Renemans (DHS) – Ashland University	\$2,500
Tessa M. Simmons (EKHS) – Mount Vernon Nazarene Univ.	\$5,000
Braelyn Snow (Mount Gilead) – Indiana Wesleyan University	\$5,000
Caitlin Stahl (EKHS) – Mount Vernon Nazarene University	\$5,000
Stefan Stamboldziev (Jackson) – University of Akron	\$5,000
Zechariah Thompson (MVHS) – The Ohio State University	\$5,000
Evan M. Todd (Beechcroft) – The Ohio State University	\$5,000
Michael T. Tyson (Hillsdale) – Capital University	\$5,000
Aubry N. Vonck (MVHS) – The Ohio State University	\$5,000
Katelyn M. Walls (DHS) – Washington and Jefferson College	\$2,500
Shawna A. Weiland (Hoover) – Ashland University	\$2,500
Maxwell D. Whitney (MVHS) – Ohio University	\$10,000
Sidney B. Wilden (FHS) – Kent State University	\$2,500
Kolton H. Wilson (MVHS) – The Ohio State University	\$10,000

Chief Thomas E. Bartlett Scholarship Fund

Jackson P. Fox (MVHS) – College of Wooster	\$1,000
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Elizabeth W. Bell Scholarship Fund

Katelyn L. Addair (DHS) – Ashland University	\$1,000
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Clark and Lucy Biggs Fund

Johnson O. Cochran (MVHS) – Calvin College	\$4,000
Andrew R. Clarkson (MVHS) – Kenyon College	\$4,000
Dylan C. Jones (CHS) – University of Cincinnati	\$1,000

Grants by the Foundation

Karl W. Brown Writing Award

Matt M. Shoewalter (FHS) – Texas State University \$500

William Burgett Builder & Contractor Scholarship Fund

Brandon D. Loyer (Northmor) – Rose-Hulman Inst. of Tech. \$1,000

Phil Burghard Memorial Scholarship Fund

Jason Mavis (Highland) – Ohio Northern University \$1,000

Helen Hope Cooke Scholarship Fund

Lyndsay M. Briegel (FHS) – Mount Vernon Nazarene Univ. \$2,500

Maggie Brown (FHS) – University of Findlay \$2,000

Trey A. Divelbiss (FHS) – The Ohio State University \$1,000

Tasha S. Elkins (FHS) – Miami University \$3,000

Robert H. Gregg (FHS) – The Ohio State University \$3,500

Krista L. Melick (FHS) – Walsh University \$3,000

Drake T. Mulkey (FHS) – Ohio University \$2,500

Emily J. Newman (FHS) – Rochester Institute of Technology \$2,000

Matt M. Shoewalter (FHS) – Texas State University \$2,500

David C. Streby (FHS) – Wittenberg University \$4,000

Lauren Stump (FHS) – Mount Carmel College of Nursing \$2,000

Kaitlyn B. Truax (FHS) – Mount Vernon Nazarene University \$2,000

Norma J. Cornell Memorial Fund

Lauren Butterfield (MVHS) – The Ohio State University \$2,000

Marilu Douglas (CFHS) – Central Ohio Technical College \$500

Alissa L. Guitner (CHS) – Mount Vernon Nazarene University \$2,000

Madison A. Hexter (Home School) – University of Akron \$2,500

Riley G. Swanson (MVHS) – Mount Vernon Nazarene Univ. \$1,000

Jonathan L. Zolman (MVHS) – New York University \$2,000

Ohio Lodge#199 F&AM Scholarship Fund

Hayley L. Gray (EKHS) – Mount Vernon Nazarene University \$750

Tracy M. Payne (DHS) – Walsh University \$750

Geraldine "Gerri" Dennis Scholarship Fund

Nicholas J. Robinson (MVHS) – Miami University \$1,000

Martha Deppner Scholarship Fund

Marcus D. Durbin (DHS) – The Ohio State University \$1,500

Gary and Carol Didingen Scholarship Fund

Keeley E. Brown (DHS) – Brigham Young University \$3,000

Adam S. Rine (EKHS) – The Ohio State University \$2,000

Joe Divelbiss Memorial Scholarship Fund

Cody C. McGuire (FHS) – Bowling Green State University \$500

Beverly Jo Dremann Early Childhood Education Scholarship Fund

Tierany L. Smith (FHS) – Capital University \$250

Mount Vernon Elks Lodge #140 Fund

Katelyn L. Addair (DHS) – Ashland University \$1,000

Breanna J. Campbell (CHS) – Ohio University \$1,000

Marcus D. Durbin (DHS) – The Ohio State University \$1,000

Quinton G. Ferenbaugh (DHS) – The Ohio State University \$500

Tyler Harmon (MVHS) – Mount Vernon Nazarene University \$500

Nicole McDonald (MVHS) – Central Ohio Technical College \$1,000

Krista L. Melick (FHS) – Walsh University \$1,000

Joshua Neff (FHS) – Slippery Rock University \$1,000

Breah L. Prosser (FHS) – Central Ohio Technical College \$1,000

Adam S. Rine (EKHS) – The Ohio State University \$1,000

Nicholas J. Robinson (MVHS) – Miami University \$1,000

Jordan E. Shremshock (MVHS) – College of Wooster \$1,000

David C. Streby (FHS) – Wittenberg University \$1,000

Caleb M. White (CHS) – The Ohio State University \$1,000

Marjorie Fearn Music Scholarship Fund

Cody C. Fox (MVHS) – Bowling Green State University \$500

Fredericktown Community Fund

Kaitlyn B. Truax (FHS) – Mount Vernon Nazarene University \$500

Lyndsay M. Briegel (FHS) – Mount Vernon Nazarene Univ. \$500

Amanda L. Hulse (FHS) – North Central State College \$500

Seth R. Robinson (FHS) – North Central State College \$500

Jenna L. Mills (FHS) – North Central State College \$500

Krista L. Melick (FHS) – Walsh University \$500

Pauline Freeman Scholarship Fund

Katelyn L. Addair (DHS) – Ashland University \$4,000

Paige Arthur (DHS) – Ashland University \$4,000

Ashley N. Didingen (DHS) – Otterbein College \$2,000

Quinton G. Ferenbaugh (DHS) – The Ohio State University \$1,000

Josie L. Kaylor (DHS) – Central Ohio Technical College \$1,000

Kayla N. Lepley (DHS) – North Central State College \$2,000

Landon T. Magers (DHS) – Ohio University \$1,000

Mitchell A. McDaniel (EKHS) – Miami University \$3,000

Molly K. Mickley (DHS) – Columbus College of Art and Design \$1,000

Allisyn M. Morris (DHS) – Tiffin University \$2,000

Kayla A. Page (EKHS) – Central Ohio Technical College \$1,000

Adam S. Rine (EKHS) – The Ohio State University \$1,000

Kayla Stephenson (EKHS) – Bellarmine University \$5,000

Ashlee N. Townsend (DHS) – Notre Dame College \$1,000

Brittany T. Wellman (EKHS) – Mount Vernon Nazarene Univ. \$2,000

Blake and Chloris Fritz Scholarship Fund

Allison M. Glass (MVHS) – The Ohio State University \$500

Steven E. Meeker (MVHS) – Otterbein College \$500

Nick Gaumer Scholarship Fund

Kaitlyn B. Truax (FHS) – Mount Vernon Nazarene University \$500

Wilbur Gaunder Engineering Scholarship Fund

Scott E. Martin (EKHS) – Carnegie Mellon University \$8,000

Zachary M. Liston (CHS) – Miami University \$8,000

Timothy F. Ursich (Home School) – The Ohio State University \$4,000

Mason R. Smith (MVHS) – West Virginia University \$8,000

General Fund of the Community Foundation

Jennifer M. Belton (MVHS) – Mount Vernon Nazarene Univ. \$1,000

Sophia D. DePascuale (MVHS) – Kenyon College \$1,000

Kathryn J. Hebenenthal (CHS) – Geneva College \$1,000

Graham D. Hughes (MVHS) – LeTourneau University \$1,000

Dylan C. Jones (CHS) – University of Cincinnati \$1,500

Calvin R. Lortie (MVHS) – Purdue University \$250

Matthew Pozderac (CHS) – Hiram College \$3,000

Nora Beth F. Rice (MVHS) – Barnard College \$1,500

Leila A. Samhat (MVHS) – Centre College \$1,000

Kimberly G. Shaffer (MVHS) – Mount Vernon Nazarene Univ. \$1,000

Jacob A. Sutton (CHS) – The Ohio State University \$500

William M. Teater (MVHS) – U.S. Naval Academy \$5,000

Pauline L. Gordon Memorial Scholarship Fund

Abigail I. Lyons (MVHS) – Miami University \$1,000

Donald A. & Sigrid O. Harnsberger Scholarship Fund

Jacob D. Haip (FHS) – Massachusetts Institute of Technology \$5,000

Christopher T. Omahan (MVHS) – Massachusetts Inst. of Tech. \$5,000

Lillian C. Hickman Fund

Craig E. Sykes (CHS) – Heidelberg College \$2,000

Caleb M. White (CHS) – The Ohio State University \$2,000

Corinne A. Salva (FHS) – Ohio University \$4,500

David W. Shafer (CFHS) – University of Akron \$1,000

Sarah M. Tracey (MVHS) – West Virginia University \$1,000

William S. Hunter Fund

Kathryn J. Hebenenthal (CHS) – Geneva College \$700

Cody L. Johnson Memorial Scholarship Fund

Jared J. Hathaway (FHS) – University of Northwestern Ohio \$500

Restored CA&C Depot will welcome bike trail visitors to Ariel-Foundation Park

The Cleveland, Akron, and Columbus (CA&C) railroad depot near the Kokosing River viaduct on South Main Street in Mount Vernon was built in 1907, serving hundreds daily until the last passenger train rolled through more than 50 years ago. After a period of vacancy it served dutifully for decades as the Station Break Senior Center.

When the Station Break relocated in 2012 to more spacious quarters, the Foundation Park Conservancy was invited by the City of Mount Vernon to develop a plan to re-purpose the facility.

The Conservancy applied for, and received, a large grant from

the Community Foundation to begin work on extensive renovations that will convert the former depot into a welcome center at the convergence of the new Heart of Ohio Trail and the Kokosing Gap Trail, which will comprise a key link in the Ohio River to Lake Erie trail system.

The center will serve as a rest stop and gateway to Mount Vernon for the trail's many users, offering shade and amenities as well as information about the surrounding area. The welcome center will also serve as a gateway to the adjacent Ariel-Foundation Park, which is currently undergoing major transformation.

Michael Percy, who leads the depot renovation project for the Conservancy, says the goal is for the center to be a place that represents Mount Vernon in a positive way and functions as a kind of "in and out" space, leading people to the trail and park as well as to downtown businesses.

The Conservancy is using grant money from the Foundation and others, including Ariel Corporation, First-Knox National Bank and Mark and Denise Ramser, to restore the east side portico, and undertake a variety of interior improvements: refinishing ceiling and wall surfaces, uncovering and polishing the original terrazzo

marble floor, updating major building systems, and upgrading rest rooms. Gooseneck lamps around the building's exterior will eventually make it look like it would have during its heyday as a popular CA&C Railroad stop.

According to Percy, the depot will also provide a permanent home for the Knox County Park District, the Mount Vernon Parks and Recreation Department and the Kokosing Model Railroad Club, which will erect a permanent display in the basement of the depot.

—Nathaniel Lotze
Kenyon College '14



When renovations are complete the former CA&C (Columbus, Akron and Columbus) railroad depot will provide a gateway to Ariel-Foundation Park and also welcome cyclists traveling the Lake Erie to Ohio River trail. The depot received generous Community Foundation support for its re-make.

Edwin Kaylor Scholarship Fund

Ariel M. Lashley (DHS) – The Ohio State University \$3,000

Knox County Fraternal Order of Police Scholarship Fund

Cole McDonough (MVHS) – The Ohio State University \$500

Barbara C. Lamb Fund (i.m.o. Rex M. Lamb, Jr.)

Graham D. Hughes (MVHS) – LeTourneau University \$2,000

Harriet B. Lawler Memorial Scholarship Fund

Jordan A. Peppers (MVHS) – University of Findlay \$1,000

Katherine M. Reynolds (MVHS) – Washington and Lee Univ. \$1,000

Nicholas D. Myers (CHS) – Wright State University \$1,000

Leedy Student Aid Fund

Christa B. Thomas (FHS) – Wright State University \$2,000

John M. Lee Scholarship Fund

Damion L. Dorsett (EKHS) – University of Northwestern Ohio \$1,000

Alexandra D. Letz General Scholarship Fund

Brianne I. Presley (MVHS) – Kenyon College \$1,000

Alexandra D. Letz Nursing Scholarship Fund

Amber R. Cox (MVHS) – West Virginia University \$1,500

Kathryn Ann Levering Memorial Scholarship Fund

Dylan L. Muhlenkamp (FHS) – The Ohio State Univ. - Mansfield 750

W. Joan Levering Scholarship Fund

Krista L. Melick (FHS) – Walsh University \$500

Community Foundation Frederick N. Lorey Scholarship

Tabytha K. Arthur (DHS) – Denison University \$1,000

Mount Vernon Machine & Tool Inc. Fund

Amber H. Drabick (MVHS) – Mount Vernon Nazarene University \$1,500

Jimmi L. Henthorn (DHS) – University of Findlay \$1,500

Madcap Memorial Fund

William C. O'Hara (MVHS) – University of Akron \$1,000

Roy McKinley Scholarship Fund

David C. Streby (FHS) – Wittenberg University \$500

Meharry Family African-American/American-Indian Nursing Scholarship Fund

Hugues Jean (Haiti) – Meharry Medical College \$500

Anna B. and Ralph V. Mowery Scholarship Fund

Landon T. Magers (MVHS) – Ohio University \$1,000

Ohio's Junior Miss Scholarship Fund

(a.k.a. Distinguished Young Women of Ohio Scholarship Fund)

Kinsey L. Crow (MVHS) – Auburn University \$859

Jeanette Haggerty (Elyria) – Baldwin-Wallace College \$500

Rileigh Zickafoose (Lima Central Catholic) – Bluffton University \$600

Kelly Frailley (Navarre Fairless) – Bowling Green State University \$750

Caroline Bennett (Canfield) – Grove City College \$800

Stephanie Yasechko (Niles McKinley) – Huntington College \$5,900

Claire Dieringer (Lima Central Catholic) – Kent State University \$400

Samantha Williams (Lima Central Cath.) – The Ohio State Univ. \$350

Lauren Butterfield (MVHS) – The Ohio State University \$1,300

Sarah Jeanne Clapper (Louisville) – The Ohio State University \$500

Briana Gearhart (Edon) – The Ohio State University \$500

Hannah Gillespie (Fairborn) – The Ohio State University \$300

Jessica Swope (Marion Pleasant) – The Ohio State Univ. - Marion \$100

Allison Good (Worthington Kilbourne) – Taylor University \$400

Monica Bates (Wapakoneta) – Troy University \$4,752

Brianna Barnes (Mansfield Christian) – University of Cincinnati \$3,400

Taylor Zaborski (Sylvania Southview) – University of Kentucky \$400

Alana Lesnansky (Boardman) – Youngstown State University \$2,100

Arthur J. Packard Jr. Memorial Fund

Brianne Presley (MVHS) – Kenyon College \$750

Dolly Mae Paige Scholarship Fund

Anna Abraham (MVA) – Oklahoma Christian University \$1,000

Richard T. Poling Scholarship Fund

Matthew Omahan (MVHS) – Oberlin College \$5,000

Patrick T. Murnen (MVHS) – Oberlin College \$2,000

William E. & Helen Fund Pond Fund

Erin K. Bell (MVHS) – University of Mount Union \$500

Sarah Karolin Pressler Memorial Scholarship Fund

Steven E. Meeker (MVHS) – Otterbein College \$500

Psi Iota Xi Scholarship Fund

Johnson O. Cochran (MVHS) – Calvin College \$750

Grant aids retired teacher in digitizing Civil War era journals for public access

When retired Mount Vernon Middle School teacher Lois Hanson was researching the history of Jewish families in Mount Vernon – a project she embarked upon after her daughter's wedding spurred curiosity about the last time a Jewish wedding had occurred in town – she relied heavily on information gleaned from local newspapers.

That experience led her to the realization that Knox County's Civil War era newspapers were not available for research locally. The nearest microfilmed editions of the Mount Vernon *Democratic Banner* and *Republican News*, published between 1860 and 1865, were housed at the Ohio Historical Society in Columbus.

Hanson resolved to do something to change that. Inspired by the Library of Congress' electronic database of primary source material, she sought to digitize local Civil War-era newspapers to make them readily available to scholars, students and anyone else interested in learning about life in Mount Vernon during one of the most important periods in American history. Hanson noted the contrasting political perspectives of the two newspapers shed

light on the issues and debates of the time, while also providing valuable information about the town and its citizens. The project was irresistible to Hanson who concluded, "Why not do it?"

Partnering with the Public Library of Mount Vernon and Knox County and the *Mount Vernon News*, she applied for and received a grant from the Com-

munity Foundation to cover the cost of digitization. In 2012 the project was completed and the newspapers were subsequently stored in the digital collections on the Ohio Memory website, which houses more than 26,000 primary sources documenting Ohio's past. Hanson noted the site is free to use and easy to navigate, and users are even able to search for newspapers from a specific date.

As a result of her efforts the *Democratic Banner* and *Republican News* are also now archived

at the Public Library, as well as at the libraries of Kenyon College and Mount Vernon Nazarene University.

Because of Hanson's vision and dedication, local journalism of Civil War years have been put within easy reach of the curious with just a few mouse clicks. According to Hanson, the project "never would have happened without the generosity of the Community Foundation."

—Nathaniel Lotze
Kenyon College '14



Lois Hanson sought and received Foundation support for digitizing Knox County newspapers of the Civil War era and making them available on-line through the Public Library of Mount Vernon and Knox County.

Caitlin C. Pugh Scholarship Fund

Breah L. Prosser (FHS) – Central Ohio Technical College \$500

Dr. Clyde L. and Dora L. Purdy Scholarship FundAmelia B. Nyhart (DHS) – The Ohio State University
College of Veterinary Medicine \$750**J. R. and Lorene Purdy Fund**Jennifer A. Brooks – The College Network \$3,500
Noelle E. Devlin (MVHS) – Mount Vernon Nazarene Univ. \$5,000
Angela Fullington (EKHS) – Knox County Career Center \$3,500
Christopher J. Leibold (Newark Catholic) – Univ. of Dayton \$600
Alexis C. Marshall (EKHS) – Knox County Career Center \$100
Janelle A. Mickley (DHS) – Walsh University \$300
Jennifer A. Mickley (DHS) – Mount Carmel College of Nursing \$1,200
Jennifer L. O'Hara (MVHS) – Mount Carmel College of Nursing \$600
Christopher J. Remy (CFHS) – Grand Canyon University \$4,000
Jordan E. Shremshock (MVHS) – College of Wooster \$3,000
Tessa M. Simmons (EKHS) – Mount Vernon Nazarene Univ. \$300
Michael Smith (Worthington) – Dubuque Theological Seminary \$3,000
Tiffany L. Stevens (FHS) – Knox County Career Center \$4,000**Charles Pursel Memorial Scholarship Fund**Abigail I. Lyons (MVHS) – Miami University \$500
Riley G. Swanson (MVHS) – Mount Vernon Nazarene University \$500**John P. and Agnes D. Rentz Scholarship Fund**

Samuel D. Miller (MVHS) – The University of Toledo \$1,000

Justin T. Richert Scholarship Fund

William C. O'Hara (MVHS) – University of Akron \$1,000

Pauline S. Riel Scholarship Fund

Mikaela A. Bush (Mount Gilead) – Ashland University \$500

Mary Catherine Ritter Scholarship Fund

Johnson O. Cochran (MVHS) – Calvin College \$500

Larry A. Schisler Memorial Scholarship FundSteven D. Shannon (MVHS) – Central Ohio Technical College \$1,000
Rachel A. Hartong (MVHS) – Marietta College \$1,000**Fred Schuller Scholarship Fund**

Calvin R. Lortie (MVHS) – Purdue University \$375

Rick L. Scott Memorial ScholarshipCandace Jaymes (MVHS) – Kent State University \$1,000
Gavin M. Rundell (MVHS) – University of Mount Union \$1,000**Charles Fund & Zella H. Simpson Scholarship Fund**

Samantha Williams (MVHS) – Kenyon College \$1,500

Sims-Rose Scholarship Fund

Katelyn M. Walls (DHS) – Washington and Jefferson College \$500

John N. and Nancy L. Sinclair Scholarship Fund

Daniel P. Eddy (MVHS) – The Ohio State University \$500

Dean & Audrey Spearman Rollin Buckeye FundQuinton G. Ferenbaugh (DHS) – The Ohio State University 750
Robert H. Gregg (FHS) – The Ohio State University \$1,500
Lucas C. Hopkins (EKHS) – The Ohio State University \$1,500
Nathaniel T. Miller (MVHS) – The Ohio State University \$1,500
Caleb M. White (CHS) – The Ohio State University \$1,500**Stephanie Thompson Sprang Memorial Scholarship Fund**Tyra M. Brown (MVHS) – Bowling Green State University \$500
Lindsey D. Studebaker (MVHS) – Denison University \$500**Strang Memorial Fund**

Abigail J. Beale (MVHS) – Ohio University \$1,000

Carlos E. Watkins First-Knox Scholarship FundNelson Bandy (Loudonville) – Carleton College \$5,000
Jessica Bartkiewicz (EKHS) – Mount Vernon Nazarene Univ. \$5,000
Taylor E. Boss (West Holmes) – University of Akron \$5,000

Grants by the Foundation

Joshua M. Campbell (MVHS) – Malone College \$5,000
Alexander A. Gamble (MVHS) – Delta State University \$5,000
Kelsey R. Gamble (EKHS) – Miami University \$5,000
Scott E. Henley (West Holmes) – Bowling Green State Univ. \$5,000
Cody J. Hogle (MVHS) – Wright State University \$6,291
Erin C. Lingenfelter (Loudonville) – Ashland University \$5,000
Garrett D. O'Donnell (West Holmes) – The Ohio State Univ.- ATI \$5,000
Shawn S. Painter (Utica) – Shawnee State University \$5,000
Jeffrey C. Thomas (CFHS) – Ohio University \$5,000**Vaughn Wiester Music Scholarship Fund**

Jordan E. Shremshock (MVHS) – College of Wooster \$2,500

Jay M. and Sarah L. Wilson Scholarship Fund

Jacob A. Sutton (CHS) – The Ohio State University \$2,500

Jay M. and Sarah L. Wilson Scholarship Fund

Caleb M. White (CHS) – The Ohio State University \$1,500

William E. Wing Scholarship Fund

Matthew Omahan (MVHS) – Oberlin College \$500

Charles M. Zerkowicz Community Service Fund

Zachary Sawicki (EKHS) – Kenyon College \$1,200

Charles and Helen Zerkowicz Fund

Kirby C. Brandenburg (FHS) – Pensacola Christian University \$1,200

Stephen W. Zerkowicz Scholarship Fund

Sierra Hunt (MVHS) – Mount Vernon Nazarene University \$1,500

Grants from Unrestricted Funds

Harold C. and Roberta C. Johnson FundCity of Mount Vernon \$62,500
*Parking lot acquisition at Sandusky and Chestnut Streets***Short Term Project Fund**Mount Vernon Girls Softball Association \$1,035
*Playing field improvements, in memory of Charles K. Dice***Special Projects Fund**Foundation Park Conservancy \$10,000
Renovation of the C.A.& C. Depot
Knox County Commissioners \$50,000
Exterior repair of the Knox County Memorial Building
Mary Miller Life Estate \$10,000
Mount Vernon Nazarene University \$25,000
*Construction of the Buchwald Center Plaza***Unrestricted Grants Fund***(The following grants were awarded through a competitive process, with distributions from the unrestricted funds listed on page 8.)*Alcohol and Drug Freedom Center of Knox County \$10,733
Information systems upgrade
American Red Cross of Knox County \$5,000
Purchase of pre-owned emergency response vehicle
Area Development Foundation of Knox County \$5,000
Marketing video production
Center for Disability Services \$3,000
Start-up expenses for adult day care service
Youth Philanthropy Initiative Fund \$5,000
Support for youth grant-making
Covenant Christian Church \$5,000
Multi-purpose community food pantry

Danville Athletic Boosters	\$15,000	Fredericktown facility acquisition	
Construction of indoor training facility		Knox County Renaissance Foundation	\$3,000
Distinguished Young Women of Ohio	\$1,175	Restoration of Odd Fellows building	
Re-branding of former Ohio's Junior Miss organization		Mount Vernon Colt Football League	\$2,000
East Knox Local Schools	\$600	Youth football protective equipment	
Youth Enrichment Series transportation supplement		Mount Vernon Players	\$2,500
First Congregational United Church of Christ	\$1,000	50th anniversary celebration activities	
Community gardening initiative		City of Mount Vernon	\$5,000
First Presbyterian Church of Fredericktown	\$2,100	Heart monitor/defibrillator purchase	
Red Cross emergency center enhancements		Mount Vernon Nazarene University	\$25,000
Food For The Hungry	\$1,000	Construction of the Buchwald Center Plaza	
Sponsorship of county-wide campaign to combat hunger		Ohio District 5 Area Agency on Aging	\$25,000
Foundation Park Conservancy	\$21,000	Hawkins Corner (Mansfield) regional facility renovation	
Renovation of the C.A. & C. Depot		Ohio District 5 Area Agency on Aging	\$3,000
Fredericktown Community Foundation	\$1,000	Project Lifesaver personal tracking equipment	
Sponsorship of 5-k run-walk to support scholarships		Ohio Grantmakers Forum	\$3,200
Fredericktown Local Schools	\$22,122	Annual support of philanthropy advocacy	
Project Lead the Way technology acquisition		Public Library of Mount Vernon & Knox County	\$3,000
Hope Now Inc.	\$6,500	Digitization of Civil War era newspapers	
Warehouse fixtures for furniture recycling mission		Ronald McDonald House of Charities	\$10,000
Interchurch Social Services	\$3,000	Challenge grant for Community Foundation fund development	
Centerburg facility roof replacement		Sanctuary Community Action	\$3,000
Kenyon College	\$2,500	Parking lot installation at new Sanctuary facility	
Inaugural Gund Gallery exhibition		Science Play Initiative	\$2,000
Kenyon College	\$2,500	Science play equipment for new SPI Spot	
Sponsorship of collaborative Earth Day observance		Community Foundation Special Projects Fund	\$25,000
Kenyon Review	\$1,500	Annual transfer from General Fund	
Knox County Reads: Community-Wide Read-a-Book		The TBDBITL Alumni Club	\$1,500
Kno-Ho-Co Community Action Center	\$3,000	Sponsorship of summer alumni band concert	
Reproductive cancer screening project support		Knox County Convention & Visitors Bureau	\$2,275
Knox County Career Center	\$2,000	Tents and Chairs for area festivals	
Children's Garden mural replacement		United Way of Knox County	\$3,000
Knox County Career Center	\$1,000	Sponsorship of Dolly Parton Imagination Library	
Adult literacy testing fees		Vaughn Wiester Music Scholarship Fund	\$2,000
Knox County Educational Service Center	\$6,000	Support for annual music scholarship benefit concert	
Annual sponsorship of Youth Enrichment Series concerts		The Village Network	\$1,000
Knox County Head Start, Inc.	\$40,000	Sponsorship of Gathering of Friends event	

Independent auditors' report for 2012

To the Board of Directors of The Community Foundation of Mount Vernon & Knox County,

We have audited the accompanying consolidated statements of financial position of the Community Foundation of Mount Vernon & Knox County (the Foundation) as of December 31, 2012 and 2011, and the related consolidated statements of activities and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statement.

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free of material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the consolidated financial statements.

We believe the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Community Foundation of Mount Vernon & Knox County and supporting organization as of December 31, 2012 and 2011, and the consolidated statements of activities and cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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Mount Vernon, Ohio
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Community Foundation of Mount Vernon & Knox County

Statement of financial position
For the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011

Assets	2012	2011
<i>Current assets</i>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,289,192	\$ 2,385,545
Certificates of deposit, at cost	50,000	
Investments, at fair value		
Marketable equity securities	20,736,139	17,345,852
Marketable debt securities	6,560,248	6,559,910
Marketable certificates of deposit	245,130	426,805
Mutual funds & real estate investment trusts	5,609,477	4,956,193
Investment in Commonfund partnership	1,152,032	1,002,327
Total current investments	34,303,026	30,291,087
Total current assets	35,642,218	32,676,632
<i>Noncurrent assets</i>		
Note receivable – less current portion		954,443
Real estate	1,650,632	1,634,469
<i>Noncurrent investments</i>		
Nonmarketable equity securities	40,000	40,000
Certificates of deposit, at cost	250,000	300,000
Investment in Commonfund partnerships	645,850	515,107
Total noncurrent investments	935,850	855,107
Total noncurrent assets	2,586,482	3,444,019
Total assets	\$38,228,700	\$36,120,651
Liabilities & net assets		
<i>Liabilities</i>		
Grants payable	\$ 88,000	\$ 16,175
Funds held as agency funds	1,442,998	2,310,981
Total liabilities	1,530,998	2,327,156
<i>Net assets</i>		
Unrestricted	6,317,435	5,825,093
Temporarily restricted	14,654,499	12,971,554
Permanently restricted	15,725,768	14,996,848
Total net assets	36,697,702	33,793,495
Total liabilities & Net assets	\$38,228,700	\$36,120,651

Community Foundation of Mount Vernon & Knox County

Statement of activities
For the year ended December 31, 2012

Revenues, gains & other support	Total
<i>Public support</i>	
Contributions	\$ 1,743,180
<i>Investment income</i>	
Dividends & interest	971,903
Realized & unrealized gains (losses)	2,362,579
Miscellaneous revenues	8,525
Less: Amounts received for agency funds	(179,665)
Total revenues, gains & other support	\$ 4,906,522
Expenses	
<i>Program services</i>	
Grants & scholarships	\$ 2,628,048
Less: Awards made for agency funds	(1,021,367)
<i>General & administrative</i>	
Investment management fees	229,690
Personnel	116,080
Consulting & professional services	18,325
Schnormeier Gardens Fund expenses	7,227
Special events	13,138
Development & marketing	5,269
Other administrative costs	32,186
Total general and administrative	421,915
Less: allocated to agency funds	(26,281)
Total expenses	\$ 2,002,315
Change in net assets	2,904,207
Net assets, beginning of year	33,793,495
Net assets, end of year	\$36,697,702

The complete "Independent Auditors' Report and Consolidated Financial Statements" for 2012 is available as a PDF download at our website: www.mvkcfoundation.org under the "About us" tab.



Bruce E. Hawkins



Karen Buchwald Wright



Kurt E. Schisler



Robert L. Rauzi



R. Leroy Bumpus



Terry L. Divelbiss

Community Foundation Board of Directors and Staff

(Board members serve without compensation)

Bruce E. Hawkins, Chair
CEO, Management Council of Ohio
Education Computer Network
Appointed by Mount Vernon
City Council
Term expires: December 31, 2013

Karen Buchwald Wright, Vice Chair
President & CEO, Ariel Corporation
Appointed by the Foundation Board
Term expires: December 31, 2016

Kurt E. Schisler, Treasurer
Kurt E. Schisler, CPA, Inc.
Appointed by the Foundation Board
Term expires: December 31, 2016

Robert L. Rauzi, Secretary
Murray, Rauzi and Kidwell, Ltd.
Appointed by the Foundation Board
Reappointed annually

R. Leroy Bumpus, Member
CEO, Retired, First Federal Savings

and Loan of Centerburg
Appointed by Knox County
Commissioners
Term expires: December 31, 2016

Terry L. Divelbiss, Member
President, Divelbiss Corporation
Appointed by the Foundation Board
Term expires: December 31, 2013

Marc C. Hawk, Member
President, RevLocal and ECR
Computer Services, Inc.
Appointed by the Judges of the
Knox County Courts of
Common Pleas
Term expires: December 31, 2016

Gene S. Jackson, Member
Vice President/Retail Banking,

PNC Bank of Mount Vernon
Appointed by Chamber of Commerce
Term expires: December 31, 2014

Dr. Amy D. Murnen, Member
Family Practice Physician
Appointed by the Foundation Board
Term expires: December 31, 2014

Marsha K. Rinehart, Member
Vice President, Kokosing
Construction Co.
Appointed by the Foundation Board
Term expires: December 31, 2015

Gordon Yance, Member
Board Chair, First-Knox
National Bank
Appointed by the Foundation Board
Term expires: December 31, 2015

Partners in Philanthropy

Scholarship committees

In addition to these scholarship committee members the Community Foundation is indebted to scores of high school administrators, guidance counselors, faculty members and volunteers, whose efforts facilitated the award of college scholarships in 2012.

General Scholarships

Ms. Mary Cannon
Mr. Bruce E. Hawkins
Ms. Beverly Morse

Wilbur Gaunder Engineering Scholarships

Mr. Philip Butta
Mr. Ronald Cochran
Mr. Terry Divelbiss
Mr. Tom Parker
Mr. Tom Rastin

Lillian Hickman Medical Scholarships

Dr. Amy Murnen
Dr. Jennifer Ogle
Dr. Deborah Reeder
Ms. Marsha Rinehart
Dr. Brad Smith

Ohio's Distinguished Young Women Scholarships

Tanya Kosc
Marie Lamberg
Hon. Laura Liu
Shari Mayne
Daniel Miller
Marcia Pomeroy
Kate Reed
Paula Turner

J.R. and Lorene Purdy Non-Traditional Scholarships

Ms. Sandra Beidelschies
Ms. Joan Jones
Dr. Amy Murnen

Vaughn Wiester Music Scholarship

Lowell Borchers
Dr. Kie Watkins
Vaughn Wiester

Youth Philanthropy Initiative members

Centerburg High School
Melissa Layton '14
Matthew Pozderac '12
Daniel Schuster '13

Danville High School

Lelia Jo Dusthimer '15
Monica Honabarger '14
Brendan Urban '13

East Knox High School

Joseph Byers '14
Tony Gault '14
Stephanie Probst '14
Zachary Sawicki '12
Haley Shipley '13
Emmanuel Singletary '15
Kayla Stephenson '12

Fredericktown High School

Drew Currier '14
Kara Dilts '15
Rebekah Haip '14
Rachel Shaffer '13

Mount Vernon High School

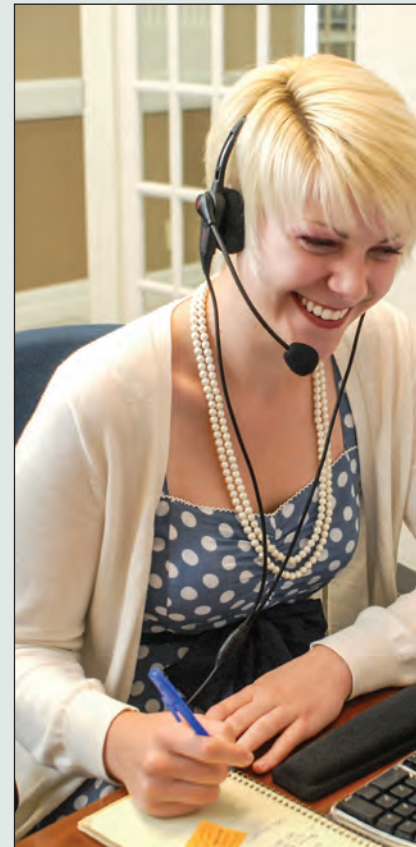
Seth Badger '12
Abbey McClure '15
Matthew Omahan '12
Corin Sponsler '14
Daniel Tharp '13
Amanda Tier '14
J. Levi Zolman '12

Home School

Stephanie Harman '13

YPI Advisor

Ellen Blanchard '12
Kenyon College



Foundation intern Jordan Shremshock



Marc C. Hawk



Gene S. Jackson



Dr. Amy D. Murnen



Marsha K. Rinehart



Kim M. Rose



Gordon E. Yance

Others who have led the Community Foundation

Past Board Members:

Benjamin C. Betner Jr. (1954-56)
J. Gordon Bone (1966-78)
Douglas O. Brenneman (2001-10)
Maureen Buchwald (1986-99)
Clyde G. Conley (1944-68)
Winslow Curry (1987-96)
Dr. John C. Drake (1959-77)
John D. Ellis (1994-03)
Dr. E. LeBron Fairbanks (1999-07)
Thomas R. Fosnaught (1999-2008)
Dale E. Foster (1977-86)
Ronald G. Godfrey (2001-10)
J. Abbott Herron (1969-76)
Stanley E. Johnson (1969-72)

C. R. Jones (1972-75)
Joan E. Jones (2000-10)
L. Bruce Levering (1998-07)
Frederick N. Lorey (1978-88)
Bert W. Martin (1944-53)
Thomas McDowell (1944-49)
E. L. Miller (1957-66)
Sally A. Nelson (2001-11)
Perman E. Popejoy Jr. (1950-53)
J. R. Purdy (1979-90)
Mark R. Ramser (1997-2010)
Dr. Deborah J. Reeder (2001-09)
John W. Rudin (1944-74)
Paul W. Schaughency (1954-58)
Dr. Richard L. Smythe (1975-83)
Dennis L. Snyder (1997-07)
O. W. Stanley (1967-68)
Donald E. Steele (1976-84)
Kenneth W. Stevenson (1991-00)

William A. Stroud (1967-97)
Beatty B. Williams (1944-65)
Helen Zerkowitz (1983-93)

Past Board Secretaries:

Fred Barry, Jr. (1974-76)
James J. Cullers (1977-94)
Charles M. Zerkowitz (1944-73)
Robert L. Rauzi (1995-2012)

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Foundation Staff

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Samuel Barone

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Division of the Park National Bank

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researched past scholarship winners.

"Pay it Forward" Scholarship Fund set for fall 2013 launch

The Community Foundation's development committee has set an ambitious two-year goal of raising \$100,000 from past scholarship recipients to create an additional college funding opportunity for local high school graduates.

The initial phase of this project was reconnecting with as many of our more than 2,500 past recipients as possible. Ariel Corporation generously assigned one of its summer interns to assist the Foundation in this effort.

Jordan Shremshock, a 2012 scholarship recipient from Mount Vernon High School, was more than up to the task. Following is her report:

As an intern for the Community Foundation of Mount Vernon & Knox County, I have contacted scholarship alumni from 1954 to 2008. My objective was to create a scholarship alumni database to

assist in establishing a "Pay-It-Forward Scholarship Fund" through alumni donations. The ultimate goal, of course, is to benefit even more students in the Knox County community. I have telephoned and electronically messaged hundreds of lovely people who have been very responsive to this project. Over the course of this past summer I succeeded in talking directly with 210 previous scholarship winners, and otherwise gathered more than 1,000 current alumni and parent addresses.

Beginning my second year of college studies, I am trying to discover my passion and learn how to use it in a career setting. One of the first people I contacted is a cancer research doctor, who earned his Ph.D. in cell biology from Brigham Young University, and went on to earn a post-doctoral fellowship at The Salk Institute for Biological Studies. He now works for

Frederick National Lab for Cancer Research. He was very interested in giving back to the Community Foundation to help future scholars!

Another outstanding scholarship alumna and her husband speak Mandarin Chinese. They traveled to China in 2010 for a two-month immersion experience. As a student minoring in Chinese at the College of Wooster the opportunity to speak and practice Mandarin with them was one of the most memorable of my networking experiences this summer. We ended up having a half-hour long conversation in Mandarin and I was invited to call and practice again.

It has been an inspiring experience to reach out to current and former Knox Countians who are so willing to support the college dreams of today's students. There are too many stories to tell here, but I hope that the ones I shared will illustrate the benefit of the Community Foundation's proposed "Pay-It-Forward Scholarship Fund."

*—Jordan Shremshock
College of Wooster '16*

Our mission

- *To improve the quality of life in Mount Vernon and Knox County through charitable giving.*
- *To provide a vehicle for donors of varied interests to support charitable and community activities.*
- *To assess and respond to emerging and changing community needs in the fields of education, youth services, recreation, arts and culture, social services, and civic and community development.*
- *To develop a permanent endowment for the community, and to serve as a catalyst for the initiation of vital projects.*

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Foundation Park in 2012 – On the verge of an historic transformation that will expand its boundaries, its name, and its recreational opportunities.