



## 2003 ANNUAL REPORT



## The year in review

# Foundation poised for new opportunities in 2004

By the time you read this annual report the Community Foundation of Mount Vernon & Knox County will have established its on-ramp to the information super highway.

Indeed, if your reading preference leans more to PDF documents than to the printed text in your hands, log on to [www.mvkcfoundation.org](http://www.mvkcfoundation.org) and navigate to the electronic version of this report. There you'll also find the annual reports from 2001 and 2002, together with volumes of data about the Community Foundation, past and present. Needless to say, we've also included abundant information about, and encouragement for, your active participation in the Foundation's future.

I'd like to direct your attention to page three where we profile 10 new funds that were established within the Community Foundation in 2003. The diversity and flexibility of our (soon-to-be) 60 year-old institution is in evidence once again as donors created new funds in all four major categories.

Readers of this annual report will also notice a new organization scheme for the 190 funds that comprise the Community Foundation of Mount Vernon & Knox County. Beginning on page four, you will see those funds detailed as follows: Unrestricted funds, Scholarship funds, Restricted

funds (grouped into eight specific areas of interest) and Donor-advised funds.

This reorganization should provide readers a clearer picture of the Foundation's impact within our community. We also believe it highlights areas where increased donor activity is needed. Finally, it paves the way for the creation in 2004 of new "area of interest" general funds, to which contributions of any size may be directed in a more focused manner than previously possible.

We especially look forward to the invitation of memorial contributions to one of our area-of-interest funds. What an appropriate way to honor the specific lifetime interests of a deceased friend or family member. Honorees' names will be added to the list of others, so remembered, which appears on page four. Of course, any contribution (or group of contributions) which exceeds \$5,000 still earns naming and designation privileges as a separate fund.

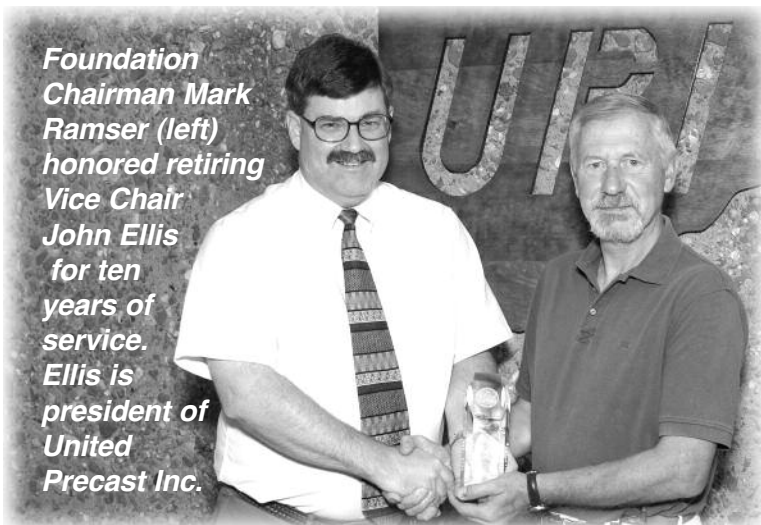
Finally, please take a moment to read on the inside back cover about our new Legacy Society. Perhaps this incremental giving program will provide a convenient strategy for creating your family's flexible charitable endowment, sooner than later.

With gratitude for your past and future generosity...

– **Mark R. Ramser, Chairman**

## Community Foundation board of directors

*Board members and secretary serve without compensation.*



**Mark R. Ramser**  
Chairman  
*Appointed by First-Knox National Bank*



**John D. Ellis**  
Vice-Chair  
*Appointed by City Council*



**Sally Nelson**  
Treasurer  
*Appointed by Foundation Board*



**Robert L. Rauzi**  
Secretary  
*Appointed by Foundation Board*



**Thomas R. Fosnaught**  
*Appointed by Foundation Board*



**Ronald Godfrey**  
*Appointed by Foundation Board*



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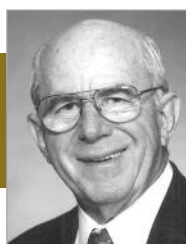
## On the cover

Our cover photo may look familiar to readers of the 2002 Foundation report, in which its appearance heralded the award of a multi-year grant to support restoration of Mount Vernon's historic B&O depot.

With significant progress now evident, this year's annual report offers a detailed look at the depot's rich past as well as plans for future use. Project Director Phil Samuelli provided commentary, photos of work in progress, and the restored post-card image, circa 1909, on the cover.



**Joan Jones**  
*Appointed by  
Chamber of  
Commerce*



**L. Bruce Levering**  
*Appointed by  
Common Pleas and  
Probate Judges*



**Dr. E. LeBron  
Fairbanks**  
*Appointed by  
Foundation Board*



**Douglas Brenneman**  
*Appointed by  
Foundation Board*



**Dr. Deborah Reeder**  
*Appointed by  
Foundation Board*



**Dennis L. Snyder**  
*Appointed by  
National City Bank*

## Foundation staff



**Samuel Barone**  
*Executive Director*



**Ian Watson**  
*Investment Manager  
First-Knox  
National Bank*



**Gordon Yance**  
*President, First-Knox  
National Bank*

## Others who have served...

**Past Distribution Committee Members:** J. Gordon Bone • Maureen Buchwald • Clyde G. Conley • Winslow Curry • Dr. John C. Drake • Dale E. Foster • J. Abbott Herron • Stanley E. Johnson, Jr. • C. R. Jones • Frederick N. Lorey • Bert W. Martin • Thomas McDowell • E. L. Miller • J.R. Purdy • John W. Rudin • Dr. Richard L. Smythe • O.W. Stanley • Donald E. Steele • Kenneth W. Stevenson • William A. Stroud • Beatty B. Williams • Helen Zelkowitz. **Past Secretaries:** Fred Barry, Jr. • James J. Cullers • Charles M. Zelkowitz.

# Summary of Foundation funds

	2003 Contributions	2003 Grants	12/31/2003 Fund balances
<b>Unrestricted funds (49)</b>			
Named funds & general fund	\$145,070	\$218,833	\$7,287,274
<b>Scholarship funds (54)</b>			
Total scholarships	\$148,900	\$194,927	\$6,066,549
<b>Restricted funds (77)</b>			
Arts & humanities funds	\$0	\$400	\$17,433
Community improvement funds	\$500	\$19,630	\$649,450
Designated funds	\$3,600	\$44,714	\$1,389,850
Education funds	\$8,891	\$39,964	\$1,124,546
Health & wellness funds	\$3,600	\$83,112	\$1,808,270
Human & social services funds	\$10,708	\$5,451	\$448,646
Spiritual growth funds	\$21,650	\$50,937	\$2,111,008
Youth enrichment funds	\$0	\$489	\$26,799
<b>Donor-advised funds (10)</b>			
Total donor-advised funds	\$205,195	\$70,279	\$898,491
<b>Total Foundation funds (190)</b>	<b>\$548,114</b>	<b>\$728,736</b>	<b>\$21,828,316</b>



*Red Cross Executive Director David Gore (left) instructs American Heart Association volunteer Tom Metcalf on use of automatic external defibrillators acquired with Foundation grant.*

## A decade of steady growth

### Foundation assets (cost basis)

2003	\$21,828,316
2002	\$21,726,362
2001	\$20,415,197
2000	\$19,074,125
1999	\$16,018,902
1998	\$14,724,527
1997	\$13,120,332
1996	\$12,493,281
1995	\$11,029,528
1994	\$9,923,845

# 10 new funds added to Foundation in 2003

*The year 2003 saw the addition of 10 new funds to the Community Foundation, as the staff and board of the Foundation collaborated with individuals and organizations within the community to assist each in meeting specific philanthropic goals.*

## New unrestricted funds

**Mount Vernon Elks Lodge #140** - With an eye toward improving the quality of life in Knox County, the local Elks Lodge chose to direct a significant percentage of its fundraising proceeds to the Community Foundation of Mount Vernon & Knox County. The lodge also supports the National Elks Foundation and other charitable organizations.

**Morton M. “Pete” Hansen Fund** - Mount Vernon craftsman “Pete” Hansen was known by many in the community for his skill and good humor. His last will and testament directed a sizeable portion of his estate to the general fund of the Foundation. Unrestricted gifts and bequests, such as Hansen’s, enable the Foundation’s trustees to respond to emerging needs in the community.

## New scholarship funds

**Karl W. Brown Writing Award Fund** - A Fredericktown High School senior will be recognized annually based on a distinguished body of writing. This special scholarship honors the memory of its namesake, himself an avid reader and gifted writer.

**Danville Masonic Lodge #546 F&AM Fund** - As part of its merger agreement with Ohio Lodge #199, the former Danville Masonic Lodge established this perpetual scholarship fund to benefit students from Danville and East Knox high schools.

**Cody L. Johnson Memorial Scholarship Fund** - Family and friends of Cody L. Johnson established a memorial scholarship in his honor, which will be awarded annually. Recipients shall be students of the Knox County Career Center from

the Danville Local School District. Additionally, the scholarship is targeted for a student enrolled in either the auto technology, auto body or metal fabrication program.

**Knox County F.O.P. #147 Fund** - Beginning in 2003 Knox County high school students pursuing a career in the field of law enforcement are eligible to apply to the Community Foundation for scholarship assistance, thanks to the fundraising efforts and generosity of the local Fraternal Order of Police. This scholarship fund is but one of several community outreach programs of the local F.O.P.

**Pauline Riel Scholarship Fund** - It had been her long-time dream to sponsor a college scholarship for aspiring teachers. On her 80th birthday last October, family and friends surprised retired educator Pauline Riel by establishing this fund in her honor. Prospective teachers from Mount Vernon, Highland and Mount Gilead schools, where Mrs. Riel spent her distinguished career, will be eligible to receive the annual scholarship.



**Educator Pauline Riel**

## New designated fund

**Karl W. Brown Library Fund** - Enhancements to the Fredericktown High School Library were made with contributions to this fund, which was established in memory of 2002 Fredericktown High School graduate Karl W. Brown.

## New donor-advised funds

**Fredericktown Community Fund** - The trustees of the Fredericktown Community Foundation merged their assets with those of the Community Foundation of Mount Vernon & Knox County to improve its ability to respond to specific local needs. Trustees retain the right to recommend distribution of the fund’s principal and income.

**Ruby and Alan Riedel Fund** - Former Mount Vernon residents Ruby and Alan Riedel initially intend to recommend distributions from their new fund for city improvement projects.

# Balances, contributions and distributions

Jean Prosser • George Sasser • Paul E. Slaughter Jr. • Annie Sommerville • Harry Strodbeck • Fred A. Surlas • The Symposiarchs • Claude F. Turben • William Kay Walker • Jack Zeller.

## Unrestricted funds

<b>Ariel Corporation</b>	<b>\$203,374</b>
<b>Frank L. &amp; Anna Beam Fund</b>	<b>\$15,235</b>
<b>Henry L. &amp; Alice M. Beecher Fund</b>	<b>\$5,729</b>
<b>Luke B. Biggs Fund</b>	<b>\$142,891</b>
<b>Ralph L. &amp; Doris Boyer Fund</b>	<b>\$147,434</b>
<b>Charles F. Colville Fund</b>	<b>\$1,523</b>
<b>George Culbertson Fund</b>	<b>\$9,242</b>
<b>James H. Debes Fund</b>	<b>\$152,218</b>
<b>Jennie J. Debes Fund</b>	<b>\$224,974</b>
<b>Elks Lodge #140 Fund</b>	<b>\$4,313</b>
<i>2003 Contributions</i>	<i>\$4,323</i>
<b>Mr. &amp; Mrs. Frank L. Fairchild Fund</b>	<b>\$2,285</b>
<b>Harry &amp; Lovella Foster Fund</b>	<b>\$108,949</b>
<b>General Fund of the Foundation</b>	<b>\$1,780,186</b>
<i>2003 Contributions</i>	<i>\$39,740</i>
<b>Morton M. Hansen Fund</b>	<b>\$99,934</b>
<i>2003 Contributions</i>	<i>\$100,000</i>
<b>Knox County Savings Bank Fund</b>	<b>\$6,094</b>
<b>Lamb Glass Company Fund</b>	<b>\$7,616</b>
<b>Lawrence &amp; Josephine Lewis Fund</b>	<b>\$29,908</b>
<b>Memorial Fund of the Foundation</b>	<b>\$20,853</b>

*Contributions have been made to the Community Foundation as a perpetual tribute to the following individuals, families and organizations:*

Thomas D. Badger • Herbert L. Belden • John L. Burgoon • Clyde G. Conley • Leona Culbertson • The Ralph Headington Family • H. Grant Heckler • Departed friends of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hollinger • Dr. George and Lucille Imhoff • Fred W. Kahl • R.M. Lamb • John E. Mickley • John M. Miller •

**The Mount Vernon Bridge Company Fund** **\$11,427**

**William A. Moore & Geraldine Moore Fowler Fund** **\$4,983**

**Ohio Magazine Fund** **\$3,499**

**Nancy J. Page Fund** **\$179,627**

**Havilah Phelps Fund** **\$5,812**

**Margaret Polahar Memorial Fund** **\$3,131**

**Pond Motor Sales Fund** **\$609**

**William Pond Fund** **\$513**

**J. R. & Lorene Purdy Memorial Fund** **\$871,580**

**Russell E. Ramser Memorial Fund** **\$16,443**

**Residential Homes of Knox County** **\$21,609**

**Rudin Company Fund** **\$15,235**

**J. W. Rudin Jr. Fund** **\$1,523**

**J. W. Rudin Sr. Fund** **\$3,306**

**W. M. Rudin Fund** **\$1,523**

**Sanderson-Salisbury Memorial Fund** **\$46,976**

*2003 Contributions* *\$7*

**Berta H. Schnebly Fund** **\$21,968**

**Belle Shrontz Fund** **\$929,551**

**Foundation Special Projects Fund** **294,814**

**Mrs. Walter Sperry Family Fund** **\$4,276**

**Blanche Stevenson Fund** **\$14,713**

**Mary Blanche Stucky Fund** **\$13,902**

**Frederick & Carol Surlas Fund** **\$5,429**

**Zenno & Mae Taylor General Fund** **\$491,242**

**Perry & Louise Trinker Fund** **\$13,860**

*2003 Contributions* *\$1,000*

**Jean Ann Wagner Fund** **\$78,715**

**Beatty B. Williams Memorial Fund** **\$933,748**





*The Centerburg Wellness Center, part of the new school complex, has been embraced by village residents. The Foundation was the biggest donor to the project.*

<b>Edith Williams Fund</b>	<b>\$20,416</b>
<b>Lawrence F. &amp; Ruby Williams Fund</b>	<b>\$283,619</b>
<b>Arthur C. &amp; Ada B. Wolfe Fund</b>	<b>\$30,470</b>

### Grants from unrestricted funds

<b>American Heart Association</b>	<b>\$15,000</b>
A matching grant to facilitate the placement of automatic external defibrillators in sheriff's department cruisers.	
<b>YMCA of Mount Vernon</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>
The fifth and final payment of a matching grant to upgrade exercise equipment in the fitness center.	
<b>Village of Danville</b>	<b>\$17,250</b>
Matching grant to install new lighting instruments at Danville Memorial Park.	

<b>Howard Township Trustees</b>	<b>\$5,500</b>
Second and final installment of a grant to create three new baseball fields for the Howard Youth League.	

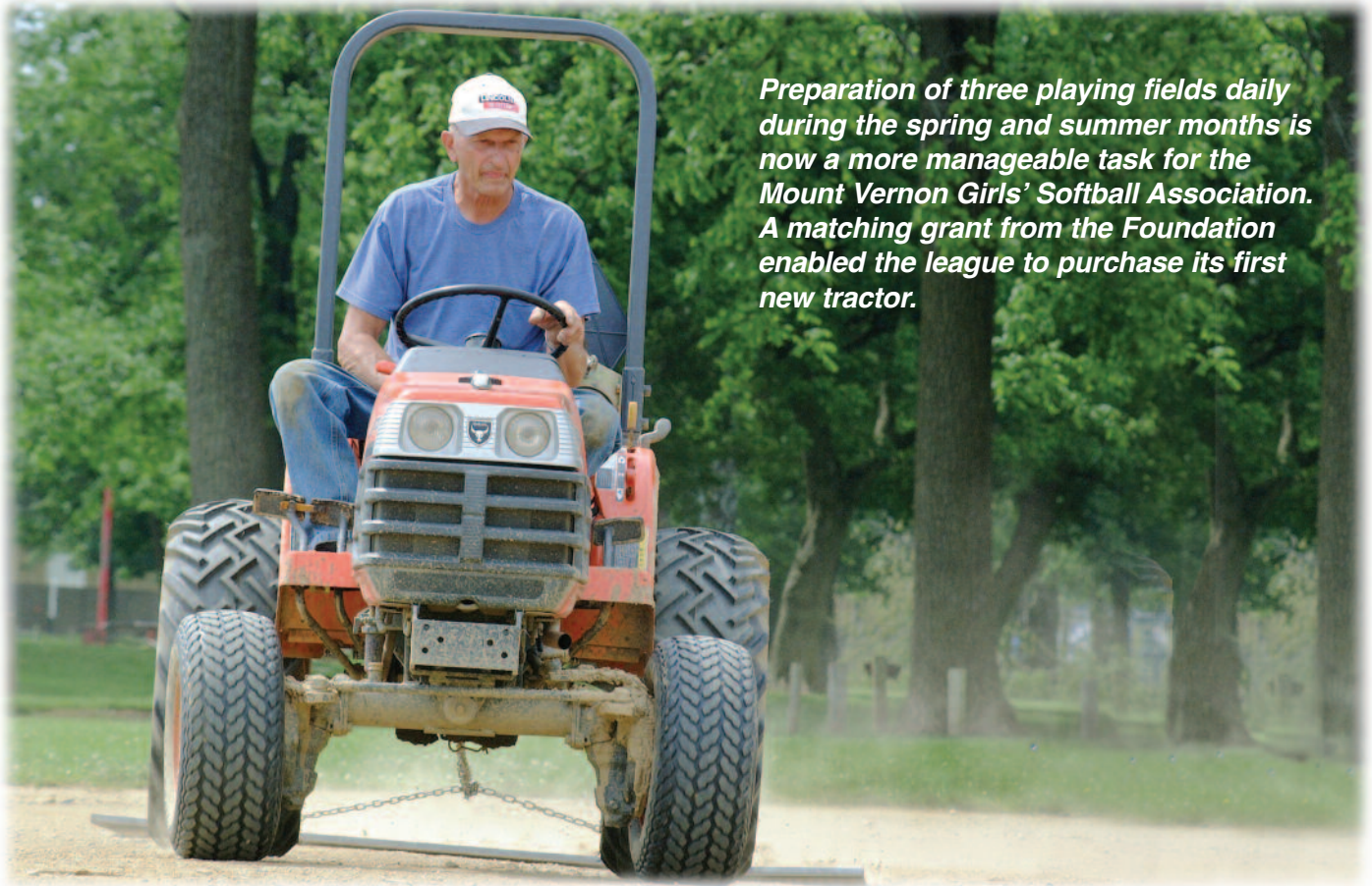
<b>College Township Trustees</b>	<b>\$15,000</b>
The second and final installment of a grant for the restoration of the Quarry Chapel.	

<b>East Knox Athletic Boosters</b>	<b>\$5,000</b>
A grant to support the renovation of lighting and concession facilities at East Knox High School Stadium.	

<b>Mount Vernon-Knox County Chamber of Commerce</b>	<b>\$1,500</b>
A grant to support the Leadership Knox class project to replace the Memorial Theater stage floor.	

<b>Centerburg Local Schools</b>	<b>\$25,000</b>
The third and final installment of a	





*Preparation of three playing fields daily during the spring and summer months is now a more manageable task for the Mount Vernon Girls' Softball Association. A matching grant from the Foundation enabled the league to purchase its first new tractor.*

grant to assist with the construction of the Centerburg Wellness center, a joint venture of the schools and the Mount Vernon YMCA.

**Girl Scouts–Heart of Ohio Inc.**  
A grant to support the Girl Scouts' capital campaign to build a new lodge at Camp Cornish.

**American Red Cross of Knox County**  
The first installment of a grant to assist with the construction of a new multi-purpose building.

**The Sanctuary**  
A grant to defray the cost of parking lot paving at this Danville area community action center.

**Mount Vernon Girls' Softball**  
A matching grant to purchase a new

tractor for the maintenance of playing fields at Memorial Park.

**Fredericktown Historical Society** **\$14,393**  
A grant to support the renovation of the historical society's facility in the former Fredericktown Public Library.

**Mount Vernon National Little League** **\$3,000**  
A matching grant for the renovation of baseball facilities at Lamb Park.

**Knox County Regional Planning Commission** **\$1,500**  
A grant to support a cost of services study in Knox County.

**Knox County Educational Service Center** **\$4,000**  
For the tenth consecutive year the Foundation has underwritten the Youth Enrichment Series.





*Knox County Career Center Students provided much of the labor for a Foundation-supported downtown beautification project.*

**Knox County Asset Builders**

A grant to co-sponsor the Second Annual Family Fun Day at the Knox County Fairgrounds.

**\$1,000**

**East Knox Local Schools**

A grant to provide supplies for the East Knox Elementary School summer camp.

**\$300**

**City of Mount Vernon**

A grant to provide landscaping for the downtown beautification project.

**\$7,000**

**Mount Vernon-Knox County Chamber of Commerce**

A grant to provide tuition subsidies for the Leadership Knox Program.

**\$1,590**

**Food for the Hungry**

A grant to sponsor the annual Gingerbread House Auction which benefits Food for the Hungry.

**\$5,000**

**Sew Special Network**

A grant to purchase sewing machines for this community action project which engages volunteers in the creation of garments and craft items.

**\$2,800**

**American Red Cross of Knox County AED Project**

A matching grant to make possible the placement of automatic external defibrillators throughout Knox County.

**\$11,500**

**Community Foundation Scholarship Program**

A grant to fund additional scholarships to area students, including the General Fund Scholarships and the Fred Lorey Journalism Scholarships.

**\$39,000**

**City of Mount Vernon**

This grant from the Special Projects Fund was the second installment of a five-year, \$100,000 lead gift for the B&O Railroad Station renovation (see p.15).

**\$20,000**

## Scholarship funds

Scholarship funds have been designated by donors to assist Knox County residents in achieving their educational goals. While some funds benefit students from specific high schools, or those pursuing particular careers, many provide general assistance with higher education expenses. Combined with a \$39,000 grant from the Community Foundation's unrestricted fund, the funds listed below provided \$194,927 in scholarships in 2003. (See pages 18-21 for a list of 2003 recipients.)

<b>Robert C. Appleton Fund</b>	<b>\$120,542</b>
2003 Scholarships	\$4,000
<b>Arck/Crowthers Fund</b>	<b>\$4,435</b>
<b>Clark &amp; Lucy Biggs Fund</b>	<b>\$238,494</b>
2003 Scholarships	\$7,500
<b>Karl W. Brown Writing Award Fund</b>	<b>\$5,819</b>
<i>2003 Contributions</i>	<i>\$5,779</i>
<b>Charles E. Cassaday Fund</b>	<b>\$4,094</b>
<b>Helen Hope Cooke Fund</b>	<b>\$667,639</b>
2003 Scholarships	\$15,000
<b>Norma J. Cornell Memorial Fund</b>	<b>\$280,689</b>
<i>2003 Contributions</i>	<i>\$23,184</i>
2003 Scholarships	\$5,000
<b>Norma J. Cornell Memorial St.Vincent dePaul Education Fund</b>	<b>\$274,672</b>
<i>2003 Contributions</i>	<i>\$23,184</i>
St. Vincent dePaul Parish School Scholarship Fund	\$12,000
<b>Harold B. "Cookie" Cunningham Scholarship Fund</b>	<b>\$15,327</b>
<i>2003 Contributions</i>	<i>\$5,000</i>
2003 Scholarships	\$250
<b>Danville Masonic Lodge #546 F &amp; AM Fund</b>	<b>\$30,319</b>
<i>2003 Contributions</i>	<i>\$30,000</i>
<b>Ralph &amp; Ara Flack Fund</b>	<b>\$24,295</b>
2003 Scholarships	\$750
<b>Fredericktown Academic Loan Fund</b>	<b>\$8,038</b>
<b>Pauline B. Freeman Fund</b>	<b>\$875,463</b>
2003 Scholarships	\$25,000

<b>Wilbur F. Gaunder Engineering Scholarship Fund</b>	<b>\$1,198,303</b>
2003 Scholarships	\$10,000
<b>Wilbur F. Gaunder Nursing Scholarship Fund</b>	<b>\$108,320</b>
Knox Community Hospital Scholarship Fund	\$5,928
<b>Larry Hall Fund</b>	<b>\$2,793</b>
<b>Donald &amp; Sigrid Harnsberger Fund</b>	<b>\$49,876</b>
<b>Brice Hess Memorial Fund</b>	<b>\$600</b>
2003 Scholarships	\$500
<b>Lillian C. Hickman Fund</b>	<b>\$391,591</b>
2003 Scholarships	\$15,000
<b>Charles F. &amp; Zella Horn-Simpson Memorial Fund</b>	<b>\$42,918</b>
2003 Scholarships	\$1,500
<b>William S. Hunter Fund</b>	<b>\$16,408</b>
<b>Cody L. Johnson Memorial Fund</b>	<b>\$2,166</b>
<i>2003 Contributions</i>	<i>\$2,166</i>
<b>William &amp; Jennie Johnson Fund</b>	<b>\$334</b>
<b>Knox County Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #147 Fund</b>	<b>\$1,005</b>
<i>2003 Contributions</i>	<i>\$1,500</i>
2003 Scholarships	\$500
<b>Ida Kohl Scholarship Fund</b>	<b>\$6,647</b>
<b>Rex M. Jr. &amp; Barbara C. Lamb Fund</b>	<b>\$52,900</b>
2003 Scholarships	\$2,000
<b>Harriett B. Lawler Fund</b>	<b>\$81,734</b>
2003 Scholarships	\$3,000
<b>John Lee Memorial Fund</b>	<b>\$9,957</b>
2003 Scholarships	\$250
<b>Leedy Family Fund</b>	<b>\$4,602</b>
<i>2003 Contributions</i>	<i>\$4,500</i>
2003 Scholarships	\$3,000
<b>Robert &amp; Evelyn Lee Fund</b>	<b>\$6,456</b>
2003 Scholarships	\$2,300
<b>Alexandra Letz Nursing Fund</b>	<b>\$38,883</b>
2003 Scholarships	\$1,000
<b>Alexandra Letz Fund</b>	<b>\$25,045</b>
2003 Scholarships	\$1,000



<b>Kathryn Ann Levering Memorial Fund</b>	<b>\$16,422</b>
<i>2003 Contributions</i>	<i>\$810</i>
2003 Scholarships	\$500
<b>Ralph V. &amp; Anna B. Mowery Fund</b>	<b>\$50,866</b>
2003 Scholarships	\$1,750
<b>Edna Osborn Fund</b>	<b>\$1,317</b>
<b>Arthur J. Packard Jr. Memorial Fund</b>	<b>\$20,749</b>
2003 Scholarships	\$1,000
<b>Richard Poling Fund</b>	<b>\$65,227</b>
2003 Scholarships	\$2,000
<b>William E. &amp; Helen F. Pond Fund</b>	<b>\$11,557</b>
<i>2003 Contributions</i>	<i>\$250</i>
2003 Scholarships	\$500
<b>Sarah K. Pressler Memorial Fund</b>	<b>\$8,671</b>
<i>2003 Contributions</i>	<i>\$1,266</i>
2003 Scholarships	\$500
<b>Dr. Clyde L. &amp; Dora L. Purdy Fund</b>	<b>\$15,769</b>
2003 Scholarships	\$700
<b>J. R. &amp; Lorene Purdy Fund</b>	<b>\$916,402</b>
2003 Scholarships	\$19,000
<b>Charles Pursel Fund</b>	<b>\$5,945</b>
<i>2003 Contributions</i>	<i>\$2,000</i>
2003 Scholarships	\$500
<b>Pauline S. Riel Fund</b>	<b>\$8,777</b>
<i>2003 Contributions</i>	<i>\$8,760</i>
<b>Larry Schisler Memorial Fund</b>	<b>\$17,932</b>
<i>2003 Contributions</i>	<i>\$3,000</i>
2003 Scholarships	\$1,000
<b>Rick L. Scott Memorial Fund</b>	<b>\$47,464</b>
<i>2003 Contributions</i>	<i>\$1,000</i>
2003 Scholarships	\$2,000
<b>Sims-Rose Family Fund</b>	<b>5,859</b>
<i>2003 Contributions</i>	<i>\$1,000</i>
2003 Scholarships	\$250
<b>Dean &amp; Audrey Spearman "Rollin' Buckeye" Fund</b>	<b>\$93,258</b>
<i>2003 Contributions</i>	<i>\$25,000</i>
2003 Scholarships	\$7,500
<b>Strang Family Fund</b>	<b>\$22,450</b>
2003 Scholarships	\$500
<b>Student Scholarship Fund</b>	<b>\$461</b>

<b>Jay M. &amp; Sarah L. Wilson Fund</b>	<b>\$51,010</b>
<i>2003 Contributions</i>	<i>\$10,000</i>
2003 Scholarships	\$1,000
<b>William E. Wing Music Fund</b>	<b>\$15,123</b>
2003 Scholarships	\$500
<b>Charles M. Zelkowitz Community Service Fund</b>	<b>\$32,978</b>
2003 Scholarships	\$1,000
<b>Stephen W. Zelkowitz Ethics Fund</b>	<b>\$34,982</b>
<i>2003 Contributions</i>	<i>\$500</i>
<b>Charles &amp; Helen Zelkowitz Fund</b>	<b>\$32,966</b>
2003 Scholarships	\$1,000

(A total of \$751, representing refunds of unused scholarship grants, is reflected in the amount of scholarships awarded, shown on pages 2 and 22.)

## Restricted funds: arts & humanities

<b>Knox County Historical Society Fund</b>	<b>\$14,309</b>
Knox County Historical Society	\$333
<b>League of Friendship Fund</b>	<b>\$2,632</b>
Knox County Historical Society	\$67
<b>Mount Vernon Theatre Guild Fund</b>	<b>\$491</b>

## Restricted funds: community improvement

<b>Stacy Doyle Memorial Fund</b>	<b>\$51,336</b>
Kokosing Gap Trail	\$1,257
<b>The Friends Cemetery Fund</b>	<b>\$24,167</b>
The Friends Cemetery	\$592
<b>Wilbur Gaunder Fund for Knox County Humane Society</b>	<b>\$99,776</b>
Knox County Humane Society	\$2,383
<b>Zack T. Hollister Fund</b>	<b>\$2,107</b>
Bird Cemetery	\$53
<b>Knox County Humane Society – Barbara S. Jones Fund</b>	<b>\$314,594</b>
Knox County Humane Society	\$12,846
<b>Kokosing Gap Trail Fund</b>	<b>\$1,824</b>
<i>2003 Contributions</i>	<i>\$500</i>
Kokosing Gap Trail	\$36



*The Foundation again sponsored Family Fun Day at the Knox County Fairgrounds, a project of the Asset Builders Coalition.*



<b>Emerson Laird Kokosing Gap Trail Fund</b>	<b>\$6,126</b>
Kokosing Gap Trail	\$152

<b>Walter and Jane Rudin Family Fund</b>	<b>\$97,426</b>
City of Mount Vernon	\$2,311

<b>William A. and Peggy Stroud Fund</b>	<b>\$52,094</b>
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### **Restricted funds: designated**

<b>George and Ruth Gelsanliter Memorial Fund</b>	<b>\$20,955</b>
Interchurch Social Services	\$265
Hospice of Knox County	\$265

<b>W. Glenn Hess Fund</b>	<b>\$423,045</b>
American Red Cross	\$1,276
Bladensburg Church of Christ	\$1,276
Brinkhaven Church of Christ	\$1,276
Danville Church of Christ	\$1,276
Martinsburg Church of Christ	\$1,276

Salvation Army	\$1,276
United Way of Knox County	\$1,276
Utica Church of Christ	\$1,276

<b>Pauline Jamison Kartman Fund</b>	<b>\$39,825</b>
<i>2003 Contributions</i>	<i>\$3,600</i>
First Congregational U.C.C.	\$491
Knox County Crippled Children	\$491

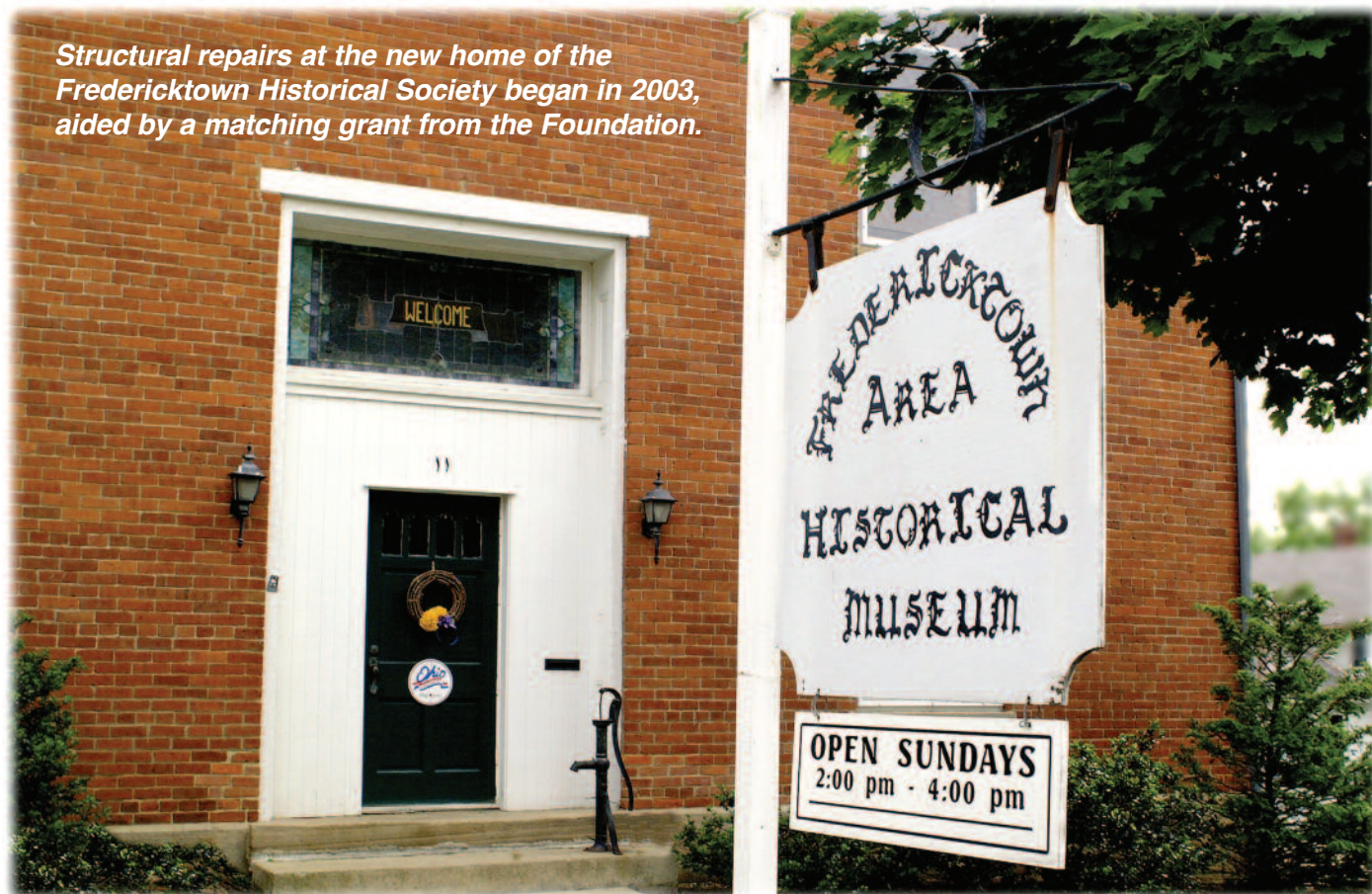
<b>Harriett B. Lawler Fund</b>	<b>\$260,649</b>
Gay Street United Methodist Church	\$2,954
Muskingum College	\$1,969

<b>Amy F. Williams Memorial Fund</b>	<b>\$280,176</b>
First Congregational U.C.C.	\$2,297
Salvation Army	\$3,158
YMCA of Mount Vernon	\$8,323

<b>Beatty B. Williams Fund for YMCA et. al.</b>	<b>\$365,199</b>
First Congregational U.C.C.	\$3,574
National Board of YMCA	\$3,574
YMCA of Mount Vernon	\$3,574
United Way of Knox County	\$3,574



*Structural repairs at the new home of the Fredericktown Historical Society began in 2003, aided by a matching grant from the Foundation.*



## Restricted funds: education

<b>Altrusa Fund</b>	<b>\$16,279</b>
Knox County Career Center	\$132
Mount Vernon City Schools	\$132
Public Library of Mount Vernon and Knox County	\$132
<b>Fred Barry Jr. Fund</b>	<b>\$37,088</b>
<i>2003 Contributions</i>	<i>\$250</i>
Kenyon College Scholarship Fund	\$931
<b>Mildred Bennett Fund</b>	<b>\$47,174</b>
East Knox Local Schools	\$596
Knox County Career Center	\$596
<b>J. Gordon Bone Jr. Student Aid Fund</b>	<b>\$650,835</b>
Kenyon College Scholarship Fund	\$14,212
Mount Vernon Nazarene University Scholarship Fund	\$4,737
<b>Karl W. Brown Library Fund</b>	
<i>2003 Contributions</i>	<i>\$8,641</i>
Fredericktown Local Schools	\$8,641

<b>Gordon and Roberta Chalmers Fund</b>	<b>\$236,682</b>
Kenyon College Library	\$5,871
<b>Gelsanliter Family Fund</b>	<b>\$15,040</b>
Kenyon College	\$312
<b>Richard Landers Fund for Knox County Career Center</b>	<b>\$2,735</b>
<b>Ethel Lyman Memorial Fund</b>	<b>\$5,874</b>
Public Library of Mount Vernon and Knox County	\$148
<b>Mount Vernon Academic Boosters Fund</b>	<b>\$1,803</b>
<b>Mount Vernon High School Alumni Fund Fund</b>	
Mount Vernon City Schools	\$1,364
<b>Andy Rassing Memorial Fund</b>	<b>\$7,777</b>
<b>James R. Westerheide Memorial Fund</b>	<b>\$2,228</b>
Saint Vincent dePaul Church	\$56
<b>Beatty B. Williams Library Fund</b>	<b>\$101,032</b>
Public Library of Mount Vernon and Knox County	\$2,103





*Elementary school students usually get into the act at Foundation-sponsored Youth Enrichment Series (Y.E.S.) events, like the Columbus Opera's "Three Little Pigs," performed in the fall.*

### **Restricted funds: health & wellness**

<b>Robert Black Fund</b>	<b>\$117,231</b>
Knox County Mental Health Assoc.	\$2,963
<b>Rose Blair Fund for Knox County Cancer Society</b>	<b>\$2,069</b>
Knox County Cancer Society	\$52
<b>Rose Blair Fund for Knox County Heart Association</b>	<b>\$2,069</b>
Knox County Heart Association	\$52
<b>Jennie Debes Heart Fund</b>	<b>\$34,308</b>
Knox County Heart Association	\$767
<b>Wilbur Gaunder Fund for Hospice of Knox County</b>	<b>\$104,821</b>
Hospice of Knox County	\$2,500
<b>Wilbur Gaunder Fund for Knox County Red Cross</b>	<b>\$104,821</b>
American Red Cross of Knox County	\$2,500
<b>Margaret Louise Jamison YMCA Fund</b>	<b>\$39,684</b>
<i>2003 Contributions</i>	<i>\$3,600</i>
YMCA of Mount Vernon	\$978

<b>Knox County Medical Society Fund</b>	<b>\$1,490</b>
<b>Mae S. Taylor YMCA Fund</b>	<b>\$28,178</b>
Mount Vernon YMCA	\$1,157
<b>Beatty B. Williams Endowment Fund</b>	<b>\$313,921</b>
Mount Vernon YMCA	\$14,590
<b>YMCA Endowment Fund</b>	<b>\$1,059,678</b>
Mount Vernon YMCA	\$57,553

### **Restricted funds: human & social services**

<b>Wilbur Gaunder Fund for the Salvation Army</b>	<b>\$99,776</b>
Salvation Army	\$2,383
<b>Ellen M. Heckler Memorial Fund</b>	<b>\$3,516</b>
Ohio Eastern Star Home	\$89
<b>Interchurch Social Services Fund</b>	<b>\$105,693</b>
<i>2003 Contributions</i>	<i>\$7,108</i>
Interchurch Social Services	\$1,994





<b>Margaret Louise Jamison</b>	
<b>Interchurch Fund</b>	<b>\$39,684</b>
<i>2003 Contributions</i>	<i>\$3,600</i>
Interchurch Social Services	\$978
<b>James K. Lyman Memorial Fund</b>	<b>\$289</b>
Knox County Chapter American Red Cross	\$7
<b>United Way of Knox</b>	
<b>County Fund</b>	<b>\$199,687</b>

### **Restricted funds: spiritual growth funds**

<b>Sterling B. &amp; Edna B. Braddock Fund</b>	<b>\$11,469</b>
Ebenezer United Methodist Church	\$290
<b>Hannah Browning Home Fund</b>	<b>\$684,820</b>
Faith Lutheran Church	\$2,730
Gay Street Methodist Church	\$2,730
St. Paul's Episcopal Church	\$2,730
First Congregational U.C.C.	\$2,730
First Presbyterian Church	\$2,730
Mulberry Street Methodist Church	\$2,730

<b>Garfield and Mazie Colgin</b>	
<b>Memorial Fund</b>	<b>\$104,735</b>
Messiah Church	\$1,464
<b>Helen H. Cooke Memorial Fund</b>	<b>\$642,395</b>
First Congregational U.C.C.	\$16,915
<b>First Congregational United Church of Christ Building Fund</b>	<b>\$2,432</b>
First Congregational U.C.C.	\$61
<b>First Congregational United Church of Christ Fund</b>	<b>\$3,423</b>
First Congregational U.C.C.	\$87
<b>First Congregational United Church of Christ – Walter Starr Fund</b>	<b>\$2,794</b>
First Congregational U.C.C.	\$71
<b>First Congregational United Church of Christ – Howard Tarr Fund</b>	<b>\$4,973</b>
First Congregational U.C.C.	\$125
<b>Wilbur Gaunder Fund for Harcourt Parish Episcopal Church</b>	<b>\$104,821</b>
Harcourt Parish	\$2,500

<b>H. Grant Heckler Memorial Fund</b>	<b>\$5,407</b>
Gay Street Methodist Church	\$137
<b>Thomas E. Heine Memorial Fund</b>	<b>\$4,859</b>
Zion Lutheran Church	\$121
<b>Ethel V. Jamison Trust Fund</b>	<b>\$7,135</b>
First Congregational U.C.C.	\$182
<b>Margaret Jamison Church Fund</b>	<b>\$238,106</b>
<i>2003 Contributions</i>	<i>\$21,602</i>
First Congregational U.C.C.	\$5,866
<b>F. William Kahrl Fund</b>	<b>\$3,450</b>
St. Paul's Episcopal Church	\$87
<b>R. B. Kincaid Fund</b>	<b>\$58,478</b>
First Congregational U.C.C.	\$1,226
<b>Howard Kiracofe Family Fund</b>	<b>\$10,809</b>
First Congregational U.C.C.	\$273
<b>Daniel Pealer Fund</b>	<b>\$4,887</b>
<i>2003 Contributions</i>	<i>\$48</i>
Mulberry Street Methodist Church	\$119
<b>Dr. Clyde and Dora Purdy Fund</b>	<b>\$15,652</b>
Gay Street Methodist Church	\$395
<b>J. R. and Lorene Purdy Fund</b>	<b>\$99,144</b>
Danville United Methodist Church	\$2,443
<b>Arthur E. and Grace E. Rawlinson Memorial Fund</b>	<b>\$27,438</b>
St. Paul's Episcopal Church	\$648
<b>St. Paul's Episcopal Church Fund</b>	<b>\$1,098</b>
St. Paul's Episcopal Church	\$28
<b>Delbert C. Schmidt Fund</b>	<b>\$5,478</b>
Faith Lutheran Church	\$138
<b>Zenno and Mae S. Taylor Fund</b>	<b>\$66,118</b>
First Congregational U.C.C.	\$1,348
<b>Martha Turner Walker Memorial Fund</b>	<b>\$1,087</b>
First Presbyterian Church	\$27

## **Restricted Funds: Youth Enrichment Funds**

<b>Character Building Activities Fund</b>	<b>\$3,550</b>
<b>Alice Jewell Fund</b>	<b>\$912</b>
Heart of Ohio Girls Scouts	\$23
<b>Mount Vernon Livestock Fund</b>	<b>\$3,897</b>

<b>YWCA Girls Scholarship Fund</b>	<b>\$18,440</b>
Mount Vernon YMCA	\$466

## **Donor-advised funds**

<b>Fredericktown Community Fund</b>	<b>\$45,581</b>
<i>2003 Contributions</i>	<i>\$45,500</i>

<b>John and Genevieve Minor Foundation</b>	<b>\$4,231</b>
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<b>John J. &amp; Amy M. Macionis Fund</b>	
<i>2003 Contributions</i>	<i>\$3,015</i>
Care Net Pregnancy Services	\$500
Habitat for Humanity	\$2,000
Harcourt Parish Episcopal Church	\$515

<b>Ohio's Junior Miss Scholarship Fund</b>	<b>\$14,796</b>
<i>2003 Contributions</i>	<i>\$23,205</i>
Scholarships for Ohio's Junior Miss contestants	\$28,414

<b>Plocki-McManus Family Fund</b>	<b>\$99,108</b>
Knox County Park District	\$2,300

<b>Ruby and Alan Riedel Fund</b>	<b>\$5,000</b>
<i>2003 Contributions</i>	<i>\$5,000</i>

<b>Mark R. and Denise Ramser Family Fund</b>	<b>\$9,114</b>
<i>2003 Contributions</i>	<i>\$9,050</i>

<b>Schnormeier Family Fund</b>	<b>\$594,410</b>
<i>2003 Contributions</i>	<i>\$99,425</i>
City of Mount Vernon	\$5,000
First Congregational U.C.C.	\$25,000
New Directions Women's Shelter	\$1,000
Mount Vernon Community Concert Assoc.	\$500

<b>C. Watkins Family Fund</b>	<b>\$25,004</b>
Hospice of Knox County	\$200
Knox County Symphony	\$200
Mount Vernon Nazarene University	\$200
United Way of Knox County	\$1,200

<b>Helen E. Zerkowitz Fund</b>	<b>\$101,248</b>
<i>2003 Contributions</i>	<i>\$20,000</i>
American Red Cross	\$1,000
Mount Vernon Nazarene University – Christmas Classic Award	\$1,000
New Directions	\$250
Psi Iota Xi Arts & Literature Award	\$250
Salvation Army Summer Camp	\$250
Soroptomists of Mount Vernon – Zerkowitz Community Service Award	\$500



# B&O depot restoration aided by Foundation

***\$100,000 grant promotes community effort to save an architectural gem***

by **PHIL SAMUELL**  
Project Coordinator

**P**eople like historic public buildings and especially historic train stations. A depot, some people say, is a community's front door. The Baltimore & Ohio Railroad depot, located five blocks west of the square on High Street, had served as Mount Vernon's front door for more than 95 years as a telegraph office, freight and passenger railroad station. It had been the departure point for men and women leaving to war and a welcoming gateway for passengers arriving to start a new life in Knox County.

Now owned by the City of Mount Vernon, the B&O depot is undergoing a complete, historical restoration, slated for completion in 2006. Mayor Richard K. Mavis says, "The preservation of our past – including the B&O station – is central to Mount Vernon's history and lies squarely on our shoulders. This depot restoration resonates with the value of good things from our past that we need to carry into our future."

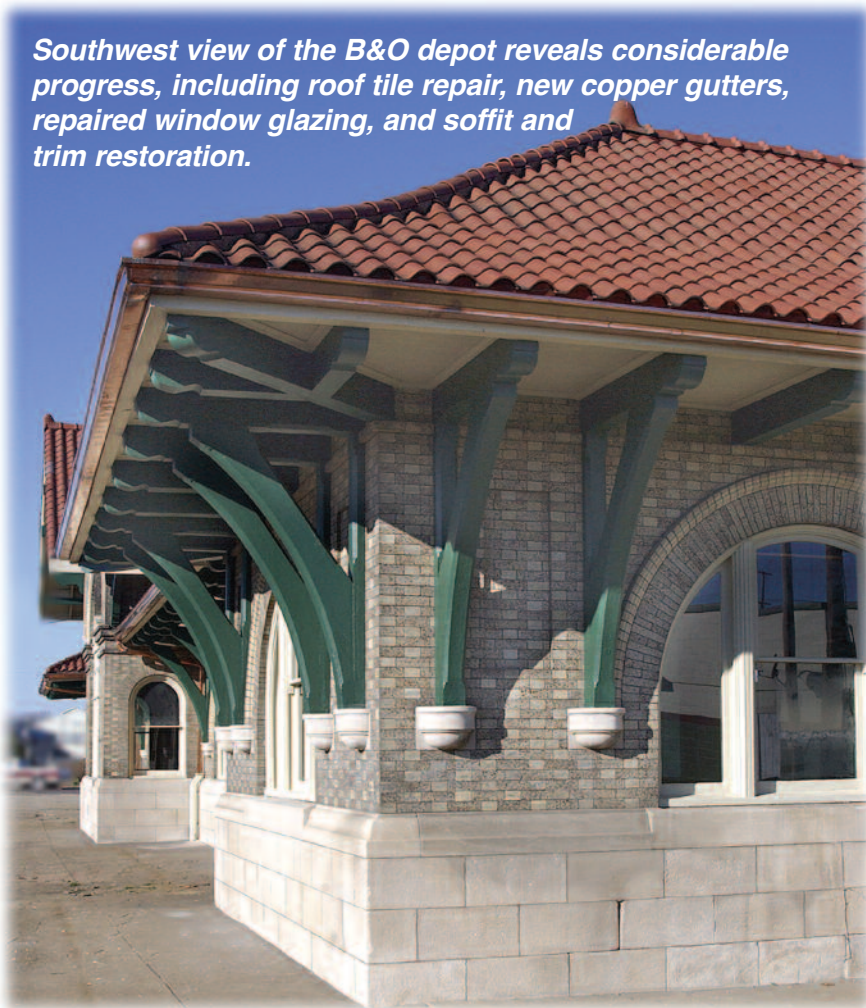
## **A "very handsome" structure**

On November 25, 1907, Baltimore & Ohio passenger train number 7, northbound, was the first train to stop at the new B&O station. A small news item in *The Daily Banner* read, "The new building is a very handsome one and also very convenient. One of the most striking advantages is that a passenger can purchase a ticket and have his baggage checked without going outside the station. The new station is equipped with all modern conveniences. It is heated with steam and lighted with electricity."

The single one and a half story structure was built in the style known as "Richardsonian Romanesque." Henry H. Richardson has been recognized as one of a few great American architects, and his interpretation of Romanesque forms influenced a whole generation of architects, including the one who designed the B&O depot. The style is easily identified by the heavy masonry construction, the Roman arches, and the deep window recesses.

The exterior is of stone, brick and wood construction and the 4,200 square-foot interior is of plaster and hardwoods. All the floors are solid hardwood and there is extensive quarter-sawn oak throughout, especially over the arched windows. The hip roof is red quarry tile. Local architectural historian Jim Buchwald says the B&O depot architect not only worked in the style of Richardson but also borrowed liberally from two of Richardson's small number of passenger stations, including those in Palmer and Northeaston, Massachusetts. Buchwald concludes the B&O station in Mount Vernon is a first-rate example of Richardsonian

*Southwest view of the B&O depot reveals considerable progress, including roof tile repair, new copper gutters, repaired window glazing, and soffit and trim restoration.*





*Contributions of labor and material are central to the project's success. Above, Jeff Ulery of Strang Glass installs one of 40 donated custom glass panels.*

Romanesque architecture. "With its red-tiled hip roofs, its interesting arrangement of masses, and its restrained use of Richardsonian motifs, it is one of the finest monuments of the period," Buchwald says

#### **Why restore a depot?**

Our future is just as important as our past and nostalgia cannot be the sole reason to restore this depot. A successfully restored railroad station can help to stimulate the economic development of an entire neighborhood. In most communities, and Mount Vernon is no exception, the railroad station was the center of activity during years of growth and was typically located near the central business district. Today the B&O's location is an asset to redevelopment. Several businesses close to the station, including the Mount Vernon Inn and Mazza's Restaurant, have recently renovated their properties. The restored depot will become the centerpiece of a neighborhood revitalization.

Railroad stations, although all privately owned, are often viewed as public spaces. The depot was the prime contact between life within the community and life outside, and you could visit it almost anytime you wanted. Some stations had spacious waiting rooms and attractive outdoor grounds with benches and fountains that created a sense of grace and well being that the public could share. The intent is to do the same with the B&O depot.

**A**daptive reuse of the Baltimore & Ohio depot has many possibilities. The main goal is to restore the station as a public place, an inviting environment people will want to frequent. Possible uses for the building include: professional or non-profit offices, meetings and exhibits, outdoor events and open air markets, hosting of cultural events, and as visitor center for a future bike path on the railroad right of way.

The large waiting room will once again be a public space. The walls will be lined with historical artifacts about the railroad history of the county. The City is in the process of collecting artifacts, such as lanterns, keys, locks, switches, lights and other B&O memorabilia for this area, and would appreciate donations to the collection. Freestanding displays will be put out in the waiting area and moved to the side for special events and receptions. The former women's waiting room will be converted to a catering kitchen so that food can be prepared for receptions or sit-down meals.

Planners hope to make the building versatile enough so that it may adapt to different uses in the next 100 years. Some definite plans for the building in 2006 are in the works, but the community may have different ideas for using the depot in 2050. The heating, air conditioning, electric, and plumbing will be all new, and the depot will be wired for fiber optic and cable – high-speed communications – but throughout the restoration process, the station will retain the look of a 1907 railroad depot.

#### **Restoration to cost \$650,000**

The restoration of the B&O depot may be one of the largest private-public projects in the history of Mount Vernon. The project is not being funded with state or federal money, but with local funds, 80 percent of it from private donations. The estimated cost to purchase and restore the building is \$650,000. As of this date, more than \$415,000 has been raised. Leadership gifts from Ariel Corporation and a five-year, \$100,000 grant from the Community Foundation of Mount Vernon & Knox County head the fund raising efforts. The City of Mount Vernon has provided \$75,000 and owns and maintains the building. Additional leadership gifts have been made by the Knox County Commissioners, First-Knox National Bank, Ruth Bemis, Denise and Mark



Ramser, the Arline and Richard Landers Foundation, Ann and Ted Schnormeier, Maureen and Jim Buchwald, Kokosing Construction Company and Strang Glass.

The City is seeking the donation of services from skilled carpenters, electricians and plumbers. Contributions of pipe, glass, wire and appliances are also needed. These donations are critical if the project is to be a success.

### **The work begins**

The City of Mount Vernon purchased the depot from CSX Transportation in late 2002 for \$160,000. Restoration work began in the summer of 2003. The biggest, and most expensive, project for that year was the roof. Large areas under the quarry tile roof needed extensive repair, especially along the valleys. Those areas were completely redone with new sheathing and the installation of new copper valleys. Broken and missing quarry tiles were replaced new ones manufactured by the Ludowici Company – the same firm that provided the tiles to the B&O in 1907. All the old, galvanized steel gutters and downspouts were replaced with new, six-inch copper gutters and downspouts. The nine, cast iron in-ground downspouts were sandblasted, primed and painted as a donation from Blubaugh Body and Frame and reinstalled. Total cost of the roof restoration exceeded \$54,000.

**E**xterior woodwork was also restored in 2003. Because the roof leaked the building had rotting, exterior wood that required replacement. Eagle Trim Carpentry of Mount Vernon restored all the exterior wood, including the replication of several beams and brackets. All the wood was cleaned, scrapped, primed and painted.

The last project for 2003 was the replacement of missing glass and the repair of glazing around all the windows. Jeff Ulery of Strang Glass brought in a crew and worked on every window in the building. He donated all the new glass – 40 panes – to this project. This work had the greatest visual impact on the project as residents had viewed this building for many years with plywood covering up broken glass.

Work for 2004 includes the installation of new underground utilities, starting work on the heating and ventilation, electric and plumbing. If funds remain in 2004, additional exterior work such as cleaning the brick, tuck pointing, and repairing the stone base will be undertaken. Replacement of the concrete walkways around the building is also on the agenda.

The community is invited to stop by the depot on West High Street and take a look at the exterior work that has been completed. If you have questions about the project, please contact Mayor Richard Mavis, City of Mount Vernon, at 393-9517.



**Sawyer Francis Shellenbarger  
prepares logs for B&O flooring.**

## **B&O flooring has Kenyon College roots**

One of the very first donations to the restoration of the B&O was from Kenyon College in Gambier, where 10 large, red oak trees were removed on a construction site. Would the depot like the trees to mill new flooring for the station?

With help from History Professor Will Scott, the trees were removed and sent to Francis Shellenbarger to be cut into planks. But not just any planks. Scott asked Shellenbarger to quarter-saw the logs, which reveals beautiful ray flecks when finished. Quarter-sawing results in a lower yield and is rarely used today for flooring out of cost considerations, but the process generally reduces shrinkage and warping.

All the logs have been cut and are drying at Brenneman Lumber on Parrott Street. Next year, they will be finished into tongue and groove floor planks. Sometime in 2006, the oak trees from Gambier will be installed as new flooring in the restored depot in Mount Vernon.

# 157 students receive CFMVKC scholarships

## — A —

**Brian Q. Alexander**, \$1,000, Leedy Family Scholarship, Ohio State University-Mansfield Branch.

**Lucas A. Allen**, \$1,000, General Scholarship, University of Illinois.

**Kaitlin M. Andorfer**, \$1,000, Frederick N. Lorey Journalism Scholarship, Hofstra University.

**Bethany J. Andrzejewski**, \$1,000, Helen H. Cooke Scholarship, Wright State University.

**Barbara A. Armstrong**, \$1,000, J.R. and Lorene Purdy Nursing Scholarship, Central Ohio Technical College.

**Christine E. Arnold**, \$1,000, General Scholarship; \$500, Charles Pursel Scholarship, Syracuse University.

**Julie M. Arnold**, \$1,000, Robert C. Appleton Scholarship; \$1,000, J.R. and Lorene Purdy Nursing Scholarship, Olivet Nazarene University.

## — B —

**Chadwick E. Barnes**, \$1,000, Helen H. Cooke Scholarship, Northeastern Ohio Universities College of Medicine.

**Kassandra L. Beachy**, \$1,000, Pauline B. Freeman Scholarship, Cedarville University.

**Erik S. Beeler**, \$1,000, Robert C. Appleton Scholarship, Mount Vernon Nazarene University.

**Rebecca J. Betts**, \$1,000, Pauline B. Freeman Scholarship, Arizona State University.

**Molly A. Blair**, \$1,000, Pauline B. Freeman Scholarship, Hocking College.

**Ashley M. Blanchard**, \$1,000, Pauline B. Freeman Scholarship, Central Ohio Technical College.

**Amy K. Bodart**, \$1,000, General Scholarship, St. Olaf College.

**Thomas W. Bodart**, \$1,000, Harriet B. Lawler Scholarship, University of Notre Dame.

**Charles G. Bonsell**, \$10,000, Wilbur F. Gaunder Engineering Scholarship, The Ohio State University.

**Sarah I. Boone**, \$1,000, Helen H. Cooke Scholarship, The Ohio State University.

**Theresa M. Bratton**, \$1,000, Pauline B. Freeman Scholarship, Denison University.

**Becky J. Buchholz**, \$1,000, J.R. and Lorene Purdy Nursing Scholarship, Knox County Career Center.

**Garrett A. Bunnell**, \$1,000, Helen H. Cooke Scholarship, The Ohio State University.

**Ryan K. Burt**, \$1,000, General Scholarship, The Ohio State University.

**Erica N. Butts**, \$1,500, Dean and Audrey Spearman "Rollin' Buckeye" Scholarship, The Ohio State University-Mansfield Branch.

## — C —

**Christopher P. Campbell**, \$1,000, Pauline B. Freeman Scholarship, Bowling Green State University.

**Suzanne K. Campbell**, \$1,000, Pauline B. Freeman Scholarship, Otterbein College.

**Miranda M. Canterbury**, \$1,000, Charles F. and Zella Horn Simpson Memorial Scholarship, Kenyon College.

**Jeremy K. Carpenter**, \$1,000, Larry A. Schisler Scholarship, Miami University.

**Sarah E. Carter**, \$1,000, General Scholarship; \$1,000, J.R. and Lorene Purdy Nursing Scholarship, Indiana Wesleyan University.

**Michelle L. Cassell**, \$1,000, Rick L. Scott Memorial Scholarship, Bowling Green State University.

**Rebecca M. Chanay**, \$500, Sarah Karolin Pressler Memorial Scholarship, Mount Vernon Nazarene University.

**Shu-Fu Chen**, \$1,000, Robert C. Appleton Scholarship, University of Michigan.

**Denise L. Cherrington**, \$500, William and Helen Pond Scholarship, Malone College.

**Nathan L. Clark**, \$1,000, General Scholarship, Taylor University.

**Lindsay M. Clouston**, \$1,000, Pauline B. Freeman Scholarship, Taylor University.

**Amanda J. Cochran**, \$1,000, Helen H. Cooke Scholarship, The University of Toledo.

**Shawn R. Coffield**, \$1,000, Pauline B. Freeman Scholarship, Ashland University.

**Sebastian A. Coleman**, \$1,000, Rex M. Jr. and Barbara C. Lamb Scholarship, College of Wooster.

**Kelly R. Cothren**, \$1,000, Helen H. Cooke Scholarship, Kent State University.

**Cassandra L. Craig**, \$1,000, General Scholarship, The Ohio State University - Newark Branch.



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**Brandie S. Daniels**, \$1,500, Dean and Audrey Spearman "Rollin' Buckeye" Scholarship; \$500, Brice Hess Memorial Scholarship, The Ohio State University.

**Leslie L. DeChant**, \$1,000, J.R. and Lorene Purdy Nursing Scholarship, North Central State.

**Brandi J. Dennis**, \$1,000, General Scholarship, The Ohio State University.

**Tarah E. DePolo**, \$1,000, Charles M. Zelkowitz Scholarship, The Ohio State University-Mansfield.

**Andrew P. Doup**, \$1,000, Pauline B. Freeman Scholarship, Miami University.

**Matthew A. Downs**, \$1,000, Arthur J. Packard, Jr. Memorial Scholarship, Ohio Northern University.

**Amanda M. Durbin**, \$1,000, Pauline B. Freeman Scholarship, Otterbein College.

**Monica L. Durbin**, \$1,000, Pauline B. Freeman Scholarship, Hiram College.

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**McKenzie R. Eikleberry**, \$1,000, Rex M. Jr. and Barbara C. Lamb Scholarship, The Ohio State University-Newark Branch.

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**William A. Farnham**, \$1,000, General Scholarship, Hillsdale College.

**Steven A. Fenigstein**, \$1,000, General Scholarship, Grinnell College.

**Erin M. Fitzpatrick**, \$1,000, J.R. and Lorene Purdy Nursing Scholarship, Central Ohio Technical College.

**Aftyn D. Flack**, \$1,000, J.R. and Lorene Purdy Nursing Scholarship, Med Central College of Nursing.

**Katie A. Frank**, \$1,000, Helen H. Cooke Scholarship, Wright State University.

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**Tyler J. Gastin**, \$1,000, Rick L. Scott Memorial Scholarship, Mount Vernon Nazarene University.

**Tamela J. Geog**, \$1,000, J.R. and Lorene Purdy Nursing Scholarship, Knox County Career Center.

**Dawn D. Giehl**, \$1,000, J.R. and Lorene Purdy Nursing Scholarship, Knox County Career Center.

**Christine R. Gillespie**, \$1,000, Charles and Helen Zelkowitz Scholarship, The Art Institute of Fort Lauderdale.

**Jessica M. Glass**, \$1,000, Helen H. Cooke Scholarship; \$500, Kathryn Ann Levering Memorial Scholarship, University of Cincinnati.

**Heather L. Greer**, \$1,000, General Scholarship, Northeastern University.

**Jessica M. Grennell**, \$1,000, Pauline B. Freeman Scholarship, Mount Vernon Nazarene University.

**Christopher F. Guarnera**, \$1,000, General Scholarship, Cedarville University.

— H —

**Brent M. Hall**, \$1,000, Clark and Lucy Biggs Scholarship, Point Loma Nazarene University.

**Matthew R. Hannan**, \$1,000, Helen H. Cooke Scholarship, The University of Toledo.

**Ginger A. Harris**, \$1,000, J.R. and Lorene Purdy Nursing Scholarship, Ohio University - Zanesville.

**Joshua L. Hegenderfer**, \$1,000, General Scholarship, Kent State University.

**Jonathan D. Horn**, \$1,000, General Scholarship, Denison University.

**Robert T. Horne**, \$1,000, General Scholarship, Kent State University.

**Melanie J. Houston**, \$1,000, Pauline B. Freeman Scholarship, Denison University.

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# Auditors' report and financial statement

We have audited the accompanying statement of investments of the Community Foundation of Mount Vernon & Knox County as of December 31, 2003 and 2002 and the related statement of receipts and disbursements – cash basis for the years then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Foundation's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

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 financial statements are free of material misstatements. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the the amounts and disclosures in the

financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Community Foundation of Mount Vernon & Knox County as of December 31, 2003 and 2002, and the receipts and disbursements of the Foundation – cash basis for the years then ended in conformity with the cash basis of accounting, as described in Note A.

As described in Note A, the trust accrued certain contributions totaling \$5,250. If the contributions had not been recorded, the fund balance of the general fund would be decreased \$250 and the fund balance of the designated fund would be decreased by \$5,000 for the year ended December 31, 2003.

– Dennis & Schisler, Inc. CPA

## *The Condensed Report of Condition as of December 31, 2003; taken from Report of Examination by Dennis & Schisler, Inc. CPA.*

### PRINCIPAL & RECEIPTS

Beginning balance (December 31, 2002)	\$21,726,362
Income	839,731
Realized gains (losses)	(321,325)
Contributions	548,114
<b>Beginning balance plus receipts (at cost)</b>	<b>\$22,792,882</b>

### DISBURSEMENTS

Grants, scholarships and disbursements	\$728,736
Grants from unrestricted funds	\$218,833
(including life estate disbursements)	
Scholarship grants	194,927
Grants from donor-advised funds	70,279
Grants from other restricted funds	244,697
Expenses of the Foundation	\$235,830
Investment and advisory fees	\$157,224
Salary and benefits	50,203
Other expenses of the Foundation	28,403
<b>Ending fund balance (December 31, 2003)</b>	<b>\$21,828,316</b>

*The market value of all investments on December 31, 2003, was \$24,740,868*



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