



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

2021 is racing by, we are already three months into the new year. And what a strange unique year this last one has been. The onset of the global pandemic has caused everyone to reevaluate the normal routines and continue the work while maintaining a safe environment. The same is true for Piqua Education Foundation (PEF), but I am happy to report that we continue to support our Piqua alum. In May 2020, we awarded nearly \$300,000 in scholarships to Piqua graduates and we continued granting education grants to Piqua City Schools staff throughout the year.

We know it has been a while since we have been able to reach out to our donors and supporters with a newsletter and we thank you for your patience as we work through organizational growth activities. This winter we hired our first full time executive director for PEF, Katie Neubert. Join me in welcoming, Katie, to PEF. Katie has been hard at work getting to know her way around Piqua Education Foundation and its role in our community. As the weather warms up and opportunities arise, you will find Katie out and about introducing herself to Piqua.

We hope you enjoy reading about PEF's activities in this newsletter and look forward to sharing more in the future. Some of the projects we have underway are the updating of our scholarship portal, newsletter mailings, launching of a PEF website, and the ability to accept online donations. If you would like to update your address or email, please send an email to info@PiquaEducationFoundation.org.

We know that it has been a challenging year for many, especially our Piqua City Schools students and are looking forward to when we can have in person events again to celebrate our students and staff. Please note, at this time, due to the pandemic and the COVID safety protocols, the best way to get hold of us is via email. We look forward to hearing from you and will be sure to get back to you in a timely manner.

We extend our heartfelt thank you to the Piqua City Schools, parents, donors and our community for continuing to provide a strong foundation for our Piqua graduates. PEF continues the important work of supporting our Piqua graduates. Stay well!

Doug Hulme, DVM

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PIQUA ALUM STARTS NEW SCHOLARSHIP

The Piqua Education Foundation (PEF) is excited to announce the Walton Family Engineering Scholarship!

James Walton, Piqua High School, Class of 1954, has set up a scholarship for Piqua graduates admitted into and attending the School of Engineering at either The Ohio State University or Purdue University. The Walton Family Engineering Scholarship at the PEF provides the chosen recipient(s) \$ 11,000 in scholarship funds. Scholars who are awarded these funds are eligible for up to four years of study, if they meet all the PEF Scholarship requirements.

Jim Walton created this scholarship to give back to his hometown. He wanted to find a way that would provide an impactful opportunity with long range benefits. A Piqua Education Foundation Scholarship was the perfect fit to meet his goals. Together the Walton Family pledged a total of \$1,000,000 to bring Jim's philanthropic vision to life. Over the last year, in an outpouring of generosity, the Walton family has come together to build this scholarship for Jim, to honor their family, for our students and for Piqua.

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PIQUA ALUM STARTS NEW SCHOLARSHIP (CONTINUED)

The journey creating the Walton Family Scholarship began in the 1940's and 50's when Mr. Walton was growing up in Piqua. James went on to earn his BS in Civil Engineering from Purdue University. He was in the Reserve Officers' Training Corps and a commissioned Second Lieutenant in the US Army. Later, Jim was called back to Active Duty and served during the building of the Berlin Wall, the Cuban Missile Crisis and Vietnam. Once he returned from serving his country, he came back to Ohio. Jim Walton joined Ketchum and Walton where he "was instrumental in the company's growth and expansion." Mr. Walton's company provides engineered solutions and product applications with a focus on air filtration and HVAC. Today Ketchum & Walton have offices in Cincinnati, Cleveland, New York, Maryland, Chicago, and Indianapolis.

In May 2020, two students were awarded the first ever Walton Family Engineering Scholarships. Ana Adams and Thomas Fletcher both were accepted into the School of Engineering at The Ohio State University. This means that with these first two recipients of the Walton Family Engineering Scholarship the journey and the philanthropic vision that Jim Walton began

will continue to move forward and provide an impactful opportunity to our graduates and our community.

The PEF Board is grateful to the Walton Family for their generosity and commitment to Piqua graduates. It is thanks to visionaries like James Walton and his philanthropic spirit that the Piqua Education Foundation is able to financially support the dreams of our students. This is the first endowment of this size for Piqua Education Foundation. We are so excited about the possibilities that are opening-up to Piqua students thanks to donors just like you. *If you are interested in creating your own scholarship at PEF, please contact PEF Board President, Doug Hulme at president@PiquaEducationFoundation.com.*



JIM & LYDIA WALTON

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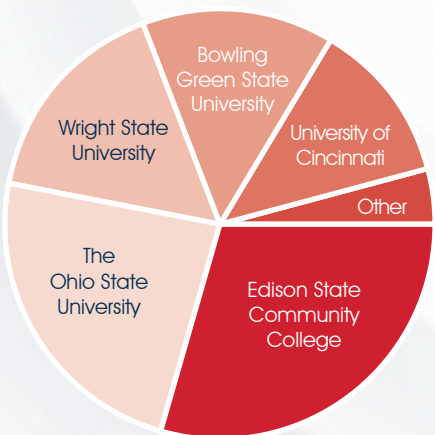
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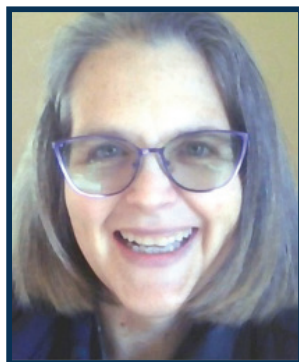
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KATIE NEUBERT

New PEF Executive Director



The Piqua Education Foundation is pleased to welcome Katie Neubert! Effective January 4, 2021, Katie began operating as our first, full - time executive director, assisting with the promotion of PEF's mission. Katie has both an MA and BA in Communication Studies that were focused on public relations and community building. Not only has she taught in pre-k through university level and professional development classrooms, but she also has 20 years of leadership

experience in the non-profit management arena. Katie who has visited all 50 states as well as lived abroad, loves to travel and (much to her husband Shaun's amusement) has yet to hear of a place that she doesn't want to visit at least once. Katie and Shaun have two cats (who hate to travel) and are renovating their 110-year-old house. She is working from a home office to start due to Covid-19 but can be contacted at kneubert@PiquaEducationFoundation.org. Please help us welcome Katie to the PEF team!

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Hamilton Education Program (student study trip to Nashville, TN)
KACIE PACE - PIQUA HIGH SCHOOL
This grant provided funds for Piqua High School students to travel to Nashville, Tennessee to develop an advanced understanding of the founding of our country through museum visits, participating in the Hamilton Education Program and attending a performance of the musical Hamilton. Students brought back materials to share with their peers, who were unable to attend which will be available for use in future classrooms.



PHS STUDENT, DECKER JACKSON, PERFORMING ON THE HAMILTON STAGE.

Pixelsticks for Design and Photography
SETH FASHNER - PIQUA HIGH SCHOOL
This grant was used to purchase two Pixelsticks for the Art and Design class at Piqua High School. The purpose of this grant is to enable students in the Art and Design classes to create original art, abstract art, and words that will be captured in mid-air with a camera, using Pixelstick, a one-of-a-kind tool for photography and video production. This tool will provide a way to create art and videos that would otherwise be impossible.

HOBY PIQUA HIGH SCHOOL
For the past nine years, the Piqua Education Foundation has sponsored upcoming juniors for the Hugh O'Brien Youth Leadership Conference for the southwest district of Ohio. The HOBY mission is to inspire and prepare future young leaders for a life dedicated to leadership, service, and innovation. The HOBY Ambassadors chosen for the 2020 conference were: Paul Hinds, Hannah Pleasant, and Reagan Toopes.

Success Bound - Learning to Love the Violin
KENDRA KROUSKOP-SMITH - WASHINGTON PRIMARY
This grant was for the purchase of 15 violins. The purpose of this grant is to provide students with the opportunity to learn life skills, such as responsibility, hard work, and love of music by providing violins and violin instruction as part of Piqua City Schools SuccessBound program. The SuccessBound program is an initiative where schools provide education pathways that give students the skills they need for in-demand jobs and for a remediation-free college experience.

STEAM/Fine Motor Skills AMANDA REDIBO - SPRINGCREEK
STEAM is an educational approach to learning that uses science, technology, engineering, the arts and mathematics as access points for guiding student inquiry, dialogue, and critical thinking. This grant was used to purchase supplies for the art classes to help increase fine motor manipulation that encourage the development of muscles and control of the elementary students. Using craft scissors, stencils, and stringing beads helps with the development of problem solving skills and promotes creativity.

Each year, the Piqua Education Foundation receives and reviews applications for grants from staff members of the Piqua City School District. Proposed submissions are for various projects that would enhance the educational experience of the students of our district.

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