

Fall 2021

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello PEF Friends!

As I sit down to write, it is August, and another school year is beginning with a new class of seniors deciding what happens after graduation. Living through a pandemic has presented new challenges during an already challenging time for seniors. Despite this, PHS seniors persevered, and the Class of 2021 is embarking on their new higher educational adventures. We, at the Piqua Education Foundation (PEF), are proud of their accomplishments. We know they will represent Piqua well!

This year, PEF, awarded nearly \$325,000 to 150 PHS scholars from the Classes of 2021, 2020, 2019, and 2018. We held a virtual Celebration of Education on Class Night, in May where we awarded 79 graduating seniors, 51% of the total 2021 Scholarship awards. We encourage the Class of 2022, as well as the classes of '21, '20 and '19 to mark their calendars for when **our online scholarship application form opens on January 17th, 2022.** PHS grads, you will receive an email in the fall with opening and closing dates. If your email has changed, please let us know, info@piquaeducationfoundation.org.

Our entire PEF team has been focused throughout 2021 to ensure we make your donations work as hard as possible in providing Piqua students with enhanced educational opportunities. Let me share with you three examples of our team's on-going work:



• The Education Grant Committee has updated our Grant Application. This new process includes a scoring rubric which was designed to be more consistent, transparent, and streamlined. These grants will continue to be shared to highlight the amazing work that the district is doing and how together, we are enhancing Piqua education. Learn more at www. PiquaEducationFoundation.org.

• The Marketing Committee continues to find ways to reach the Piqua community to highlight our Piqua students and PEF donors. This year, there have been press releases, mailings to named scholarship contacts, The Report, has been relaunched and we now accept mobile donations thanks to their leadership and willingness to roll up their sleeves and get the work done.

• PEF was present at events, such as, Academic Signing Day. While wearing exclusive Academic Signing Day t-shirts donated by PEF, seniors were on stage with family as they committed to their post PHS educational futures. Truly this day celebrates the importance of higher education!

These accomplishments are a few examples of the ongoing efforts PEF continues to undertake. A deep thank you to our donors for consistently supporting PEF and its activities for Piqua students.

We look forward to seeing you in person, again, when gatherings are deemed safe. Until then, please email <u>ExecutiveDirector@PiquaEducationFoundation.org</u> with feedback, ideas, or questions. On behalf of our Board of Directors, I offer our best wishes to Piqua students, staff, and parents on a successful school year! We thank our donors for their continued support of PEF.

Respectfully,

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Doug Hulme, DVM President, Piqua Education Foundation President@PiquaEducationFoundation.org

PS. I encourage you to take time today, to read more about and then donate to help endow our Piqua Promise Scholarship. By endowing this scholarship, we are keeping our promise not only to 2022 graduates, but also, future Piqua High School graduates from the Classes of 2030. . .2050. . . and beyond!

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SCHOLAR SPOTLIGHT



AVA ROWLEY

My name is Ava Rowley and I am a senior at Piqua High School (Class of 2021). I have worked as a server at Buffalo Wings and Rings for the past two years. Recently, I received my PCT Certification through AMCA testing. This year,

I am graduating with an honors diploma. After High School, I plan on continuing my education at The University of Toledo, majoring in exercise science with a concentration in Pre-PA studies. I hope to continue to The University of Toledo College of Medicine and Health Sciences to earn a Master's degree in Physician Assistant Studies.



CAMERON FOSTER

I am Cameron Foster (Class of 2020) and I am attending Wright State University as a Mechanical Engineering Major. I plan to participate in the 4+1 program so in 5 yrs I graduate with a Masters Degree. I hope to either get

a job at Wright Patterson Air Force Base or Honda Plant Anna. I like to golf, work outside, do DIY projects, and just be outdoors. I am proud to say I am the first Eagle Scout in my family.



CHRISTIAN STARRETT

Christian Starrett is a 2019 graduate of Piqua High School who currently attends Belmont University in Nashville, Tennessee. Christian studies Commercial Guitar with a minor in Music Business. Starrett is an up and coming guitarist in Nashville who

has been making a name for himself in his band Cole Ritter and the Night Owls. During his freshman year, Christian won Belmont's Country Showcase in front of thousands of people and major record labels. He continues to play in venues such as the Station Inn, 3rd and Lindsley, and on Broadway throughout each week!



KELSEY PETERS

My name is Kelsey Peters (Class of 2018) and I am currently finishing up my bachelors degree in entrepreneurship at the University of Cincinnati. Before transferring to UC I attended Edison Community College on a volleyball schloarship.

Volleyball is one of my favorite sports to play so being able to play for a school like Edsion was an amazing experience. At both Edison and UC I was rewarded with an invitation to join The National Society of Leadership and Success, which was a huge honor. After graduation I plan on continuing to work full time at the Piqua Country Club, where I will further my business management experience.

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OHIO TAX CREDIT A WIN FOR PEF & OUR DONORS

On July 1, 2021, the State of Ohio passed a budget bill that included a nonrefundable Tax Credit for donations to Scholarship Granting Organization (SGO). This means that when you donate to the Piqua Education Foundation in 2021, you will receive the same amount (not to exceed \$750) as a credit on your Ohio State Tax Return. This is great news for donors and our scholars!

NAMED SCHOLARSHIP



Minabelle Abbott Hutchins worked from secretary to actress at WLW. She began her radio career in 1930 in Cincinnati. By 1935, she had won the role of Mary Southern in one of the nation's first radio soap operas. Hutchins moved to Piqua in 1946 and became one of the Miami Valley's first radio starts on WPTW Radio.

Hutchins other activities included promotion of the local Girl Scouts, environmental awareness, and working with groups like the American Cancer Society, the Fine Arts Foundation and public school committees.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

August 25th – September 30th, 2021: PCS Staff Piqua Promise Fundraising Campaign

Sunday, October 10th, 2021: Tour de Gem PEF Team: Ride to endow our Piqua Promise

Monday, January 17th, 2022: PEF Scholarship Application Portal Opens

Sunday, March 13th, 2022: PEF Scholarship Portal Closes

May 18th, 2022: Academic Signing Day

May 25th, 2022: Celebration of Education

May 27th, 2022: Last Day of School, Graduation, & Teacher of Year Award given by PEF

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NATIONAL ESTATE PLANNING WEEK OCTOBER 18-24, 2021

Each year the Piqua Education Foundation awards "named scholarships." These scholarships and others like them only exist thanks to the generosity of the individuals who chose to remember our Pigua students and araduates in their estates. It is their vision and dedication to the Piqua community that helps this year's recipients including Manzi Coats (Class of 2020), Brent Lemmon (Class of 2018) and Kylee Orndorff (Class of 2021) and future generations of graduates.

Mike Gutmann, a local Piqua estate planning lawyer recently shared with our Board of Directors that our donors "do not have to be millionaires to benefit from an estate plan. The reasons to create an estate plan are as varied and unique as the individuals who create them." He continued by saying that "If you own a home, have minor children, grandchildren, children with special needs, or have a business or expect to receive an inheritance of your own, you need to take steps to plan your estate." Mr. Gutman finished by saying that "Starting the process is as simple as contacting your attorney or financial advisor. It is much easier than you may think once you take the first step." And that simple first step could even lead to including in your final wishes a gift that ensures your legacy as an honored Piqua Education Foundation Named Scholarship. Email Katie Neubert at ExecutiveDirector@PiquaEducationFoundation.org to learn more about supporting the future Piqua graduates.



TOUR DE GEM

Together, we are enhancing the educational opportunities for Piqua City School students, graduates and their families in a way that truly makes a difference right here in Piqua. A difference that stands behind our students by making them a promise, a Piqua Promise. The Piqua Promise says that we believe in you and are here to support you as you reach for your educational and professional dreams.

The Tour de Gem was started four years ago by the Dayton Rotary to bring cycling, charities, and communities together. It is a fun, family-friendly cycling event designed to be a safe fun experience focused on the Dayton Region and helping non-profits like the Piqua Education Foundation increase their outreach opportunities.

This year, you have the opportunity to

join the inaugural Piqua Education Foundation Tour de Gem cycling team either as a cyclist (on October 10th), as a Virtual Ride Challenger (September 24th - October 10th) and/or as a team supporter. https:// www.ms-stride.org/tourdegem/profiles/team/52. All funds raised by our Tour de Gem team will go towards endowing our Piqua Promise to fulfill our promise to PHS graduates. Please, use the link above or the QR code to learn more.



HOBY HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT GRANTS

The Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadershio is an organization dedicated to: "training and nurturing the young leaders of tomorrow."



Paul Wirring Scholarship recipient: My name is Chloe Koon, and I am going into my fourth year at Bowling Green State University. I am studying forensic biology and microbiology on a pre-med track. I hope to pursue my MD/PhD in the realm of forensic microbiology in

the future. I am a member of the Honors College and also am the current president of the Club Bowling Team. I'm a Presidential Scholar and have been awarded the Forsyth Medal as well as being on the Dean's List.

Hi, I'm Chlor Koon, and I will be a Junior next school year. I'm currently at the HOBY leadership conference. I've learned a lot about leadership and about myself. Before coming, I wasn't very sure about the things I do and say. So, thank you very much for paying for me to attend this life-changing conference. You changed my life, and I hope I can come back to school and change parts of it, too.

TRIBUTE DONATIONS

Tribute donations are a thoughtful and visionary way to donate that not only highlights a special person or occasion but also supports the Piqua Education Foundation's on-going mission. Together, we are enhancing the educational opportunities for our Piqua students, graduates, and their families. Truly these tributes are a celebration of Piqua and our community. The following are tributes received between January 1st and June 30th, 2021.

IN HONOR OF:

Mike Hulme Piqua Optimist Club's PHS "Optimistic Youth" Program Devon Sever Steve & Gail Staley Suzie Wise

IN MEMORY OF:

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Our sincere thanks to all our Tribute Donors for choosing the Piqua Education Foundation to help you celebrate these special people and occasions. It is an honor for us to be a part of these meaningful expressions of admiration and community support.

THANK YOU LETTERS



I would like to thank the Rosemary Ovenden Scholarship of the \$1,800 that I have received to continue my education at Miami University. I will do my best to highly represent this organization and the Piqua Education Foundation next fall.

KELSEY BACHMAN - CLASS OF 2019

I would like to thank you for the Michael Hacqua Memorial Scholarship. I am looking forward to starting at BGSU in the fall, this money will be so useful in furthering my education.



BROOKLYNNE WRIGHT - CLASS OF 2021



Dear Piqua Eduction Foundation, It has been an honor to be a recipient of this scholarship for the past 3 years. Your generosity has helped me achieve much thoughout my college years. I am sincerely appreciative of your continued kindness.

Dear Board of Directors of the PEF, Thank you fall so much for your continued support. Receiving this scholarship has allowed me to further my education, as well as motivated me to work harder toward my goals. Once again, thank you all for your generosity. I am honored to be a recipient of this scholarship.

AMANDA GEORGE - CLASS OF 2018

I would like to formally express my gratefulness to all who have taken part in the scholarship process. Receiving the Colonel William Baugh Scholarship & Jacob G. Schmidlapp Scholarship are true blessings, and due to your generosity,



I would now be able to spend more time each week focusing on my academic studies. So, I would like to wrap this letter up with one more thank you, this seriously changed my life.

IZAHYA TIPPS - CLASS OF 2021



Thank you for awarding me the Niels and Ruth Lungard Scholarship. I greatly appreciate the honor of receiving your scholarship and am excited to start at OSU in the fall.

MIKE SWITZER - CLASS OF 2021



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EDUCATION GRANTS 2020-2021

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

Lab Aides Reusable Models LESLIE MOSLEY - PHS

This grant was used to purchase hands-on reusable manipulative lab supplies to help high school biology students comprehend complicated concepts that involve complex chemistry. The hands-on materials will cover photosynthesis, DNA, RNA, and protein synthesis modeling.

HOBY Ambassador Funding PHS

Rising Piqua Juniors have the opportunity to enter an essay contest to represent Piqua High School at the Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership Conference. The HOBY mission is to inspire and prepare future young leaders. For the past ten years, the Piqua Education Foundation has provided funds for the Piqua Ambassadors selected by a school committee led by Mrs. Kate Schulze, School Counselor and Hope Squad Advisor to cover the costs of their attendance. The Piqua HOBY Ambassadors for the 2021 conference were:

Laurynn Barr, Ivy Lee, and Kirsten Shaneyfelt.

Service Hour Tracking & Reporting Platform COURTNEY DOWNS - PHS

This grant was used to purchase the x2VOL software which promotes more efficient community service while continuing to build strong relationships between Piqua High School students and community partners. The software is a tool to help track service hours and also allows community organizations a way to communicate they are in need of help and volunteers.

Mats for Learning

JACKIE THASE-BURCH - SPRINGCREEK PRIMARY

This grant was used to purchase yoga/floor mats for all students at Springcreek. Students are accustomed to working in small groups and moving about the classroom. With social distancing in place, students must stay at their desks all day. The mats represent a designated area beside the desk for them to sit on rather than the floor and will also be used for daily movement activities.



"We absolutely love our yoga mats! We use them multiple times a day. We begin every day with a yoga, stretch, or meditation activity. After lunch we drop everything and read. The students use the yoga mats for both activities and also when they just need a little more space. We are so thankful for these mats!!"

BRITTANI STUCHELL, 2ND GRADE TEACHER GIFTED INTERVENTION SPECIALIST, SPRINGCREEK PRIMARY SCHOOL