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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

And just like that with the flip of a calendar page, it's August. The PEF joins Piqua City Schools in welcoming all students and staff to another year! The summer passed quickly for PEF with many activities happening. The PEF is proud to continue its mission of support to the students and staff of the Piqua City School District with scholarships and education grants.

In May, PEF hosted the annual Celebration of Education Meet and Greet. This annual event is an evening of celebration for the achievements and accomplishments of Piqua's graduating senior class. Each year the PEF Scholarship Committee spends many hours to make sure the wishes of donors is honored when awarding scholarships. The PEF is fortunate to have donors who believe in our mission and make it possible to give more in scholarship awards each year. The Celebration of Education Meet and Greet is a powerful evening for all attendees as PEF scholarship recipients, PEF donors, and their families are recognized.

The PEF committees continue to meet over the summer to ensure the momentum remains strong. We hope you enjoy reading more detailed information about PEF activities found inside this newsletter. Some of the activities include:

- The PEF office has moved to the new Piqua Board of Education office building at 215 Looney Road.
- The PEF Scholarship application portal will be available beginning October 15th for the 2019-2020 academic year.
- To ensure that you continue to receive PEF news and updates, please email your contact information (current address, telephone number and email address) to [pef@piqua.org](mailto:pef@piqua.org).

On behalf of the PEF Board of Directors, I extend deep gratitude for the generosity our Piqua community has provided to PEF. Your unwavering generosity allows us to continue to support the students and staff of the Piqua City Schools as we have for over 30 years.

With warm wishes for another successful Piqua school year!

Dr. Douglas Hulme  
President, Piqua Education Foundation

### THE PEF MISSION STATEMENT:

The mission of the Piqua Education Foundation is to enhance the educational opportunities of Piqua City School students, graduates and staff through securing and distributing contributions from the community including individuals, corporations and foundations.

# PEF BOARD MEMBERS HONORED

Congratulations to Elly Snapp and Troy Ouhl, two of our PEF Board members and Piqua City Schools educators. Both were honored by former students at the 25th Annual Miami County Excellence in Education Awards Dinner. Nominating students presented their teacher with a plaque and shared a few words about the inspiration the teacher has provided them.



Teacher Elly Snapp was honored by 2018 PHS Salutatorian Leanne Price.



Teacher Troy Ouhl was honored by 2018 PHS Valedictorian Darby Bubp.

## PHS CLASS OF 2018 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

**Barbara Hootman**  
Sarah Marion

**Brandon Burnside Memorial Scholarship**  
Makenzie Ellerman

**Carl & Charlotte Zimmerman Scholarship**  
Mya Davis

**Clifford Alexander Scholarship / PEF Salutatorian Scholarship**  
Leanne Price

**Colonel William Baugh Scholarship**  
Logan Copsy

**Dorthea L. Davis Scholarship**  
Ashlyn Wilson

**Edward Purk Class of 1956/ Kenneth C. Thorpe Class of 1952 Scholarship**  
Grace Jennings

**Faulkner Garmhausen Keister & Schenk / PEF Top 5 Scholarship**  
Chloe Koon

**Gene Bayman Scholarship**  
Austin Davis

**George Brading Scholarship**  
Hayden Schrubb

**Glenn Honeycutt/Duane Bachman Scholarship**  
Alexandria Richardson

**Henrietta Hahn/Jerry Clark / PEF Opportunity Scholarship**  
Molly Smith

**Jacob G. Schmidlapp Scholarship**  
Emily Powell

**Jeff Minton/Elmer Harris/PEF Valedictorian Scholarship**  
Cameron Brown

**Jill Lyons Scholarship**  
Madalynn Mitchell

**Judge Carl & Edith Felger Memorial Trust / PEF Top 5 Scholarship**  
Rachel Abbott  
Nicholas Abing

**Loffer/Monroe Scholarship**  
Trevor Billet

**Minabelle Hutchins**  
Lily Stewart

**Naoma Bobbs/Jo Kerst Scholarship**  
Alex Phillips

**Neils & Ruth Lundgard Scholarship**  
Laura Pritchett  
Katherine Dolder  
Casey Graves  
Seth Trapp  
Marianna Valverde  
Tiffany Bradley  
Ethan Kister  
Samuel Herndon  
Jacob Bushnell  
Kelsey Magoteaux  
Meredith Butt

**Neils & Ruth Lundgard Scholarship / PEF Top 5 Scholarship**  
Benjamin Schmiesing  
Brent Lemmon

**Paul Hostetter/Samuel T. Kunkel Scholarship**  
Chase Motter

**Neils & Ruth Lundgard Scholarship / PEF Valedictorian Scholarship**  
Darby Bubp

**Neils Lundgard Scholarship**  
Tristan Hostetter

**Piqua Promise**  
Brianna Fuller  
Spencer Lavey  
Kylie Emrick  
Ashley Sowers  
Morgan Ford  
Gavin Strevell  
Mackenzie Jessup  
Grace Strevell  
Hannah Lambert  
Ashley Furbee

**Ralph Gunter Scholarship**  
Amanda George

**Richard Donnelly Scholarship**  
Jenna Parker  
Preston Schaeffer

**Richard Pearson/Sam Heitzman Scholarship**  
Sadie Hartzell

**Robert & Virginia Fite Scholarship**  
Kelsey Peters

**Robert C. & Fay A. Patterson Memorial Scholarship**  
Desiree Parrish

**Robert Davis/Karen Staley Scholarship**  
Haley Michael

**Robert E. & Alice V. Browning Scholarship**  
Jarred Gullett

**Rosemary Ovenden Scholarship**  
Sophia Mueller

**Sam Pearson No Mercy Xfit Scholarship**  
Derek Hite

**Sam Pearson Scholarship**  
Jade Schneider

**Shah Family Foundation Scholarship**  
Raj Patel  
Gabrielle Knouff  
Jan Adorno

**Peggy Marshall / PEF Opportunity Scholarship**  
Lauren Williams

**Steven Hill Memorial Scholarship**  
Cory Cotrell  
Savannah Hulme

**Tom Jamieson Music Scholarship**  
Bradyn Craft

**Unity National Bank Scholarship**  
Ethan Garland

**William G. & Jeanne S. Reed Scholarship**  
Ashley Petersen  
Kelsea Bell

**Mike Jaqua Memorial Scholarship**  
Cassidi Shelby

# A CELEBRATION OF EDUCATION

The Piqua Education Foundation (PEF) recognized Piqua High School graduates at the Celebration of Education Reception held on May 30th in conjunction with Class Night. This reception is a chance for students to interact with each other and PEF donors while being recognized for their academic achievements.

The Piqua Education Foundation was created over 30 years ago in order to enhance the educational opportunities for Piqua City Schools students, graduates and staff. The endowment fund has done exactly that, by awarding college scholarships for PHS graduates and funding educational grants for Piqua City Schools teachers and staff.



Jennifer Garland & Bill Jaqua

This year PEF is extremely proud to award over \$300,000.00 to nearly 150 students! It is important to note that for a district our size, it is extremely rare to be able to offer so much financial support to our families and students to continue their education after their high school years. The Celebration of Education also featured 10 Piqua Promise scholarships. Promise Scholarships are awarded to graduating seniors who plan to attend Edison State Community College. Piqua Promise scholarships of \$2,500.00 each were awarded to 10 graduating seniors. These 10 scholarships were matched by Edison State Community College with an additional \$2,500.00 each. This provides a full year tuition to Edison for those ten students. These Piqua Promise scholarships are renewable for a second year as well, as long as academic requirements are met. The long term goal of the Piqua Promise is remove financial barriers that can limit access to post secondary education, be it a technical school, vocational school or a more traditional 2 or 4 year college.

Thank you to all who have so generously donated to PEF over the years. Your dollars have positively impacted many lives. Congratulations to the class of 2018 and the many PEF scholarships recipients. For more information please email [pef@piqua.org](mailto:pef@piqua.org).



## NEW BOARD MEMBER IN THE SPOTLIGHT

### Stephanie Friend

The PEF welcomes Stephanie Friend as a member of the PEF Board of Directors. Stephanie is entering her fourth year as a 1st grade teacher at Springcreek Primary in Piqua. She is a 2003 graduate of Elmwood High School in Bloomdale, Ohio. Stephanie is a graduate of the University of Hawaii and holds a Bachelors in Elementary Education. Stephanie and her husband of thirteen years, US Coast Guard Veteran Jeb Friend (2003 graduate of Piqua High School) have 3 daughters Olivia 11, Fallon 6, and Dawson 18 months. As a family, they enjoy traveling, hiking, and swimming together. Their travels include Florida, North Carolina, Hawaii, Massachusetts, but are happy to call Piqua, home.

## THE LUNDGARD FOUNDATIONS 2018

The Lundgard Foundation and the Lundgard Charitable Trust recently granted special grants to the Piqua Education Foundation and the Lehman High School Foundation for the 2018 graduates. Since college scholarships were first presented to Piqua area students in 1990, more than \$1,500,000 in scholarships have been awarded. This year an extra \$20,000 was granted so the 2018 graduates can be awarded up to an additional \$500 to recognize this important milestone. The goal of these special awards is to give monetary assistance to the brightest and most deserving students who are pursuing training and education beyond high school. In addition to the awards made to graduating seniors the Lundgard scholarships also provide the schools with funds for students in their second, third and fourth years of study.

The original Lundgard Foundation was established in 1990 by Ruth Lundgard, wife of Niels Lundgard, co-founder of Aerovent Fan. Lundgard came to the United States from Denmark in 1907. His wife Ruth, also from Denmark, joined him in 1949. Although Mr. Lundgard died in 1973, Mrs. Lundgard remained active in the affairs of the Company until the time it was sold in 1989. The second Lundgard Charitable was created in 2002 at the death of Mrs. Lundgard. She was a kind and generous supporter of education with a keen interest in quality education and the plans put in place even after her death continue doing good works.

The generosity of the Lundgards will continue to primarily benefit the persons living in the Piqua area that has exceeded over \$8,000,000 to date for charitable, religious, scientific, literary and education purposes.

# UPCOMING EVENTS

- PCS First Day of School (August 14th)
- PEF Scholarship Online Application opens (October 15th)
- PEF Scholarship Online Application deadline (February 15th)



## KEEP US POSTED WITH YOUR CURRENT CONTACT INFORMATION

Please email your current address, telephone number and the email that you wish to receive updates and the latest news from PEF to [pef@piqua.org](mailto:pef@piqua.org).

## PHS CLASSES OF 2015, 2016, 2017 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

**Robert E. & Alice V. Browning**

**Scholarship**

Ashley Brading

**Rosemary Ovenden**

**Scholarship**

Elizabeth Duer

Charissa Engle

Thomas Stein

Dylan Runge

Cecily Stewart

**William & Jeanne Reed**

**Scholarship**

Allison Cox

**PEF Scholarships**

Zachary Adkins

Jordan Booker

Amy Burt

Shelby Bynum

Savannah Charles

Cheyenne Clark

Rupert Delacruz

Kylie Hays

Halley Strevel

Angelica Black

Sarah Ganger

Alana George

Sierra Miller

Madeline Ponchilla

Jack Schmiesing

Kendall Grunkemeyer

Kenton Kiser

Alaina Mikolajewski

**Paul Wirrig Scholarship**

Madison Cutner

Tristan Cisco

Michael Anderson

**Peggy K. Marshall Scholarship**

Kayla Jones

Anna Klipfenstein

Maryssa Kuhn

Amanda Ellis

**Piqua Heritage Festival**

**Scholarship**

Alyssa Marsh

**Piqua Promise Scholarship**

Claire Hillary

Derek Jennings

**Jacob G. Schmidlapp**

**Scholarship**

Blake Wright

Derrick Gullett

Ashley Hobbs

Kyle Ingle

Isaac Karn

Grady Stewart

Hannah Went

Hannah Wise

**Judge Carl & Edith Felger**

**Memorial Trust Scholarship**

Dylon Bayman

Kendra Forness

Nathan Mornin

Caleb Patton

Aaron Thompson

Shelby Warren

Claire Went

Willis Young

Megan Anderson

Kenna Bell

Carly Brown

Elizabeth Butt

Alycia Davidson

Anne Fletcher

LeAnn Flinn

Bradley Hohlbain

Erin Pattizio

Hannah Smith

Mckenzie Weller

Noah Gertner

Morgan Grunkemeyer

Caje Kindred

**Lucille Schaefer Scholarship**

Kaitlyn Evans

**Mary Becker Scholarship**

Michaela Bell

**Minabelle Hutchins Scholarship**

Tyeal Booker

Tasha Potts

**Neils & Ruth Lundgard**

**Scholarship**

Ashley Ho

Julia Hsiang

Jonathan Irvin

Bradley McPherson

Corinne Tisher

Maya Vulcan