



Defiance Area FOUNDATION

Serving
Defiance County

“TO ENHANCE, ENRICH, ENCOURAGE, AND SUPPORT THE GREATER DEFIANCE AREA”

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Dear Friends:

We thank you for continuing to support your Community Foundation. With the help of our members and friends, we granted back \$349,183 to Defiance County during our fiscal year from 7/1/12 to 6/30/13. During that same time frame, we were blessed with gifts and donations of \$852,402 and ended the year with assets totaling **\$5.2 million dollars**. Thanks to our local financial advisors (First Federal Bank and The State Bank Wealth Management), we posted investment returns of almost 12%. It is through your support and generosity that we can make a difference, serve Defiance County, and touch more lives each and every day.

- Chris Yoder
Executive Director

The IRA Charitable Rollover opportunity is extended for 2013

Do you want to donate money to charity, avoid paying taxes and enjoy the reward of seeing your benevolence in action? If you are 70 1/2 years or older, you can make contributions directly from your individual retirement account (IRA) to the Defiance Area Foundation.

The American Taxpayer Relief Act of 2012 extended the qualified charitable distribution until December 31, 2013. This provision allows many taxpayers who are 70 1/2 or older to transfer as much as \$100,000 this year directly from an IRA to qualified charities without having any of that transfer counted as part of their adjusted gross income. The transfer also counts toward the taxpayer's required minimum distribution.

This is a unique opportunity to withdraw funds from your IRA without incurring federal income taxes today or estate and income taxes in the future. Please contact your professional advisor if you are interested in exploring this option.

Watch for this fall...

- ◇ Annual Meeting
September 26th
- ◇ On-line giving
- ◇ Facebook Presence



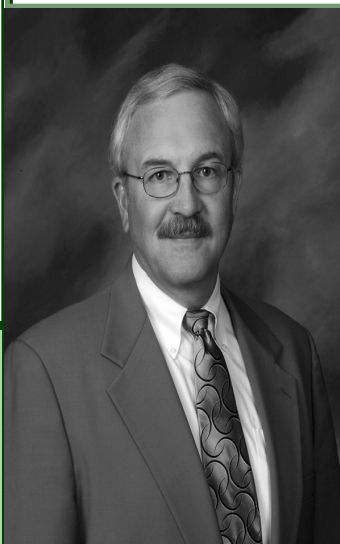
- ◇ National Community Foundation Week .

\$2.42

The average gift from the Tooth Fairy in 2012, a 15% gain over 2011, according to the annual Delta Dental poll.

~ Thrivent Summer 2013

Member Spotlight:



My wife Sue and I have been lifelong residents of Defiance, having raised our family and run a local business. Our business has been successful due to the support of the area communities. Gene and Marian Smart were good friends of my parents. As a result, I was able to know Gene and the importance he placed on the community. It has truly been an honor to be a member of the Foundation and serve as a Trustee. The Defiance area has been very good to me, my family and my business. It is a real privilege to be able to give back to such an important organization. As Winston Churchill once said, “We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give.”

- Steve Boomer





2013 Scholarships

Defiance City Schools Foundation Fund

Henkle Fund

- Hannah Clawson** attending Ohio University
- Kristen M. Fett** attending Heidelberg University
- Kyle Maxey** attending Bowling Green State University
- Anna E. Schrag** attending Wright State University
- Danielle Tumblin** attending Bowling Green State University
- Brandi Wagner** attending Trine University

Kauser Fund

- Hannah Clawson** attending Ohio University

Mathew Fund

- Rebecca Potts** attending The University of Toledo

Nixon Fund

- Joseph Keween** attending The University of Toledo

Shirey Fund

- Paige Mathewson** attending The Ohio State University
- Jordan Tobias** attending The University of Cincinnati

Lisa Yoder Memorial Scholarship Fund

Eligible applicants attend St. Michaels' Catholic Church and are continuing their education at an accredited college or university. This fund was established by Randy Yoder in memory of his wife Lisa who taught CCD classes at St. Michael's Church and passed away in 2006. The recipient for 2013 is **Cameron Harris**. **Cameron** will be attending The Ohio State University.

To learn more about our existing scholarship funds, or to create a new fund, give us a call at (419) 782-3130.

Defiance Metal Products Scholarship Fund

This fund was established to benefit employees, spouses and children of Defiance Metal Products. Recipients of this fund for the coming fiscal year are:

- Mason E. Bowen** attending Huntington University
- Alec Frank** attending Ohio University
- Stephane Grunden** attending Ohio University
- Nathan Hoffer** attending The Defiance College
- Victoria Herzog** attending Northwest State Comm. College
- Karli Leugers** attending The Ohio State University at Lima
- Brooke Miller** attending Mount Aloysius College
- Christine Robbins** attending Northwest State Comm. College

Fairview Football Scholarship Fund

This fund was established by Fairview Alumni who realized the importance of higher education. Recipients are senior varsity football players who are furthering their education. Recipients of this fund for the coming fiscal year are:

- Zachary Collin** attending The Defiance College
- Samuel Garrigus** attending Agricultural Technical Institute of The Ohio State University
- Jeffrey Timbrook** attending Kent State University

Defiance County 4-H Alumni Fund

This fund was established by several donors for a variety of purposes to fulfill the Mission of the 4-H Program in Defiance County. The recipient this year was:

- Samuel Garrigus** attending Agricultural Technical Institute of The Ohio State University



Many of our donors have requested on-line donations. We have recently partnered with Network for Good to accept on-line gifts. Please visit our website www.defianceareafoundation.org and click on the **donate** link. You have the option to select a fund or request recurring gifts. Check it out!

US Scholarship Overview: Billions of Dollars Are Awarded Each Year

Over \$3 billion in private scholarships are awarded to college students each year with an average award of about \$2000 to \$3000 a year. As college costs continue to rise, scholarships are becoming an ever more important part of financing school for many students. Learning about the different types of scholarships, how to find and apply for them, and how to avoid scams will result in greater scholarship success.

- BrainTrack.com