



Defiance Area FOUNDATION

Serving
Defiance County

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

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OPEN HOUSE

As of May 1, The Defiance Area Foundation Serving Defiance County is located at
507 Fifth Street, Defiance.

The new home is complete with two offices, a conference room, work area, reception area and kitchenette. Please join us in celebrating our relocation:

Open House on Thursday, May 12, from 4-6 p.m.

We are pleased that this event is being co-sponsored by

First Federal Bank and Reliance Financial Services!

Thank you to everyone who has helped make this move possible through your donation of time, materials, and financial support. You are truly appreciated.

Did You Know?

Our assets have grown to over \$3.7 million, up from \$2.7 million at our fiscal year ended June 30, 2010?

This tremendous growth is the result of donations to current restricted funds, unrestricted gifts, the creation of new funds, and positive markets.

Help us continue this amazing growth!

Children, Leaders & Communities

From the youngest members of our communities to the leaders of tomorrow, these are the beneficiaries of the most recent grant awards approved by The Defiance Area Foundation.

During the April 28 meeting of the Board of Trustees, several grants were approved:

- ❖ Funds for the purchase of child-size tables and chairs for the House of Ruth.
- ❖ Funds to support Defiance County families staying at Mad Anthony Children's Hope House.
- ❖ Funds to support the Defiance Area Leadership Program.
- ❖ Funds for improvements to Crystal Fountain Spiritual Retreat Center in Sherwood.

Restricted Fund awards were also approved:

- ❖ First Presbyterian Church for their upcoming Mission Trip to Mexico.
- ❖ Defiance High School DECA Program from the Mike Schultz and Bud Offerle Memorial Funds.

Member Spotlight: Beth Sigg



We are all SO busy today, and when aren't we glad to have things made easier for us? That's why I joined The Defiance Area Foundation. They make giving to our favorite causes so easy.....whether it's to a fund already established for a cause I care about, or one they will design around my interests!

There are many ways to give our dollars that just provide a one-time impact. But the Foundation is our way to establish a permanent chain of funding to keep on giving over the years! This is a different way to look at giving.

The Foundation also makes sure that all the paperwork is properly maintained, all of the figures accurately calculated. As a busy person, I appreciate that all the work is done for me!

As chairperson of the marketing committee, I see our job simply to share information about WHAT the Foundation is all about, HOW it can make giving easy, and WHY it is the perfect vehicle for a long-range giving plan. The Foundation can make all of our lives easier, by helping us to have a plan for giving that lasts a lifetime and beyond.

New Funds Created

Does your favorite charity have a fund with The Defiance Area Foundation? Several new funds have recently been added.

You can now support The Defiance Clinic Charitable and Educational Fund and The Hicksville Community Fund through The Defiance Area Foundation. Both of these funds will support the individual missions of each organization.

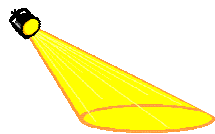
If you have a passion that does not have a fund for long-term benefits at The Foundation, give us a call.

New restricted funds can be established to specifically benefit special interest groups, scholarships and not-for-profit organizations.

The Defiance Area Foundation makes donating to your passion and fulfilling your philanthropic goals easy. To set up a donor-advised fund or a fund to benefit your favorite charity, contact Executive Director Christine Hubbard at 419-782-3130.

Bring this voucher in & \$1.00 from your full priced grande/super specialty beverage will be donated to the Defiance Area Foundation!

Redeem by 5/31/11 at
BIGGBY COFFEE 720 N Clinton
Defiance Locations only.



Fund Spotlight:

Jim and Karen Schmidt of Hicksville have a vision for their community. They believe in the wise words of Nelson Henderson who said, "The true meaning of life is to plant trees under whose shade you do not expect to sit."

The Schmidt's, along with several other community-minded Hicksville residents, are fulfilling this vision through a new Donor-Advised Fund at The Defiance Area Foundation.

The **HICKSVILLE COMMUNITY FUND** has recently been established and is growing in dollars and enthusiasm from those in the community who are passionate about their home town.

Anyone can donate to the fund, but all grants made from the fund will be reviewed by an Advisory Committee from Hicksville and will be awarded to non-profit organizations in the Hicksville Community. This fund will ensure that the Village will continue to prosper both Today *and* Tomorrow.

Treasures Abound

As The Defiance Area Foundation moved from one small office to a much more spacious suite at 507 Fifth Street, there have been MANY wonderful people who have helped make this possible.

We extend a big THANK YOU to:

Steve Walker of Northwestern Mutual Insurance for donating conference chairs, a printer, and office supplies.

Jay Hanson at Reliance Financial Services/The State Bank for donating a credenza, end table, and small table.

First Federal Bank for donating office chairs, a microwave and refrigerator.

Kieu Okuley of Okuley's Pharmacy for donating a conference table.

Randy Yoder of Wells Fargo Advisors for donating a sofa.

Chad Peter of Defiance Clinic for donating funds to purchase a "WOW" wall clock.

Joe Howard of Howard Painting for donating paint.

Jim and Karen Schmidt of Jim Schmidt Chevrolet and Jim Schmidt Ford for a cash donation for decorations and furniture.

Cheryl Heller of New To You for donating her time and talent to decorate the office.

Did You Know?

The DAF has purchased new computer software.

Community Pearl will better streamline our gifts, grants and fund management, to better serve our community.

Our Wish List

Cherry-finish coffee table and end table

Conference chairs

Wing-back chair

Paper cutter