



FUND HONORS C. MICHAEL CRAWFORD - LEADER IN DARKE COUNTY SCHOOLS

Mr. C. Michael Crawford passed away suddenly in May of 2002, but he left a legacy of support for educators and children in the schools of Darke County. At the time of his death, Mike was serving as an administrative assistant at the Darke County Educational Service Center. However, Mike had come up through the ranks, beginning his Darke County service as a teacher and then principal in the Ansonia Local Schools. He moved to the Darke County Office of Education with county superintendent Dr. Marlin Thompson in 1983 and began a distinguished career working with all school districts in the county.



Mike's areas of responsibility included various curriculum functions, but he specialized in teacher certification and mentoring new teachers. In 1993, Mike fostered a program of pairing a veteran teacher with each "new" teacher so the transition to the education profession could be smooth and beneficial to teacher and students alike. Due to Mike's foresight, Darke County had an established mentorship program for teachers a full ten years before the State of Ohio saw the benefit and mandated such a program for all Ohio schools. Mike continued his work at the now Darke County Educational Service Center under superintendents Bob Lantz and John Montgomery, and he worked to fulfill the mission of bringing the power of saving through group purchasing to the schools of Darke County and the region. Mike was instrumental in the success of this endeavor through his leadership role with the Southwest Ohio Educational Purchasing Cooperative, which involves over 90 public school districts in a Council of Governments.

This husband, father, grandfather, teacher,
(Continued opposite)

ROBERT AND IRIS BOLEN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

The HOPE Foundation of Darke County announces a new fund, the Robert and Iris Bolen Memorial Scholarship. Growing up in the Union City area, Robert and Iris Bolen wanted to enrich the life of a student pursuing college from Mississinawa Valley High School. Mr. Bolen commented, "College is necessary to have a good job and this necessity becomes more so as time goes on." Mrs. Bolen added, "Having no children and good jobs, and realizing what a good education means, we wanted to help someone else." Through the HOPE Foundation, and the income earned on the fund they established, distributions will be made annually to a student from Mississinawa Valley H.S.

Robert Bolen attended Union City's Eastside High School, while Iris attended Jackson High School. Both schools later merged to form the present day Mississinawa Valley High School from which the recipient of this scholarship must attend. With long-time connections in Union City, they have continued to support the community there, most recently through the Railroad Park by planting trees and adding a gazebo. The establishment of this scholarship through the HOPE Foundation is one more example of how the Bolens have given back to the community.

While employed, Robert Bolen operated insurance and real estate agencies in both Union City and Ansonia, while his wife was the Assistant Vice President of Union City Body Company. Mr. Bolen also served on Farmer's State Bank Board of Directors, now Old National Bank. Following retirement, Mrs. Bolen was very involved as a volunteer with senior citizens through the Community Action Partnership, formerly known as SCOPE Darke County. They are also active volunteers in collecting aluminum cans for the Shriner's organization.

Dealing with many health issues, Iris Bolen added, "Through our trials and tribulations, we made a decision to help others." And that is why the HOPE Foundation exists...for the purpose of Helping Other People Excel...and to support the wishes of people like Robert and Iris Bolen.

administrator, educator, poultry judge, and friend is fondly remembered in the education community and beyond. Through contributions of his family and friends, a HOPE scholarship fund to honor Mike Crawford has been established. Each year, the fund will recognize, with a plaque and a stipend, an outstanding teacher mentor in Darke County in Mike's name. In this way, the teachers of Darke County will continue to benefit from the life and work of this very special person.

LONG-TIME HOPE TRUSTEES RETIRES

The Board of Trustees of the HOPE Foundation announces the retirement of William Hole, a member of the Foundation board for 17 years. Mr. Hole was recognized at a recent meeting for his service. The HOPE Foundation was founded in 1987 and is an acronym for "Helping Other People Excel", and that is the year Mr. Hole began his tenure.

As a trustee, Mr. Hole has seen the Foundation, now worth over \$1.3 million dollars, help many students and local organizations realize the interest generated from bequests and donations to the HOPE Foundation.

Mr. Hole, while presently retired, was the former Executive Vice President of the American Aggregates Corporation in Greenville. "The HOPE Foundation", he said, "has a very worthwhile objective... helping others."

The Board of Trustees of the HOPE Foundation also announces the resignation of Robert Lantz, Ph.D., who now resides in Florida. Dr. Lantz joined the Board in 1993 and served as President for two years. Dr. Lantz, now retired, was formerly the Darke County Superintendent of Schools.

"I am proud and privileged to have served the HOPE Foundation," said Dr. Lantz. "The HOPE Foundation's vision of a brighter future through encouraging Darke County youth is exactly the way to better communities."



Top Row: Ron Bonfiglio, Kent Zechar, Susan Muntean, Steve Burns, Richard Troutwine, Jonathan Hein; Middle Row: Kate Ross, Eileen Litchfield, Phillip Garbig, Tom Graber, Marvin Stammen; Bottom Row: Rodney Oda, Richard Baker, Marlin Thompson, Dan Franz, Tim Booher. Not pictured: John Montgomery and Cindy Wuebker

Scholarship recipients

HOPE scholarship recipients: Amanda Barga, Tracy Moody, Jessica McEldowney, Jennifer Lyme, Stuart Beisner, Robert Castle, Jason Schmidt, Lindsey Wombold, Mathew Jones, Alisha Flatter, Megan Delk, Josh Greve, Sara Hightower, Ashley Bevins, Bret Bolyard, Natalie Hemmerich, Brittanie Hunt, Nicole Loy, Matthew Cross, Jamie Shiverdecker, Tiffany Stickel, Megan Mendenhall, Ryan Edwards, Melanie Bruner, Craig Rismiller, Emily Hemmelgarn.

ELEANOR J. HUGHES MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

The HOPE Foundation announces the establishment of a new fund to honor Eleanor J. Hughes.

Born in 1917 in western Pennsylvania, she remained there through most of her life.

During the years Eleanor developed her talent as an artist, painting many beautiful oils. She also became an accomplished seamstress, making all her own clothing. She continued her career with Bell Telephone Company, retiring in 1963, at which time she and her husband moved to Longwood, Florida. It was in her retirement years that Eleanor chose to

continue her formal education, an opportunity that just wasn't financially practical having graduated from high school shortly after the Great Depression. She enrolled at the Seminole Community College in Seminole, Florida and received her Associate Degree.

In 1992, her husband of 52 years passed away leaving her alone in Florida with no immediate family. So in 1993 she decided to move to Greenville, Ohio to be near her sister, Ruth Osborne, a resident of Greenville since the Corning Plant was opened in 1957. Eleanor passed away December 30, 2003. It was during her 10 years of residency in Greenville and her strong belief in the value of formal education that she chose to use THE HOPE FOUNDATION as a vehicle to help high school graduates in the Darke County area further their education.

(Left!) Brenda Best and Theresa Hall, nurses; Anthony Bruns, Kim Freeman, recipient of the **Joyce Bruns Scholarship**, Kathy O'Dell, nurse and John Montgomery from HOPE

(Below) Bruce and Mary Williams are shown with Amy Wiford, the **Lori Michelle Williams Scholarship** recipient and John Montgomery from HOPE.

HOPE FOUNDATION GRANTS 2004 SCHOLARSHIPS

A record high of \$52,597 in scholarships was awarded to 29 first time recipients from 19 different universities. This brings the accumulated total of \$431,030 awarded since 1989, the first year a scholarship was granted. There were five second year Arcanum H.S. & Ansonia H.S. students who received follow up monies due to the availability of funds as designated by the donor. Three adult scholarships in nursing, health care and law were also granted.

Greenville National Bank, Ansonia Branch

*Jason Schmidt, Wright State University
Ansonia H.S.*

Ansonia Area Jaycees

*Cassandra Hoff Dayton School of Medical Massage
Ansonia H.S.*

United Way/Troutwine Estate

*Kip Gray, Wright State University
Franklin Monroe H.S.*

Paul C. & Helen D. Warner Memorial Fund

*Matthew Cross, Miami University
Greenville H.S.
Tiffany Stickel, Ohio University
Greenville H.S.*

Pauline Winbigler Bales Scholarship Trust

*Stuart Beisner, Ohio Dominican University
Ansonia H.S.*

Pauline Winbigler Bales Scholarship Fund

*Robert Castle, Wilmington College
Ansonia H.S.*

Velma & Merlin Applegate Scholarship Fund

*Dustin Ungericht, Sinclair Community College
Ansonia H.S.*

Fred Miltenberger Memorial Scholarship

*Josh Greve, Cedarville University
Arcanum H.S.*

Mr. & Mrs. Howard (Eva) Fisher Scholarship Fund

*Dustin Ungericht, Sinclair Community College
Ansonia H.S.
Dean Bryson, Purdue University
Arcanum H.S.
Natalie Hemmerich, Bethel College
Franklin Monroe H.S.
Nicole Loy, The Ohio State University
Greenville H.S.
Megan Mendenhall, Miami University
Mississinawa Valley H.S.
Melanie Bruner, Wright State University
Tri-Village H.S.
Janell Henry, The Ohio State University
Versailles H.S.*

Darke Co. Bankers Association

*Craig Rismiller, The Ohio State University
Versailles H.S.*

Tim Best - Ronnie Kreitzer Memorial Fund

*Andrew Lawler, Baruch College
Franklin Monroe H.S.*

Towne Squares Quilt Club

*Emily Hemmelgran, Sinclair Community College
Versailles H.S.*

J. Howard Trump Art Scholarship

*Brittanie Hunt, The Ohio State University
Franklin Monroe H.S.*

Matt Wuebker Memorial Scholarship

*John Schulte, University of Dayton
Versailles H.S.*

Kenneth J. Gibbone Memorial

No applicants.

Edwin, Mac & Marguerite Stoltz Memorial

*Jamie Shiverdecker, University of South Carolina
Greenville H.S.*

John Charles and Alice Schafer Memorial Fund

*Amanda Barga, University of Dayton
Ansonia H.S. - 2nd year
Tracy Moody, Wheeling Jesuit College
Ansonia H.S. - 2nd year
Jessica McEldowney, The Ohio State University
Ansonia H.S. - 2nd year
Jennifer Lyme, Anderson University
Ansonia H.S. - 2nd year
Beth Harrod, Purdue University
Ansonia H.S. - 2nd year
Stuart Beisner, Ohio Dominican University
Ansonia H.S.
Robert Castle, Wilmington College
Ansonia H.S.
Jason Schmidt, Wright State University
Ansonia H.S.*

Irene Bolen Memorial Scholarship

*Ryan Edwards, Edison State Community College
Mississinawa Valley H.S.*

Virginia Nischwitz Scholarship Fund

*Ryan Edwards, Edison State Community College
Mississinawa Valley H.S.*

Coty M. Frady Memorial Scholarship

*Cassandra Hoff, Dayton School of Medical Massage
Ansonia H.S.*

Norton Family 4-H Scholarship

*Jason Schmidt, Wright State University
Ansonia H.S.*

Kenneth H. & Virginia M. Flory Memorial Scholarship Fund

*Lindsey Wombold, The University of Findlay
Arcanum H.S. - 2nd year
Katie Campbell, Hanover College
Arcanum H.S. - 2nd year
Emily Strayer, Coastal Carolina University
Arcanum H.S. - 2nd year
Abigail Sandwisch, The Ohio State University
Arcanum H.S. - 2nd year
Mathew Jones, Wright State University
Arcanum H.S. - 2nd year
Alisha Flatter, Wilmington College
Arcanum H.S.
Megan Delk, Anderson University
Arcanum H.S.
Josh Greve, Cedarville University
Arcanum H.S.
Sarah Hightower, Taylor University
Arcanum H.S.
Sara Roach, University of Toledo
Arcanum H.S.
Ashley Bevins, Wright State University
Arcanum H.S.
Dean Bryson, Purdue University
Arcanum H.S.
Denise Bunger, Otterbein College
Arcanum H.S.
Bret Bolyard, The Ohio State University
Arcanum H.S.*

Galen B. Fourman Scholarship

*Tiffany Stickel
Ohio University
Greenville H.S.*

Joyce Bruns Nursing Scholarship

*Kimberlee Freeman, RN,
BSN*

Lori Michelle Williams - Health Care Scholar- ship

*Amy Wiford -
Kettering College of
Medical Arts (studying
sonography)*

Darke County Bar Association - Law School Scholarship

*Zachary Hoying
Ohio Northern University
Pettit College of Law*

ENDOWMENT FUNDS OF THE HOPE FOUNDA- TION AND RECIPIENTS 2004

Jean Louise Thieme Children's Theatre Fund

**Beth Warner Estate
Darke Co. Humane
Society**

APPLICATIONS BEING ACCEPTED FOR SCHOLARSHIPS

High School Seniors in Darke Co. are encouraged to apply for the various scholarships of the HOPE Foundation. Information will be available from the guidance counselors at each high school. The deadline for application is 5/1/05. Students will then be screened in the Spring of their freshman year of college; with scholarships awarded in June at the completion of their first year.



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HOPE CHEST

Established to meet the future diverse needs of our community, donors may establish accounts, in their names, that will provide support where needed in our county. The Board of Directors of the HOPE Foundation will review requests to determine where these unspecified funds would most benefit our county each year; only the interest would be distributed. As with all funds, gifts to the HOPE Foundation may be in the form of real or personal property, such as appreciated stock or other investments. Gifts would receive the maximum tax benefits allowed by law.

This fund has been made possible in large part by the generous donations of Corning Incorporated and George Trittschuh.

VELMA & MERLIN APPLGATE SCHOLARSHIP

Velma and Merlin Applegate directed that the interest would be used annually to promote scholarships to Ansonia High School graduates. The couple graduated from Ansonia High School in 1940.

In 1990, the 50th year after their graduation, they arranged for scholarship grants for future graduates of Ansonia High School as a way of saying "thank you" to the Ansonia community.

TIM BEST/RONNIE KREITZER MEMORIAL

Tim Best lost his life in an accident while attending Wright State University. Mr. & Mrs. Best established Tim Best Memorial Scholarship Fund for any boy or girl in Darke County having participated in baseball, cross country, wrestling, or dirt bike racing. Ronnie Kreitzer, a close friend, was instrumental in helping Mr. & Mrs. Best establish the Tim Best Memorial and upon Ronnie Kreitzer's death, the memorial was renamed the Tim Best/Ronnie Kreitzer Memorial Scholarship Fund.

ANSONIA AREA JAYCEES

Upon disbanding, the Ansonia Area Jaycees desired to leave money in the community from which it was generated. The HOPE Foundation was chosen to be custodian of their remaining assets to be used for scholarships for students graduating from Ansonia High School.

GREENVILLE NATIONAL BANK

The Citizens Bank of Ansonia donated \$5,000 toward a new Medical Facility in Ansonia. The Ansonia Medical Center was sold and all donations were returned at which time

the Citizens Bank became part of Greenville National Bank. Greenville National Bank chose to leave money in the Ansonia Community via a scholarship for an Ansonia High School graduate majoring in the finance/accounting field.

PAULINE WINBIGLER BALES TRUST SCHOLARSHIP

Miss Pauline" taught and served as High School Principal during her 27 year tenure at Ansonia. She attended college at the University of Cincinnati after graduating from Ansonia High School in 1915, and taught music in addition to other academic areas. Former students show their admiration and respect for "Miss Pauline" to this day. The Winbigler ancestry was French. Pauline Winbigler married L. L. Bales and lived in the Ansonia Community. "Miss Pauline" lived and supported her hometown and Ansonia School all of her life.

LOUISE WINBIGLER BALES SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Louise McKinney Winbigler was a newspaper heiress from Macon, Georgia. She met and married Goddard Winbigler from Ansonia, a brother of Pauline Winbigler. Louise recalled and shared memories of playing tennis on clay courts at Ansonia High School/Darke County Normal School. Louise was an ardent supporter of the Ansonia United Methodist Church and chose to use The HOPE Foundation to support Ansonia High School graduates in their pursuit of more education, and in honor of her sister-in-law, Pauline Winbigler Bales; thus the living memorial, Louise Winbigler Bales Memorial Scholarship Fund.

KENNETH J. GIBBONEY MEMORIAL

Mr. Gibboney lived in Bradford from the age of three until his death. He was a Navy veteran, a welder at Meteor Motors in Piqua, an owner and operator of a small sawmill, and enjoyed life.

IRENE BOLEN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Given by her daughter, Beth Bolen Warner, in memory of her mother, this scholarship is for the benefit of a student from Mississinawa Valley H.S. yearly. Mrs. Bolen was a teacher for many years before working at the Farmers State Bank in Union City.

MATT WUEBKER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Matthew Wuebker aspired to a career in finance and law while a student at Ohio State University. His spirit of cooperation and dedication to the high school basketball program at Versailles awarded him with the "Mr. Team Award" which, along with scholastic success, is a prerequisite for receiving the "Matthew Wuebker Mr. Team Scholarship."

J. HOWARD TRUMPART SCHOLARSHIP

Howard Trump was born October 18, 1916 on a farm 1 1/2 miles northeast of West Manchester, Ohio, just south of the Darke County line. After several moves, his family settled in Greenville when he was a freshman in high school. He graduated from Greenville High School in 1934.

He began his career as a printer's apprentice in 1934 in Columbus, Ohio. In 1961, after fourteen years as superintendent of a printing company, he became a free-lance commercial artist, specializing mostly in illustration and design. He retired from commercial art in 1980 and devoted the rest of his life to his watercolors (numbering approximately 1,000) and golf. He was married to the love of his life, Pauline, for over 50 years when he passed away on August 29, 1986.

MR. & MRS. HOWARD (EVA) FISHER SCHOLARSHIP

Howard & Eva Fisher lived west of Ft. Jefferson, where they were both involved in farming until they retired. They raised hogs, chickens, and dairy cattle. They also raised corn, hay, and oats for the livestock. Not having children of their own, but having a great interest in them, they realized that by giving to The HOPE Foundation they would be able to help not one or two, but many young people to get started in their life's work.

PAUL C. & HELEN D. WARNER MEMORIAL FUND

Helen always lived in Darke County and taught school for 35 years. One year she was an exchange teacher in Tasmania, Australia. She married

Paul in 1957 when he was principal of the high school in Greenville. They did a lot of traveling together in the U.S.A. and in Europe.

Helen retired to the Brethren's Home Retirement Community, an "exceptionally nice place for spending one's last years."

FRED MILTENBERGER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Fred Miltenberger, a fisherman, worked 45 years at General Motors in Dayton, Ohio, and Ruby his wife, who also worked 40 years at General Motors; lived on a 43 acre farm on Sweet Potato Ridge Road in Montgomery County, Ohio. They sold their farm in 1937 and moved to a lovely home on North Main Street in Arcanum. He died in 1988 and she died in 1990.

EDWIN, MAC & MARQUERITE STOLTZ MEMORIAL

Edwin Stoltz was an athletic-coach and teacher at Greenville High School from 1928 to 1942 and from 1947 to 1957. At one time he coached all four sports; football, basketball, baseball and track. His major area of academic preparation was mathematics; minor areas were English, French and history. He was a mathematics teacher at the time of his retirement in 1957. His brother, Mac, whose interest was in engineering, was called upon from time to time to substitute teach.

Mac's wife, Marquerite Bigler Stoltz, began her teaching career on Indian reservations from 1928 to 1937. She also taught English in Darke County schools. She was a lifetime student, having attended over 50 Elderhostels before her death in 1994.

UNITED WAY/IRA JAMES TROUTWINE ESTATE

Ira James Troutwine was a life long resident of Darke County, born in 1901 in Adams Township. He grew up in the country on Hollansburg-Sampson Rd. in Darke County, but lived in Arcanum most of his 84 years. Mr. Troutwine was President of Arcanum Federal Savings and Loan in Arcanum (now Second National Bank) for many years; had numerous farms around Darke County and also was interested in community service. The original bequest was to the Darke County United Way, which transferred the funds to the HOPE Foundation for the creation of a perpetual endowment.

Mr. Troutwine wanted to leave a legacy of good will to his life long friends of Darke County.

LORI MICHELLE WILLIAMS MEMORIAL

The family of Lori Williams established this fund to perpetuate Lori's memory. "Her bubbly personality, smile, laughter, energy, and love of life are some of the things we hope people will remember about her." Lori, a graduate of Greenville High School, was very involved in school and community. She gave of herself to others through her volunteer work. She chose a career in nursing as an extension of her desire to help others when they need it the most. She was going to be a senior at the University of Cincinnati in nursing. Lori's parents commented that Lori always set goals and strived to achieve them. In endowing this scholarship, they hope to help others achieve the goals that Lori had set for herself.

JOYCE BRUNS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Joyce Bruns, RN, BSN, was a dedicated nurse in Darke County who died in April 1998. She was an active board member of Hospice for 13 years and a proponent of Hospice among the nursing and medical community. She was a nurse at Wayne Hospital for 18 years before serving as director of nursing at the Versailles Care Center. She became ill with brain cancer in 1997 having just completed her bachelor's degree in nursing. With a commitment of time and energy and family support to earn her degree, she felt the continuing education gained expanded her views of nursing and made her a better person as she met the challenges of family, work, and school. Her dedication to the nursing profession will live on through this scholarship for nurses continuing their education.

BETH WARNER - DARKE CO. HUMANE SOCIETY FUND

Upon her death in 1996, Beth Bolen Warner provided a bequest for the yearly earnings to be distributed to the Darke Co. Humane Society. Mrs. Warner was born in Union City, IN and resided in Darke Co. all of her life. She was married to Glenn Warner, who formerly served as the Clerk of Courts for Darke Co. for 24 years and preceded her in death in 1983. Mrs. Warner served as the organist at the Presbyterian Church.

JEAN LOUISE THIEME'S CHILDREN'S THEATER FUND

A lifelong interest in and support for the arts led Jean Louise Thieme to establish a Children's Theater Fund in 1987 for the purpose of "assuring that the children of this rural county shall always have the opportunity to experience high quality professional programming."

KENNETH H. AND VIRGINIA MARIE FLORY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

The Flory's left their entire estate for charity or scholarships. Marie Flory was born in Kentucky and moved to the Dayton area in the 1930's. Her husband, Kenneth, was raised in the Arcanum area and after

marrying, their professions led them to Chicago. They retired in 1980 to Arcanum, where Kenneth died a year later. Marie was very community minded and a faithful church member. She served as a trustee of the Arcanum Public Library. Prior to her death, Marie had directed that 40% of the estate be used for scholarships for graduates of Arcanum High School pursuing advanced degrees, to be managed by the HOPE Foundation.

GALEN AND BLANCHE FOURMAN SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Galen and Blanche (Olwine) Fourman, Owners of Fourman's Inc., a clothing store in downtown Greenville, were both graduates of Greenville High School and lifelong supporters of the community. They had established in their last Will and Testament that a percentage of their estate would go to the "Greenville Dollars for Scholars" program at Greenville High School. As the program is no longer in existence, their niece, Barbara Hole and her family, determined to carry out the Fourman's intent, established this fund. The Fourmans were involved with the Eastern Star and supporting downtown Greenville and always Helping Other People Excel.

ZACHARY GARBIG MEMORIAL FUND

Zachary was a fifth grader at Arcanum Elementary School when his congenital intestinal disease suddenly worsened. Zachary received a liver/small bowel transplant at the University of Nebraska Medical Center in Omaha, Nebraska on December 2, 1998. According to his parents, Phil and Karen, "He fought an extremely hard battle but passed from this earthly existence and gained eternal life on June 25, 1999." His experience gave much needed knowledge to the medical professionals for future transplant recipients. Zachary's family has established this fund to promote organ and tissue donor awareness. They believe we can make the best of an unfortunate situation by donating our organs and tissue and blessing someone else with health, hope and the promise of life.

VIRGINIA NISCHWITZ SCHOLARSHIP FUND

The Virginia Nischwitz Scholarship Fund has been established to continue the legacy and dream of Miss Nischwitz to help worthy Darke Co. students with financial aid. The Four Shra Nish Foundation was established in 1970 by Virginia Nischwitz and her father, Lawrence Nischwitz. Mr. Nischwitz was a long-time fifth and sixth grade teacher in the Monroe building, now part of the Franklin-Monroe School District. The Arcanum Lions

assumed the responsibilities and established directors of the Foundation in 1986. When established, the Foundation was set to last 30 years. Many non-profit organizations were residual beneficiaries of the Trust. The new scholarship fund was set up with the assistance of Wayne Hospital, the YMCA of Darke Co., The Four Shra Nish Foundation and the Pittsburg Church of the Brethren.

J.C. AND ALICE SCHAEFER SCHOLARSHIP FUND

J.C. Schaefer joined Second National Bank in 1943 following a merger with Farmers National Bank in Greenville, Ohio. He served as as Vice President and Loan Officer and remained on the Board of Directors of Second National until 1978. J.C. was a member of the Rotary Club in Greenville for nearly fifty years. J.C.'s wife, Alice, was an elementary school teacher. The couple lived on a small farm just north of Greenville during J.C.'s banking career. They spent their final years at the Brethren's Home. J.C. and Alice, not having had children of their own, bequeathed part of their estate to HOPE Foundation to establish a scholarship.

NORTON FAMILY 4-H SCHOLARSHIP

Miriam M. Norton, a former school teacher in the Bradford Schools established the "Norton Family 4-H Scholarship" in June of 2002. Being especially appreciative of the values held and leadership activity opportunities provided by 4-H Clubs of Darke County in the past, Miriam wanted to promote the continuation of these 4-H activities by rewarding a scholarship to a 4-H member. In addition to having been a 4-H member in Darke County, the successful applicant will have projects completed and demonstrated leadership skills.

ELLA VAN DYKE ST. CLAIR HOME FUND FOR THE AGED/ BRETHRENS HOME RESIDENT AID FUND

In the 1920's, Ella Van Dyke St. Clair wanted to help citizens of Greenville, who needed a place to live. In her Will she established the Ella Van Dyke St. Clair Home For the Aged, located on East Third Street in Greenville. Over time the intended use of the Home discontinued and it ceased operation. The Probate Court granted permission to have the remaining monies transferred to the HOPE Foundation, with the income therefrom to be paid into the Brethren's Home Resident Aid Fund to provide housing assistance to those in need at the Brethren's Home.

Designated Fund

REGINA K. DELK MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Working a teacher's assistant at Anthony Wayne, Regina was also very involved with the Arcanum High School Band Boosters and the Senior High youth at the Castine Church of the Brethren. Those around her were touched by her life, and faith in Christ. The family desired to establish a memorial in her honor to benefit students through a scholarship to a Christian college.

Donor Advised Funds

COTY M. FRADY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Initiated by her parents, a fund has been established in memory of Coty Frady, a bright, beloved and involved student and leader at Ansonia H.S. Coty was President of the FFA, a member of the Drama Club, Student Council and Class Secretary. She was also involved with

the volleyball, basketball and track teams for which she received numerous athletic awards as well as academic awards. She was inducted posthumously to the NHS just a few weeks after the car accident that claimed her life.

WILLIAM “WILL” ROBERTSON MEMORIAL FUND

Will served as a patrol officer for the Versailles Police Department where he had volunteered prior to becoming an officer. He was an Eagle Scout as a youth.

His friends describe him as a man who was always willing to help others. Following his untimely death, friends have raised funds to benefit Boy Scout Troop #99 and the Versailles Police Bike Rodeo and improved emergency radio service for police and fire.

Donors of scholarship money who gave a specific amount to be awarded in its entirety this year.

- Darke County Bankers Association
- Towne Squares Quilt Club
- Darke County Bar Association