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Message from the Director

Dear Friends of the Foundation,

As we begin a new year, I am pleased to share with you our Foundation's newest accomplishment. The National Standards Seal by our name indicates official confirmation from the Council on Foundations that we have met the most rigorous standards in philanthropy and that we have demonstrated our commitment to financial security, transparency and accountability. This recognition is the first of its kind in the country, and we join one of just 200 foundations in the United States to be designated with this incredible honor. More information about this recognition is included in the article below.

Your generosity represents a higher standard for living. Our National Standards Seal represents **a higher standard for giving**. With our new accreditation in tow, we are looking forward to this new year, with even more opportunities to make a difference in our community.

As always, thank you for your ongoing support of the Foundation. In an effort to keep in better contact with all of you, **we will now be sending our newsletters each month.**

Happy New Year to you and yours!



Amy Eyman
 Executive Director

**Foundation meets highest philanthropic
 standard and receives national accreditation**

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The Foundation recently received notification that it has met the nation's highest philanthropic standards for operational quality, integrity and accountability. The notice comes from the Council on Foundations, a national professional association based in Washington, D.C.

"This is similar to the Good Housekeeping Seal for community foundations," said Steve Gunderson, Council on Foundations president and chief executive officer. "It says that the Fairfield County Foundation has demonstrated a commitment to operational quality, integrity and accountability."



The National Standards for U.S. Community Foundations Program requires community foundations to document their policies for donor services, investments, grantmaking and administration. The program is designed to provide quality assurance to donors, as well as to their legal and financial advisors.

"This is critically important to our donors," said Amy Eyman, Fairfield County Foundation executive director. "When people make a charitable bequest, establish a fund or set up an annuity, they are putting their trust in us. They are counting on us to manage the investment wisely, honor their charitable wishes and, in some cases, provide lifetime income to a loved one. The National Standards confirmation says our house is in order."

Meet the Board

This month we profile new board member Sheila Heath.

Sheila, a Lancaster native, is the Director of Marketing for Crown Closures America at the Anchor Hocking Packaging Corporation, where she is responsible for division marketing and customer service. She has been working with Anchor Hocking since 1976, holding several positions, each with increasing responsibilities.

Sheila received her M.B.A. at the University of Dayton, and her B.S. in Accounting at the Ohio State University.

She has been involved with many community organizations. Sheila is currently working with the boards of the Family Y, Decorative Arts Center and TWIG 1. Her past activities include the ADAMH Board, the Fairfield County District Library Board and the United Way Review Board.



Dagger, Johnston, Miller, Ogilvie and Hampson make donation in honor of recent Legacy Award recipient



Brian Shonk presents Foundation Executive Director Amy Eyman with a \$1,000 donation from Dagger, Johnston, Miller, Ogilvie and Hampson in honor of Robert Johnston (also pictured), who received the 2011 Legacy Award.

Building a Legacy...One Project at a Time:

Grants provided by the Fairfield County Foundation continue to touch every corner of our community, helping organizations accomplish their goals. This month, we are featuring a donation made by the Foundation to local food pantries in Fairfield County last month.

The Foundation donated \$30,000 to thirteen different pantries in nearly every local community. The donation will provide approximately 300,000 pounds of food for those in need.

"We know that food pantries are incredibly busy this time of year," said executive director of the Fairfield County Foundation, Amy Eyman. "Given the continuing struggle many members of our community face to make ends meet, we know that our food pantries are serving more and more individuals and families every day. We are pleased to be able to contribute to the organizations in our area that help meet the basic needs of our local citizens."

Donations went to the following food pantries:

- *Lutheran Social Services
- *Community Action
- *St. Vincent DePaul
- *Salvation Army
- *Maywood Mission
- *Lancaster Vineyard
- *Mills Memorial
- *Baltimore Food Pantry
- *Bremen Food Pantry
- *Pleasantville Food Pantry
- *Pickerington Food Pantry
- *Canal Winchester Food Pantry
- *Amanda Food Pantry