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FAIRFIELD COUNTY FOUNDATION NEWS

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SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

2013-2014 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS are currently being processed.

2014-2015 applications will be available this fall.

Professional Advisors Manual Available

The Foundation's Professional Advisors Manual contains all the latest information about the Foundation and how we can help you better serve your clients. It is available on our website.

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A Message From the Director

Dear Friends of the Foundation,

What a beautiful time of year - flowers and trees in bloom, sunny spring days and the excitement of another school year coming to an end. Students in our community are celebrating graduations and looking with anticipation toward college. We are thrilled that we received such a strong response to our scholarships this year - more than 2,500 applications - a new record! We at the Foundation are so proud that our scholarship funds can help to make college more affordable for families and students in our community.

As summer approaches, the Foundation's impact will be visible throughout the community. Events like the Dirty 30 Bike Race (more information below) and the Lancaster Festival, playgrounds, walking trails and other community assets and activities will be supported through grants from the Foundation's funds.

We hope that you enjoy the gorgeous days of spring in Fairfield County! We look forward to an exciting graduation season and a fun-filled summer!

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Amy Eyman
Executive Director

2013 Scholarship Application Process Now Closed

The Fairfield County Foundation scholarship application process for the 2013-2014 academic year is now closed. The Foundation received 2,590 scholarship applications. Applications are being delivered to the appropriate committees and all final decisions will be made by the middle of May to middle of June. All applicants will receive a letter notifying them of their application status.

Foundation Sponsors Commitment Award at Fairfield DD's Celebration of Possibilities

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Fairfield County Foundation The Foundation once again sponsored the Commitment Award at Fairfield DD's annual Celebration of Possibilities dinner on March 27, 2013. This year's Commitment Award recipient was Jeff Whitehead.



Amy Eyman, Executive Director of the Fairfield County Foundation, and Commitment Award recipient, Jeff Whitehead, at the Celebration of Possibilities event.

Jeff wears a number of hats at Ohio University-Lancaster. He is the Athletic Director, Women's Basketball Coach and Student Activities Director. But those are just titles. He's also a friend and mentor to both students and staff. And he's played an integral role to solidify the relationship between a number of university programs and Fairfield DD. He takes personal interest in seeing that the staff at The Zone, the food service operation that Fairfield DD operates on campus, are part of the university community. Because of that support, they feel as much a part of the staff as anyone else. He has also opened the doors for the No Limits Basketball Camp, an annual inclusive skills camp for kids with and without disabilities.

Grant Application Deadline

Reminder to all Non-Profits that had preliminary grants approved for the spring grant cycle: Complete grant applications are due on Monday, May 13, 2013. If you need additional information or have questions please contact Amy Eyman at 740-654-8451 or aeyman@fairfieldcountyfoundation.org.

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 the Lancaster Public Education Foundation Fund.

In October of 2007 the Lancaster Public Education Foundation "LPEF" was established as a Fairfield County Foundation fund with the goal to help provide extra educational opportunities for the students of the Lancaster City Schools that are not possible under the existing budgets. Its mission is to foster private sector support for initiatives that improve learning and academic achievement, enhance the leadership and educational capabilities of the administrators, teachers, and staff, and advance improvements in the classrooms, schools, and facilities of the Lancaster City Schools.

The annual fundraiser for the LPEF is a bike race and ride day at the Fairfield County Fairground's half-mile dirt race track and is known as the Dirty 30. This year it will be held Sunday, October 20, 2013. Registration is at noon, with the day beginning with children's races at 1:00. Last year, 45 students, 26 teams and nearly 150 individual riders competed in the team and solo races. Following the event, LPEF was able to raise more than \$8,000 in the form of grants to Lancaster schools to purchase technology. To learn more about the Lancaster Public Education Foundation or the Dirty 30 event, visit the **LPEF website** or call Craig Vandervoort at 740-653-0461.



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