

Endowed Funds at Germantown Friends School

The following list of endowed funds have been created by generous alumni, current parents, parents of alumni, foundations and friends of GFS to support the students, faculty and physical resources of Germantown Friends School. Endowed funds are invested in accordance with the school's investment policy, and a portion of the income is spent each year in support of its designated program. We are grateful to the donors who have enriched our community with their legacy, and to those who continue to support these funds with new gifts.

NEWLY CREATED ENDOWED FUNDS

The endowed funds below were created between July 1, 2018 and June 30, 2019.

Six Saints Music Fund

Established by Robert W. Giess '57, along with other alumni members of The Six Saints jazz band, which performed from 1953-1957. The Fund's purpose is to provide financial assistance to GFS students and faculty within the music program, to enhance musical performances, and/or to bring quality musicians to perform at the school.

Class of 1969 Fund

Established by the Class of 1969, on the occasion of their 50th reunion, and in memory of three of their classmates. To be granted each year to a Community Scholar who wants to pursue a particular interest or passion outside of the classroom setting.

ENDOWED FUNDS SUPPORTING ACCESS AND AFFORDABILITY

Community Scholars Program

The endowed funds below provide support for students who have been designated Community Scholars.

Class of 1944 Lower School Community Scholarship

Established by the Class of 1944 on the occasion of their 60th Reunion, to support Lower School Community Scholars.

Justin Berg Memorial Community Scholarship Fund

Established in 1992 by Ronald Berg and Roberta Berg, parents of Daniel '04 and Lauren '04, in memory of Ronald's father, Justin Berg.

Community Scholars Program Endowment

As the original endowment fund for this program, hundreds of alumni, faculty and staff, current parents, parents of alumni, and friends of Germantown Friends School have contributed to this fund.

Gerald A. Denisof '53 Community Scholars Fund

Established in 2016 by Gerry Denisof '53 to recognize the 50th Anniversary of the Community Scholars Program.

DeWitt Wallace – Reader's Digest Fund

The DeWitt Wallace - Reader's Digest Fund established this scholarship in 1992 to further their mission of helping American youth fulfill their education and career aspirations. Today this organization is known as The Wallace Foundation.

Kathy and Jenny Freilich Memorial Community Scholarship Fund

Established in 1986 by Stanley Freilich and Judy Freilich in memory of their daughters, Kathy '82 and Jenny '87.

Edward E. Ford Foundation Fund

Established in 1995 with a grant from the Edward E. Ford Foundation.

Harriet Fuerst Lower School Community Scholarship Fund

Established in 1998 by William and Jill Steinberg in honor of Jill's grandmother, Harriet Fuerst.

The Anne and Philip Glatfelter III Family Community Scholars Fund

Established in 2016 by The Anne and Philip Glatfelter III Family Foundation, a longtime supporter of the Community Scholars Program, in recognition of the program's 50th Anniversary.

David Godin Scholarship Fund

Established in 2014 by PwC Charitable Foundation, Inc. with the support of Deirdre Godin and Gabriela Godin '19, in memory of David Godin.

Richard P. Goldman Scholarship

Established in 2002 on the occasion of Dick Goldman's retirement from GFS as Associate Head for Finance and Development, to recognize his particular interest and expertise in ensuring access and affordability. This scholarship benefits a Lower School student.

Howland Community Scholars Program Endowment

Established in 1995 by Nancy Howland, parent of Lyle '75, Courtney '72 and Alexandra '64.

Lower School Community Scholars Fund

Established in 1999 with broad community support, fulfilling the recommendation of the School's Strategic Planning Committee to provide funding specifically for Lower School Scholars.

Andrew W. Mason '52 and Dorothy M. Mason Scholarship Fund

Established in 2015 by Andrew Mason '52 and his wife Dorothy to recognize the 50th Anniversary of the Community Scholars Program.

Florence R. C. Murray Scholarship Fund

Established in 1984 by the trustees of the Florence R. C. Murray Charitable Trust.

Jonathan E. Rhoads '56 Community Scholarship Fund

Established in 1996 by the Annenberg Foundation, in honor of Jonathan E. Rhoads '56.

Alice and Herbert Sachs Scholarship for Lower School Community Scholars

Established in 2010 by Alice Sachs, a longtime GFS faculty member, and her husband Herbert Sachs. Alice and Herbert are the parents of Rob '96, Andrea '92 and Michael '91.

Ted and Stevie Wolf Community Scholars Fund

Established in 2016 by the GFS School Committee to honor Ted Wolf '47 and Stevie Wolf on the occasion of the 50th Anniversary of the Community Scholars Program. This endowment was funded by proceeds from the CSP 50th Anniversary Gala.

Financial Aid

The endowed funds below are used to provide scholarships to students with demonstrated financial need.

Lovida Hardin Coleman, Sr. and Lovida H. Coleman Jr.'s Scholarship

This scholarship was established in 2014 by Lovida Hardin Coleman Sr. and William T. Coleman Jr. to recognize Lovida Sr.'s service on the GFS Scholarship Committee in the 1960s. Significant gifts were added from and in memory of Lovida H. Coleman Jr. '67, a pioneering attorney, human rights champion, philanthropist, and indomitable spirit. Family and friends, including William T. Coleman III '65 and Hardin L. K. Coleman '71, also support this fund.

Emily D'Ancona '93 "Little Person's Fund"

Established in 2008 in memory of Emily D'Ancona '93 by her family and friends to support a Lower School student.

J. Morris and Anne T. Evans Scholarship Fund

Established in 2013 by J. Morris "Morrie" Evans '39 and his children, Peter '76, Laura '70, Wendy '68, Wally '66 and Joe '64, in memory of his wife Anne '39.

Financial Aid for Quaker Children

Established in 1995 by the trustees of the Tyson Memorial Fund.

John Harkins and Andrew Harkins '81 Memorial Scholarship Fund

This Fund was originally established in 1993, in memory of Andrew Harkins '81 by his family and classmates. The Fund has been re-dedicated to include John, bringing him back together with Andrew in perpetuity through this endowed Fund. Income from the Fund is awarded annually to a student in need of assistance, who has a particular interest in the visual arts, and whose work and approach to learning includes these qualities: curiosity about the world, risk taking, courage, enthusiasm, and dedication.

The Don Kawash Fund

Established in 2014 in memory of Don Kawash, beloved music and history teacher serving 32 years at GFS, by his cousins, Joe and Kathy Buckley, to support students with a love of music.

The Andrew Keidel '96 Scholarship Fund

Established in 2018 by Robert and Carole Keidel, in loving memory of their son, Andrew. This endowed fund supports talented students in need of financial assistance at GFS.

Sterrett Mayson '66 Endowment Scholarship Fund

Keith Morgan established this Fund to honor Sterrett's memory in 2001. This scholarship is given to an Upper School student with preference given to a student(s) whose parent(s) is deceased.

Mertz Family Scholarship Fund

This scholarship was established by the Mertz family, a multi-generational GFS family, to be given to a "fine and worthy student" in need. The family includes Oscar Sr. 1928, Martha 1934, Karl 1935, Robert '61, Martha '63, Anita '64 and Oscar Jr. '75.

Northwest Philadelphia Scholarship Fund

Established in 2012 by an anonymous donor to benefit students living in Northwest Philadelphia.

Ross Roby Memorial Scholarship Fund

Established by Tom Roby '75 and his siblings, Kate '71, Dan '69 and Nick '67, in memory of their father Ross Roby.

Scholarship Endowment Fund

This general endowment fund provides scholarships to any student with demonstrated financial need.

West Williams Family Scholarship

Established in 1999 as the West Family Scholarship by Ted West '71 and Anna Louchheim West '71, Sally West Williams '72 and Andy Williams '72, Bruce West '74 and P.R. West '75, Ann West Figueredo '80 and Vince Figueredo, and Tom West '82 and Eve West, in honor of their parents David and Susan Quillen West, both graduates of the class of '49. This fund was renamed in 2015 to honor Sally and Andy Williams for their decades of service to GFS. The scholarship is awarded to the child of a GFS alumnus/a.

Beatrice Gaylord Wistar Ufford, Class of 1925 Memorial Scholarship

Established in 1991 in memory of Beatrice Gaylord Wistar Ufford, Class of 1925, by Wilbur Ufford, her husband, and her children, Charles and Beatrice.

Auxiliary Scholarships

Recognizing that there are expenses beyond tuition associated with a GFS education, these funds support co-curricular needs of students including academic, artistic and athletic opportunities.

The Abigail Rebecca Cohen '91 Fund for Study and Travel

Established in 2015 by Jonathan Cohen '88 and Julia Pershan in memory of Jonathan's sister. This fund provides financial assistance for students participating in school-sponsored academic travel and study programs.

Class of '66 Sterrett Mayson '66 Fund for Students

Established by the Class of 1966 in memory of Sterrett Mayson, this fund assists students who pursue international travel or study, artistic projects, academic work, research, or community service in the summer after junior year at GFS.

Carol Baldwin Moody/Mary F. Morgan Scholarship Fund

Carol Baldwin Moody '74 established this fund in 2006, in memory of her mother Mary Morgan, to support seniors who are challenged with expenses associated with college applications.

The Joseph M. Rubenstone '40 Fund

Established by his wife, Eddi, and daughters, Sally '69 and Liz '73. Supported by hundreds of donors, the Rubenstone Fund provides for non-tuition needs, such as books, class trips, music lessons and athletic equipment for Community Scholars.

The Isaac B. Starr '90 Memorial Fund

This fund, established in 2001, by Emmy and Harold Starr in memory of their son, Isaac '90, provides financial support associated with program-related travel, including language, music, art and drama, and/or college-admissions-related travel expenses.

The John and Marion Stokes Memorial Fund

Established in 2018 by Michael Metelits and Nicki Nathan, in memory of Marion Stokes and John Stokes '38. This fund provides support for needs of students above and beyond tuition, providing access to academic, artistic, and athletic opportunities.

ENDOWED FUNDS SUPPORTING TEACHING AND LEARNING

Maguire Innovation Fund for Progressive Education

Created in 2017 by the Maguire Family, this endowment is a competitive fund which supports innovative programming and targeted projects that closely align with current school priorities.

Faculty Professional Development

David Mallery '41 Professional Development Fund

Established in 2010 by David's wife, Judith Chappell Mallery '52, and by his children, Roger '77 and Diane '80, as well as by David Loeb '51 and his wife Barbara, and David and Susan Quillen West, both from the Class of 1949, this fund recognizes David's extraordinary contributions to the GFS community as an alumnus, teacher, School Committee member, parent, national leader in the field of professional development for educators and a beloved friend to many. This fund, in addition to generating its own stream of directed income, serves as the umbrella fund for other named funds designated to support professional development at GFS.

Class of 1952 Faculty Study Grant

Established in honor of their 50th reunion by the Class of 1952, this endowment funds a study grant each year for a faculty member(s) from any discipline, with preference given to a proposal that reflects a desire to explore and analyze issues confronting our world, especially for study in developing countries, or areas of social concern around the globe.

Class of 1959 Memorial Fund

Created in memory of deceased classmates on the occasion of their 50th reunion, this fund honors the excellent teachers from whom the Class of 1959 benefitted and supports enrichment programs for current faculty.

Class of 1960 Professional Development Fund

Created in celebration of their 50th reunion, this fund honors the excellent teachers from whom the Class of 1960 benefitted and supports enrichment programs for current faculty.

Rainey/Reinke Faculty Arts and Humanities Fund

Established in 1996 by Nancy Hoffman and Bob Schwartz in appreciation of the excellent teaching at GFS, and especially in honor of Peter Reinke and Penny Rainey. This fund supports professional development opportunities for GFS Middle and Upper School teachers in the arts and humanities, including summer study, research or curriculum development.

Faculty Compensation

Faculty Leadership Fund

Established in 2011 by David West and Susan Quillen West, both from the Class of 1949, with significant gifts from many others, this fund recognizes the leadership, service and commitment of faculty members by providing supplemental salary support based on both leadership and classroom teaching performance.

Teachers' Salaries Endowment Fund

One of the school's oldest endowed funds, this fund recognizes the school's longterm commitment to maintaining competitive salaries and honoring teaching as a profession.

McClelland Fund

Established in 1982 in memory of Mary Warner Sharpless McClelland '36 by her classmates, and later joined by friends and family. This fund supports salaries for Master Teachers.

Waring Teachership

Created in 1988 by Margaret Waring Evans, Class of 1928, and Ann Waring Thompson, Class of 1931, along with family and friends to recognize excellence in teaching at GFS.

Nancy Webster '36 Mentorship Fund

Created in 2012 in memory of Nancy Landenberger Webster '36 by her husband Maurice Webster '35 and their children, Rebecca Webster McKinnon '64 and Stephen Webster '61. This fund supports stipends for teachers who mentor other faculty members.

Departments

Barker Endowment for Classics

Established in 2006 by a bequest from Elizabeth Barker '37 to support the ongoing excellence of the Classics Department.

Abigail Rebecca Cohen '91 Art Fund

In memory of his sister, Jonathan Cohen '88 and his wife Julia Pershan established this endowment in 2002. This fund supports the annual Abigail Rebecca Cohen '91 Art Lecture, bringing renowned artists to GFS to present their works and stories to students, and also supports the art department.

Patricia Reifsnyder History Endowed Fund

Established in 2012 by Ted Fernberger '67, on the occasion of his 45th Reunion, to honor GFS history teacher Pat Reifsnyder and the inspiration she provided him, the Class of 1967, and generations of GFS students, this fund supports the history program at Germantown Friends School.

David Loeb '51 and Barbara Loeb Funds for Technical Theater

These two funds were created in 2012 to establish the full-time position of Technical Theater Director, as well as to provide resources for the maintenance and acquisition of equipment that will support consistent, first-rate performances and events in the Loeb Performing Arts Center; facilitate audio/visual recording and streaming; and offer hands-on training to students interested in learning technical theater skills.

Edith Levy Schneewind '50 Fund

Established by Louis E. Levy '46, Joan Levy Coale '44, Carol Levy Franklin '58 and their mother Margaret Wasserman Levy, to advance the teaching of reading. Funds may be used for books and equipment, tutoring, or teacher salaries.

Peter H. Spitz '43 Science Fund

Established in 1990 by Peter and his wife Hilda to support and enrich the science department.

Ella King Torrey '75 Memorial Arts Fund

Established in 2007 in memory of Ella King by her mother Ella R. Torrey, with additional gifts from family and friends, including John F. McCloskey. This fund supports the arts at GFS and named the Ella King Torrey '75 Gallery in the Front Hall of the Main Building.

Warren L. Towle '30 International Language Fund

Established in 1987 by Warren L. Towle '30 to support the Modern Language Department.

Supporting Student Work

Frank Stokes '57 Student Research Fund

Established in 2013 by Frank Stokes '57 to honor the tenure of Dick Wade, head of GFS from 1993-2013. This fund supports independent student research projects, with preference for science-related projects.

Amelia Lebowitz-Begg '06 Fund

Established in 2007 in memory of Amelia by her family and friends. This fund memorializes and celebrates Amelia as a passionate artist and writer whose creativity and spirit greatly enriched the GFS community. This fund supports Polyphony, the GFS literary magazine.

Unrestricted Endowment

Maurice and Nancy Webster Family Endowment

Established in 2006 by Maurice Webster '35 and his wife Nancy Landenberger Webster '36, and supported by their family, in recognition of the importance of unrestricted funds to meet unexpected needs and seize opportunities.

Our Campus

Class of 1958 Campus Beautification Fund

Established on the occasion of their 50th reunion, this fund provides ongoing support for campus improvement and beautification projects.

Friends Free Library Fund

At the request of the Library Committee of the Germantown Monthly Meeting in 1976, all administrative and financial operations of the Library were merged with and assumed by Germantown Friends School. This fund supports the operations of the Friends Free Library and is augmented by the Poley Trusts.

Levy Family Fund for the Library

Established in 2004 by Louis E. Levy '46 and his wife Jane Delaplaine Levy '48, with additional gifts from family and friends. This fund supports the Friends Free Library.

David and Barbara Loeb Music Fund

Established in 2011, this fund supports the maintenance and, as needed, acquisition of instruments used in all three divisions of the GFS music department.

Athletics

David E. Stokes '69 Memorial Fund

Established in 2006 by David Stokes '40 and his wife Joanne in memory of their son David E. Stokes '69, who died in his junior year during a basketball practice. This fund endows the Stokes Athletic Banquet, held each year to recognize senior athletes.