

# WEST MUSKINGUM SCHOOLS Academic Fund



# ANNUAL REPORT

2013-2014



Dear Academic Fund,

Thank you for paying for the bus to the zoo. Did you go to the Columbus Zoo before? We saw an alligator swimming and I saw a flamingo egg.

Thank you, Emma Norman, Hopewell first grader

### **Executive Committee:**

Nancy Barker, Deb Bennett, Elizabeth Burrier, M. Dean Cole (Emeritus Trustee), Ty J. Dierkes, Susan Earich, Valerie Gutridge, Lisa Hammer, Dr. William Harbron, Betty Hecker, Penny Higgins, Brad Mawhorr, John Pattison, Dr. Doug Ramsay (Emeritus Trustee), Don Riley, Sally Ruggles, Jenny Snode, Kristy Szemetylo, Molly Tharp, Blair Tom, Jeanne Weingarth and Jada Zimmerman.

---

## Contributors from August 2013 through August 2014

---

John & Elisabeth Baker  
Craig & Jody Ballas  
F.T. & Nanina Brackman  
Falls Elementary Jeans Day  
Falls Elementary Staff  
Franklin Printing Company  
Rob Guentter  
Dr. William Harbron

Hopewell Elementary Students & Staff  
Diane Jones  
Tim & Cindy Linn  
Mr. & Mrs. Jonathan t. Kappes, Bluffton, SC  
Mandarin Chinese Club  
Keith J. Patti & Susan J. Haas  
Dr. Tom & Sally Ruggles  
Kim Smith

Jennifer Snode  
Szemetylo Family Fund through the  
Muskingum Community Foundation  
Tom's Print Shop  
West Muskingum Lions Club  
WMMS 8th Grade Hat Day

---

## Memorials

---

### Mr. Brad A. Ault

Deborah Georgiades

### Ms. Deborah (Debbie) Bagent

Lolita Burt

### Mr. Jacob William Baker

Lexa Freshly

### Mrs. Dorothy "Janie" Dodge Billingsley

John & Diane Marks  
Cheryl Schmidt  
Bob Dodson & Molly Tharp  
Wendell & Ruth Ware

### Mr. Jeff Bishop

Mr. & Mrs. Jim Bishop

### Mr. Kenneth Bishop, Sr.

Mr. & Mrs. Jim Bishop

### Mr. James Blatt

Craig & Teri Baldwin

### Kenneth & Bula Bolin

Ty J. & Erin Dierkes & Family  
Russ & Marie Bolin

### Mr. Jim Burrier

Liz Burrier  
Mr. & Mrs. Clair Muscaro, Gahanna, OH

### Mr. Homer Burt

Lolita Burt

### Mr. Donald Lee Collins

Jackie Collins  
Scott & Mary Ann Collins  
Michael & Lou Ann Collins Maxwell  
Autumn Collins Wilden

### Mr. Robert Derry

Carol Derry

### Mrs. Patricia E. Dierkes

Ty J. & Erin Dierkes & Family

### Mr. James Feerick

Ty J. & Erin Dierkes & Family

### Mrs. Marty (Becky) Fountain

Vivian R. Harrier

### Dr. Elmer "Bud" Gookins

Wendell & Ruth Ware

### Mr. Ben Harrier

Vivian R. Harrier

### Mrs. Don (Amy) Hupp

Ty J. & Erin Dierkes & Family

### Mr. James Imes

Dr. Victor & Kristy Szemetylo

### Mr. Ryan Longstreth

Deborah Georgiades

### Kenneth & Virginia McCoy

Molly Tharp

### Bev McLoughlin

Shannon Riley Agin & The Riley Family

### Mrs. John (Debra) Melsheimer

David & Mary Ellen Boyer

### Mrs. Vernon (Charlene) Miracle

Bernie & Betty Baldwin & Family  
Craig & Teri Baldwin  
Century National Bank  
Nancy Barker  
Charlene M. Beach  
Jim & Linda Berry, Lancaster, OH  
Al & Linda Christopher  
Vicki L. Clark  
James & Sharon Clegg  
Helen M. "Becky" Coulter  
Kenneth C. Coulter & Family  
John & Beverly Dick  
Ty J. & Erin Dierkes & Family  
Janet Dillon  
John Patrick Dinan, Columbus, OH

### Mrs. Vernon (Charlene) Miracle (con't)

Barbara Dunmead  
Robert C. England, O.D.  
Roger & Carol Fitz  
Gerald & Nancy E. Fisher  
Scott Griffith & Kedalay  
Dr. William Harbron  
Vicki Harra  
Richard Powell, Henderson, NV  
David & Penelope Higgins  
Nancy Huffman  
Mrs. Merle J. Huntsman  
Patricia Jameson  
Mike & Lisa King & Family  
Charles & Lila Kinney  
Wilma Kreager  
Diana Kuhn  
Ladies Auxiliary VFW #1058  
Lepi Enterprises, Inc.  
Jim & Bobbi Lepi  
Whiten & Alice Mauk  
Dr. & Mrs. Joseph McElhaney  
Celia Miller  
Barbara Moon  
Bob & Karen Moon  
John, Connie, John Jr., Jeff Pattison  
& Heather Brown  
Dennis Porter  
Loraine Porter  
Thomas & Madeline Porter  
Alan & Barbara Ranck  
Dr. Douglas Ramsay  
Dr. Tom & Sally Ruggles  
Christine Shaw  
Bev Smith  
Terry & Kim Smith  
Tim & Rocky Smith  
Sunrise Vision Center, Ronald Downing, O.D.  
James & Willanna Swinehart  
Molly Tharp  
Warren & Shirley Van Wye  
Wendell & Ruth Ware  
Mike & Jeanne Weingarth  
Harry & JoAnn West & Family  
Zane Court #36 Order of Amaranth

(continued on Page 3)

## Memorials

**Mr. Bill Phillips**

Fred & Karen Steinbrecher

**Mr. Dennis E. Roehrig**

John & Connie Pattison  
Don & Kelly Riley

**Mrs. Charles (Laura Probasco) Schiele**

Don & Kelly Riley

**Mr. C. Roger Short**

Don & Gerrie Davis  
Paul & Jeri Swingle  
Dawn & Jan  
Ty J. & Erin Dierkes  
David & Penny Higgins  
Jeff & Jo Ellen Iden  
Park National Bank-Human Resources,  
Newark, OH

Molly Tharp

Jeanne Weingarh  
Earl & Virginia Wildermuth

**Mr. Wendell Smitley**

Dr. Victor & Kristy Szemetylo

**Mr. Harold Steele**

Harry & Marilyn Carson, Naples, FL  
Jeff & Jane Cox, Newark, OH  
Thelma McCurdy, Heath, OH  
Alan & Barbara Ranck  
Cheryl Schmidt  
Susan A. Short  
Clyde Snider  
Molly Tharp  
Ron & Karen Turdo, Eastbrock, ME  
Wendell & Ruth Ware  
David & Geraldine Zylinsky

**Mr. Timothy Swinehart**

James & Willanna Swinehart

**Mr. Wayne Tharp**

Molly Tharp

**Mr. Wayne Trimmer**

Wendell & Ruth Ware

**Stanley & Doris Welsh**

Russ & Marie Bolin

## Honorees

**Liz Burrier**

Mr. & Mrs. Clair Muscaro, Gahanna, OH  
Sharon Smith

**Karen Helmbrecht Dickson**

Janice Helmbrecht

**Good Luck WM Staff & Custodians**

Peter Pikus, Perry, OH

**Denise Laughlin Hamric**

Sam & Lois Laughlin

**Clint Helmbrecht**

Janice Helmbrecht

**Amy Kennedy**

Peg Earhart

**Gregg Laughlin**

Sam & Lois Laughlin

**Dr. James Mackall**

Dr. Victor & Kristy Szemetylo

**Bonnie Vinsel**

Robert & Susan Rider

**Jeff & Lisa Wilson, Alayna, Ian & Evan**

Susan A. Short



Dear Academic Fund,  
Thank you for paying for the bus to the zoo. It was fun. It was a long trip. We saw the polar bear sleeping. We saw the alligator in the grass. We learned a lot.  
Thank you, Lindsee Johnson, Hopewell first grader

## Academic Opportunities During the 2013-14 School Year

<u>AMOUNT FUNDED</u>	<u>PROJECT DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>BUILDING</u>	<u># OF STUDENTS</u>
\$410	Math Maniac	Falls	80
\$565	TEAMS Competition	WMHS	24
\$499.69	Columbus Zoo Trip	Hopewell	40
\$495	The GOOD Program	WMMS	120
\$2,500	Advanced Placement Testing (138 tests)	WMHS	63
\$416.74	Spring College Tours	WMHS	25
\$990	COSI on Wheels	Falls	400
\$1,500	FBLA State Competition	WMHS	40
\$185	National Science League	WMMS	480
\$300	Live from the Heart	WMHS	35
\$326.12	Dawes Science Days	Hopewell	46
\$223.90	Zanesville Historical Tour	Falls	71
\$500	Explaining History Through Science & Art	WMHS	9
\$245.25	Columbus Zoo Trip	Falls	73
\$216	Zanesville Historical Tour	Hopewell	40
\$1,000	Bye Bye Birdie	WMHS	50
<b>\$ 10,372.70</b>	<b>TOTALS FOR 2013-2014</b>		<b>1,596</b>

# Students Travel to Historical Area

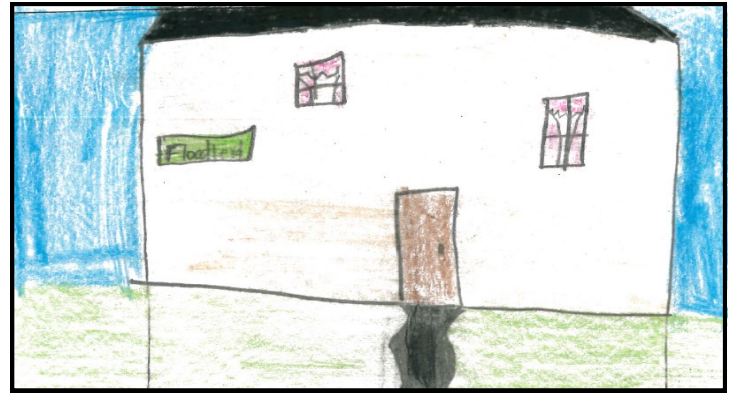


Dear Academic Fund,

Thank you for funding our trip to the Putnam historical area. My favorite part in the Dr. Increase Matthews House was the war room. My favorite part in the Stone Academy was the Underground Railroad, the well, and the railroad tracks. At the John McIntire Library they did musical chairs. I won! Thanks again.

Sincerely your friend,

Gabrielle Ihlenfeld, Falls Elementary third grader



Dear Academic Fund,

Thank you for funding our trip to the Putnam historical area. My favorite part was Dr. Increase Matthews House. I loved the Stone Academy. It told us about the 1913 flood and John McIntire and Sarah Zane or Sarah McIntire. Sarah did not want to leave Virginia without her stuff and come to Zanesville with John McIntire.

Your friend,

Anna House, Falls Elementary third grader



Illustration by Carly Geis, Falls Elementary third grader

## Motivating Message

Dear Academic Fund,

Thank you for your paying to bring Ron Derry to talk to us. He was very inspirational. He taught us stuff I will never forget. I learned that when the going gets tough the tough choose to go on. Once again, thank you for everything.

Sincerely,

Dylan Ansel, WMMS sixth grader

Dear Academic Fund,

Thank you for your paying for Mr. Derry to come in and tell us what it's like to become blind. The speech was very inspiring. It taught me that I can finish every thing I start and don't give up. Also if I believe I can do something I can. I'm sure a lot of people, including myself, enjoyed it.

Sincerely,

Lakin Parker, WMMS sixth grader

Dear Academic Fund,

Thank you for having Mr. Derry come to our school. He inspired me and taught me new things. I learned how to use a talking calculator and that when the going gets tough the tough chooses to go on. Mr. Derry told us not to judge people by their looks. I love that saying and will always follow it.

Sincerely,

Caitlyn Wilson, WMMS sixth grader

## Treasurer's Report

January 1, 2013 - December 31, 2013

Jennifer D. Snode, Treasurer

### ASSETS

Huntington National Bank \$354,509.56

### LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE

Liabilities -0-  
Fund Balance \$354,509.56

### RECEIPTS

Contributions \$ 14,616.64  
Dividends/Interest 5,912.60  
Realized Gain \$ 19,918.32  
**TOTAL RECEIPTS \$ 40,447.56**

### EXPENSES

Program Disbursements \$ 6,654.70  
Tax prep fee to Huntington 550.00  
Trustee Expenses 3,300.20  
Annual Report Expenses (printing & postage) 2,045.95  
Annual fee to State of Ohio \$ 100.00  
**TOTAL EXPENSES \$ 12,650.85**

## Spending the Day at Dawes Arboretum



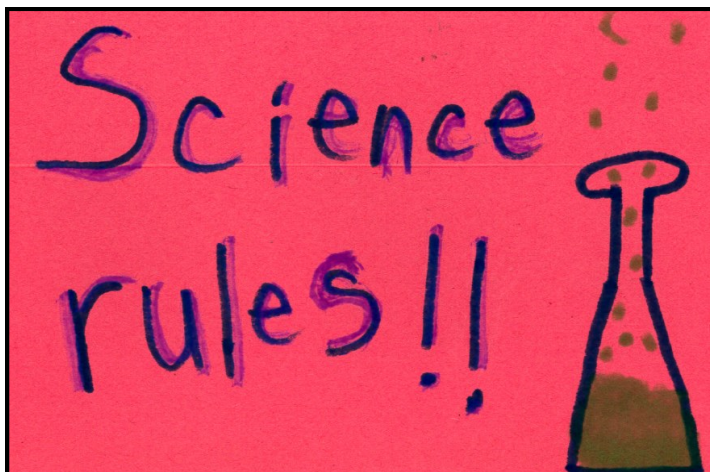
Dear Academic Fund,

My favorite part was catching bugs. Thank you.  
Your friend, Kyler Chapman, Hopewell kindergartner

Dear Academic Fund,

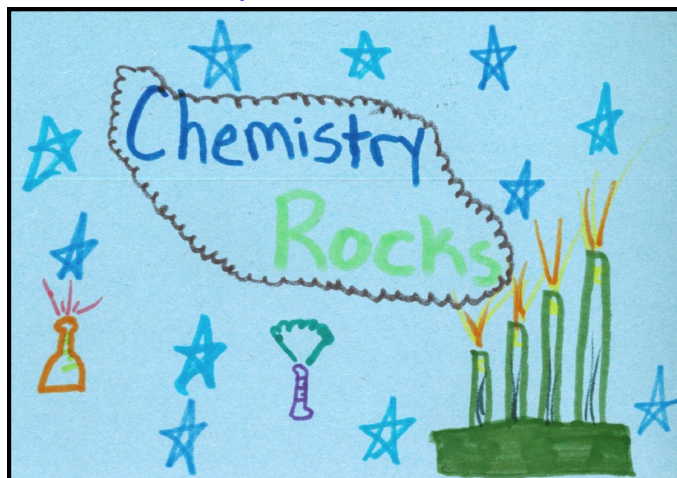
Thank you for the field trip. We had a great time. I learned my favorite part was catching seaweed.  
Your friend, Malachi Ebai, Hopewell kindergartner

## COSI on Wheels Makes Chemistry & Science Cool



Dear Academic Fund,

Thank you for having COSI come to the school. I really enjoyed it. My favorite part was getting to make slime.  
Sincerely, Ellie Garber, Falls fourth grader



Dear Academic Fund,

Thank you for COSI on Wheels. I learned that if you put fire in tubes with powder it will make a BOOM sound. I also learned never, ever eat or drink your experiments.  
Sincerely, Kaylynn Gianettino, Falls fourth grader



Dear Academic Fund,

Thank you for helping us be able to go see Math Maniac performance at the Lincoln Theater. My favorite part was when Mr. Millions knew what some of the children were thinking.

He gave us multiplication facts like  $5 \times 9 = \underline{\quad}$  and  $3 \times 7 = \underline{\quad}$ . I loved the Math Maniac.  
P.S. You are awesome!

Sincerely, Lilli Lepi, Falls third grader

---

## Contributors Since 2010

---

John & Elisabeth Baker  
Diane M. DeCenso  
Falls Elementary School Student Council  
Franklin Printing Co.  
Rob Guentter  
Dr. William R. Harbron  
Hopewell Staff & Students  
Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan T. Kappes, Bluffton, S.C.  
Anna Marie Katt  
Kelvin Kreager  
Sam & Lois Laughlin  
Tim & Cindy Linn  
Keith Patti & Susan Haas  
John & Sherry Pattison, Jr.

Attorney Wayne Phillips II  
Jim & Bobbe Poe  
Powerhouse of WMHS One Night Only Variety Show  
Dr. Tom & Sally Ruggles  
Kim Smith  
Fred & Karen Steinbrecher  
Szemetylo Family Fund through the  
Muskingum County Community Foundation  
West Muskingum FFA  
West Muskingum Lions Club  
West Muskingum Middle School Hat Day  
West Muskingum Staff Opening Day  
Mike & Amy Whitson  
Marvin & Barbara Wourms

---

## Memorials

---

### **Ms. Deborah (Debbie) Bagent**

Kaye Bagent  
Nancy Barker  
Donelle Bookless  
Lolita Burt  
Becky Hecker  
David & Penny Higgins  
Hopewell Elementary Staff  
Jeff & Jo Ellen Iden  
Wilma Kreager  
Mary Longshore  
John & Nancy Morrow  
Sally Ruggles  
Luanne Shull  
Sharon Smith  
Molly Tharp

### **Mr. Jacob Baker**

Carol Freshly  
Lexa Jayne Freshly

### **Mr. Leonard Ballas**

Sharon Smith

### **Dr. Earl Bardall**

Patty Swinehart Fry

### **Mr. David K. Beebe**

West M Bus Drivers

### **Ed & Edna Booth**

Pam Booth

### **Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Bolin**

Russ & Marie Bolin  
Ty & Erin Dierkes

### **Mr. John Brady**

Ty J. & Erin Dierkes

### **Mrs. Ross (Genevieve) Brown**

Eileen J. Johnson, Reynoldsburg

### **Mr. Jim Burrier**

Liz Burrier  
Mr. & Mrs. Clair Muscaro, Gahanna

### **Mr. Robert Derry**

Carol Derry

### **Patricia A. Dierkes**

Ty J. & Erin Dierkes & Family

### **Mary Davis Downie**

Tommy & Debbie Georgiades  
Betty Kilper  
John & Diane Marks

### **Mrs. Robert (Roberta) Edwards**

Richard & Pat Jameson

### **Mr. James Feerick**

Ty & Erin Dierkes & Family

### **Mrs. William (Rosemary) Fisher**

Keith, Lori, Cody & Macy Meadows

### **Mr. Harlan Foltz**

Tommy & D.J. Georgiades  
Molly Tharp  
Wendell & Ruth Ware

### **Mrs. Marty (Becky) Fountain**

Vivian R. Harrier

### **Mr. Horace (Ham) Hamilton**

Liz & Beth Burrier  
Wayne & Linda Phillips

### **Mr. Ben Harrier**

Vivian R. Harrier

### **Geraldine & David Hettmansperger**

The Jameson Family

### **Richard "Dick" Hoskinson**

Lois Porter  
Dr. Victor & Kristy Szemetylo  
Molly Tharp

### **Mr. Dick Johnson**

Molly Tharp

### **Mr. Jim Jones**

Diane Jones

### **Mrs. Karen Fawcett Kelly**

Tommy & Deborah Georgiades

### **Mr. Mike Kilper**

Betty J. Kilper  
Bob & Karen Moon

### **Mrs. Steve (Virginia) Kish, Sr.**

Beth Carpenter  
Diane Davis  
Ray Peyton

### **Vicki (Zeek) Lawyer**

Nancy Barker  
Donelle Bookless  
Laura Gibson  
Penny Higgins  
Kathy Hixson  
Hopewell Elementary Staff  
Don & Betty Lawyer  
Sharon Smith  
Molly Tharp  
Wendell & Ruth Ware

### **Miss Sara Levy**

Craig & Jody Ballas

### **Mr. Bob Marlowe**

West M Bus Drivers

### **Mr. Kenneth McCoy**

Molly Tharp

### **Mrs. Kenneth (Virginia) McCoy**

John & Betty Baker  
Liz Burrier  
David & Penny Higgins  
Dr. & Mrs. Joseph McElhaney  
Sharon Smith  
Molly Tharp  
Wendell & Ruth Ware

### **Mrs. John (Debra) Melsheimer**

Bob & Karen Moon

### **Mr. Dwain J. Merriam**

Falls Elementary School Staff  
WM Principals & Assistant Principals

### **Mr. Raymond H. Mohler**

Dr. & Mrs. Victor Szemetylo

### **Our Parents**

Russ & Marie Bolin

### **Mr. Wayne W. Phillips I**

Dr. Victor & Kristy Szemetylo

### **Mr. John A. Porter**

Pam Booth

(Continued on Page 7)

# Contributors Since 2010

## Memorials

## Honorees

**Rachael Lynn Riggle**

Craig and Jody Ballas  
David & Penny Higgins  
Jeff & Jo Ellen Iden  
Patricia Jameson  
Dr. Victor & Kristy Szemetylo  
Molly Tharp  
Jeanne Weingarh

**Mr. Rodney Satterfield**

Ty & Erin Dierkes  
Jeff & Jo Ellen Iden  
Dr. Victor & Kristy Szemetylo  
Molly Tharp  
Jeanne Weingarh

**Mrs. Charles (Laura) Schiele**

Don & Kelly Riley

**Mr. Nicholas "Nick" Shepherd**

Gail Swingle

**Mr. C. Roger Short**

Betty Baldwin, Bill Law & Twila Dalrumple  
Bruce, Tammy & Carol Bates  
Kelly Lenhart, Tom Taylor,  
Tony Lenhart & Mandy Lenhart  
Park National Bank Internal Audit  
Department, Newark, OH  
Lois Porter  
Paul & Pat Rambo  
Don & Kelly Riley  
Dr. Tom & Sally Ruggles  
Craig, Alec, Ashton, & Ayden Shook

**Mr. Clarence (C.W.) Smith**

Wendell & Ruth Ware

**Mr. Tom M. Smith**

Mr. & Mrs. Jordan Bentley  
Liz & Beth Burrier  
Mr. & Mrs. John Grubb

**Mrs. James (Texie) Steinbrecher**

Duane & Patty Brock  
Jim & Jane Hodges  
Dr. & Mrs. Joseph McElhaney  
Zanesville District Golf Association

**Mrs. Roland (Linda) Steer**

Falls Elementary School Staff

**Mr. & Mrs. Roland Steer**

Tommy & D.J. Georgiades

**Mr. Federic Swinehart**

Pam Booth

**Mr. Wayne Tharp**

Molly Tharp

**Marion E. Wilson, Class of '65**

Anthony & Marjorie Reese

**Kathryn "Kay" Wollam**

David & Penny Higgins

**Carley & Hayley Barker**

John Bates

**Mrs. Jim (Liz) Burrier**

Diane Jones  
Mr. & Mrs. Clair Muscaro, Gahanna  
Sharon L. Smith  
Blair Tom

**Children - West M Graduates**

Ruth Bugglin

**Karen Helmbrecht Dickson**

Janice Helmbrecht

**Mrs. David (Susan) Earich**

Nancy Barker  
Lolita Burt Kominar  
Wendell & Ruth Ware

**Grandchildren**

Wilma Kreager

**Clint Helmbrecht**

Janice Helmbrecht

**Mrs. David (Penny) Higgins**

Blair Tom

**Hopewell Staff**

Diane Davis

**Laura & Danielle**

Sandy Hamilton

**Sharon L. Smith**

Academic Fund Executive Committee  
Nancy Barker  
Liz Burrier  
Susan Earich  
Valerie Gutridge  
Betty Hecker  
Penny Higgins  
Sally Ruggles  
Molly Tharp  
Diane Jones  
Wendell & Ruth Ware

**Sharon L. Smith**

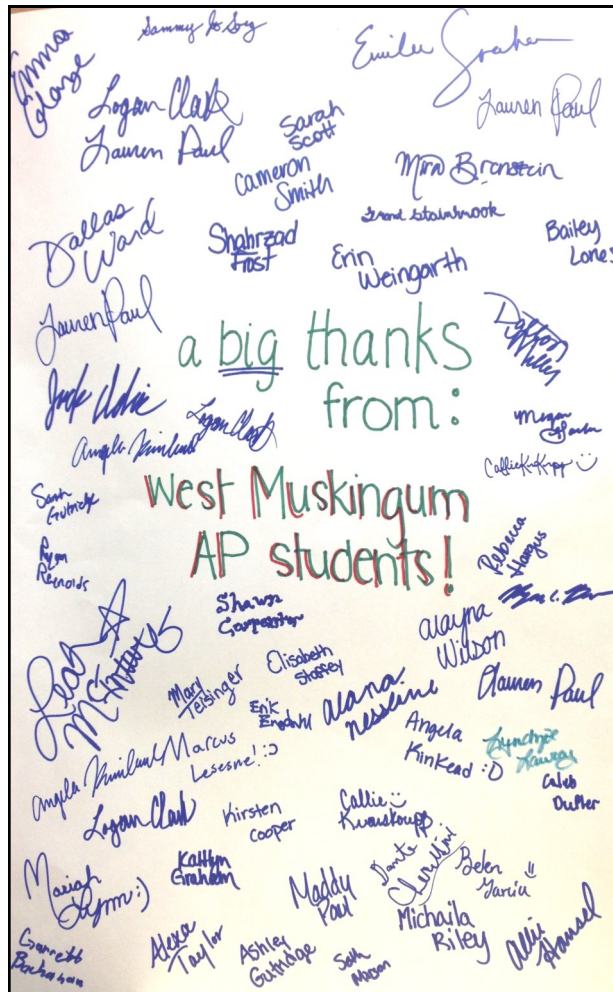
John & Diane Marks

**Mark Stubbins**

Dr. Tom & Sally Ruggles

**WM Class of 2011**

Sharon L. Smith



Advanced Placement students express their appreciation to the Academic Fund for helping offset AP exam costs. Sixty students participated.

West Muskingum Schools  
4880 West Pike  
Zanesville, OH 43701

Non-Profit Organization  
U.S. Postage  
PAID  
Zanesville, OH  
Permit No. 394

POSTAL PATRON

# Thanks to You....

The West Muskingum Schools Academic Fund has supported hundreds of educational programs for thousands of students. Through the many generous donations, the Academic Fund has provided **\$229,634** in financial support for **106,961** students.

Created in 1982 by a group of concerned parents, educators, friends and community members, the Academic Fund continues to operate as a separate non-profit foundation with its principle monies forever remaining on deposit. The interest earned from that principle is spent each year to partially or fully fund enriching academic opportunities for the students of West Muskingum.

**If you would like to see contributors prior to 2010, visit the district's website at [www.westmschools.org](http://www.westmschools.org). Click Our District and select the Academic Fund.**

## Academic Fund Contribution Form



Enclosed is my contribution in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Contributor Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

CIRCLE ONE: *In Memory of* *In Honor of* Name \_\_\_\_\_

Send acknowledgement to: (amount will be omitted)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

**Make checks payable to:**  
West Muskingum Schools Academic Fund  
**Mail to:**  
4880 West Pike, Zanesville, OH 43701.  
Questions regarding the Academic Fund,  
call 455-4052.