

**A**manda  
**C**learcreek  
Alumni Association



98<sup>th</sup>  
Annual Meeting  
June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023

# Alumni Association of the Amanda-Clearcreek High School

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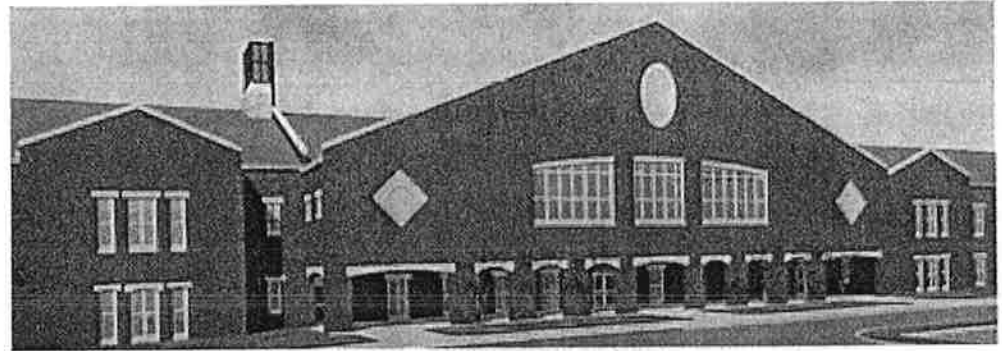
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## *Amanda-Clearcreek*

## *Alma Mater*

Amanda-Clearcreek High School

We sing thy praise anew

And through the years we'll

cherish

All the days we spent with you.

Your friendship and knowledge

Will forever be our guide

As always in our hearts

Your fond memories will abide!

## **Program**

<i>Building open</i> .....	6:00 PM
<i>Social Hour</i> .....	6:00 to 7:00 PM
<i>Photographs of Donors and Scholarship Recipients</i> .....	6:00 PM
<i>Serving of Desserts</i> .....	7:00
<i>Welcome</i> .....	Rod Francis
<i>Acknowledgments</i> .....	Ron Butterbaugh Rod Francis
<i>Business Meeting</i> .....	Ron Butterbaugh
<i>Endowment Trustees Financial Report</i> .....	Trustee Rep. Ron Swain
<i>Old and new business</i> .....	Ron Butterbaugh
<i>Nominations</i> .....	Julie Feliciano. Corresp. Secy.
<i>Introduction of Honored Classes</i> <i>Class of 1973 ACHS- 50 Years</i> .....	Class Reps.
<i>Class of 1963 ACHS- 60 Years</i>	
<i>Roll Call by Decades</i> .....	Julie Feliciano
<i>Welcoming Remarks</i> .....	Administrators
<i>Scholarship Awards</i> .....	Carolyn Tilley
<i>Drawing Results</i> .....	Rod Francis
<i>Social Time</i> .....	Take your time and visit some more!

**Don't forget the 5K race on June 17, 2023,  
and the Summer Golf Tournament on July 22, 2023**

*We will see you at next year's meeting and scholarship presentation on the  
first Saturday in June. If you have any address changes, please let us know.*

## **Biographical Sketches of Endowed Scholarship Donors**

### **1. Francis Don LaBonte Student Athlete Scholarship**

A teacher and coach at Amanda and Amanda-Clearcreek High Schools in the 1950's and 1960's, Mr. LaBonte was a graduate of Murray State University and devoted 39 years to education. Don LaBonte, a 1962 graduate, established the scholarship honoring his father. Don graduated from Kent State University majoring in Geology. He is retired from employment by the U. S. Army and lives in Fayetteville, Georgia.

### **2. Golda and Helen Hedges and Esther Hedges Strickland Scholarship**

The three sisters devoted 111 years to education. Golda, a 1926 graduate, taught 14 years in Amanda High School and taught Latin 24 years in Lancaster High School. Helen, a 1925 graduate, taught 40 years, with 36 of those years in South Elementary School in Lancaster. Both graduated from Otterbein College. Esther Strickland, a 1936 graduate, has established four scholarships, two in this name and two in hers alone. She was a Miami University graduate. Esther taught and served as a principal in several Columbus high schools. All three sisters received their Masters degrees from The Ohio State University. Mrs. Strickland died in March of 2005. She left funds from her trust to the Endowment Fund and an additional amount with the Fairfield County Foundation with the earnings to come to the Alumni Endowment Fund each year. Her first scholarship is now a four-year renewable.

### **3. Wallace Barr Family Scholarship**

The primary donors are the late Dr. Wallace Barr, Class of 1939, and his wife, Doris. Wally received his B. Sc. and Ph.D. from The Ohio State University. Doris is a graduate of Oberlin College. Wally taught for 12 years in the Indian Lake and Wapakoneta City Schools prior to joining the faculty at OSU. He served in the Department of Agricultural Economics for 31 years. Doris taught mathematics in Wapakoneta and Columbus schools. Their children include William, a plant propagationist in Texas with degrees from OSU and the University of Minnesota. Leslie Warnock is a retired teacher from the Lakota Schools near Cincinnati, and a graduate of Miami University and OSU. Dean is now a retired CPA in Minneapolis with degrees from OSU and the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

### **4. Hiatt- Reber Health Science Scholarship**

Dr. Wayne Hiatt funded the scholarship in memory of his father, John Russell Hiatt, and mother, Edna Reber Hiatt, and their families who settled in Amanda Township in the early 1800's.

### **5. Dr. N. Wayne Hiatt Memorial Scholarship**

The funding for this scholarship was by Wayne's family, friends, and colleagues. Wayne was a 1941 graduate of Amanda H. S. He attended The Ohio State University for two years, then served in the U. S. Army during World War II. He returned to OSU to complete his undergraduate studies. He received his D. D. S. in '51 and Masters of Science in '62. He practiced dentistry from 1951 to 1998 in Grove City. He taught at The Ohio State University College of Dentistry for 35 years. His first wife, Alberta Ream Hiatt '42, died in 1985. His widow, Jean Curie Hiatt, resides in Powell, Ohio.

#### **6. Wendell and Edie Christy Scholarship**

Wendell was a 1941 graduate. His education at The Ohio State University was interrupted by World War II. Upon discharge from the armed service, Wendell entered the banking business at the Clearcreek Valley Bank in Amanda. He was vice-president of the bank at his retirement. He died in 2003. Edie was from the Findlay area and graduated from Vanlue High School. She attended Bowling Green State University. Edie died in 2017. Wendell was one of the original members of the A-C Endowment Board of Trustees..

#### **7. Elizabeth Adler Memorial Scholarship**

Mrs. Adler was an AHS 1912 graduate and taught in the Amanda elementary schools for many years. The donors were: 1) Dr. James Adler, a 1935 graduate and physician in North Canton, Ohio. His undergraduate and medical degrees were from The Ohio State University. 2) Robert Adler, a 1937 graduate, was in the construction business in Pennsylvania. 3) William Adler, a 1945 graduate, majored in Biology at Capital University. He was in the pharmaceutical business and lives in Cloverdale, California.

#### **8. Everett and Marie Kerns Memorial Scholarship**

The Kerns Scholarship was funded through Everett's estate. He was a 1920 graduate. Everett's collegiate career included graduation from Capital University and an engineering degree from Carnegie Institute of Technology located in Pittsburgh. Marie was raised in the Shreveport, Louisiana area and taught school prior to her marriage. Everett worked for Standard Oil of Ohio. The Kerns lived in the Cleveland area and retired to the Amanda area. The Kerns were major contributors to Capital University where the worship center is named for them.

#### **9. Johns Family Scholarship**

The primary donors include Stanton, Class of 1927, and his wife Jennie. The couple founded Mid-West Fabricating Company headquartered in Amanda. The Johns had two sons: David and Larry, both of whom passed in 1998. David Johns graduated from Amanda-Clearcreek in 1957 and attended Ohio State studying engineering. He immediately joined the company and ended up as CEO living in Lancaster with his wife Julie. Julie Johns is also a major contributor to the Johns Scholarship. David and Julie had three children. Jennifer (Friel) graduated from the University of Denver and is acting President of Mid- West living in Lancaster. David Johns Jr. lives in North Carolina. Amanda (Perez) graduated from Emory University and currently lives in Los Angeles. Larry Johns attended Amanda schools for most of his educational career but moved to California and graduated from Downey High while Stanton was establishing the company's West Bent Bolt Division in southern California in the early 1960's. He was with Mid-West and then branched out into other business ventures. Larry's son Gregory graduated from the University of Southern California and now lives in Beverly Hills, CA with his wife Erica. He is an expert in digital strategies for Kia and Hyundai automotive companies.

#### **10. Robert and Betty Masters Scholarship**

Bob and Betty both graduated from Amanda High School in 1942. Betty attended Miami University and graduated from The Ohio State University majoring in home economics education. Bob graduated from the University of Cincinnati with a degree in engineering. He was employed by the U. S. Postal Service in Washington, D. C. Bob and Betty had retired in Wake Forest, North Carolina; both are now deceased.

#### **11. Harriet Adler Memorial Scholarship**

A 1932 graduate, Harriet received her undergraduate degree from Capital University and Masters in Social Services from Western Reserve University. Her career was devoted to providing welfare services to the elderly and youth. Deborah Adler (niece of Harriet) and her former husband Dennis Morton funded the scholarship. Deborah is a graduate of Montclair State College with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration/ Accounting, and Dennis is a graduate of California State University with a degree in Chemistry.

#### **12. Beatrice Lane Marshall Memorial Scholarship**

Richard F. Marshall '36 established the Beatrice Lane Marshall Memorial Scholarship to honor his wife of 28 years. Richard lived near Clearport during his school years. He was a veteran of World War II. Richard retired from the U. S. Postal Service after 30 years of employment.

#### **13. Hampshire Family Scholarship**

Funded by Helen Hampshire Heintz '33 and her husband, Dr. William Heintz, DDS, in recognition of the family of John Jeston and Bertha Heinlein Hampshire, including children. Floyd, Don, Robert, Lucile Hampshire Korstange '32, and Helen Hampshire Heintz '33. John, "Jess" to his friends, was a Southern Ohio farmer and worked for the Ohio Highway Department for most of his working life, retiring to Florida in the mid 1950's. The five children grew up in and around Amanda and all lived most of their lives in Ohio. Dr. Heinz, Professor Emeritus, College of Dentistry at Ohio State University, was known worldwide for perfecting the modern mouth guard and promoting NCAA rules for its use in collegiate athletics. Himself, an accomplished track athlete at OSU, Dr. Heintz served as an assistant track coach and interpreter for Jesse Owens, the multiple gold medal winner at the 1936 Berlin Olympics. Helen and Bill traveled extensively worldwide and were sponsors of the International Students Association at OSU. Helen owned and operated the Snow House Antique Shop in Worthington, Ohio, and was instrumental in the redevelopment of German Village in South Columbus. She and Bill supported numerous philanthropic organizations and the Columbus Zoo. Contributions to the Zoo included restoration of the Band Organ for the Carousel and a bronze tiger for the Amur tiger exhibit.

#### **14. The Class of 1945 Scholarship**

The Class of 1945 graduated 31 young men and women. Each of them went into the world to make their way as farmers, business persons, nurses, truck drivers, contractors, sales persons, industrial workers, ministers, surveyors, homemakers, and teachers, in the service of our country, and in ways we do not know about. As a group, they have contributed much to family life and their communities. The establishment of this Endowed Scholarship has been done with grateful appreciation for our high school education at Amanda High School.

#### **15. Dr. and Mrs. James Adler Memorial Scholarship**

James was a 1935 graduate of Amanda High School. He went on to graduate from The Ohio State University School of Medicine. He and his wife, Mary Jane, had six children. They lived in the Canton, Ohio and Hilton Head, South Carolina areas where he practiced medicine. The donor for this scholarship is William Adler of California, brother of James.

#### **16. Donald & Mary Anne Weibel Scholarship**

Donald Weibel, a native of Louisville, KY, graduated in engineering from Wright State University. He has had several careers. . . as an Air Force officer, engineer, and farmer. Mary Anne grew up in Pickaway County and graduated from Capital University. She was a teacher for thirty years, teaching twenty-three of those years at Clearcreek Elementary in Stoutsville. Don and Mary Anne are retired and live on their farm in Pickaway County.

#### **17. Martin "Buck" McHale Memorial Scholarship**

Martin "Buck" McHale was a resident of the Amanda-Clearcreek Local School District since 1968. He had one daughter and one granddaughter graduate from Amanda-Clearcreek High School. Peggy, his wife of 55 years, wanted to establish this memorial fund in his honor to help students of the community further their education.

#### **18. The Leist Family Scholarship**

The first generation of Leist siblings were graduating members of the following classes at AHS: Alice Anne, classes of 1951-50; Charles, 1953; Rosemary, 1955; Nancy, 1957. Alice Anne, received a BFA from Ohio University (1954), an MA and Ph. D. (1979), at the University of Maryland, with a clinical internship at Georgetown, and was awarded a postdoctoral National Institute of Mental Health Fellow at Stanford University (1980-82). Her early career was in teaching, but since 1983 she had a private practice as a clinical psychologist in Mountain View, CA. Anne is now deceased. Charles earned a B. S. in electrical engineering from OU(1962), retired from IBM after 27 years, and from the Computer Sciences Corp. after 14 years of service. Rosemary received a B. S. in education from OU (1959) and a MS in education from Bowling Green State University (1975). She retired after teaching 31 years in Ohio Public Schools. A second career in real estate began, and she eventually established her own real estate company in Columbus. Nancy started training for a nursing career at OSU (1957), which was interrupted when she married. Later, she returned to her alma mater and earned a B. S. in mathematics education (1992). She has worked for several firms, but found her niche at The Ohio State University as a Library Technical Assistant in the Serials Department of the Science and Engineering Library. The second generation of siblings from this family have graduated from colleges throughout the

USA. Education has been an integral part and is on-going for this family who are proud to participate in the Endowment Program.

#### **19. Robert Adler Memorial Scholarship**

Bob was a 1937 graduate of Amanda High School. He served in the US Navy Seabees during World War II, spending much of his duty in the South Pacific. During his working career he superintended the construction of industrial buildings in the NE United States. Bob and his wife, Clio, have two children. The principal donors for this scholarship are brother Bill Adler, son Craig, and widow Clio Adler.

#### **20. Wayne and Marie Reese Family Scholarship**

As a family we were fortunate to live in a home interested in education. To honor our parents, the family has endowed a scholarship in their memory.

#### **21. The Meister Family Scholarship**

This scholarship has generously been donated by five siblings: Robert Meister '37 of Ft. Myers, FL, Frank Meister '38 of Venice, FL, Dorothy Meister Abbott '39 of Reynoldsburg, OH, Virginia Meister '40 of Groveport, OH, and Marjorie Meister Creviston '43 of Cape Coral, FL. Virginia is the only sibling living today.

#### **22. The Ream Family Scholarship**

This scholarship is donated by Louis Ream. His wishes were carried out by his widow, Lou of Granville, Ohio. The scholarship honors the memories of his parents, Albert and Marie Ream, and his three sisters. These three AHS graduates are Louella Ream Phillips '36, Jane Ream Reichelderfer '40, and Alberta Ream Hiatt '42. Louis was a graduate of Lancaster High School '50 and a graduate of The OSU School of Pharmacy '55. He operated retail pharmacies and Hallmark Shops in and around the Columbus area.

#### **23. Republic Services, Pine Grove Landfill Scholarship**

Under the leadership of Tony Furgiuele, General Manager, the Republic Services, Inc. at the Pine Grove Landfill completed donations for this endowed scholarship. We are happy to be a part of this program. Republic Services supports activities that benefit the community.

#### **24. The Tom Dum Scholarship**

Tom was a 1946 graduate who went into farming with his father, Grover Dum. After being drafted into the U. S. Army with a group of Fairfield County boys in 1955, he went to Europe with the 10th Infantry Division. After completing service he enrolled at The Ohio State University and obtained a BS and MS degree. He then became a real estate appraiser with the Ohio Department of Highways and later moved to California, becoming an appraiser with United California Bank. In 1970 he started his own appraisal company which he continues today with his son Ed, who is a partner. Tom taught for the University of California extension program for 25 years. He was president of his Appraisal Institute Chapter and president of his local Safari Club International Chapter and a National Director at Large of the club. He has written a column for the national magazine Safari Times. Mr. Dum passed away in March of 2022.



### **25. Francis Gehrett Huddle and Edna Chambers Huddle Scholarship**

Francis Gehrett Huddle graduated from Clearcreek High School in 1915 and 1916, because the education system changed from a three year to a four year high school program. He enlisted in the United States Navy 7 Dec. 1917. His World War I battleship experience resulted in his children awakening to the morning wake-up call "Hit that deck sailor!" When he returned home he attended The Ohio State University for one year, but health and financial difficulties kept him from completing his studies. For forty years he was employed by the United States Postal Service as a railway postal clerk. Edna Chambers Huddle graduated from Clearcreek High School in 1919. She attended college at Ohio University and began her teaching career at Owl Hollow School (near Dutch Hollow). When she married in 1926, she resigned her position because married women were not allowed to teach. She resumed her formal education in 1957 and after an absence of thirty- two years, she returned to teaching in 1958.

Francis and Edna Huddle maintained a deep respect and love of learning, which they instilled in their children. Of their seven children, five were valedictorians of their class. Six graduated from Clearcreek High School and one graduated from Amanda-Clearcreek High School. All seven continued their education after high school. In recognition of all the love, guidance, and help our parents gave us, we established this scholarship.

### **26. William Adler Scholarship**

Bill is a 1945 graduate of Amanda High School and a 1949 graduate of Capital University. He has a major in Biology and a minor in Chemistry. He was in the United States Navy Hospital Corps during the close of World War II. His working career was in the pharmaceutical industry where he was a sales executive. He has a daughter and son, Deborah and Edward. Also, he has two stepdaughters, Nancy Assaf and Sharon Potts. He is proud of his heritage and grateful for his education and life's values gained from being raised in the Amanda community. The donor for this scholarship is Deborah Adler, Bill's daughter.

### **27. The Saum Family Scholarship**

This scholarship was donated by Barbara Saum Smith, a graduate of Amanda High School Class of 1954, and Paul and Lois Saum. Paul is a graduate of Amanda High School Class of 1955. The late Barbara taught high school Chemistry in Omaha, Nebraska 36 years before retiring in 1999. Paul and Lois help to operate the family farm near Amanda. They are the parents of three and grandparents of six Amanda-Clearcreek graduates.

### **28. The Tilley Family Scholarship**

Jack was born in Oklahoma, and raised in Missouri and then California. In California he was a firefighter with the California Division of Forestry and a captain in the fire department, city of San Bernardino, CA. before coming to Ohio to farm. He was a graduate of San Bernardino (CA) High School ('52). He served 12 years on the A-C Board of Ed. Jack passed away in 2016. Carolyn graduated from AHS in '55 and Capital University in '59. After teaching in northern Ohio and CA for 10 years, she returned to her home school, Amanda Elem. for 26 years, retiring in 2000. Cathy graduated from Forest Rose School and attends A Creative Journey in Lancaster. Jeff is an 1989 ACHS graduate and a 1993 graduate of The Ohio State University majoring in Agriculture Education. He currently teaches Agricultural Science and the Agricultural Business courses and is one of the FFA advisors here at ACHS.

### **29. The A-C PTO Scholarship**

This scholarship was given by the members of the Amanda-Clearcreek Parent Teacher Organization.

### **30. Moody-Dickson Scholarship**

The donor of this scholarship was Elsie Dickson Bookman AHS '34. Mrs. Bookman owned and operated the Amanda Furniture Store in Amanda for over 50 years. This scholarship was particularly given in honor of Elsie's uncle, her mother's brother, Clarence Moody. 2007 was the 100th anniversary of his graduation in 1907 from Amanda High School. Mr. Moody became president of the Fuller Brush Company and made his home in Glendale, California. Mrs. Bookman passed away in 2012.

### **31. "Nothing Less Than Your Best" Scholarship**

This scholarship is designed for a young lady who has lettered in varsity soccer in her junior and senior year. She must show the attitude of team over individual on the soccer field. It is given in memory of Jess Veach, a volunteer soccer coach. It is given by his family and friends.

### **32. Albert and Lata Barr Memorial Scholarship**

The Albert and Lata Stump Barr endowed scholarship is established by Robert and Betty Barr Masters, their daughter and granddaughters, Christie Janssen, Brook Masters and Jandyl Doyle. Albert and Lata were graduates of Amanda High School Class of 1920. Albert attended the College of Agriculture at Ohio State University, and Lata received her teaching certificate from Ohio University at Athens, Ohio. Their children Betty and George Barr also graduated from Amanda High School. Albert and Lata were an important part of the community and supportive of the Amanda school programs. Lata served as Postmaster in Amanda for 28 years, from 1934 to 1962. Albert retired from the Midwest Manufacturing Company in 1965. In retirement Albert and Lata lived in Cape Coral, Florida.

### **33. The Hunter Family Scholarship**

Donated by Mable Hunter Green, Amanda High School Class of 1951, the Hunter Family Scholarship was established to honor its family alumni. After her high school graduation, Mable worked as a secretary in the AHS office and later settled in nearby Circleville. Her father, Russell Hunter, served on the Amanda School Board from 1938-1944. She is the proud grandmother of two ACHS graduates, John Boggs '03 and Miranda Boggs '08. Mable's desire was to give back to the school and community that so richly influenced her life. The Hunter Family Scholarship honors the cousins and siblings who attended and graduated from AHS/ACHS. They are Mable Hunter Green '51, Earl Hunter '54, Elsie Hunter Shupe '56, Jay Hunter '59, Arlene Hunter Baldwin '63, Carl Furness '66, Harold Furness '66, and Carol Hunter Smith '69.

### **34. The Miller Family Scholarship**

The scholarship was established by Joyce Steelton Miller, AHS 1948, as a memorial to her husband, Maynard, SHS 1944 and her oldest son Steve, ACHS 1968. Maynard and Joyce were raised in the Amanda and Stoutsville areas and were married in 1948. They lived here their entire lives, raising four children, all of whom graduated from Amanda-Clearcreek High

School. Maynards' mother, Hazel, taught in one-room schools in the area, and his father farmed. Joyce worked for Amanda-Clearcreek schools for several years, and Maynard served on the Board of Education for many years. The Miller family is a fifth generation farm family in the Stoutsville area.

### **35. The Frank G. and Marlene M. Weigerding Scholarship**

Frank Weigerding grew up in the Dayton area, served in the Army Air Corps during World War II, and graduated from Sinclair College, working in civil engineering. Marlene was raised in nearby Hocking County and met Frank during the war effort. They were married fifty-five years, raising two children. In their later years, they supported various charities with their philanthropy. They learned of the A-C Alumni scholarships through their great nieces, Teresa Thomas Bond ('78), Michelle Thomas Christopher ('81) and Beth Bradney Bell ('87) and committed to fund a scholarship.

### **36. St. Peter's Lutheran Church-Amanda Scholarship**

In 1884, A. H. Fishburn, from Stoutsville, serving Israel Lutheran, organized St. Peter's Lutheran in Amanda. The Lutherans purchased the building the Methodists had built in 1842 at 132 East High as they had built a new building just down the street. In 1886 St. Peter's became part of a parish of other churches and at times over the years shared a minister with several small churches. In 1984, the church celebrated its 100th anniversary. In May, 2011, the congregation decided to close its doors on its history, and the building was sold. Part of the sale was used to provide this scholarship to help youth of the community have a future.

### **37. The Charles J. and Ruby Christy Family Scholarship**

Charles Joseph Christy and Ruby (Kinser) Christy were both born to farming families and were raised in the Amanda area in the 1920 and 30's. Joe attended the Amanda School System and graduated as valedictorian of his class in 1937. Ruby attended the Clearport Schools and graduated in 1939 from the Walnut Twp. Schools which later became part of the Teays Valley Schools. They married in 1944 and after WWII, Joe became a plumber and started his own plumbing and heating business in Circleville and later his own water well-drilling business. Ruby worked diligently in both businesses as well as being a homemaker. Together, they raised two children, Robert and Nancy, on the family farm near Dutch Hollow. Bob graduated from Amanda-Clearcreek in 1965 and became an educator and administrator in the Amanda-Clearcreek Schools from 1973 to 1994. Nancy graduated from Amanda-Clearcreek in 1967 and became a surgical room nurse primarily in the OSU Hospitals. As individuals and as a family, we have benefited from an excellent education in the Amanda-Clearcreek Schools and wish to help current and future A-C students to further their education, better their lives and become productive citizens in society.

### **38. The Wendell and Hazel Henderly Family Scholarship**

Wendell graduated from Amanda High School in 1948. Hazel graduated from Bloom-Carroll in 1947. Their children graduated from Amanda-Clearcreek: Rita Henderly Francis 1970, Margaret Henderly Thomas 1971, and Max Henderly 1981. They also had four grandchildren to graduate from Amanda-Clearcreek: Malinda Francis Sullivan 1991, Angie Thomas Bolin 1994, Wendy Francis Booth 1996, and Mark Francis 2002. They would like for this scholarship to help others in the community to further their education.

### **39. The Thad Davis Family Scholarship**

This scholarship has been established by Sandy ('67), Tom '68) and Don ('77) in honor of their father, Thad (Stoutsville '45) and their mother Louise. Thad and Louise raised their children in Amanda and were avid supporters of both the school and community. Running was a very important aspect of Thad's life. He emerged as an elite age group runner over the last four decades of his life. He was instrumental in mentoring many A-C High School runners, sharing guidance and support in their running careers. Although not an A-C graduate, Louise was a staunch supporter of her children, and of the school, serving in volunteer roles with the district throughout her life. Sandy works for Lancaster-Fairfield Head Start, Tom was a Professor of Counselor Education at Ohio University, and Don is a Professor of Mathematics at Lakeland Community College.

### **40. The Rex Shupe Memorial Scholarship**

Rex Shupe was a 1970 graduate of Amanda-Clearcreek High School, and a 1974 graduate of Ohio University. He earned a Masters Degree at the University of Dayton. Rex taught school and coached football for 35 years. He started his teaching and coaching career at Berne Union School where he spent 6 years. He then moved to Logan Elm Schools teaching and coaching football for 13 seasons before returning home to Amanda-Clearcreek in 1993 ending his career in 2009. Rex was an integral part of the success of the Amanda-Clearcreek football program. It is because of his passion and dedication to students and athletes that his family offers this scholarship to a member of the Amanda-Clearcreek football team.

### **41. The Ned and Rebecca Young Scholarship**

Ned graduated from Amanda High School in 1937, and Rebecca attended Amanda until her marriage to Ned. Even in high school Ned began his long career in the electrical contracting field. He joined the Navy Seabees in 1943 serving in the South Pacific and was in the reserve until 1953. After the war he came home to Amanda with his own shop and served as mayor. He moved to Chillicothe to work for the Veterans Administration, then many other companies. In Circleville he worked for DuPont and had his own company. After additional schooling, he was employed by Ross/Abbott Labs in Columbus as a Project Engineer retiring in 1985. All this time he and Becky raised 3 children, and Ned was active in many, many organizations with many honors such as from the Ross County Shrine Club as outstanding Shriner of the Year, twice, while always doing local electrical work. When the A-C Alumni was at its lowest point, Ned helped rescue the association, and was president when the Scholarship Endowment Fund was started. Becky typed all alumni into a data base that Ned and she kept for many years. Becky is the only person to have received the status of an Honorary Alumni of A-C, and Ned has been named a Distinguished Alumni. The great achievement of the A-C Alumni Endowment Fund was made possible through the contacts the Association was able to maintain through the data base of graduates. In 2011 Ned was inducted into Ohio Veterans Hall of Fame as the 309th inductee. This is presented for not just military service, but the many community activities in the life of the person. Ned passed away in the year of 2017.

#### **42. The Trenton and Jean Kern Memorial Scholarship**

The funding for this scholarship comes from the estate of Trenton and Jean Kern. Jean graduated from Amanda High School in 1939. She grew up on the Ritchie farm at the base of "Mile Hill". Trenton graduated from Amanda High School in 1937 and grew up on the Kern family farm in Clearport. Both Jean and Trenton were part of the original conversation in the development of the A-C Endowment Board and Association. This scholarship is to honor Trenton's wife, Jean, who was an outstanding athlete of her time and was so honored by her induction as one of the original members of the inaugural class inducted into the Amanda Clearcreek Athletic Hall of Fame in 2009.

#### **43. St Jacob's Lutheran Church Scholarship**

The history of the church can be traced back to the time when early settlers were entering this section of Ohio in 1807, most coming from Pennsylvania. The Rev. Jacob Leist, then a young man, also an immigrant from that state, a licensed missionary of Lutheran churches, organized the first church in Tarlton, Ohio. At first both German and English speaking church services were held. Worship was in a log cabin until the 1830, when a log and frame building was built for both congregations. The German Reformed Society disbanded and St. Jacob's Evangelical Lutheran Church was officially established on November 8, 1861, named presumably in honor of Rev. Jacob Leist. A new St. Jacob's was built in front of its former building and consecrated for worship on July 19, 1925. For many years it was a two parish congregation with Stoutsville Trinity Lutheran until Trinity dissolved in April of 2002. St. Jacob's then joined St. Peter's Lutheran of Amanda and St. Matthew's of Sugar Grove in a parish until 2011 when St. Peter's closed. With the attendance dwindling St. Jacob's sadly closed its doors on December 11, 2016. The building was sold, but continues as the Community Church of Tarlton. The church did many good things over the years, just as they are doing now with the dissolution and distribution of funds, part going to help a student move forward in their endeavors for higher education.

#### **44. The Garrett Family Scholarship**

This scholarship is given in memory of Vernon, Eileen ( Class of AHS'47), and Brent Garrett (Class of '73), and in honor of Bruce and Lola Garrett (Classes of '68 and '69), retired teachers from A-C; Brenda Garrett, MA-CCC-SLP, speech pathologist (Class of '96); and Dr. Brian Garrett, DNP-CRNA, head of Otterbein Nurse Anesthetist Program ( Class of '91). The preference for this scholarship is a graduate student in either education, allied health in speech therapy, or nursing.

#### **45. The Ernest and Edith Francis Family Scholarship**

Ernest and Edith were married on October 27,1930. They were a lifelong farming family. They started farming; using work horses around Whisler, Ohio; share cropped in Union County; farmed around Canal Winchester; then came to Amanda, Ohio in February, 1945. The family raised livestock and grains. They were blessed with 10 children; all graduated from Amanda and Amanda Clearcreek High School. The couple were both involved at their church and were members of Farm Bureau Council #15. Mr. Francis was a charter member of the Amanda Lions Club and served for many years on the Board of Education.

#### **46. The Lewis R. Taylor Family Scholarship**

Lewis and Eleanor Taylor came to Amanda in 1959 and started the Taylor Funeral Home, which at the time, were the youngest to ever open and operate a funeral home in the State of Ohio. They had two children, Tambria Taylor (1961-2010) and Tom Taylor both of whom graduated from Amanda-Clearcreek High School. Eleanor taught Learning Disabilities at Amanda-Clearcreek for many years. Lewis and Eleanor both were involved heavily in the community as the funeral home served as the emergency services for the surrounding area. In 1974, Lewis, along with the aid of some in the community established the Emergence Medical Service for Amanda Twp. Lewis was both a volunteer firefighter and EMS Coordinator for Amanda Township. Lewis also was a school bus driver for many years in the Amanda-Clearcreek School System. The Taylor family have been ardent supporter of Amanda-Clearcreek Athletics and other areas of curriculum both in personal support as well as monetary support, and the support continues today. Lewis passed away on October 10, 2020 and in continuing his legacy, his wife, Eleanor and son, Tom thought of no better way than to establish this scholarship to further the education of Amanda-Clearcreek seniors as they endeavor to charter their course in education.

#### **47. The Thad Davis Memorial 5K Run/Walk Scholarships**

This scholarship is presented from proceeds of the Tenth Annual Thad Davis Memorial 5K Run/Walk of 2022 to A-C athletes.

#### **48. The Frank Family Scholarship**

Luther Frank and his brother Gary Frank and his wife Helen Frank are presenting this scholarship in memory of their parents Pearl and Alice Frank. The Frank family have been farming in the Amanda area since 1965. Luther is a 1982 graduate of ACHS, and a VP at Mid-West Fabricating Company with a career spanning more than 39 years. He has a love of flying, agriculture, machinery, and business. Brother Gary has had a 41 year career as a welder at Diamond Power. Study preferences for the student chosen reflect these interests.

#### **49. The Elmer (Ted) and Patricia (Pat) Scott Scholarship**

Ted and his wife Pat moved to Fairfield County, Amanda Clearcreek School District, in 1969. Ted served on the Amanda Township Board of Appeals for seven years. He was in an atomic bomb test in Las Vegas in 1951. He served seven months in Korea during the war, and was a Navy Seabee attached to a Marine Air Force unit. He was a carpenter by trade, but did much engineering work. He worked on the sixth-floor addition of Fairfield Medical Center, the addition at Mt. Carmel East, and the Rhodes Hall at OSU. Before moving, Pat worked 19 years at Lazarus Dept. store in Columbus. She was an avid gardener and loved her many flower beds. She also donated and enjoyed many volunteer hours in the area. Ted passed away in 2006 shortly after setting up the scholarship and Pat in 2022, whereupon the estate came to the Endowment Fund in December of 2022.

## The A-C Endowment Fund for Scholarships

The fund was established with a 501(c)3 designation in 1991 with the first actual endowed scholarship from the fund presented in 1993. However, there had been three prior to 1990 and seven scholarships given between '90 and '92 with the funds that were donated, especially from individual classes. With the year 2022, we have presented a total of 1127 scholarships for over \$2 million. This is almost as much as we have invested counting the Johns, the Barr, and the 48 other individuals or groups who have set up endowed scholarships. Our total invested amount at the end of 2022 is \$2.7 million. The amount needed for an endowed scholarship has gone from \$15,000 to \$20,000 during the years. The trustees have now set the amount to \$25,000 beginning January of 2014. We have part of the Johns funds invested with the Fairfield County Foundation and the Hedges-Strickland funds are invested there, also, for our use each year. This has all been made possible with help of many people who regularly donate to the fund with memorials and gifts. We are so grateful to our alumni community for their continued support.

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## Scholarship Recipients – 2023

- 1. Francis Don LaBonte Student Athlete: Cole Reynolds** – Cole is the son of Kenneth and Shannon Reynolds. He plans to attend Brooklyn College in the fall to major in Communications. While at A-C, Cole has been a part of the Drama Club, National Honor Society, the Mentorship Program, the Dungeons and Dragons club, and Cross Country. He has been recognized as Student of the Month, been on High Honor Roll, and been a Scholar Athlete all four years of high school. Outside of school, he has been a Grinch Impersonator for Christmas events for five years, won the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Talent Show, was awarded Best Lead Actor, and volunteered for the Special Olympics.
- 2. Hiatt-Reber Health Science: Morgan Cowdrey** – Morgan, daughter of Quentin and Jennie Cowdrey, will be attending the University of Findlay to major in Diagnostic Medical Sonography. She has been an active member of the A-C FFA, where she has earned her State FFA Degree, served as an assistant officer, and placed 1<sup>st</sup> in the state in the Agricultural Issues Career Development Event. Morgan was the Varsity Cheerleading Captain her senior year, served on the Student Council, was a part of the A-C Mentorship Program, was awarded Academic All League, and has participated in many community service projects. Outside of school, Morgan has been a 4-H member for eight years, served as the Fairfield County Lamb and Wool Queen, and served on the Fairfield County Junior Fair Board.
- 3. Dr. N. Wayne Hiatt: Carly Singleton** – Carly is the daughter of Josh and Melissa Singleton. She plans to attend The Ohio State University to major in Radiologic Sciences. While at A-C, Carly has been involved in Student Council, Science Club, Prom Committee, Student Athlete Leadership Team, National Honor Society, All-County Choir, and served as the Fairfield County Foundation Youth Advisory Committee School Rep. She has participated in softball, volleyball and basketball, and received honors including MSL Honorable Mention Softball, Academic All MSL Honors in all three sports, and Scholar Athlete in all three sports. Carly has participated in numerous community service events, been an A-C Extreme 4-H member and club officer, participated as a junior fair exhibitor, and is a member of the Royalton Community Church.
- 4. Wendell and Edie Christy: Audrey Meyer** – Audrey, daughter of Michael and Nicole Meyer, plans to attend Bentley University to major in Actuarial Science. She is ranked 2<sup>nd</sup> in her class and has been involved in National Honor Society, Mentoring, Science Club, Choir, Soccer, Cross Country, and Track and Field. In addition to school, Audrey has held a part time job, served as an active member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church, volunteered at an animal rescue, and been an A-C elementary teacher assistant. She has been recognized as a Scholar Athlete, Employee of the Quarter, placed 3<sup>rd</sup> at Wall Street 101 Camp at Bentley University, and been a part of the National Rural and Small Town Recognition Program.
- 5. Everett and Marie Kerns: Jarod Black** – This 2021 graduate is studying online with Southern New Hampshire University in the field of Informational Technology. He is working full-time at Glass City Fire Protection where he is a Field Technician inspecting, servicing and programming fire alarm systems all throughout the state of Ohio.
- 6. The Johns Family (4-year) (Freshman): Riley McKeska** – Riley, daughter of Michael and Samantha McKeska, plans to attend Wilmington College to earn a degree in Agricultural



Communications. She has been involved in Student Council, National Honor Society, Concert and Marching Band, and Jazz Band. Riley has been an active A-C FFA member, serving as a chapter officer, attending the Washington Leadership Conference, earning her State FFA Degree, and competing on multiple state and national placing Career Development Event teams, including Agricultural Issues (1<sup>st</sup> place state), Nature Interpretation (1<sup>st</sup> place state), and Agricultural Issues (Bronze level nation). Riley has also volunteered as a part of numerous community service projects, and worked as a summer staff member at 4-H Camp.

**7. The Johns Family (4-year) (Sophomore): Ryan Chambers** – He attends Walsh University as a Biology Pre-Med student. He plays baseball for Walsh and participates in various intramural sports such as bowling and basketball. Over the summer he plans to work, play summer baseball, and travel to some Major League stadiums he has not yet seen.

**8. The Johns Family (4-year) (Junior): Morgan Anderson** – She will be starting her third year in Journalism: News and Information through the Ohio Honors Program with a minor in Marketing and a certificate in Social Media. On campus, she volunteers at her local television station known as “WOUB-TV”, where she works as a multimedia journalist, reporter, and anchor covering southeast Ohio and the surrounding areas. Often, you can find her anchoring the evening news in Athens or reporting on the sidelines for high school football. Morgan also works for ESPN3/+ as a producer and technical director broadcasting Ohio University’s athletics. On campus, she is an active member of her fraternity, Sigma Delta Chi (the Society of Professional Journalists); her campus ministry; and is the secretary of her book club. Alongside her studies and professional extracurriculars, she writes for Ohio’s Country Journal newspaper, sits on the collaborative Ohio FFA and Ohio Department of Education Diversity, Equity, and Inclusivity committee board, and volunteers with FFA. In the fall, Morgan will be receiving her American Degree at the 95<sup>th</sup> National FFA Convention and Expo in Indianapolis, Indiana. Her summer plans consist of interning full-time at WOUB-TV in Athens as a broadcast journalist with hopes of fine-tuning her skills and telling the stories of southeast Ohio.

**9. The Johns Family (4-year) (Senior): Anna Varney** – Anna will be a senior attending Cedarville University majoring in Psychology with minors in Bible, Biblical Care and Counseling, and Theater. During her time there, she has selected the Child and Family track with the hopes of becoming a Child Life Specialist and eventually going to grad school to become a Professional Counselor. Her track includes different courses such as counseling children, learning and memory, abnormal psych and more. Her minors have given her extra knowledge to integrate outside concepts into her practices such as drama therapy. She is excited to see how the Lord uses her time at Cedarville to help the communities around her. She has found that she has a passion for children who are struggling through incomprehensible issues that often go unnoticed. “From the rising of the sun to its setting, let the name of the Lord be praised”. Psalm 113:3

**10. The Bob and Betty Masters: Olivia Nixon** – Olivia, daughter of Harry and Eileen Nixon, plans to attend Miami University to major in Kinesiology. She has participated in National Honor Society, Student Council, Science Club, Student Athlete Leadership Team, Handbook Committee, Cross Country, Track and Field, and Cheerleading. Olivia has volunteered for numerous school and community events, and has been awarded as a Scholar Athlete four years and for Academic All League four years.

**11. Albert and Lata Barr Memorial: Stephanie Bowers** – She is majoring in Accounting at Wright State University. She is presently on the Raj Soin College of Business Dean's Student Advisory Board. She is a member of the Ohio Society of CPAs and the university's Student Ambassador. She volunteered with Wright State's Raidethon and Grilled Cheese Hot Line in both '22 and '23, and WSU Drive In in 2022. Locally, she is a member of our own FFA Alumni Association.

**12. Beatrice Lane Marshall Memorial: Camryn Allerdig** – Camryn is the daughter of Kevin Allerdig and Michelle McCotter. She plans to attend North Central State College to become an RN. While in high school, she has participated in Skills USA, FFA, SOS, Ladies Ensemble, Science Club, Work Based Learning, LYST Swim Team, USA Swim Team, her church youth group, and has worked as a horse trainer. Camryn has volunteered with swim activities, in the coffee shop and daycare through her church, at Vacation Bible School, and as a Salvation Army bell ringer. She has also been an AA Championship Qualifier, earned her Chapter FFA Degree, and been on Honor Roll.

**13. The Hampshire Family: Audrey Butterbaugh** – This 2021 A-C grad is in her first semester of her college career. She is attending Columbus State Community College in the field of Pre-Veterinary Technology.

**14. The 1945 Class of Amanda High School: Nevaeh Anderson** – Nevaeh, daughter of James Anderson and Shauna Cornell, is attending Brooklyn College CUNY, New York for a Visual and Media Communications BA. Nevaeh has been a member of Choir, National Honor Society, Drama Club, Mentoring, and Volleyball. She has also been a choir officer and volunteered with several projects, including mentoring and NHS work.

**15. The Wallace Barr Family (4-year) (Freshman): Jillian Bennett** – Jillian, daughter of Robin Bennett, plans to attend The Ohio State University to major in Marketing. She has been a member of the Concert Band, Pep Band and Marching Band where she led as the Drumline Squad Leader for two years. She participated in Drama Club, Science Club, Fellowship of Christian Students, Student Athlete Leadership Team, and played softball for 10 years. Jillian has also been an active member of the A-C FFA Chapter where she has been a part of two state winning Career Development Events. Jillian is involved in her church, the Fairfield County's Youth Advisory Committee, American Red Cross, and has volunteered for numerous community events. She has been recognized as a member of the National Honor Society, received the College Board National Rural and Small Town Academic Recognition Award, earned a superior rating at All-Fairfield County Band Competition, and has been awarded for three theater roles.

**16. The Wallace Barr Family (4-year) (Sophomore): Logan Wells** – Upon completing his first year at The Ohio State University-Newark, majoring in Business Management, he enrolled in an introduction to psychology class through the Ohio Prison Exchange Education Program at Southeastern Correctional Institution. He was part of the Lefevre Fellowship, a service based learning class, completing sixty hours of community engagement in his first year. Also, he was accepted into the very competitive Fisher College of Business with a specialization in finance. He plans to take the summer off and resume classes for the fall term at The Ohio State University-Newark.

**17. The Wallace Barr Family (4-year) (Junior): Abigail Bolin** – She will be a junior as a Nursing Major with a Minor in Nutrition at Otterbein University. She is the current president of Kappa Phi Omega Sorority and served as their treasurer for the 2022-2023 school year. She is a third year Cardinal basketball and football cheerleader. Her summer plans are relaxing and spending family time while getting some work hours in.

**18. The Wallace Barr Family (4-year) (Senior): Abigail Tooill** – She is studying at the University of Findlay, majoring in Animal Science with a Pre-Vet emphasis and a minor in Biology and Chemistry. She is a member of many different clubs, including Pre-Vet Club, CFFA, Habitat for Humanity, ASL Club, and Show Team. In her junior year she traveled with the University's Show Team to Louisville, KY for NAILE to show an Aberdeen heifer owned by the University. The heifer ended up being a division winner. This spring she traveled to Louisiana with Habitat for Humanity for an Alternative Spring Break Trip. While there, the students helped with construction on two houses and got to explore New Orleans. She also has been showing a steer born and raised on her farm here through the Ohio BEST show season this spring semester. Abby has also been volunteering weekly at the Humane Society in Findlay. Her summer plans include staying in Findlay and shadowing veterinarians and hoping for a job with the Humane Society. She also will be busy with applications for vet school.

**19. Donald and Mary Anne Weibel: Emma Chambers** – She is a 2020 graduate attending Allegheny College majoring in Physics and French. Emma has served as vice president and president of the Society of Physics Students, vice president of Operations for Kappa Alpha Theta, and plays principal clarinet for the Wind Symphony. She plays volleyball for the college and has been CoSIDA Academic All-District for Volleyball. She participates in various service projects near and far for the college.

**20. The Leist Family: Aaron Sharp** – Aaron has his Bachelor of Arts Degree from The Ohio State University in History and Political Science. He is waiting for acceptance at OSU Moritz College of Law. At this time, he is a full-time paid legal intern of Sitterley Law in Lancaster. He is active in his church as secretary and elder and more, while also helping to coach A-C FFA CDE teams and assisting with A-C band.

**21. The Martin "Buck" McHale Memorial: Madelynn Marshall** – Madelynn, daughter of Matthew and Brooke Marshall, plans to attend The Ohio State University in the fall to major in Communications. She is ranked 6<sup>th</sup> in her class and has been involved in the National Honor Society, Student Council, FFA, Student Athlete Leadership Team, Science Club, Mentorship Program, Volleyball, Track and Field, and Cheerleading. Madelynn has volunteered with numerous school events, been a Scholar Athlete, earned her Chapter FFA Degree, received the Academic All League Buckeye Division Scholar Athlete Award, and was the MSL Honorable Mention for volleyball her junior year.

**22. The Wayne and Marie Reese Family: Josie Speakman** – Josie is the daughter of Shelli and Todd Speakman. She plans to attend the University of Cincinnati in the fall to earn a degree in Political Science. Josie has been involved in the A-C FFA Chapter as an officer, Academic Challenge as a team captain, Marching and Concert Band as a section leader, Student Council as an officer, National Honor Society, and Track and Field. In addition to school activities, Josie has worked a job while in school and been a part of the CPAC Dance Studio for 12 years. She has volunteered for the A-C NHS Childcare Program and for the

DSACO Buddy Walk for 10 years. Josie has received an Outstanding Student in History Award and won the Good Citizen Essay Contest through the Elizabeth Sherman Reese DAR Chapter, was chosen to attend the Washington Leadership Conference, and was chosen as the 2022 NRECA Youth Tour Delegate.

**23. The Meister Family: Tayvon Miller** – He is attending Ohio University-Lancaster in the field of education. He hopes someday to coach football, perhaps at A-C. While in his first semester at Akron University, he was a football student assistant. He hopes to volunteer as a coach with middle school athletics locally. He works at A-C with the mowing and care of our grounds while attending college.

**24. The Ream Family: Sara Sharp** – She is attending The Ohio State University majoring in Journalism. She is a member of the Scarlet and Gray Sports Radio Club and as such was chosen to be one of four to represent the club at the BIG Men's Basketball Tournament in Chicago, where they broadcasted the games of the OSU men's team. She is also a member of the Sports and Society Initiative Club.

**25. Republic Services Inc. - Pine Grove Landfill: Brady Sharp** – He is attending Arizona State University where he is majoring in Business (Global Politics). Brady is a member of the Theta Xi Fraternity. This summer, he is working as the Manager at Gateway Fun Center in Boulder, Colorado.

**26. The Tom Dum Scholarship: Nathan Hunter** – He is attending The Ohio State University pursuing a degree in Business of Administration with a specialization in Finance. He hopes to go on to achieve his master's degree in the field.

**27. Francis Gehrett Huddle & Edna Chambers Huddle: Isaiah McQuade** – This 2020 graduate is attending Shawnee State University studying in the field of Nursing. While at the university he participates in Illuminate Ministers, Liv Wright Homeless Outreach, and Fort Hill Christian Youth Camp.

**28. Elizabeth Adler Memorial: Peyton Hill** – Peyton, son of Derrick Hill and Leah Hogle, plans to attend Miami University for a degree in Finance. He has been involved in Student Council, Science Club, National Honor Society, Student Athlete Leadership Team, Prom Committee, Hope Squad, Cheerleading, and Cross Country. Peyton has completed an internship with a law firm and also worked a part time job while in school. He has participated in numerous volunteer activities, been a Scholar Athlete and on High Honor Roll, received his QPR Certificate, and been MSL 1<sup>st</sup> Team Cheerleader.

**29. The Harriet Adler Memorial: Carly Spence** – She has finished her freshman year at Miami University in Emerging Technology in Business and Design. She is involved in two student run magazines: UP Magazine and Pixel Magazine. Carly is a member of the Miami U. Fashion and Design where she is on the modeling committee. For the summer she is looking into internships and study abroad opportunities.

**30. The Dr. and Mrs. James Adler: Spencer Corey** – This 2021 graduate is attending Ohio University studying in the field of Information and Telecommunication Systems. At college he is a member of the Ohio University Smash Bros Club and Latitude 39.

**31. The Robert Adler Memorial: Trenton Hedges** – He is attending Tiffin University majoring in Accounting. Trenton is a member of the Business Club on campus and has been a tutor. He is playing baseball for the university and helps with field and campus cleanup.

**32. The William Adler Scholarship: Preston Cattran** – Preston, son of Larry and Lisa Cattran, plans to attend Ohio University in the fall to major in Theater. Preston has been a part of the Dungeons and Dragons Club for multiple years. He has also volunteered at the Fairfield Humane Society.

**33. The Saum Family: Emily Buckley** – Emily is the daughter of Jeremy and Martha Buckley. She plans to attend the University of Michigan to major in Biology. Emily is ranked 5<sup>th</sup> in her class and is involved in the National Honor Society, Student Council, and is the Class of 2023 President. She is a member of Marching and Concert Band, Science Club, and plays Varsity Basketball, Soccer and Track. For basketball she was 1<sup>st</sup> Team MSL, 1<sup>st</sup> Team All District, and Honorable Mention All Ohio. For soccer Emily earned Honorable Mention MSL and 2<sup>nd</sup> Team MSL. She was an All-County Qualifier for Band. Emily is also an active member of the A-C FFA Chapter where she has served as an officer, earned her State FFA Degree, and was a National Qualifier for both the Agricultural Issues and Agricultural Communications Career Development Events, respectively. She is a member of the Amanda Work and Win 4-H Club, First United Methodist Church Youth Group, and Ohio Future AAU Team. Emily has participated in numerous volunteer and community service events. She also received College Board AP Scholar, Rural and Small Town Academic Recognition.

**34. The Tilley Family: Hannah Saum** – Hannah, daughter of Dave and Robin Saum, is attending Texas A&M to major in Animal Science. Hannah is ranked 3<sup>rd</sup> in her class and has been an active member of the FFA at both the Chapter and State level. She has served as Chapter President and Vice President, State Vice President, earned her State FFA Degree, was the state winner and received a national bronze rating for the Extemporaneous FFA Speaking Career Development Event, and was the state winner and received a national silver rating for her FFA Forestry Management Proficiency. As a State FFA Officer, Hannah spent a year traveling Ohio completing chapter visits and presenting chapter workshops, coordinating and presenting leadership events, attending chapter meetings and banquets, and working at FFA Camp Muskingum over the summer. In addition to her many Chapter and State FFA responsibilities, Hannah has also been involved in Student Council, Band, Science Club, National Honor Society, Football Cheer and Basketball Cheer, and the First United Methodist Church Youth Group. Hannah served as the 2021 Fairfield County Fair Queen, participated in a mission trip, and has volunteered for numerous community service events.

**35. The A-C PTO Scholarship: Alex Bennett** – Alex is the son of Doug and Melissa Bennett. He plans to attend Ohio University-Lancaster in the fall to major in Education. Alex has played both basketball and baseball in high school, was recognized as a Scholar Athlete, and has participated in several community service events.

**36 The Moody-Dickson Scholarship: Jonathan Weaver** – He is attending Elon University working to pursue a degree in Biology Foundations in Medical Science. He hopes to attend graduate school for dentistry and eventually become an orthodontist. He is a member of the Elon Pre Health Society, Elon Republicans treasurer, and the Elon Microfinance Initiative. He plays football for the university and is a member of the Elon Sport Management Society.

**37. Golda and Helen Hedges and Esther Hedges Strickland (4-Year) (Freshman): Megan Tooill** – Megan, daughter of Robert and Amy Tooill, plans to attend Ohio Wesleyan University to earn a degree in Environmental Science. Megan is ranked 1<sup>st</sup> in her class and has been involved in National Honor Society, Science Club, Student Athletic Training, Choir, Softball and Basketball where she served as a Team Captain for both, Volleyball, 4-H where she served as a club officer and won Reserve Grand Champion Market Turkey, and her church where she volunteers as a Sunday School teacher and in the Church Choir. Megan has volunteered for several community service projects, including NHS Before School Childcare and the Pet Parade at a retirement and assisted living facility. For softball she has been recognized as All-MSL 2<sup>nd</sup> Team, All-MSL Honorable Mention, and All-District 2<sup>nd</sup> Team.

**38. Golda and Helen Hedges and Esther Hedges Strickland (4-year) (Sophomore): Griffin Sahr** – He will be starting his sophomore year at Ohio University, Athens, majoring in Mechanical Engineering. During his freshman year he participated in the Mechanical Engineering Learning Community and played intramural flag football. Out of 400 applicants, Griffin was chosen to be a Resident Advisor for this coming year.

**39. Golda and Helen Hedges and Esther Hedges Strickland (4-year) (Junior): Natalie Storts** – She is enrolled in Columbus State Community College where, after her spring semester, Natalie has started her summer classes already in May. She is currently in two different programs, communications and interpretation, respectfully. Her end goal is to graduate from CSCC with an associate's degree in interpretation, and then transfer to the University of Cincinnati to finish out her Bachelor of Communication. With these, she plans to become an interpreter of sign language in Ohio. On her weekends she works as a baker for Panera Bread; plans to continue to do so to help finance her education, and loves it. Outside of college, she is busy involving herself in the deaf community, reading, and seeing family.

**40. Golda and Helen Hedges and Esther Hedges Strickland (4-year) (Senior): Kiley Holbrook** – Kiley is currently a double major in Agricultural Communication and Public Management at The Ohio State University. At Ohio State, Kiley is a part of the Mount Leadership Society Scholars Program. She also serves as an ambassador for the College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences. She is currently conducting research at the university focused on communication use within OSU Extension. Outside of Ohio State, she is one of ten students in the nation to serve as a Cargill Global Scholar Student. She is currently the intern for Ohio Corn and Wheat where she focuses on agricultural policy issues at both the state and national level. This summer, Kiley will continue her work as an intern for Rep. Thompson, Chairman of the U.S. House Agriculture Committee in Washington D.C.

**41. Golda and Helen Hedges and Esther Hedges Strickland Senior Regular:**

**Antonia Patterson** – Antonia, daughter of Lynn Burdett and Stephen Patterson, plans to attend Ohio University for a degree in Music Education. She has been involved in Concert and Marching Band, Jazz Band, HOPE Squad, Art Club, Drama Club, National Honor Society, and Frontline Church of God Youth Group. In addition to these activities, Antonia has worked a part time job while in high school and volunteered at the Seton Parish Festival and PTO Carnival multiple years each. She has also received Ohio Governor's Youth Art Awards, Student of the Month, Kindest Senior Awards, and been on High Honor Roll.

**42. Esther Hedges Strickland Upperclass I: Abigail Carver** – She is studying at Youngstown University majoring in Business Administration while working towards a

certification in nonprofit leadership. Abby made the Dean's list in her first freshman semester and is part of on campus sorority Delta Zeta. She is also a member of an honor society called Alpha Lambda Delta while maintaining a part-time job. Each year this award is given to the successful recipient of scholarship number 41 above.

**43. Esther Hedges Strickland Upperclass II: Lydia Hardman** – This 2018 graduate is working toward a degree in Middle Childhood Education specializing in English Language Arts and Social Studies. She is attending Ohio University-Chillicothe where she is currently Student Council President. Lydia is a member of the Nature Welfare Club. She was a Super Food Bowl Drive organizer and participated in the Walk to End Alzheimers all the while working more than one job.

**44. “Nothing Less Than Your Best” Scholarship: Kaylee Sharp** – She is attending The American Musical and Dramatic Academy in Los Angeles, CA, for a degree in BFA Performing Arts, Acting. She is participating in a certification Stage Combat class, Dance and Movement, and she is a member of the Creative Writing Book Club while working at Pressed Juicery. She will be welding this summer to earn money to continue paying for her college education.

**45. The Hunter Family: Olivia Hutchison** – She is attending Ohio University in Speech Language Pathology. On campus she is a member of the HSSLHA, National Student Speech Language Hearing Association. She also is in Creative Expressions, an organization that gives opportunities to children in the surrounding area. Olivia has been an aide for a special needs student and created a group, Clothe-It-Forward, back in 2017 and works with it presently. She also is involved with her 4-H Club.

**46. The Miller Family: Laci Kuhlwein** – This 2020 graduate is attending The Ohio State University studying Biology, Pre-Veterinary Medicine. She is in the Pre-Veterinary Medical Association on campus, three years in the club, one year as the secretary. Laci also participates in the Tech Chair in J2K, is a Secondary Handler in 4Paws, and volunteers at Colony Cats.

**47. The Frank G. and Marvene M. Weigerding Scholarship: Matthew Metzger** – Matt graduated in 2021 and is studying at Ohio University in Geological Science with an emphasis in environmental and water resources. He has participated in the Geology Club and Bobcats Go Green. He also has worked at the culinary services.

**48. The St. Peter's Lutheran Church Scholarship: Jayse Miller** – Jayse is a 2020 graduate attending Bethel University studying Biology with the hope of attending medical school. He has been a Cadaver Intern for the Science Department and has been an Internship Presenter in front of the School Board of Directors. He has participated in community service projects for the university.

**49. The Charles J. and Ruby Christy Family Scholarship: Emily Woida** – She is a 2021 graduate attending Ohio University in Early Childhood Education. She is on the Student Alumni Board and a volunteer at the Child Development Center. She is busy with clinical experience in school classrooms while holding down a job.

**50. The Wendell and Hazel Henderly Family Scholarship: Emily McCormick** – She attends The Ohio State University majoring in Human Resources. Campus activities involve A Small Group Leader of Cru Ohio State and Vice President of The Piano Club. Emily is in the Second-Year Transformational Experience Program and Agricultural Systems Management Club. Volunteer areas involve Fisher Impact Day and Cru Vision Dinner.

**51. The Thad Davis Family: Karlee Parry** – Karlee, the daughter of April Parry, is planning to attend the University of Cincinnati in the fall for a degree in Psychology. She has been involved in Student Council, Science Club, National Honor Society, Academic Challenge, Band through which she competed at Solo and Ensemble, Cross Country, Track, Softball, and Soccer. Karlee is also a member of the A-C FFA Chapter where she has served as an officer, earned her State FFA Degree, received a Gold Rating for her Secretary's Book, and was a part of the Agricultural Issues Career Development Event team that won the state competition and earned a bronze placing at the National FFA Convention. Karlee has managed to work multiple jobs outside of school, volunteered for numerous community service activities, and has remained on Honor Roll throughout high school.

**52. The Rex Shupe Memorial Scholarship: Zach Julian** – Zach is the son of Michael and Laura Julian. He plans to attend Ohio University-Lancaster in the fall to major in Nursing. Zach has been involved in the A-C FFA Chapter where his team won the state Nature Interpretation Career Development Event and he placed 10<sup>th</sup> overall as an individual out of more than 100 students. Zach is a member of The Tree Church, Student Council, and plays Football and Wrestling. He has been named All-League Scholar and has also participated in numerous community service events.

**53. The Ned and Rebecca Young Scholarship: Nathan Storts** – He is a Mathematics major at the University of Cincinnati where he is currently involved in the Chess and German Clubs at the university. Outside projects include working as a math tutor at Best Brains in Mason, Ohio. Over the summer he plans to continue working and to attend a Graduate Preparation Internship in July.

**54. The Trenton and Jean Kern Memorial: Courtney Parrish** – Graduating in 2020, Courtney is attending Ohio Dominican University in Exercise Science heading for a career as a Physical Therapist. She has been an Orientation Leader for over two years and three years on the Panthers Activity Council. She has served as an ODU Undergraduate Admissions Student Ambassador all of her college time. She works as an assistant volleyball coach at Pickerington High School Central and also volunteers at Columbus Blue Jackets Foundation and St. Charles Food and Produce Drive.

**55. The Thad Davis Memorial 5K Run/Walk I: Hannah Kemmerling** – Hannah is the daughter of Dana Kemmerling and Melonie Westhoven. She plans to attend Ohio University in the fall to earn a degree in Accounting. Hannah has played softball for over five years and has played basketball for over 4 years.

**56. St. Jacob's Luther Church- Tarlton: Megan Bausum** – She is studying Communications with a Marketing minor and Social Media certificate at Ohio University. There she is vice president of Administration in the Delta Zeta Sorority and member of the ABC Alden Book Club and 1804 Communications Club. She is a volunteer for Starkey Hearing Foundation, My Sisters Place, and Flying Horse Farms.



**57. The Garrett Family: Alissa Foley** – Alissa is working on her college work at Columbus State Community College with the goal of becoming a nurse. With that goal this busy mom and step-mom has just been accepted into the School of Nursing at Columbus State. She has mentored and tutored in the local high school.

**58. The Ernest and Edith Francis Family: Bailey Schumacher** – Bailey, daughter of Jay and Amy Schumacher, plans to attend the University of Cincinnati to major in Biomedical Engineering. She is ranked 4<sup>th</sup> in her class and has been a member of the Marching and Concert Band, Jazz Band, Science Club, Fellowship of Christian Students, Student Council, National Honor Society, and Drama Club. In addition to these activities, Bailey has maintained multiple jobs while in high school. She is Ranch Team Captain for Tim Clyne Performance Horses, is a member of the Lancaster Vineyard Church, and participates in Youth Group. Bailey has volunteered for several community service events and has received honors for The Ohio State University High School Honors Band, Capital University Band Fest, Ohio Music Education Association First Ranking on Class A Solo, and Ohio Ranch Horse Association Buckle Winner.

**59. The Lewis R. Taylor Family: Nolan Sahr** – This 2019 graduate has been studying at The Ohio State University in Health Science and upon graduation will enter the Columbus State's Nursing Program to finalize his goal of becoming a nurse. His interest is in aging health. On campus he has been a part of Health Points, Blueprints for Pangea and OSU Pre-Health. He has been a State Tested Nursing Aide and worked in that for a year. He volunteers for the Pickaway County Park District.

**60. The Frank Family: Brody Pugh** – He just finished his second year at Ohio University in Aviation and Flight. As a member of Ohio University's Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps, he has been Flight Commander, Cadet of Command and Cadet Wing Commander. He has volunteered with trash clean-up on campus and food and clothing drives for Athens County while recently obtaining his Private Pilot license.

**61. The Scott Scholarship: Alex Williams** – Alex, son of Andrew and April Williams, plans to attend The Ohio State University to major in Exercise Science. Alex has been involved in National Honor Society, Hope Squad, Prom Committee, Choir, Faith Memorial Church Youth Group, and football where he was Captain his senior year. Alex received Honorable Mention All-League for football, the Burlsworth Character Award, and Academic All-League for football. He has also been an A-C FFA member where he served as an officer and placed 5<sup>th</sup> in the state with his team in the Parliamentary Procedure Career Development Event. In addition, Alex has volunteered to help with community service events and been awarded the "It's a Great Day to be an ACE" teacher award.

