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The Foundation was formed to benefit all Fleetwood Area School District students. The Foundation seeks to raise funds that will benefit both the academic and athletic programs of the district. The Foundation has provided mini-grants to teachers to support new instructional initiatives. Athletically, the Foundation was instrumental in raising funds to furnish the field house in our stadium.

If you wish to make a donation to the Foundation, or nominate a Distinguished Alumni, please visit www.fleetwoodasd.org/content/foundation

Inductees are Fleetwood Area High School graduates who have distinguished themselves in the areas of outstanding service to our country, community, or to others in need; outstanding contributions to their profession or career; or through philanthropy.

The Distinguished Alumni plaques are displayed across from the auditorium.



FLEETWOOD AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT



Former School Emblem

DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI RECOGNITION

May 8, 2025

**In recognition of Fleetwood Area School District
Alumnus**

**Bonnie Fansler, MSN, BSN, RN, NCSN-E
Class of 1971**

**Outstanding Contributions to Her Profession and
Service to Our Community**

Earned Degrees at: Reading Hospital School of Nursing, Kutztown University,
and West Chester University.

Worked for Reading Oral Surgery, Pennhurst State Hospital, Berks VNA,
Berks Technical Institute, St. Joseph Hospital, and Antietam School District.

1993 – 2018 - School nurse at the FAHS

Member of PA Association of School Nurses & Practitioners - Past Board
Member 2016-2019

Member of National Association of School Nurses

Substitute school nurse for FASD

Served on Tiger Assistance Team

Organized Miller-Keystone Blood Drives for FASD and Community

Served as a camp nurse at various camps

American Red Cross/First Aid Instructor for 35 years

Works at a personal care facility

Hobbies & Interests: Various church activities at New Life Bible Fellowship
Church, preparing meals for those in need, reading, playing piano, traveling,
and Nana to 9 beautiful grandchildren.



**In recognition of Fleetwood Area School District
Alumnus**

**Christopher Raifsnider, DMA
Class of 1984**

**Outstanding Contributions to His Profession and
Service to Our Country**

Earned: BS in Music Education from Indiana University of Pennsylvania, MM
in Wind Instruments from the University of Michigan, DMA in Orchestral
Instruments from the Catholic University of America.

1992 - Auditioned and was selected to join the U.S. Naval Academy Band in
Annapolis, Maryland.

1997 - Selected to join the U.S. Navy Band in Washington, D.C., where he
performed on clarinet and saxophone with the Concert and Ceremonial
Bands, Commodores Jazz Band, serving as Audition Supervisor, Career
Counselor, Administrative and Staff Department Supervisor.

Served 30 years in the Navy, performing for hundreds of thousands of
audience members, international dignitaries, high-level military, and
government leaders, including eight Presidents.

Performed as soloist with the Navy Band on numerous occasions.

Strong advocate for music education, performed as guest artist and clinician
at high schools and colleges throughout the country and currently maintains
an active woodwind teaching studio.



**In recognition of Fleetwood Area School District
Alumnus**

**Matthew Hoch, DMA
Class of 1994**

Outstanding Contributions to His Profession

Earned: BM from Ithaca College, MM from the Hartt School, DMA from the New England Conservatory, and a certificate in vocology from the National Center for Voice and Speech.

Tenured professor of voice at Auburn University, where he has worked since 2012. Prior to this appointment, spent six years as an assistant professor of voice at Shorter College/University.

Has performed with the Oregon Bach Festival, the Santa Fe Desert Chorale, Conspirare, Harmonie Universelle, the Hartford, Rome, and Nashua symphony orchestras, the Atlanta Baroque Orchestra, the United States Coast Guard Chamber Players, the Crossing, and the Festival dei due Mondi in Spoleto, Italy. Has recorded over a dozen albums as a professional choral singer.

Named the 2016 winner of the Van L. Lawrence Fellowship, awarded jointly by the Voice Foundation and the National Association of Teachers of Singing. This fellowship is the most prestigious national award in the field of voice pedagogy.

Author, coauthor, editor, or coeditor of eleven books and over fifty peer-reviewed articles in professional and academic journals.

In 2018 presented performances and master classes in the United Arab Emirates and was awarded the Auburn University College of Liberal Arts Teaching Excellence Award.

Secondary career as a church musician, currently serving as choirmaster and minister of music at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church in Auburn, Alabama. Colleague of the American Guild of Organists and recipient of the Association of Anglican Musicians Brittenback-Meezen Presidential Award.

