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Foundation

# Inside the Foundation

## Congratulations Chip! the 2020 Good Citizen



### Previous Good Citizens

- 1980 John Dwyer
- 1981 Forrest Witzerman
- 1982 Rosa Isaac
- 1983 Howard Rogge
- 1984 Lemuel Hawk
- 1985 Grant Brown
- 1986 Ernestine Spangler
- 1987 Arthur Spletzer, Jr.
- 1988 Neva Ringer
- 1989 John & Virginia Hartman
- 1990 Mildred Mayberry
- 1991 Luke & Mary Thaman
- 1992 Tom Voigt
- 1993 Tom Herman
- 1994 Tony Gretick
- 1995 Bill Pepple
- 1996 George Isaac
- 1997 Markey & Anderson Families
- 1998 Paul & June Webster
- 1999 Theodore Spangler
- 2000 Laura Kesler
- 2001 Bruce Benedict
- 2002 Richard Buchsteiner
- 2003 Rusty Brunicardi
- 2004 Albert Horn, Jr.
- 2005 Wayne Shaffer
- 2006 Feroen Betts
- 2007 David Newcomer
- 2008 C. Gregory Spangler
- 2009 James & Richard Bard
- 2010 Dr. Robert Woodgeard
- 2011 Dr. George & Julie Brown
- 2012 Lou Mollett
- 2013 Dr. Richard & Charlene Hess
- 2014 Richard L. Reed
- 2015 Angelike Schreder
- 2016 Dave & LeeAnne Perkins
- 2017 Dr. John Moats
- 2018 George H. Gardner
- 2019 Dean Spangler



The prestigious Good Citizen Award for 2020 was presented to Chip Wood in recognition of his many years of service in the Bryan community. The criteria established for the award includes being a resident of Bryan for 20 years, participating in unpaid positions in organizations providing services to Bryan, holding a leadership position on an area nonprofit board, and achieving one outstanding accomplishment for the community. Chip has generously fulfilled these requirements and is very deserving of this award.

Chip along with his wife Tammy and son Casey moved to Bryan in 1999 upon purchasing the Bryan Ford dealership. Quickly, Chip embraced the community and joined Wesley United Methodist Church, the Chamber of Commerce, and the United Way campaign team. His volunteer spirit reaches deep and wide as he has also served on the Chamber Board, the Boy Scouts, Junior Achievement, Bryan City Schools, the YMCA, United Way, Bryan Rotary, and as a Bryan Area Foundation member and chairman.



From L to R is Casey and Tammy Wood, Chip Wood, the 2020 Good Citizen, and Julie and George Brown presenting the award.

Some of Chip's greatest accomplishments are his service to area youth. Chip volunteers in the classroom through Rotary Reads and Junior Achievement (JA). As a JA board leader, Chip revamped the traditional program which has garnered more enthusiasm and support. Chip works with the Four County Career Center in establishing an internship at his dealership. Students from the program now work on his staff. Chip also founded and directs the Interact Program through the Bryan Rotary that teaches students the power of "Service Above Self" while developing leadership skills.

Chip is a role model for us all....an exemplary leader, a businessman of integrity and a caring mentor for our youth. He is a humanitarian who is humble in his approach to serving all people!

*Many thanks to Julie Brown's contributions to this article!*

*This prestigious award, endowed by the Hawk family in memory of their parents, Howard C. and Mary Allene Hawk, is presented annually to one of Bryan's outstanding citizens.*

"Chip's passion for service makes him a natural born leader; he seeks out purposeful work, then leads by example".

-George & Julie Brown





## Message from our Chairman



As we celebrate this 2020 holiday season, many of us have been forced to do so in unique ways. We have been forced to adapt and adjust to unforeseen and even unimaginable circumstances. As I reflect and prepare for the upcoming season, I am struck by a constant that exists this year just as in past years, that I am truly blessed and have much to be thankful for.

I am truly blessed and fortunate to be a part of a wonderful organization like the Bryan Area Foundation. Even in these trying times the leadership team is demonstrating the professionalism and leadership that we have come to expect. Recent examples of this spirit include the development of a matching program to promote giving to the Bryan Area Foundation, the organization of a committee to study community impact projects and investing, and the spearheading of a committee to bring community events to the Fountain City Amphitheater. As we bring a close to this challenging calendar year, let us all be challenged to find ways to count our blessings, give thanks, and respond generously by giving our time, treasures, and talents. Get active, stay active!



*Michael A. Shaffer*

Michael A. Shaffer  
Chairman of the Board

**It's that time again!** Yes, we just announced the 2020 Good Citizen Award, and now we are seeking nominations for the 2021 Good Citizen. Due to COVID-19, the announcement of the Good Citizen Award was postponed from May to October this year.

So to get us back on track, we are seeking nominations for the 2021 Good Citizen with plans of making the announcement in May 2021.

## Good Citizen Award

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Pick up a nomination form at the Foundation office or download on our website: [BryanAreaFoundation.org](http://BryanAreaFoundation.org).



**The deadline for nominations is  
February 1, 2021.**

Completed nomination forms may be dropped off at the Foundation office or mailed to:  
P.O. Box 651, Bryan, OH 43506



# Fountain City Amphitheater



Dedication  
& Concert

After more than 10 years, Project 2020 has seen their vision come to life. On October 14, Project 2020 officially donated the Fountain City Amphitheater to the City of Bryan in a small dedication ceremony. In attendance were Project 2020 members, Mayor Carrie Schlade, State Senator Rob McColley and State Representative Jim Hoops.

The amphitheater was constructed at a cost of \$417,000 with major funding coming from Project 2020 members, the Bryan Area Foundation, and a grant from the State of Ohio. Next spring the second phase of the project, the interactive fountains, will be installed just east of the stage.



## Dedication Day



## First Concert

"These are the kind of things that happen when people come together as a community, as a foundation....work together to accomplish something like this in a year that has been really crazy." -State Representative, Jim Hoops

A very special thank you to



for sponsoring the Matt Hammitt Concert!



With a blanket and a little hot chocolate, over 400 people enjoyed the first concert at the Fountain City Amphitheater on October 17th!



A shout out to **KORA** for donating hot beverages with the proceeds going to the Good Neighbors Utility Fund!

# Meet YOUR Match



## Endowment & Acorn Funds

## 25% Community Fund Match

The Bryan Area Foundation is offering a 25% MATCH for donations to any NEW or EXISTING Community Fund until December 31, 2020!

Ask about a  
Community  
ACORN FUND  
and how you can  
build your fund  
over time by making  
convenient contributions  
until the endowed  
level is met!



### Who Is Eligible

25% Match for NEW or  
EXISTING Community  
Fund Donations

### Maximum Donation Match

\$10,000 per Donor

### Time Frame

Through  
December 31, 2020  
or until the \$50,000  
allocated is matched

Bryan Area Foundation Community Funds generate grant-making dollars that are unrestricted. This is important because in order to respond to the most urgent needs of our community, we need to have unrestricted grant dollars available. Each year, projects large and small are made possible by Bryan Area Foundation Community Funds. Recent examples include a grant to support the United Way COVID-19 Relief Fund, a grant to the Fountain City Amphitheater project, a grant for the Pickle Ball Court creation, and a grant for renovation of the Stryker Library.

Now more than ever, we realize that we can't always anticipate what the needs of our community will be from year to year. *For this reason, we are asking for your help to grow our community fund grant-making dollars, and we'll also "Meet your Match" with an additional 25% gift.* There are many ways to participate:

- Make a donation to the Bryan Area Foundation General Community Fund. For example, when you make a \$300 donation (taking advantage of the 2020 CARES Act deduction) the Foundation will add \$75 (25%) to your gift.
- Make a donation to an existing named Community Fund. (See reverse side of insert and the Foundation will match your gift by 25%.)
- Start your own named Community Fund with a \$4,000 gift. The Foundation will match with \$1,000 (25%) meeting the \$5,000 minimum required to establish the fund.

There is no minimum gift size required to participate. The maximum gift size available is \$40,000 (\$10,000 match by the Foundation.) The Bryan Area Foundation Trustees have approved \$50,000 available for matching donations. Once the funds run out, the match will no longer be available. Send in your gift, or contact the Foundation to work with Amy Miller, President / CEO in the establishment of a new community fund.



Amy is happy to answer any questions you may have  
regarding the 25% Meet YOUR Match campaign!

Call Amy Miller at 419-633-1156 or email  
[amiller@bryanareafoundation.org](mailto:amiller@bryanareafoundation.org)





Mark and Jayne Attenweiler  
with their son, Jason.

### Mark V. Attenweiler Memorial Community Fund

Why do I have a fund? Or  
maybe I should say "why did  
I create a fund in Mark's name"?

The answer is simple. Mark loved  
Bryan and enjoyed being active in  
Bryan's various organizations and  
I felt that creating a fund was the  
best way to honor his memory.

Mark - and I - loved what the Foun-  
dation does and wanted to see our  
donations stay local and benefit all  
of us in perpetuity!

- Jayne Attenweiler McKelvey

## Why I have a Fund !

We both have been blessed to  
be raised in the Bryan community and  
fortunate to raise our own family here.  
We are establishing this community fund  
through the Bryan Area Foundation in an  
effort to give back to the community we love.

- Steve and Mindy Hess

Steve and Mindy Hess with their  
children Molly and Nathan and  
family pet Spencer.



### Stephen and Mindy Hess Family Community Fund



## Why I Have a Fund!

## How Do Endowments Work?

1. An endowment fund is established with a gift from a generous donor.
2. The endowment fund grows and produces investment income.
3. The principle is held, while a percentage of the investment income is paid out each year in grants.





# Thank You Donors!



## Your Fund in Action

These grants made **POSSIBLE** by  
Community Fund Donors!



Learn more about these grants on our website at [BryanAreaFoundation.org/grants-given/](http://BryanAreaFoundation.org/grants-given/)



# Community Funds - Giving Back Together



To qualify for the 25% match, you may donate to any of these Community Funds or establish a fund of your own!

Bryan Area Foundation Community Fund  
Marquard J. Anderson Fund  
Helen Spangler Anderson Fund  
George M. and Maxine E. Armbruster Fund  
Howard L. and Laurena L. Arnos Fund  
ARO Employees Foundation Fund  
Mark V. Attenweiler Fund  
Beattie-Cooper Fund  
F. I. and Mary Bell Fund  
The Benedict Family Fund  
Dorothy Bentley Fund  
Dr. Glen and Iva Biddle Fund  
Dean B. and Carol A. Blaser & David and Kathy Gorzelanczyk Fund  
Vincent Bordner Fund  
Robert A. Boucher Fund  
Fred I. Bowman and Jeanne E. Meyer Fund  
Mary L. Boysen Fund  
Dr. George G. and Julie A. Brown Fund  
The G. Grant and Kathryn Brown Fund  
Gayle R. and Myona Gwendola Calvin Fund  
Lawrence E. and Alice Canter Fund  
Harvey D. and Helen Carlin Fund  
Wayne and Lucille Carlin Fund  
Dr. V. Norman and Lois Carrico and Pamela Carrico Miller Fund  
Carl C. Caulkins Fund  
Hilda K. Chadbourne Fund  
John and Gwen Cotterman Family Fund  
Donald D. Crepps Fund  
Carrie Critchfield Fund  
Cass and Demah Cullis Fund  
Christopher and Elizabeth Cullis Fund  
Orville Dally Fund  
Max E. Day Fund  
Richard DeGroff Fund  
The Dwyer Family Fund  
John B. Dwyer Fund  
Jonathan J. and Laura W. Eckhardt Fund  
Virginia Ellis Fund  
Sarah Faye English Fund  
Orvell and Edna Essman Fund  
First Federal Bank Fund  
Gib and Betty Fenton Fund  
Clarence and Ann Fitzenrider Fund  
Glen and Irma Fitzenrider Fund  
Ralph W. and Karen K. Gallagher Fund  
Herbert W. Gambler Fund  
Wendell P. and Clara B. Goebel Fund

Raymond Gibson Fund  
Leland S. Grim and Wilma E. Grim Fund  
Dale and Wavel Hallock Fund  
WW and MG Hardy Fund  
Lemuel and Marjorie Hawk Fund  
Stephen and Mindy Hess Family Fund  
Huntington Bank Fund  
Adelle Isaac Fund  
George Isaac Fund  
Lilly George Isaac Fund  
Rosa Isaac Fund  
Sadie Isaac Fund  
Dr. Allen and Kay Jackson Fund  
Louys and Ida Juillard Fund  
Edward F. and Rita R. Keefe Fund  
Martin L. Killgallon, III and Misti R. Killgallon Fund  
Flora Dale Krouse Fund  
Hugh and Beverly Lindsey Fund  
Robert D. and Mary Lowe Fund  
Robert T. Lowe Fund  
Charles P. Mallory Fund  
Bill and Donna Martin Family Fund  
Kathryn C. McCord Fund  
Paul and Florence McCoy Fund  
E. G. Mitchell Fund  
Robert A. and Mildred Oberlin Mitchell Fund  
Juanita Myers Fund  
Elwin Newcomer Fund  
Glen and Ann Newcomer Fund  
Valerie Newcomer Fund  
Phillip M. and Mildred Pennell Niederaur Fund  
Doris Nofziger Fund  
Terry Nolin Fund  
Earl C. and Polly Oberlin Fund  
E. Clifford and Lisa Oberlin Fund  
James M. and Charline L. O'Neil Fund  
Stan and Loella Pepple Fund  
Pepple Family Fund  
Russell E. and Matilda M. Pettit Fund  
Michael and Elizabeth Pool Fund  
Robert D. and Eugenia M. Poynter Family Fund  
Dr. Frederick W. and Susan F. Richardson Fund  
Dr. John and Irene Riesen Fund  
Judge Harry J. and Bonnie Rigdon Fund  
Craig and Pam Roth Fund  
David M. and Janet M. Schumm Fund

Marilyn J. Scott Fund  
Michael A. and Jane M. Shaffer Fund  
The Wayne and Georgia Shaffer Family Fund  
Harold and Neitha Shatzer and Ida Jane Motter Fund  
Stephen M. Shook, Margaret Shook, Rex W. Shook, Howard S. Maneval Fund  
Jackson J. and Gina R. Short Family Fund  
Robert S. Simmons Fund  
SJS Investment Services Fund  
Gail Smith Fund  
Lawrence E. and C. June Smith Fund  
Zach and Helen M. B. Smith Fund  
Spangler Foundation Fund  
Ann and Dean Spangler Fund  
Arthur G. Spangler Fund  
Charles B. and Martha G. Spangler Fund  
Duane and Barbara Spangler Family Fund  
Ernest D. Spangler Fund  
C. Gregory and Mary S. Spangler Fund  
Herbert and Lura Spangler Fund  
Omar L. Spangler Fund  
Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Spangler Fund  
Ann Neal Spletzer and Arthur Spletzer Jr. Fund  
Arthur W. and Clara H. Spletzer Fund  
J. T. and Georgia Stelzer Community Fund  
George and Carol Stockman Fund  
F.A. and Kathleen Stockwell Fund  
Luke Thaman Fund  
Dr. Stanley and Constance Tipton Fund  
Paul and Betty Troder Fund  
Jim and Myrna Tuttle Fund  
Van Gundy Family Fund  
Steve and Kelly Voigt Family Fund  
Tom and Wendy Voigt Fund  
Henry and Wanda Walters Fund  
Nedra Wheeler, George F. and Edna E. Garns Fund  
Forest E. Witzerman Fund  
James C. and Tammy M. Wood Fund  
A. W. Yahraus Fund  
George L. Yarger and Mary Jane Yarger Fund  
Chester L. Yates Fund  
Dorothy Young Fund  
Frank Youse Fund

You can be listed here too!

Contact Amy Miller at 419-633-1156 or email  
[amiller@bryanareafoundation.org](mailto:amiller@bryanareafoundation.org)



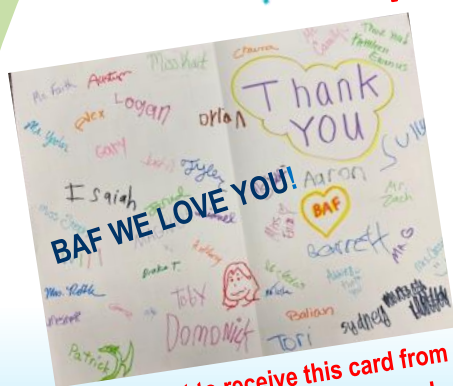
## Grants

# Bryan Area Foundation Grants

## The Bryan Center



**\$24,000 Grant**



What a treat to receive this card from the students at The Bryan Center!



Pictured from left is Kirk Vashaw, Bryan Area Foundation Grant Committee, several students, and Kathleen Ewonus, Director of Sandy Cay, Inc.

The Bryan Area Foundation recently awarded a grant of \$24,000 to The Bryan Center for a new roof and front entrance ramp.

In 2003, Sandy Cay, Inc. formed The Bryan Center for children with autism spectrum disorders. They serve children ages 3 to 21, and offer full-day individualized programs, that address academics, life and social skills, speech, language, and occupational therapy.



Christopher Imm beside one of his mini libraries.



## Bryan Mini Library Eagle Scout Project **\$400 Grant**

**"Today a Reader...Tomorrow a Leader." -Margaret Fuller**

This quote represents Christopher Imm and his Eagle Scout Project, Bryan Mini Libraries!

Thanks to Christopher, Bryan now has four new Mini Libraries placed at the East End Park, the Imagination Station, the Bryan Hospital, and the YMCA.

The project's beneficiary is the Bryan Library, and they will maintain the boxes and keep them stocked with books. Happy reading!

*"Thank you for granting me the funds to complete my Eagle Scout project!"*

*-Christopher Imm*



# Affiliate Grants



## Edon Area Foundation



Pictured from left is Edon Superintendent Anthony Stevens, and representing the Edon Area Foundation is Jo Ann Luce and Tricia Bloir.

## Edon Northwest Schools ❄️ \$1,939 Grant

The Edon Area Foundation awarded a grant of \$1,939 to the Edon Northwest Schools. This grant is for COVID-19 related expenses such as masks, hand sanitizer, and face shields.



## Montpelier Area Foundation

### Montpelier Public Library ❄️ \$1,000 Grant

The Montpelier Area Foundation presented the Montpelier Public Library with a \$1,000 grant to purchase new children's books. Some of the new books are Wonderbooks, which come with a ready-to-play audio player in each book so kids can read along with their favorite books. Several Big Books were also purchased which are great to use during Storytime.



Pictured with the new books is Janet Bennet, representing the Montpelier Area Foundation.



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## CARES Act Charitable Tax Deduction

The Coronavirus pandemic has impacted our lives, caused social and economic stress, and increased the need for charitable action. If you are in a position to continue donating in 2020, the CARES (Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security) Act may make it easier for you to do so. If you are an individual taxpayer that does not itemize, you can take advantage of a new “above-the-line” \$300 deduction for cash contributions to qualified charities. You can take this in addition to your standard deduction.

The Bryan Area Foundation and its affiliates are qualifying charitable entities for your donation. If you’d like to take advantage of the CARES Act charitable tax deduction, we’d like to invite and encourage you to make a donation to the fund of your choice, or our General Community Funds which are used to fund and serve the most timely and urgent needs of Williams County.

