

# 2015-2016 GRANTS

The Kettering Education Foundation awarded teacher grants to twenty Kettering teachers for the 2015-2016 school year. KEF is pleased to sponsor these innovative teachers and their creative ideas.

Tricia Taylor's Southdale **ROOM 302 IS ALIVE AND LOVES INTEGRATED LIFE SCIENCE!** Her third graders will explore life cycles, ecosystems and math concepts.

At KMS Sharon Tolle's eighth grade students will be **KEEPING IT REAL** as they immerse themselves in the world of nonfiction.

By **MOTIVATING AND LEARNING WITH MOBY MAX**, Beth Ayres at JE Prass will monitor the reading and math levels of her fourth graders as they work on their common core skills.

Freshmen in Melissa King's classroom at FHS will take a **CIVIL RIGHTS GALLERY WALK** to study the Civil Rights Act, the women's liberation movement and Cesar Chavez.

Ashley Ross will help students to progress and master development skills in ten classrooms across the district as they work with **EDUCATIONAL GROSS MOTOR BOXES FOR PRESCHOOL.**

At FHS Elizabeth Hann will develop hands-on activities to help her Materials Science students explore **THE MYSTERY OF METALS.**

The students on Cheryl Romstadt's blue team will use the skills they learn in English, science, social studies and math to hold a **KETTERING MIDDLE SCHOOL 5K** in the spring of 2016.

Patricia Taylor's FHS students will be reading challenging, high interest materials during **REAL WORLD CONNECTIONS THROUGH RIGOROUS FREE READING CHOICES.**

Marcy Dickey at Indian Riffle will develop **INTERACTIVE WORK TASKS FOR STUDENTS WITH AUTISM**, using engaging, colorful and educational tasks to promote mastery of skills and independence.

**LEGO ROBOTICS FOR 4TH AND 5TH GRADE** students at JE Prass in Teresa Ewing's after-school club will enable students to explore the world of engineering by building complex control systems.

FHS teacher Stephanie Parker will start an **ADULT TRANSITION ART/HOBBY CLUB** for students at Barnes to help them develop lifelong interests and build relationships through art projects.

Adam Depew at Southdale will be **DRUMMING UP COMMUNICATION, COOPERATION, AND COLLABORATION** with over 600 students in grades K-5, exploring cultural differences through music.

Mary Ellen Sage is all about **MAKING MIDDLE SCHOOL MATH MEANINGFUL** to her KMS sixth graders, using hands-on activities to reinforce math concepts and engage her students.

At Van Buren Jill Spurlin will continue to use **STEM PROJECTS IN THE SCIENCE 8 AND INTEGRATED SCIENCE CURRICULA** to help students connect science content to real-world problems.

Using technology for **SELFIE PORTRAITS**, Meghan Dillon's FHS students will again be able to gain a deeper understanding of artists and images.

**SILKWORM FARMING** will help Lindsay Gustafson's art students at KMS understand the connection between art and science.

Science and social studies will no longer be **THE FORGOTTEN SUBJECTS** in Melissa Gallagher's third grade class at Orchard Park. She will use nonfiction texts to support student learning.

Students in Vicki Denlinger's Physical Education Program at VBMS will learn **DISC GOLF AS A LIFETIME ACTIVITY** while meeting state standards.

At KMS Brenda Cogan will continue with **SOCIAL DETECTIVES II** to improve the social skills and academics of her students in grades sixth through eight.

In Christy Kremer's second grade classroom at JE Prass, **MATH MARKS THE SPOT!** Students will explore math activities designed to give them a positive experience and to promote learning.

# FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

*In addition to sponsoring annual teacher grants, the Kettering Education Foundation offers several annual scholarships. This year the Kettering Education Foundation, on behalf of scholarship donors, awarded scholarships to eight deserving Fairmont graduating seniors.*



## Sally Roush Brown Scholarship

**Holly Mercs**

Planning to attend the University of Dayton (Science)

The Sally Roush Brown Scholarship was established to pay tribute to former teacher and Kettering Board of Education member, Sally Roush Brown. The Brown family developed this scholarship for a graduating senior at Fairmont who has exhibited leadership qualities.



## John Pitstick Memorial Scholarship

**Marta Kuzma**

Planning to attend the University of Dayton (Early Childhood Education)

The John Pitstick Memorial Scholarship was created to honor the spirit and memory of 1978 Fairmont West graduate and varsity football player, John Pitstick.



## Kettering Jaycees Foundation Scholarship

**Isaiah Holmes**

Planning to attend Kettering University (Automotive Engineering)

The Kettering Jaycees Scholarship was established by the Kettering Jaycees Foundation to assist Fairmont Seniors who are graduating from the Automotive Trades Program. The award is a one-year scholarship given to students with a high GPA, who are active in the community.



## Cheryl Abraham Memorial Scholarship

**Sophia L. Kerivan**

Planning to attend Ohio University (Photography / Marketing)

The Cheryl Abraham Memorial Scholarship was created to honor the memory of Fairmont counselor, Cheryl Abraham, a tireless and dedicated advocate for high school students.



## Chase Hale Scholarship

**Alex Heindl**

Planning to attend the University of Alabama (Engineering)

The Chase Hale Scholarship is dedicated to the memory of T. Chase Hale who was a 2002 graduate of Kettering Fairmont High School, and died in an automobile accident in 2007. This scholarship is awarded to a member of the high school tennis and/or swim team both of which Chase captained while at Fairmont.

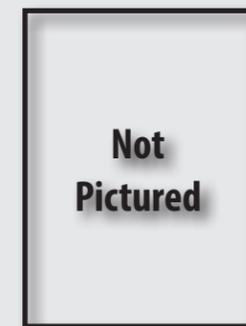


## Marvin Hill Memorial Scholarship

**Alec Fontaine**

Planning to attend Centre College in Danville, KY (Engineering / Physics)

The Marvin Hill Memorial Scholarship is a one-time award created by the Hill family as well as their classmates from the Fairmont class of 1965.

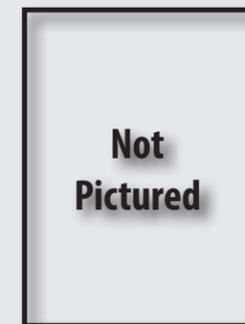


## Ray Albrecht Scholarship

**Kyler Cottrell**

Planning to attend Sinclair Community College (Computer Technology)

The Ray Albrecht Scholarship was established by the family of Ray Albrecht as a memorial tribute to the hard work and dedication that he showed in all aspects of his life.



## "Cookie" Weeks Scholarship

**Hayley Crider**

Planning to attend Lee University (Elementary Education)

Kettering teacher, Elizabeth "Cookie" Weeks, established the "Cookie" Weeks Scholarship for a graduating Fairmont senior who was also a graduate of Ms. Week's Beavertown Elementary class.

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The Kettering Education Foundation appreciates every donation made during the 2014 fiscal year. Your generosity has allowed us to fund numerous worthwhile teacher grants and other projects over our 24-year history. From the Kettering Education Foundation Advisory Board, Kettering teachers, students, staff and parents ...

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## ANNUAL REPORT 2015

### Who We Are

The Kettering Education Foundation Advisory Board is an all-volunteer group, comprised of community leaders, former educators and business associates. Additional input and advice is provided by a liaison with The Dayton Foundation, ex-officio members and emeritus trustees.

The Kettering Education Foundation began in 1990 as the dream of Kettering resident, Susan Bieber, who inspired fellow founders, John Bieber, Roger Bauser, Dale Medford and Chuck Havener, to join her in forming an organization designed to create opportunities for interested citizens, organizations and businesses to enhance educational opportunities in the Kettering City School District.

Today we continue this mission by sponsoring a competitive grant program through which Kettering classroom teachers are able to initiate innovative and creative projects to enhance learning for their students. On behalf of donors, KEF also manages several scholarship funds that award several thousand dollars annually to graduating Kettering Fairmont High School seniors.

### What We've Been Up To

For the 2014-15 school year, 22 teachers received classroom grants. For 2015-16, 20 teachers were selected.

Read about the 2015-16 projects on the next page and follow their progress on the Kettering Education Foundation Facebook Page as the school year unfolds.

Since its inception, the Kettering Education Foundation has raised more than \$300,000 and awarded more than 300 grants. Funds raised have helped the Kettering Education Foundation achieve its vision — to provide support for the Kettering School District's

efforts to be an innovative leader in K-12 education throughout the Miami Valley.

From time to time, the Kettering Education Foundation provides support for other mission-related projects such as the annual middle school literacy event.

The Kettering Education Foundation is a component fund of The Dayton Foundation. This partnership has enabled the Advisory Board to focus more clearly and almost exclusively on the core mission of the organization.

### How to Donate

The Kettering Education Foundation supports programs that have a positive impact on our schools and our community. A donation is not simply a charitable gift, but an investment in the future.

If you wish to contribute to the Kettering Education Foundation, fill out the enclosed donation card, enclose your gift and mail it in using the envelope provided.

You may also go to The Dayton Foundation website at <http://www.daytonfoundation.org/>. Click on "Donate Online" at the bottom of the home page and follow instructions to indicate your gift is for the Kettering Education Foundation.

### Finally ...

Your gifts have enabled us to provide the educators in the Kettering School District with funding for critical and innovative programs that have truly made a difference in their classrooms.

We are deeply indebted to you for your support, your encouragement and your gifts. Thank you for helping us in our efforts to achieve "Excellence in Education through Philanthropy."

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