



COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF
RANDOLPH COUNTY

SCHOLARSHIPS

An inside look at who our scholarships
honor, memorialize, and celebrate

2026



Community Foundation of Randolph County

Our mission is to bring people and resources together to strengthen the quality of life, both now and in the future, for the residents of Randolph County. The Community Foundation of Randolph County (CFRC) is here to make our community the very best place to live, work, and raise a family. CFRC's work falls into three major categories: grant-making, donor service, and community convening. Our most visible activities are the grants and scholarships we award each year.

Most of these awards come from income earned from permanently endowed funds. Some of these endowed funds are unrestricted, meaning that the CFRC board has the responsibility to use the income as it best determines, generally in response to applications from community organizations. Scholarships and other grants come from funds that donors have established for certain purposes.



WINCHESTER COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL A BRIEF HISTORY

Winchester High School, 1899 to 1967
By Pat Knasinski and Dane Starbuck



WHEN THE FIRST SETTLERS, largely Quakers, began to arrive in Randolph County in 1814, schools soon followed. According to Randolph County's official historian and former Randolph Central School Superintendent Dr. Greg Hinshaw, "Of the eleven Friends meetings (congregations) organized in Randolph County before 1850, all were known to have conducted sessions of school at some point. Most of these schools were held in the meeting houses for a few months each year."

Another early effort to promote education in the Randolph County area was the establishment in 1842 of the Randolph County Seminary on West Franklin Street in Winchester. (The term "seminary" was simply the word used at the time to mean "secondary school.") For the next twenty-four years, students from three states and six Indiana counties attended the secondary school. It graduated a future Indiana Supreme Court Chief Justice, two U.S. Representatives, an Indiana Secretary of State, and a national leader of the abolition, women suffrage, and temperance movements.

In 1846, a group of local Quakers and African American leaders in the county established the Union Literacy Institute in southeastern Randolph County. It provided education for primarily African American students. These students were being denied the opportunity to attend school in Indiana and other states such as North Carolina, Virginia, Kentucky, and Tennessee due to laws discriminating against minorities. Its graduates included the first African-American U.S. Senator, the first African-American to serve in the Indiana General Assembly, and a future U.S. Ambassador to the African national of Liberia. In 1868, White River Township (the central township of Randolph County) built a high school at the site where the current Winchester-Carnegie Library is located.

It was turned over to the town of Winchester in 1875 to become officially "Winchester High School." It produced a number of remarkable graduates over the next half century. For example, the WHS class of 1881 was comprised of just nine graduates. They included James P. Goodrich, future Governor of Indiana, James E. Watson, who became U.S. Senate Majority Leader and ran for U.S. President in 1928, John R. Commons, one of the most important economists of the Twentieth Century, Percy Goodrich, future chairman of the National Hay Growers Association, Goodrich Bros., and board of trustees of Hanover College, and Cora Frist Goodrich, who became President of the Indiana Federation of Women's Clubs in 1909 and wife of James Goodrich.

In 1898, a larger Winchester High School was constructed at South and High Streets in Winchester. It stood north of the current Winchester Field House where it burned down to be replaced by a new high school in 1899. The graduates of this school were also remarkable.



April 25, 1898 the High School building burned down.

They included men and women who would become nationally known in their respective professions. Such graduates included Eric T. Huddleston (architecture), Isaac Watts (astronomy), Pierre F. Goodrich (coal, telephone, and newspaper magnate), Robert Beals (president, Wells Fargo Bank), James Thornburg (a founder of Indiana's largest law firm, Barnes & Thornburg, LLP), Florence Hesser (literacy leader and director of George Washington University Reading Center), and Davey Marlin-Jones (professional theatre producer and director). What prompted this explosion of local accomplishment? That is a multi-faceted question, but one large contributing factor was Randolph County's early consolidation, starting in 1907, of 122 one-room schoolhouses into eighteen consolidated and separate school districts. The leader of this school movement was Lee L. Driver, principal of Winchester High School from 1900 to 1907 and Superintendent of Randolph County Schools from 1907 to 1920. As a result, Winchester/Randolph County schools were considered by educational professionals as the leading rural school system in the nation. Educators from throughout Indiana and from ten states and three foreign countries scheduled trips to visit the Winchester area to understand why its schools were so unique and accomplished.

By the mid-1950s, the talk of further school consolidation had come to Randolph County. All school districts were encouraged to consolidate with nearby schools to improve the quality of educational opportunities for county students. From the mid-1950s to the mid-1960s, the consolidation process in White River, Ward, and Franklin Townships took less than seven years to complete, but change came hard for residents who were asked to give up their local schools.



In White River Township, McKinley and Lincoln High Schools, from the eastern and western districts respectively, had begun the process by consolidating in 1956. They began construction on a new White River High School building, located on the east edge of Winchester.

Before construction was completed in 1957 at a cost of \$251,913, there was additional pressure to further consolidate with Winchester High School. WHS was located in the City Winchester in the very center of White River Township. A referendum to consolidate White River with Winchester was on the ballot in 1958 for all voters in the township. The result was The Metropolitan School District of Winchester and White River. White River High School would serve the newly enlarged school district as White River Junior High School. The old Winchester High School building was renamed Lee L. Driver High School and served all White River Township students, both city and country.

Concurrently in Ward Township, Saratoga High School and Jefferson High School in Deerfield had consolidated to form Ward High School, located in Saratoga at the old Saratoga High School Building. Soon thereafter, Ward consolidated again with Jackson Township and the school became known as Ward Jackson High School. In 1962, Ward Jackson divided. The Jackson Township students consolidated with Union City and Wayne Township High School to form Randolph Eastern School Corporation. The Ward Township students consolidated with Winchester-White River, forming the Randolph Central School Corporation.

By 1964, a thirty-acre site was purchased on North Union Street in Winchester for the construction of Winchester Community High School. This building would become the new home of all high school students in White River and Ward Townships. It opened at the end of the school year in the spring of 1967. However, in the Fall of 1966, Ridgeville High School in Franklin Township made the decision to also consolidate, and it also became part of the Randolph Central School Corporation. Ridgeville first sent their high school students into Winchester where they attended classes at Driver High School.

Finally, in late spring of 1967, the senior class, now comprised of students from White River, Ward, and Franklin Townships, along with the towns of Winchester, Saratoga, Deerfield, and Ridgeville, led the move from Driver High to the newly-completed Winchester Community High School. All students at Driver High carried books and other instructional materials by walking them from the old building on East South Street to the new building on North Union Street. Students completed their year in a state-of-the-art high school which had cost \$2,848,839. The diplomas of the senior class of Driver High School were engraved with the words “Winchester Community High School.” It gave the Class of 1967 the distinction of being the first graduating class of WCHS. This configuration of consolidated schools has not changed since that time.

The multiple school consolidations reflected the changing of the times, but the excellence that has been part of the community’s striving to educate its youth—dating back more than 200 years—has never wavered. It is true to this day!



THERE ARE MORE SCHOLARSHIPS TO LEARN ABOUT!

We’re honored that we have the ability to share amazing stories and highlight the generosity of our community. What you see in this booklet are the scholarships being awarded at Winchester Community High School, but there are many more.

To learn about all of the scholarships that are held by the Community Foundation of Randolph County, visit our Master Scholarship List Booklet by scanning the QR code!



Abernathy Family Memorial Scholarship

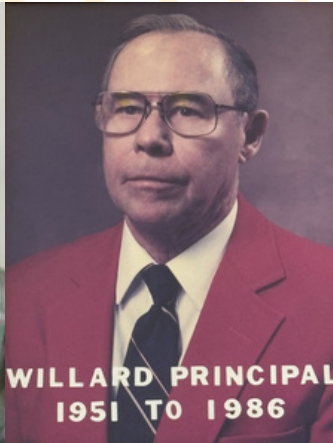


This scholarship is in memory of Evelyn Ann Abernathy. Evelyn “Ann” Abernathy was born in Muncie, Indiana, in 1928 and was a 1947 graduate of Center Township High School (today Wapahani). She was a wife, mother, homemaker, and worked on the family farm. Evelyn attended the Main Street Christian Church. She loved music and taught herself the piano. For many years, she served as a devoted member of the WCHS marching band’s “Band Aides.”

The Band Aides were mothers of band members who traveled with the band, sewing band uniforms, and doing whatever they could to support “The Force” of WCHS.

The scholarship given in her name reflects Evelyn’s interest in supporting a graduate of Winchester Community High School pursuing their own education in music. Preference is given to a band member with a minimum 3.0 GPA.

Ann & Wayne Hinchman Memorial Scholarship



Wayne and Anna (Ann) Hinchman were both born in Adams County in 1915. Wayne graduated from Geneva High School and Manchester College. He taught history, science, and physical education and coached. He helped found the Winchester High School track and football programs.

He was principal of Willard Elementary School for 35 years. He was also a long-time referee for high school and college basketball games. Wayne served as Deacon and Elder for the First Presbyterian Church of Winchester. Anna Hinchman was a graduate of Berne High School. She was president of the Women’s Association of the First Presbyterian Church, taught Sunday School and was the director of Vacation Bible School. Ann was also a Brownie and Girl Scout Leader and loved working in her beautiful garden that she kept at her home for decades. This scholarship recipient is selected on the basis of academic achievement, leadership, ability and probable success in his/her field. Preference given to applicants who want to continue their education through attendance at a 4-year university and who have participated in sports at WCHS. Preference is also given to applicants who would like to continue his or her education in a sports field.

Beatrice E. Hughes Scholarship



Beatrice “Bea” Hughes was born in 1916 in Grant County and was a 1933 graduate of Fairmont High School. She was a member of the Main Street Christian Church, its Bible Study, the Winchester Order of the Eastern Star and a charter member of the Randolph County Hospital auxiliary. Bea worked for many years as a volunteer in the hospital gift shop. Beatrice Hughes was a vibrant woman who loved and was inspired by enterprising young people. Her greatest wish was to help those with aspirations to better their communities.

She not only wanted to be a financial mentor, but while she was living, wanted to be an encourager as they pursued their goals.

This award shall be made to a boy or girl graduate of WCHS who is selected based on academic achievement, leadership, ability, financial need, and probable success in his or her field. The recipient must have been enrolled in WCHS during his/her eleventh and twelfth years of school and graduate with a ‘C’ or higher GPA.

Butch Mullen Memorial Scholarship



Frederick H. Mullen (“Butch”) was a 1968 graduate of Winchester Community High School. He worked at various gas stations in Farland and Winchester and Gulley Ford until 1986 when he joined the Winchester Police Department. He served first as a reserve, then as a full-time officer. His responsibilities included patrolman, night shift supervisor, deputy chief and DARE officer. He also served the City of Winchester as a volunteer

fireman for 20 years. Butch was a strong supporter of Winchester athletics. He served as a volunteer coach for the football and track programs at WCHS. He was especially helpful with the shot put and discus athletes. Butch was a very kindhearted individual who cared about students and encouraged them to make good choices in life. Butch passed away on duty on October 17, 1997. This scholarship is given in memory of Deputy Chief Frederick “Butch” Mullen and is awarded to a WCHS senior based on academic achievement, leadership, citizenship, ability, need, and probable success in his or field. Preference will be given to applicants who have been active in athletics, particularly football and/or track.

Charles F. Passmore Memorial Scholarship

Charles F. Passmore, son of Truman and Pauline Passmore (deceased), was born in Fort Worth, Texas, on October 31, 1961. He was an outdoorsman and enjoyed all aspects of nature. On November 23, 1984, a canoeing accident claimed his life. It is in his memory that the Passmore family have dedicated the "Charles F. Passmore Memorial Scholarship" fund.

This scholarship is awarded to a graduating WCHS senior who is in the upper half of their class, demonstrates financial need and is attending an Indiana college or university. Preference will be given to applicants who plan to continue their education in the field of communication, nursing, teaching, or business administration.

Donald Forrest Hahn & Wilma Fraley Hahn Memorial Scholarship

Donald Forrest Hahn and Wilma (Fraley) Hahn graduated in 1941 in Hollandsburg, Ohio. Don enrolled at Earlham College, but was drafted into the Army to serve in World War II. He was part of the 3rd Army under the command of General Patton and his unit fought at Normandy Beach on D-Day, in the Battle of the Bulge, and in the battle for the Remagen Bridge. Don received a Silver Star, two Bronze Stars, one with clusters and a purple heart for shrapnel wounds. Don was a member of the Honor Guard for General Patton's funeral. Wilma obtained her nursing degree from Reid Memorial Hospital.



When Don returned from the war in 1946, they married and moved to 298 No. Jackson Street in Winchester where they lived as man and wife for 70 years in that same house. Don passed away on December 24, 2016, and just 30 hours later Wilma died on December 25. Wilma worked as an emergency room nurse from 1946-1949 and then was employed by the Randolph County Hospital from 1950-1968. From 1968 until her retirement in 1986 Wilma was Randolph Central School Corporation's nurse. Don farmed, was a rural route mail carrier, a member of the Lion's Club and served on the school board for the Randolph Central School Corporation. He was on the board when the new high school was built. Don and Wilma were members of the First United Methodist Church of Winchester for 70 years. Both Don and Wilma were awarded Sagamores of the Wabash. They had three children: Greg, Randy and LeighAnne. Both Don and Wilma valued public school education and held higher education as a priority.

Awarded to a Randolph County, Indiana, High School graduate with financial need. Preference to be given to a student(s) pursuing a degree in Agriculture or Nursing.

Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship

The Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship Program is designed to help raise the level of educational attainment in Indiana, increase awareness of the beneficial roles Indiana community foundations can play in their communities and encourage efforts of Lilly Endowment Community Scholars to engage with each other and with state leaders to improve quality of life in Indiana.

In nominating Randolph County's Lilly Endowment Community Scholar, applicants are scored on academic ability, extracurricular activities, work/community effort, honors and awards, and goals and aspirations. Five finalists are invited to interview with the CFRC's committee, where they are scored on professional demeanor, presentation skills, and quality of response. Nominees are then submitted to Independent Colleges of Indiana (ICI) for the selection of scholarship recipients.

The Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship provides for full tuition, required fees and a special allocation of up to \$900 per year for required books and required equipment for four years of undergraduate study on a full-time basis leading to a baccalaureate degree at any eligible Indiana public or private nonprofit college or university.

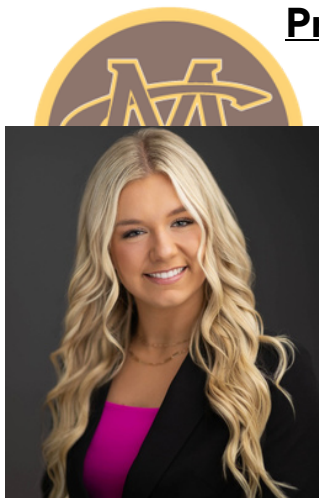
2026 Lilly Semi-Finalists



Top row, left to right: Makennah Chamness, Addilynn Grove, Hadley Hendrickson, Carter Campbell, Aiden Mendenhall

Bottom row, left to right: Campbell Kerns, Avery Thomas, Madelyn Hines, Noah Allen, Jayson Connor

Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship Program Recipient



Hadley Hendrickson

Congratulations to Hadley Hendrickson on being named the 2026 Lilly Scholar! Hadley Hendrickson is the daughter of Daniel Hendrickson and Telynda Hendrickson, and a graduate from Monroe Central Junior/Senior Highschool. In the fall she plans on attending Purdue University to study pre-veterinary medicine.

Lilly Finalists



Carter Campbell



Madelyn Hines



Campbell Kerns



Avery Thomas

The four finalists not selected to receive the Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship will receive \$1,250 scholarships from the Community Foundation.

Donnabelle Gaylor Scholarship



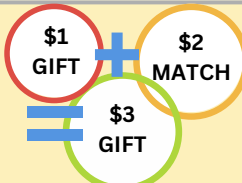
Donnabelle Jean and Norval R. Gaylor

Donnabelle Jean Gaylor was born in 1921. She was a wife and mother. She worked for the Second National Bank of Richmond and was a member of the Friends Church of Winchester where she sang in the choir and was active with the Women's Society of the church. She was also a member of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Moose Lodge.

Scholarship recipients must have completed their junior and senior years at WCHS, demonstrated good character and citizenship among the faculty & student body, and be ranked academically in the top 10% of their class. This is a renewable scholarship for up to four years.



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Duane E. & Ruby M. Wickersham Memorial Scholarship



Duane “Wick” Wickersham went from raising pigs to starting a trucking company and in September of 1944 he was making a delivery to a local factory in Winchester and overheard the plant manager complaining about the employees leaving the facility for lunch. He suggested opening a café inside the facility. A week later the owners of the factory called him to see if he

would be interested in opening a cantina in the factory. After operating the cantina for a year, he sold it to the factory and started The Rainbow Restaurant in downtown Winchester. His new restaurant was a success, and his pies were such a hit that he started delivering them out of a 1934 Buick Sedan. His goal was to produce and sell 300 pies a day, which he reached in four years. Wick’s Pies outgrew its capacity and in 1961 it purchased the building at 214 SE Greenville Avenue in Winchester. This building had previously housed the McCamish Slipper Factory until 1949. Presently the pie factory makes 10,000 pies and over 30,000 pie shells in an 8-hour shift. The Wickersham’s have employed their own children. It has grown over the years by keeping the values of making the highest quality product and providing great customer service. Upon his retirement in 1986, Duane opened Mrs. Wick’s Restaurant and Pie Shop across from the Pie Factory in honor of his wife, Ruby. To this day they make thirty-six varieties of pies every day along with serving breakfast, lunch, and dinner. The Duane and Ruby Wickersham Memorial Scholarship was created after Duane’s death on November 6, 2008. This scholarship is given to a WCHS senior planning to study hospitality or business.

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

As we continue to work on and improve this scholarship booklet each year, we will continue to search for photos and information about the individuals whom we have scholarships in memory and/or honor of. If you have any information or pictures of any of these individuals, specifically those we do not have pictures of or much information on, please contact us! We would be thrilled to talk to you, and learn more!

Please contact CFRC’s Scholarships & Community Development Officer, Grant Cox with any information you may have!

- gcox@randolphcountyfoundation.org
- (765) 584 9077 ext. 201

Dustin Shannon Memorial Scholarship



Dustin (Dusty) Shannon was a life-long Winchester resident, Winchester Community High School Alumni from the class of 2008, Yearbook Advisor, Student Council Advisor, Senior Class Sponsor, and dedicated community member who made an impact on the lives of many he encountered. In addition to his time teaching, he also found the time to work part-time at the Hummel Drive-In, Haines Hallmark Gift Shop & Soda Fountain, and Mrs. Coe's Noodles.

Dusty's time at Winchester Community High School covered many areas, and he had such a great impact that numerous students who after leaving his class chose careers in media, photography, or journalism.

After entering high school as a freshman in 2004, he basically never left. Even when attending Ball State University, he would return to help with the annual musicals. He could always be counted on to help out. Dusty was many things to many people in the community: a devoted teacher, a wonderful employee, a kind-hearted person full of joy, and a remarkable man. In his 34 years, he touched countless lives.

To be qualified for this scholarship, a student must graduate from Winchester Community High School and plan to pursue a career in Journalism, International Studies, History, or Education. Preference is given to those who show a commitment to community service and have demonstrated financial need.

East Central Ag Crop Insurance Agency Scholarship

Wanting to give back to the community of Randolph County, the owners of East Central Ag Crop Insurance Agency felt there was a need to create a scholarship solely for those students who are pursuing higher education in agriculture, whose ultimate goal is an agricultural-based career. It is awarded to a Randolph County senior pursuing education in the field of agriculture with a G.P.A. of 2.7 or higher.

Elizabeth & Gerald Greenawalt Scholarship



The Greenawalt's came to Winchester in 1982 when Jerry was transferred from Pennsylvania to Winchester for his job at Overmyer Mold. He worked in quality control. Both Betty and Jerry strongly believe in being part of our community and giving back to others in whatever way they can. After retirement, Jerry served for three years as interim director of the Chamber of Commerce as a volunteer. He was a leader in Winchester's Main Street Program and Rotary.

Betty retired from Indiana Michigan Power, and has been active in many local organizations including Delta Theta Tau sorority, the Winchester Women's Club, Athena Club, and the Wanna Bees Quilt Club. In addition, she also coordinated the Quilt Barn Ramble Project. Both Betty and Jerry have been very active in Winchester's Our Savior Lutheran Church serving in a variety of capacities. Neither of the Greenawalt's are college graduates but appreciate the need for technical and/or academic education.

Environmental Education Scholarship



Randolph County
Recycling District

This fund was set up by the Randolph County Recycling District. The district was established in 1996, dedicated to helping our community reduce waste, reuse creatively, recycle right, respect the earth and rethink sustainability through community outreach and environmental education programs. The fund held at CFRC was created in 2004 to help further their mission by establishing a scholarship for Randolph County seniors who are committed to environmental conservation and aspire to careers that will contribute to the preservation and restoration of the environment.

Ernest & Idabelle Ray Scholarship

Idabelle Ray was born on August 6, 1919, in Ward Township to Eli B and Mary Agnes (Warren) Weimer. Idabelle was a member of the Saratoga United Methodist Church and was also a member of the Saratoga Extension Homemakers Club and the Winchester Business and Professional Women's Club. She was retired from her banking career at Mutual Federal Savings Bank when she passed away at the age of 98, in October of 2017. This scholarship is awarded to a graduating WCHS senior planning to attend a non-profit school to learn a trade.



Frances I. Woods Scholarship



Frances was born in Farmland, Indiana, on March 21, 1926. She graduated from Lincoln High School and attended Sinclair College, Ball State University, and IU East. Frances retired from Union Trust Bank after 25 years of service. She also worked in real estate for several years and in addition she also helped manage and worked the family farm. Frances was a charter member of Ad-a-Link Club, a group of graduates from Lincoln High School. She attended Peaceful Valley Friends Church in Lynn and was a member of the Peaceful Valley Ladies Aid. Scholarship recipient must have demonstrated good character and citizenship, participated in extracurricular activities or community activities, and graduated with a 3.5 GPA or higher.

Wallace L. & Edna V. Fields Scholarship

Awarded to a Winchester Community High School student who has exhibited an interest in history. Financial need is priority. Qualifications that should also be considered: attitude toward school work, initiative, incentive, worthiness, willingness, citizenship, cooperation, interest in Randolph County Historical Society, interest in the Randolph County Historical Museum, resident of Ward Township.

Gary Horner Memorial Scholarship



Gary Horner graduated from Winchester Community High School in 1968 and later obtained a bachelor's degree from Manchester College and a master's degree from Ball State University. He was an educator for 35 years, teaching science and social studies at Spartanburg Junior High, Driver Middle School, and Winchester Community High School. He coached middle school football, basketball, and track. Gary passed away in 2008 the week before school was to begin. For the last 15 years of his life, he was the head coach of the Lady Falcons basketball team, winning 71% of his games and 16 championships.

Coach Horner served as an outstanding example and role model for students and staff. He was a strong Christian, devoted family man and one who was known for putting the needs of others before his own. This scholarship is being presented in memory of Coach Gary Horner by his family to honor the values he demonstrated. It is awarded to a 4-year member of the WCHS girls' basketball team who achieved good academic standing, demonstrated hard work, community service and overall good citizenship.

Ira and Olive Davisson Scholarship

The scholarship honors Ira Davisson (born February 1894) and Olive M. (Pursley) Davisson (born 1897). Ira, son of Samuel S. and Ida M. Davisson, married Olive, daughter of Frank E. and Margaret Luella Jackson, on June 2, 1915. Ira passed away on March 15, 1968, at the age of 74. Both Ira and Olive are buried in Maxville Cemetery, with Olive passing away in 1979.



Mr. & Mrs. Ira Davisson

Olive was a lifelong resident of Randolph County, born in Washington Township and later moving to Winchester, Indiana. She was an active member of her community, joining the Winchester Friends Church in 1962 (when Martindale Friends was laid down), and participated in the Neighborly Home Economics Club, Sunshine Club, and American Legion Auxiliary.

This scholarship is awarded to graduating seniors from Winchester Community High School and Union High School.

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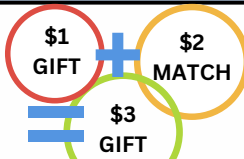
Your gift to any unrestricted fund will be matched \$2 to \$1 through Lilly Endowment's GIFT IX matching grant program.

Have you ever wanted your donation to the Community Foundation of Randolph County to do more? Well, now it can! Thanks to a commitment from the Lilly Endowment, Inc., every \$1 you give to the Community Foundation Enrichment Fund (or one of our other unrestricted funds) will be matched with \$2 more, tripling your impact to \$3 while matching funds last.

Now is also a great time to establish a new unrestricted fund since all contributions to it will be matched!



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What is an unrestricted fund?

Unrestricted funds are established to provide support for urgent needs, invest in local ideas, and support nonprofit organizations. These funds provide the most flexibility to meet the changing needs of the community.

They support our community grant cycles. Nonprofit organizations apply for funding of projects or programs during these cycles, and unrestricted funds support these grants.



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LINDA D. BROWN DARE TO LEAD FUND*



Linda and her mother Deloris

A transplant to Randolph County in 1973, Linda D. Brown has been connected to the Community Foundation of Randolph County since its inception in 1993. At the founding of the CFRC, she assisted in fundraising in support of the nascent organization through estate planning conversations with a client.

Linda's engagement with the CFRC did not end there though as she subsequently served on our Board of Directors for several years during our second decade of existence.

"I donate to the CFRC because I feel a responsibility to support charitable services of today and the future," Linda says. "Giving is a part of my Christian faith and values, whether financially or in service. I strive to follow my parents' example by staying involved in both my church and the local community."

While she has been a longtime supporter of the Community Foundation of Randolph County – and the Women's Fund, in particular, through donations of items for the annual auction – Linda Brown recently created an enduring legacy with the Community Foundation when she established the Linda D. Brown Dare To Lead Fund, an unrestricted fund. "I like being able to start a fund and support other funds [e.g., the Women's Fund] that will go on doing good after I am no longer able to support them," she shared.

CHRIS & DOREEN CULY FAMILY CHARITABLE FUND*



Chris and Doreen Culy are well-known leaders in Winchester. They previously were business owners and worked for Culy Contracting, which began in 1978 as a family owned and operated business. What started as a small operation has grown into a successful business, employing many across the county.

Nowadays, Chris and Doreen are championing philanthropy in Randolph County. Their desire to continue making this community a better place to live led to the creation of the Chris & Doreen Culy Family Charitable Fund. Doreen joined the Community Foundation's board of directors in 2024 and sits on numerous committees.

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WICK'S EMPLOYEES GIVING FUND*

The Wick's Employee Giving Fund is the company's workplace giving program. Established in 2016, it honors past and present employees by supporting charitable causes through the Community Foundation of Randolph County. These funds primarily support Randolph County, Indiana, the home of Wick's corporate headquarters, all three businesses, and many of the employees and their families.



EDP RENEWABLES CHARITABLE FUND*

EDP Renewables North America (EDPR), the largest owner-operator of wind farms in Indiana, donated \$125,000 to the Community Foundation of Randolph County to establish this fund.



EDPR believes in being a good neighbor and supporting the communities that host their wind farms and solar parks. Renewable energy powers opportunity in America. EDPR is building enough wind and solar capacity in Randolph County to power 150,000 Indiana homes and their establishment of this fund is one way for EDPR to show their appreciation to the communities that have made this possible.

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CHIP & RUTH LONEY FUND*

Clark "Chip" Loney has served the Randolph County Community in many ways during his adult life. Chip has served his employer through three generations, the Randolph Central School Corporation, the Community Foundation of Randolph County, The Randolph County YMCA, and his church, Deerfield United Methodist Church.



Not only does he willingly give to community organizations, but he also volunteers his time. And he's done all this while he and his wife, Ruth, have raised a wonderful family.



RANDOLPH COUNTY HEROES FUND*



The Community Foundation of Randolph County continues our celebration of local heroes who have impacted the community or exceeded expectations to serve others. This effort is the result of a Community Foundation program that helps recognize the heroes among us, while also raising money to help others through grantmaking.

"We thought a really neat thing would be to create a list of Randolph County Heroes," said former Community Foundation Board member Cathy Stephen-Miller of the ongoing program which started in 2015. "For \$1,000, anyone can nominate a person (living or deceased), business, or community organization for the designation of a Randolph County Hero. The money goes into our Randolph County Heroes Fund, which the Board uses to do great things in Randolph County for years to come. It all has to do with making Randolph County a great place to live."

The Randolph County Heroes Fund is a wonderful way to remember someone who has passed and a great way to honor those currently working to make Randolph County a better place to live.

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Inez M. Howe Memorial Scholarship



Inez M. Hamilton Howe, widow of Daniel Wait Howe, was born in 1850 and died at age 80 in Indianapolis. Inez Howe was a worthy matron of the Order of the Eastern Star in Indiana and spent significant time working with the Winchester chapter of the Eastern Star. Her husband was a prominent lawyer, judge, and historian in Indianapolis who served as president of the Indiana Historical Society between 1901 and 1920.

As a young man, Howe enlisted as a private in the Seventh Indiana Regiment in the Civil War and took part in several battles of the western theatre including Carrick's Ford, Stone's River, Chickamauga, and Missionary Ridge. As a historian, he wrote several critically acclaimed books including Puritan Republic (1899), Civil War Times (1902), and Political History of Secession (1914). The Howes had three daughters: Ruth Howe, Lucy Howe Hall and Susan Howe. Inez Howe's philanthropic endeavors provided generous donations for countless recipients and foundations throughout Indiana from her estate at her death. This scholarship is presented to a senior who has exhibited the following: initiative, incentive, worthiness, willingness, citizenship, cooperation, and a positive attitude toward school work. Priority is given to children or grandchildren of Eastern Star or Mason members.

Harry Fuller and Thelma Way Fuller Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship was established by Harry and Thelma's daughter, Janet Fuller. This scholarship is awarded to a Winchester Community High School graduating senior with the following qualifications: attitude towards school work, initiative, incentive, worthiness, willingness, citizenship, and cooperation.



James & Esther Mock Memorial Scholarship



The James & Esther Mock Memorial Scholarship was created in 2005 to honor Jim Mock, a 1949 graduate of Winchester High School. Jim was an educator for 37 years, with 36 of those years at Randolph Central in numerous roles from guidance counselor to teacher to assistant superintendent. He retired in 1994. He valued education and felt that good character and integrity were the most important traits that an individual could have. He was also a proud Navy veteran, serving during the Korean War. In 2017, his wife Esther Mock passed away and her name was added to the scholarship to recognize and honor her. She always stressed the need for integrity, a good education and continued learning, even taking computer and painting classes herself later in life. This scholarship is given in recognition of both of their love for this community and the students of WCHS.

Opal & Murray T. McGuire Scholarship

Opal and Murray McGuire were born in rural Randolph County in the early 1920's; Opal in Greensfork and Murray in White River Township. Murray served in World War II as a Staff Sergeant in the Army Air Corps. Opal's parents were Charles and Martha Frazier Welch. Murray's father was Thomas McGuire who was employed at Overmyer Mould in Winchester. This scholarship is awarded to a WCHS graduating senior who has shown initiative, incentive, cooperation, and academic success and who demonstrates financial need.

Judge Charles P. Holdeman Scholarship

Charles Holdeman was a native and lifelong resident of Winchester. He graduated from Winchester High School in 1931 and was an Army sergeant in World War II. He was a federally- licensed grain inspector beginning his career in 1937 with Goodrich Elevators. In 1964 he was elected Winchester City Court judge, a position he held for 24 years before retiring in 1988. He was a member of the United Presbyterian Church. He was also a 52-year member of the Winchester Masonic Lodge 56, and belonged to Union City Elks Lodge 1334, American Legion Post 39, and the Indiana City and Town Court Judges Association.

This scholarship is awarded to a boy or girl graduate of Winchester Community High School who is selected based on academic achievement, leadership, ability, and probable success in his/her field. Preference is given to applicants who want to continue their education in the field of law, who plan to attend Indiana University, and/or who have an interest in the game of golf. The recipient must also graduate in the upper one-fourth of his/her class.

Kellie Stephen & Dave Furby Memorial Scholarship



In 2010, Dave Furby established a scholarship fund in memory of his good friend, Kellie Stephen. Kellie Stephen was a 1967 graduate of Winchester Community High School. He was an educator who taught at Union High School and served as an administrator for Winchester Community High School, Driver Middle School, Monroe Central High School, and New Castle Middle School. Kellie was a people person. He was the kind of person with whom you

wanted to spend time. Sadly, Mr. Furby passed in 2017. Dave Furby was a 1969 graduate of Winchester Community High School where he played football and golf. He worked as an Independent Distributor for Little Debbie Cakes for 34 years. He was a member of Phi Delta Kappa, Winchester Moose, and the Winchester Golf Club. The scholarship is now known as the “Kellie Stephen & Dave Furby Memorial Scholarship.” One student at each county high school will receive an award. In honor of the lives of Kellie Stephen and Dave Furby, priority is given to candidates known to give their personal best in everything they do. They are friendly, outgoing, and heavily involved in their school and community.

Kevin D. Gulley Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship is presented in memory of Kevin D. Gulley, a 1978 graduate of Winchester Community High School. Kevin Gulley started playing golf at the age of 10 and worked at the Beeson Park Golf Course. He was a two-time state qualifier with the Winchester High School golf team. He went to Ball State University. He worked at the Ball Corporation in Muncie, then as a comptroller at one of Ball’s California facilities. He died tragically in an automobile accident in California.



The recipient is selected based on academic achievement, leadership, citizenship, ability, and probable success in his/her field. This student must have been enrolled in WCHS during his/her eleventh and twelfth years of school and be in the upper half of his/her class. Preference given to students who have been active in athletics, particularly golf, during their high school career.

Leon & Ruhama Hendrickson Family Scholarship



Leon (Lonnie) and Ruhama Hendrickson came from humble beginnings. Leon worked as a farmer before joining the US Navy at the age of seventeen to fight in World War II. On his first leave home he married Ruhama Rhoades and rejoined his ship to conclude the war. After the war he returned to Winchester and continued farming and served as a substitute rural mail carrier. He also started several businesses such as the skating rink while working on the farm. He operated the Rainbow Restaurant in Winchester for twenty years. While operating the Rainbow, he became fascinated with coin collecting. He started a small coin shop above the

Rainbow and began showing his coins at local coin shows. His hobby soon became a full-time profession. He moved the “Winchester Coin Shop” to the basement of his home and it soon became known as “Silver Towne.” The business expanded into not only rare coins, but also silver and gold bullions, coins, and bars. Silver Towne soon became too large for the couple’s basement and moved to a beautiful two-story building that they built next to their home. Ruhama developed part of the shop for jewelry and collectibles, while Lonnie continued the coin and silver and gold exchange. The family continues to have the Silver Towne Mint on Greenville Avenue where they make their bars and bullions. Lonnie lived by the saying “Make new friends but keep the old. One is silver and the other gold.”

Merrett Monks Memorial Scholarship



Merrett Richard Monks, known locally as Rick, is a 1965 graduate of Driver High School, who attended the General Motors Institute. He began his work with GM at Delco Remy Battery where he earned a journeyman electrician certificate and was later assigned to Project Engineering. After earning degrees at Purdue University and Indiana Wesleyan, he completed his 39-year career with General Motors, working in several states as well as Portugal, India, and Italy. Merrett excelled in mentoring young General Motors workers and was awarded the Glenn D. Hall Memorial Mentoring Award in 2006 from a field of over 200 candidates. He taught young employees to set high personal expectations, do everything to the best of their abilities and to never compromise their integrity.

Michael Greene Memorial Scholarship

Michael Greene was an educator who taught at Winchester Community High School from 1994 until 2017. He taught band, speech, elementary music, and elementary art, but his passion was high school chorus. Mike was best known as the director of the annual WCHS musicals that were such a source of community pride. He was a proud Navy veteran. He was also a member of a popular barber shop quartet that entertained local audiences. Mike made it a point to find the hidden talents in his students and encourage them to grow. His students grew in confidence and poise as well as in musical skill.



This scholarship is being awarded to a graduating senior who plans to major in music education with an emphasis in chorus or in theatre education.

Phillip A. Hawley Scholarship

This scholarship is being presented in memory of Phil Hawley. Phil Hawley was an educator who taught at Winchester Community High School for 44 years. He taught a variety of subjects in the industrial arts department and was the coordinator of the school's driver's education program. He was also in charge of maintaining and operating the sound and light systems in the WCHS auditorium. His dedication to these responsibilities was instrumental in the quality and success of the programs presented over the years. Phil was a member and past president of the Randolph Central Teachers' Association. He was also a member of Indiana State Teachers Association, National Education Association, and the Masons. Phil loved teaching and could never imagine retiring from education. He was very loyal to WCHS and cared deeply for his students. This scholarship goes to a WCHS senior who will be attending a 2- or 4-year college or trade school.



Robert & Rachel Stump Scholarship

Robert and Rachel Stump were long-time residents of Randolph County and both were teachers in the Randolph Central school system from 1943 to 1985. Robert taught science, chemistry, physics and math at Driver and WCHS for 24 years. Rachel first taught home economics at McKinley and later taught kindergarten at White River, Baker, Morton, Saratoga, and Ridgeville schools for 28 years.



In addition to their work as teachers, both were active in the community and at the First United Methodist Church. Robert was instrumental in organizing the Randolph County Antique Tractor Club. Rachel died in 2000 and Robert passed away in December, 2016. In recognition of their passion for education, the family is pleased to honor them with the presentation of this scholarship to a deserving graduating senior at WCHS.

Russell Symmes Scholarship

Russell Symmes founded the Aluminum Foundries Inc. in Winchester in the mid-1940's following World War II. The plant, owned by the family until 2005, employed 105 men working in two shifts at their 50,000 square foot facility on the north side of town. Born in Redkey, Indiana, in 1906, Symmes and his siblings grew up in Muncie with their father and their grandparents. They lived on their grandfather's \$50 Civil War pension and whatever their father could earn as a painter and wallpaper hanger, until Russell began to work in a Muncie steel foundry during his teen years. By age 16, he was promoted to supervisor. During World War



II, Russell and his young wife Evelyn moved to Bendix, New Jersey, where Russell worked in the foundry at Eclipse Aviation, a Division of Bendix Aviation Corporation, to support the war effort. The Symmes saved every possible cent so that they could return to Indiana after the war and build their own home and foundry. Russell and Evelyn Symmes had six children: Nancy Symmes Whitaker (Driver High School, 1960), Rusty Symmes (DHS 1963), Greg Symmes (WCHS 1967), Shelly Symmes (WCHS 1971), Becky Symmes (WCHS 1973), and Kim Symmes Conn (WCHS 1978).

Ruth Bales Fisch Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship was established in memory of Ruth Bales Fisch, daughter of the late Randolph County judge Alonzo L. Bales and Mrs. Bales, and a graduate of Winchester High School. It is awarded to a senior at Winchester Community High School based on academic achievement, leadership, ability, probable success in a chosen field, and possible financial need. The student must rank in the upper third of the class, be accepted to an accredited college or university, and have been enrolled at WCHS during both their junior and senior years. First preference is given to a student who plans to teach high school or college English; second preference is given to a student who plans to teach history or another humanities field.

Stephen Family Scholarship



It was Kellie's request that the Stephen family establish a scholarship in honor of his family, who all valued education. He wanted it in memory of him; his grandfather, Leroy Stephen, who was a bus driver at Randolph Central for years; his parents, Gerald and Patsy, who have always been great supporters of the schools; his wife, Cathy, who was also an educator; and his children, who received excellent educations here in Randolph County. His hope was that this scholarship could give back just a little bit of the great experiences the Stephen family received from Randolph County schools.

Tammy Hall Scholarship

September "Tammy" Lee Oakley was born January 29, 1962 in Winchester to Charles and Carole Burris Hall. Tammy graduated from Winchester Community High School in 1980 with honors. She attended Marion College and graduated from Memphis Tech with a degree in accounting. Tammy received her bachelor's degree of general studies from Indiana University and earned a master's degree of theology from Christian Living School of Theology. She served on the board of Living Word Christian Fellowship. She was employed by Reid Hospital for 24 years. Tammy, who was married to David D. Oakley, passed away in 2011 at the age of 49.



This scholarship is presented by the families of and in memory of former WCHS graduate Tammy Hall. The recipient must be a graduate of WCHS who has been actively involved in the choral program and has been accepted into a 2- or 4-year public or private institution of higher learning.

Tom and Betty Herold Scholarship



This scholarship is made possible by the generosity of Thomas and Elizabeth Herold.

The Herold Scholarship is awarded to graduates of a Randolph County, Indiana, high school. The scholarship is awarded annually to one of the high schools on a rotational basis in the following order (or in the school consolidated), and then repeated: Randolph Central School Corporation (Winchester Community High School), Randolph Eastern School Corporation (Union City Jr./Sr. High School), Randolph Southern School Corporation, Monroe Central Jr./Sr. High School, Union School Corporation. Students must be pursuing a two- or four- year secondary degree.

Virginia Davis Weber Scholarship

Virginia Ruth Davis Crew Weber was born in Winchester in 1909 to Earl C. and Mamie Davis. She graduated from Winchester High School with the Class of 1927, then attended the National College of Education in Evanston, IL, where she became certified as a teacher. Later she also attended Earlham College and Ball State University to earn her bachelor's and master's degrees. "Miss Virginia," as she was known to her elementary students, taught in Wilmette, IL, Winchester, and Centerville before retiring in 1973. She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Winchester, then later, the Trinity Lutheran Church in Richmond. She was also a member of Tri Kappa social sorority and Delta Kappa Gamma, Teacher's Honorary Sorority. She and her first husband, Murray Crew, built a new home on the outskirts of Winchester on east SR 32, where they resided during the years she taught at Central Elementary School in Winchester. Following Crew's death, she married Louis Weber and moved to Wayne County, where she continued teaching and helping to raise his three children. Later, the Weber's fostered Leland and Gayle Smith of the Centerville area. Virginia Crew Weber was a magnificent elementary teacher who loved children every day of her career.

The Virginia Davis Weber scholarship is given to a senior planning to further their education. The criteria for this scholarship include: academic leadership, financial need, probable success, attended WCHS their junior and senior year with preference to the pursuit of a degree in pre-school, kindergarten, elementary education, or high school education.

Pierre F. Goodrich Memorial Scholarship



Pierre F. Goodrich was a 1912 graduate of Winchester High School and the son of Cora and James P. Goodrich. James P. Goodrich was governor of Indiana from 1917-1921. Pierre went on to graduate from Wabash College, Phi Beta Kappa, and from Harvard Law School. He returned to practice law in Winchester before relocating to Indianapolis in 1923 to become one of Indiana's most accomplished attorneys and businessmen. He was either Chairman or President of Peoples Loan & Trust Company, the Indiana Telephone Company, and Ayrshire Collieries Corporation, in addition to being a director of several other large Indiana companies. He founded The Winchester Foundation, the Pierre and Enid Goodrich Foundation, and Liberty Fund, the latter being the

largest private education foundation in the country based in Carmel, Indiana. In 1987 Pierre's widow, Enid Goodrich, established the scholarship in her husband's memory. Since that time, more than 40 students have received the Goodrich scholarship.

Pierre F. Goodrich Memorial Scholarship **2026 Recipients**

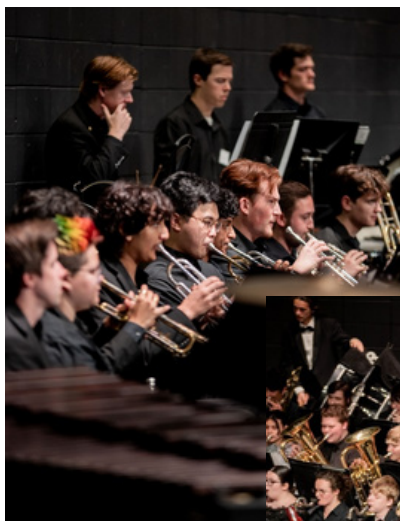


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From Revolution to National Pride



The Community Foundation, in partnership with The Winchester Foundation and Randolph County United, is proud to support the *From Revolution to National Pride* countywide concert in celebration of our nation's Semiquincentennial. We extend a special thank you to Max Jones for his tireless efforts to coordinate this successful performance. The opportunity to partner with the Purdue University Wind Ensemble and all five Randolph County high school bands is likely a once-in-a-lifetime occurrence and we are so grateful for everyone's participation.



The Fast Family Advanced Manufacturing Scholarship is administered by The Winchester Foundation

Fast Family Advanced Manufacturing Scholarship

Larry E. Fast is a native of Winchester, Indiana, and a 1965 graduate of Lee L. Driver High School. He earned a Bachelor of Science degree from Indiana University in Management and Administration and is also a graduate of Earlham College's Institute for Executive Growth and Harvard University's School of Business in Management Development. Larry became Vice President of Manufacturing of Belden Wire and Cable in Richmond, Indiana, before joining, in 1997, General Cable Corporation, one of the world's largest wire and cable companies. By 1999, he rose to become Senior Vice President of its North American Operations with 28 plants reporting to him in this capacity. He is the author of *The 12 Principles of Manufacturing Excellence—A Leader's Guide to Achieving and Sustaining Excellence*, which is now in its 2nd Edition. In 2007, Fast established his own company, Pathways to Manufacturing Excellence, and from 2014 to 2018 he joined the Gerson Lehrman group as a consultant to its manufacturing clients. Larry has won several awards and accolades for his work in



serving on the boards of directors of universities and trade organizations. In 2018, he established WCHS's Fast Advanced Manufacturing Center Program to help train local students to develop skills that will enable them to advance in their careers without necessarily having to leave Randolph County. In addition, Larry has established the Fast Family Advanced Manufacturing Center Scholarship to enable students to pursue a degree from Ivy Tech, Vincennes University, or other degree earning program. He is currently retired in Florida but returns to Indiana frequently.



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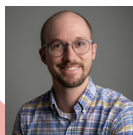
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Meet with the Foundation staff

Knowledge is power. Arrange a meeting with the Community Foundation of Randolph County staff to discuss your charitable wishes. The staff will explain the services the CFRC can provide you and how the CFRC can meet your needs. The CFRC will take your wishes and work with you to create a fund agreement.

Review the agreement

The CFRC will provide you with a custom fund agreement. It will include the name of your fund, the purpose of your fund, the distribution of your fund, any special request of your fund and all the general CFRC information. The CFRC will have the agreement reviewed by legal counsel, but it will be your responsibility as the donor to make sure that your information is correct. When you review the document, make sure that your name is spelled correctly, the name of the fund is correct, the purpose is correct and that any other special arrangements are detailed to your desires. The CFRC will work in your best interest, but we are not financial advisors. We strongly encourage you to take your agreement to an accountant, attorney or other trusted financial advisor to review. They will be looking for your best interest and may suggest something that will enhance your charitable wishes or tax advantages.

Make it official

After you have reviewed and approved the agreement, the Board of Directors will be notified at a meeting of your intent to establish a fund. The Board will vote to approve the fund. Upon approval, you and the Board president will sign the agreement. You will then make your donation and your fund will become part of the permanent endowment. The staff will keep in contact with you when distributions are made from your gift.