

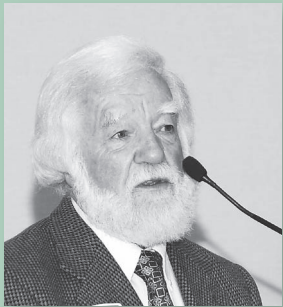
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# RICHLAND COUNTY FOUNDATION

Our Community Newsletter • Fall 2009

## Annual Reception Gathers Foundation Donors



Grant Milliron commented, "Our partnership with the community foundation has been a convenient and time-saving way for our family to support local organizations. The Foundation staff has been excellent to work with. They keep in close communication with me, understand the needs in the community, and effectively handle the administrative details in a timely manner."

For many years the annual donor reception has been a festive event where Richland County Foundation thanks its many donors.

*"This is always an opportunity to bring together a large group from the community including our long-time donors and new faces that have more recently become acquainted with the Foundation," commented Pam Siegenthaler, Foundation President.*

More than 130 people were greeted by Foundation trustees and staff at Mansfield Art Center. As guests enjoyed an array of delicious hors d'oeuvres, Chair Thomas A. Depler of Shelby welcomed everyone and thanked them for their generosity in difficult times. Grant Milliron spoke about his Donor Advised Fund at the Foundation, established in 2002. A PowerPoint program that guests could view throughout the evening highlighted the many grants awarded and gifts received through August.



(Photo at top) Marjorie Kieffer and President Pam Siegenthaler. Charley Brown and Betsy Cave.



(Photo at right) Grant Milliron, Lydia Reid, Mary Milliron, Mayor Don Culliver.

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## NOVEMBER

**Thur 5 – 1:00-4:30 pm**  
Basic Grant Writing Workshop  
at Mansfield/Richland County  
Public Library

**Fri 6 – 5:00 pm**  
Applications due date for  
General and Connections  
Fund grants

**Wed 11 noon – 1:30 pm**  
The Women's Fund Annual  
Luncheon and Grant Awards

**Sun 15**  
National Philanthropy Day

## JANUARY

**Fri 8 – 5:00 pm**  
Due date for general grant  
applications for Feb decision

**Wed 13 – 11:00 am**  
Summertime Kids  
grant writing workshop

**Fri 22 – 7:00 pm**  
Connections Winter Gala

## FEBRUARY

**Wed 10 – 4:00 pm**  
TAP grant writing workshop

**Fri 12 – 5:00 pm**  
Due date for Summertime  
Kids grant applications

## MARCH

**Fri 5 – 5:00 pm**  
Due date for general grant  
applications and individual  
assistance grant applications  
for April decision

**Fri 12 – 5:00 pm**  
Due date for Teacher  
Assistance Program (TAP)  
applications

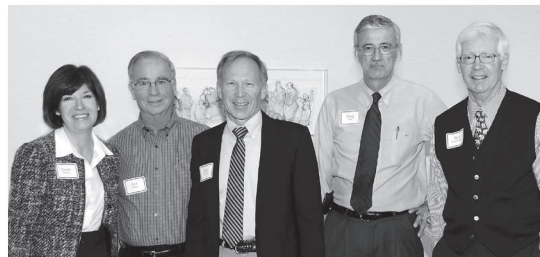
## APRIL

**Thurs 1 – 5:00 pm**  
College scholarship  
application deadline

## Annual Reception (continued)



(Left to right) Sally Ford, Lois McCullough,  
Ivy Amos, Hatcher Day



(Left to right) Susan Madura, Dick Walters, Sam  
VanCura, Doug Freer, Tom Siegenthaler



(Left to right) John and Soni Siegenthaler,  
Bill Ingram.



## Charitable Gift Annuities: An Opportunity to Provide Income for Today and a Gift for Tomorrow



At her recent professional advisor seminar, Attorney Laura Hansen Dean spoke about giving opportunities that are of particular interest to middle income families, commenting, “Charitable Gift Annuities (CGAs) are a simple way for individuals 60 or older to receive retirement income and make a future gift to charity.”

Of the many benefits of charitable gift annuities established at Richland County Foundation, donors have the security of knowing that the annuity is backed by the assets of the Foundation.

Charitable Gift Annuities offer:

- A simple contract that covers one or two annuitants
- Fixed income for life
- An immediate tax deduction
- Quarterly payments that are partly tax-free and may be deferred

Visit [www.rcfoundation.org](http://www.rcfoundation.org) for current rates and specific details or call Doug Freer, VP for Finance and Operations, at 419.525.3020.

## Gifts Build Permanent Community Endowment

End-of-life gifts from David Evans, Mary J. Poticny, and Dr. Charles Young will create a lasting legacy for their families and Richland County. Their gifts help build the community endowment and, together with gifts from other caring individuals and families, do good works in our community for generations to come.

**David Evans** established a Charitable Remainder Trust for his wife and daughter. The final distribution to Richland County Foundation established the David W. and Louise W. Evans Fund. The fund is unrestricted and will support changing needs in our community.

**Mary J. Poticny** left a gift through her will to establish the Mary J. Poticny Fund, a field of interest fund to support cancer victims in Richland County.

**Dr. Charles Young** added to the Charles G. Young Family Fund with a gift from his IRA, as part of his estate plans. He established the fund so that a portion would be unrestricted. The remainder is designated to support Richland Pregnancy Services.



Dr. Charles Young

Local attorneys Jack Stewart and Jason Murray with nationally recognized attorney, Laura Hansen Dean, during her October presentation on charitable gift planning for professional advisors.

## May the Legacy Society Recognize You?

The Legacy Society was created to recognize individuals who have made plans to leave an end-of-life gift to the community in partnership with Richland County Foundation. If you have made plans to leave a legacy, please let us know so you may also be included in the Legacy Society.



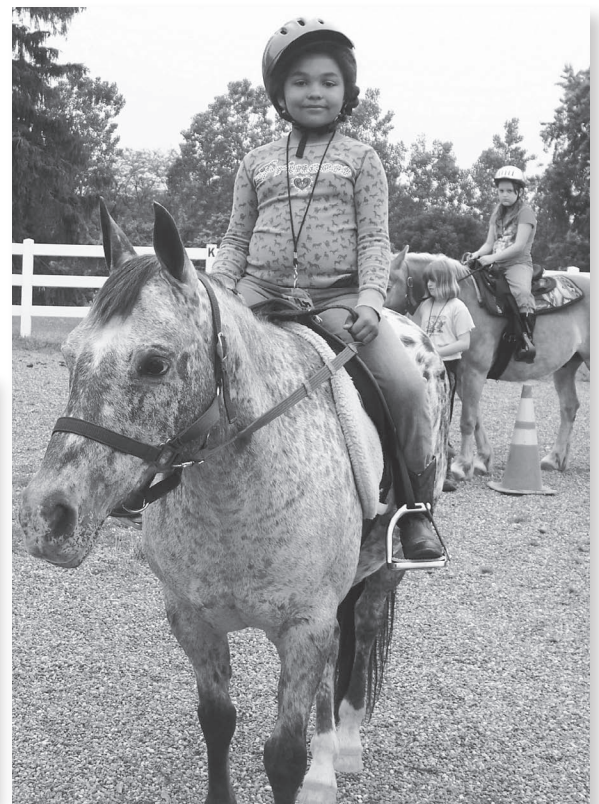


## North Lake Park Restoration Nears Completion

The final phase of the more than 10 year park restoration project will be completed this fall. Over 100 flowering trees planted around the lake, the newly landscaped island, and other plantings by Friends of Mansfield Parks will create a spectacular display in the spring. To complete the project, the City of Mansfield received a grant of \$15,723 from the North Lake Park Fund at Richland County Foundation, a fund established by Gene and Sally Goin.

## Area Children Learn While Having Fun through "Summertime Kids"

Nearly 20 children ages 6-16 participated in a week-long summer learning camp at Raemelton Therapeutic Equestrian Center as part of the Summertime Kids program. Activities included daily riding and animal care, crafts, games, hiking, and group socialization. Many of the children had never had the opportunity to be around horses.



A Summertime Kids grant was awarded to Madison Early Childhood Learning Center to conduct week-long clinics focusing on physical fitness and positive character building traits for children ages 5-12. College-bound high school juniors and seniors assisted in the program and served as role models and mentors to the children.



## Board Approves up to \$127,058 in Grants

The Board of Trustees approved the following grants in August and October from unrestricted and broadly restricted funds.

**Center for Individual and Family Services** received \$16,712 to help continue a pilot program for Hi-Fidelity Wraparound Services. This intense treatment intervention is family-driven with a team of professionals providing the necessary services to allow children to remain in their own homes and in the county. It helps to provide the appropriate care and treatment needed to stabilize the family unit.

**Kids Connection** received \$25,000 for Empowerment Programs to be held in Mansfield and Shelby City Schools for the current academic year. Programs for both girls and boys will be set up at Springmill, Hedges, and Dowds Elementary schools.

**The Foundation Center** received \$2,500 as program support for the 2009-2010 year. The Foundation Center regional office in Cleveland provides staffing for local grantwriting workshops. Their foundation data base is invaluable for grant writers and is available at the Main Mansfield/Richland County Public Library.

**Mansfield Community Playhouse** received \$1,600 to repair and replace exterior double doors of the building.



Mansfield Playhouse Director Mary Ann Calhoun (center), Theatre Manager, Susie Schaus, and Board Chair, Steve Zigmund.

**North End Community Improvement Collaborative** will receive up to \$18,000 toward a capacity building program for nonprofits located primarily in Mansfield's North End.

**Pleasant Hill Outdoor Camp** received \$25,000 for expansion of the lodge to include additional year-around meeting space.



**Richland County Regional Solid Waste Management Authority** received a grant for \$2,200 for School Days to provide bus transportation for over 600 Richland County elementary school children to attend environmental education programs at Richland County Fairgrounds.

**Third Street Family Health Services** received \$36,046 to equip a mobile dental van to serve low income children in Richland County.

### Supporting Emerging Community Needs

*When donors establish funds without restrictions or make contributions to the Community Endowment, they have entrusted the board with the ability to respond to the ever-changing needs of our community*

School children participated in a variety of activities and demonstrations during "School Days," sponsored by Richland County Regional Solid Waste Management Authority.

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Captains Marcus and Joy Jugenheimer have been at the helm of the Mansfield Salvation Army since 2007 and are shown here with agency volunteers.

*Individuals and families who establish Donor Advised Funds at Richland County Foundation have the convenience of making one gift or more and receiving an immediate tax deduction. They can remain actively involved in their charitable interests by suggesting grants to any public charity in the USA, including churches and college alma maters. The Foundation handles all of the administrative functions allowing families to focus their time on grantmaking.*



Through funds directed to support basic needs in the community, the following grants were awarded to agencies that provide direct services to families and individuals.

**American Red Cross** will receive up to \$15,000 to provide emergency shelter, clothing, and food.

**Catholic Charities** received \$50,000 to meet an increasing need in the community for assistance with rent and mortgage payments.

**Salvation Army** received \$10,000 to provide emergency utility payment assistance.

## Donor Advised Funds Offer Personal Approach to Giving

### *The Board approved \$84,828 from donor advised funds*

Local Organizations that have received recent grants:

Ashland University  
Community Health Access Project  
Culliver Reading Center  
Discovery School  
Friendly House  
Harmony House  
Humane Society  
Kids Connection of Ohio  
Kingwood Center  
Mansfield Art Center  
Mansfield Memorial Museum  
MedCentral Health System Foundation

NCO Land Conservancy  
North Central State College  
Plymouth Local Schools  
Raemelon Therapeutic Equestrian Center  
Renaissance Performing Arts  
Richland Academy of the Arts  
Richland Economic Development  
The Salvation Army  
Visiting Nurses Association of Mid-Ohio  
United Way of Richland County  
Volunteers of America

## Foundation Co-Hosts Educational Conversation

Regional educators, community foundation representatives, businesses, nonprofit organizations, community leaders, and local government officials participated in conversations regarding education during a program held at Mid-Ohio Conference Center on October 28. It was hosted by Ohio Grantmakers Forum (OGF), Ashland County Community Foundation, Bucyrus Area Community Foundation, Richland County Foundation, and SPARC P-16 Council. The conversations centered on

news and updates based on the OGF Education Initiative released in 2006, the Ohio Department of Education, and the local work of the SPARC Council.

Topics discussed included:

- Education as it affects Ohio's Future
- What has been accomplished and what needs to be done
- Ohio's new education agenda
- Local education needs
- SPARC Council – Success Stories, Current Initiatives, Goals and Agenda



Round-table conversations involving regional representatives will be included with those collected in nine other regional forums. OGF continues its five-year dialogue with the governor's office to further the efforts in shaping the state's educational future.



## The Women's Fund



at the Richland County Foundation

Women's Fund Advisory Committee member Nancie Cummins and Richland County Foundation Program Officer Becky Smith represented the Foundation and The Women's Fund during Homemaker Day at the Richland County Fair. Also attending were Jan Beddard and Jo Black of The Women's Fund and Connections members Libby Nickoli, Joanne Blay, and Jay and Ashley Miller.

## Women's Fund Announces Annual Luncheon

In keeping with a time-honored tradition and in recognition of National Philanthropy Day, The Women's Fund Advisory Committee will host the annual Grant Awards Luncheon at Westbrook Country Club on Wednesday, November 11 from noon until 1:30 p.m.

The program will highlight success stories from 2008-09 grantees, and announce the 2009-2010 grant recipients.

Anyone interested in attending may make a reservation through the Foundation office at 419.525.3020. Reservation with payment of \$16.00 is due by Friday, November 6 and may be mailed to: Richland County Foundation, 24 West Third Street, Mansfield, Ohio 44902.





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#### CHANGE SERVICE REQUESTED



The Richland County Foundation is recognized for having organizational and financial practices that are in compliance with National Standards for U.S. Community Foundations.



Connections members attended family and social events during the summer and early fall including the Hacker's Golf Outing, University Club Corn Roast, Astronomy for Youth Family Event at Mohican School in the Out-of-Doors, and Oktoberfest.

The Connections Advisory Committee will be reviewing grant applications that have a focus on education related to economic development and job skills. An awards ceremony will be held during the annual Winter Gala on Friday, Jan. 22, 2010.



Astronomy for Youth hosted a pot-luck picnic and evening of stargazing for Connections members and their families. The event was held at Mohican Outdoor School and included a hike to Hemlock Falls. A grant from the Connections Fund to Astronomy for Youth helped purchase the telescopes.