2019 Annual Meeting
A Gathering of Friends and Philanthropists
Celebrating Growth and Giving

The 2019 Annual Report to the Community
Board of Trustees

From left, front row: LaLisa Lawrence, Kathleen Wourms, Melissa Benedict, Fred DeBiasi, Christine Vaughan, Traci Barnett, Carole Schul

From left, back row: Patrick Edwards, Karl Gaston, Dustin Hurley, Patti Miller Gage, William Brock, Cathi Evans, Amy King, Tom Dowden, Verlena Stewart, Dan Sack, Judge Kathleen Dobrozsi Romans, John Kiser

Staff

From left: JoAnn Wagner, Special Projects, Sarah Watson, Program & Finance Assistant, Traci Barnett, CEO, Amy Berlean, Program Officer
A Message from the CEO

Each fall our Annual Report is published after the completion of the audited financial statements from the previous fiscal year. So, this publication actually highlights the happenings of 2019. As I write this message about the 2019 year in review, we are all in the thick of things in 2020. Fortunately, the Middletown Community Foundation’s successes in 2019 have set us up to endure through the current challenges and struggles. That makes this retrospective of 2019 all the more profound. MCF is poised in 2020 to assist our community and families with the hardships brought on by a situation that was not even on our radar screen at the end of 2019. And you, our members, have pitched in to do everything you can to help. So, given what we know about our current year, I hope you will enjoy this look back at 2019 – a year of growth and abundance that prepared us to endure in 2020.

The year 2019 kicked off with a strategic planning retreat inclusive of board members and community leaders. From the conversations at the retreat came the makings of a new Strategic Plan for the Middletown Community Foundation. With this plan as our guide my team and I had a roadmap to keep us focused.

When an organization experiences a growth spurt such as the Middletown Community Foundation did in 2019, there is good reason to celebrate the successes. At the beginning of 2019 total assets at MCF were $30 million. At the end of 2019 our total assets were slightly over $37 million. At the beginning of 2019 MCF was managing 225 donor funds. At the end of 2019 we were managing 233, enabling MCF to distribute nearly $350,000 more to area causes than in the previous year. At the beginning of 2019 MCF had 96 scholarship funds to assist area college students with the cost of tuition. At the end of 2019 the number of scholarships had grown to 106 – enabling ten more students to receive much needed assistance with the cost of college. And thanks to a large bequest, MCF is now able to provide area medical students with up to $30,000 in scholarships – helping to eliminate the need for large student debt.

What made 2019 such a banner year? There were many factors that enabled MCF to grow and flourish. First and foremost was the strong leadership provided by the Foundation’s Board of Trustees, led by board chair Patricia Miller Gage. Their support and belief in me, in the MCF Team, and in our vision for the organization made all the difference. Equally important was the dedication of MCF’s many volunteers who participated on numerous committees within the Foundation. And, true to form, our Members stepped up to support MCF through their generous donations—both for unrestricted use and for specific programs. In 2019 all these factors lined up to create a perfect environment for growth.

The wonderful thing about a Community Foundation is that like a waterfall, it’s charitable giving rains down on the community. When a Community Foundation prospers and grows, area nonprofits and families are ultimately the beneficiary. New funds and new scholarships directly benefit our service area, which is exactly how a Community Foundation is supposed to work.

The Middletown Community Foundation also created the Legacy Society in 2019 for those who have included the Middletown Community Foundation in their estate plans. The inaugural class of the Legacy Society is comprised of Donald Accurso; Gerald and Jacqueline Banks; Joyce and Lou Christy; Don and Betty Elworth; Doug Hattery; Mary Maurer; Kay Lawrence Price; and David and Carole Schul. The Legacy Society not only creates a financial safeguard for the Foundation, but also ensures that our support is enduring. If you have remembered MCF in your will, we would love to include you as a member of the Legacy Society.

Throughout 2019 MCF continued its focus on early childhood education and school readiness providing funding that was raised during the READY! campaign. This grant funding supported home visits, play groups, preschool and pre-Kindergarten. The READY! grants also funded some major technology initiatives in community schools. Although the fundraising phase of the READY! Campaign is behind us; the actual funding of area programs is truly where the rubber meets the road.

In closing, I thank you all for taking the journey with us through 2019 and helping us have an exceedingly fruitful year. It seems far behind us now as we navigate the muddy waters of the COVID-19 pandemic that has commandeered 2020. But it is the successes of 2019 that enabled us to step up and help our communities in 2020 when needed most. Our tagline says it all... “We connect people who care with causes that matter”.

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Community

There are essential quality of life factors that all healthy communities possess. Strong social services, education, recreation opportunities and the arts are just a few components. The Middletown Community Foundation proudly supports efforts in all of these categories.

In 2019 the Middletown Community Foundation enhanced the quality of life in our communities by awarding grants totaling $289,442* through the competitive grant program.

*This total does not include READY! grants or Youth Council grants.

“What I try to tell young people is that if you come together with a mission, and its grounded with love and a sense of community, you can make the impossible possible.”

John Lewis
Grants 2019

**Abilities First** - $10,000 music therapy training for teachers

**Adult New Readers** - $1,500 reading instruction for adults

**Art Central Foundation** - $5,000 Artists at Work program

**BCESC** - $7,000 support for program sending food home with students on weekends

**Big Brothers Big Sisters of Butler County** - $5,000 mentoring program at Amanda elementary

**Butler Soil and Water Conservation District** - $1,285 augmented reality sandbox for scientific and environmental teaching

**Catholic Charities of SW Ohio** - $5,780 provide parenting skills and respite to parents raising difficult or out of control children

**Centerpointe Health** - $2,400 support for the purchase of computer equipment for mobile dental van

**Central Connections** - $10,000 matching award to pave the parking lot

**Community Building Institute** - $7,500 mentoring between business leaders and students

**Dayton Children’s Hospital** - $8,000 rehab services for uninsured/underinsured local youth

**Downtown Middletown Inc.** - $5,000 sponsorship of Hocus Pocus event

**Edgewood Band Boosters** - $2,000 new clarinet and new amplifier

**Family Promise of Butler County** - $7,000 expenses associated with running the rehabilitation program

**Fenwick Band** - $4,000 purchase of new instruments

**Franklin Area Historical Society** - $3,000 repairs to chimney of Harding Museum

**Franklin Wildcat Band** - $11,091 purchase of raincoats and hats for the band

**Friends of MetroParks** - $1,000 bike repair station

**Future Center at Middletown High School** - $5,000 help students prepare for their futures

**Girl Scouts** - $3,000 scholarships for Middletown girls to participate in program

**Girls on the Run** - $10,000 scholarships for Middletown girls to participate in running program

**Hands2Hope** - $3,000 linking people in need to solutions to their challenges

**Hannah’s Treasure Chest** - $7,000 hygiene items, books, clothing for families in need

**Hope House** - $5,000 linens, pantry items

**Hospice of Butler County** - $3,000 to cover costs for uninsured patients

**Junior Achievement** - $10,000 to introduce middle school students to financial literacy methods

**Madison Music** - $5,460 raincoats for band

**Miami University Middletown** - $7,500 bluegrass cd compilation highlighting SW Ohio’s contributions

**Miami University Regionals** - $2,000 Perk Up Middletown program

**Middletown Area Chamber Foundation** - $15,000 Ohio Challenge Balloon Festival sponsorship

**Middletown Area’s Neediest Youth** - $5,000 to support clothing program in school

**Middletown Arts Festival** - $2,500 event support

**Middletown Civic Chorus** - $800 Handel’s “Messiah”

**Middletown Division of Fire** - $5,000 for swift water rescue training

**Middletown Historical Society** - $2,000 museum improvements
**Grants 2019 cont.**

- **Middletown Lyric Theater** - $12,000 season sponsorship
- **MOPS of Middletown** - $1,000 for 20 memberships
- **PARACHUTE** - $3,000 CASA training
- **People Working Cooperatively** - $20,000 local home repair and improvements
- **Performing Arts Academy** - $15,000 roof repair
- **Sleep in Heavenly Peace** - $2,500 for the purchase of supplies to build beds for local children
- **SORG** - $10,000 season sponsorship
- **St. Vincent dePaul** - $6,000 to support food pantry and financial assistance program
- **Support to Encourage Low-income Families** - $12,000 for home repair projects locally
- **Trenton Fire Department** - $4,526 purchase of a mechanical CPR device
- **United Missionary Baptist Church** - $2,500 community-wide alternative to trick or treating
- **Warren County Theater Project** - $2,000 “I Will Wait” performance
- **WHIIMS** - $10,000 support for women living with catastrophic illnesses

**Percentages have been rounded up.**

- **Arts** – $77,351
- **Human Need** – $66,280
- **Education** – $32,785
- **Festivals** – $22,500
- **Recreation** – $13,000
- **Community Support** – $77,526
The real Assets of the Middletown Community Foundation are the donors. Donors entrust us with their treasure and we dutifully and carefully pour that treasure back into the community.

The Middletown Community Foundation, and as a direct result the community at large, reaped the benefits of a successful 2019. The Foundation ended 2019 with total assets of $37,435,439 or $7.3 million over 2018. The addition of 19 Funds, a healthy 2019 market and fiscally responsible purchasing resulted in one of the Foundation’s greatest years of prosperity.

“No one is useless in this world who lightens the burdens of another.”

Charles Dickens
## Financials

Middletown Community Foundation and MSBP, Inc. Consolidated Statements of Financial Position
December 31, 2019 and 2018

### Assets

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**Total liabilities and net assets** | **$37,435,439** | **$30,171,127** |
### Members

Please note that these donations are for the period of January 1 - December 31, 2019.

#### Diamond ($1,000 +)
- Jim and Jody Akers
- Mark and Traci Barnett
- Carl and Jennifer Batliner
- Nathan and Becky Bjork
- DeWitt Chapple Jr.
- Joyce and Lou Christy
- Ken Cohen
- Sarah Akers Fitzhugh
- Dan and Barbara Flory
- James F. Hemesath
- Gary and Sarah Kaup
- Michael Kelley
- John and Avinne Kiser
- Christine Lohr Studio
- Anonymous
- Mr. and Mrs. Jerold Pennington
- Carole and David Schul
- Dr. Subodh K. Wadhwa M.D.
- Walker and Sally Williamson

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- John M. and Betty D. Apple
- Mr. and Mrs. Richard G. Ayres
- Ray and Ann Marie Barger
- Paul and Robin Becker
- Steve and Kay Bohannon
- William and Amy Brock
- David and Ginger Bruggeman
- Jim Burke
- Alan and Cindy Burley
- Jeff and Sharon Casper
- Wilbur and Miriam Cohen
- Fred and Linda Cooper
- Gene Fisher
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- Don and Elaine Garver
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- Don and Imogene Orts
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- Rick and Saundra Pearce
- Dan and Frances Sack
- Fred and Anne Sander
- Peter and Gudrun Seifert
- David and Karen Shaffer
- J.C. and Anita Shew
- Suzanne Sizer
- Mark and Kelley Spaulding
- Sprwols Orthodontics
- Victoria Summers
- William and Nancy Swisshelm
- Mr. and Mrs. William Thorn
- Dr. Scott and Lynn Zollett

#### Platinum ($500 - $999)
- Jerry and Jacky Banks
- Doug and Beth Brockman
- Ed and Susan Combs
- Larry and Letitia Curless
- Patricia Miller Gage
- Girdwood Orthodontics
- Matthew and Brenna Heller
- Beth Hurst
- Samuel R. Ison
- Don and Mary Anne Kelley
- Dr. and Mrs. Ray Kiefhaber
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- Mirco, Inc.
- David and Rose Morgan
- Jack and Kathy Nenni
- Pat and Jackie Noonan
- Ed and Claudia Opbroek
- Fred L. and Joyce Parrella
- Jeff and Gina Pennington
- Jennifer M. Ridge, M.D.
- Bill and Pat Schaefer
- Jim and Lynnette Schluter
- Mike and Kim Scorti
- Dr. Tom Scott
- Ron and Judy Spaulding
- Joan Stonitsch
- Tom and Debbie Swope
- *Thomas L. and Lynne Wiley
- Mr. and Mrs. Larry Wood
- Thomas and Mary Deas Wortley
- Dr. Tim and Kathleen Wourms

#### Silver ($100 - $249)
- Donald Accurso
- Ken and Lois Allen
- Ms. Patricia A. Anthony
- Judy and Sam Ashworth
- Atrium Medical Center Foundation
- Mrs. Connie Back
- Keith and Toni Bailey
- David and Barbara Balsmeyer
- Dr. and Mrs. Bruce Barnes
- Patricia Beatty
- Mr. and Mrs. John Bennett
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- Jerry and Kitty Blattner
- Rita J. Blevins
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- Jim and Lola Bruner
- John D. Burley
- Robert R. Caldwell
- Will and Wanda Campbell
- Frank and Sharon Chapman
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- City of Middletown
- Fr. John Civille
- Don and Donna Combs
- Ma. Richard A. Coyle
- Roberta B. Daly
- Richard S. Davies
- Fred A. Day
- Fred and Amy DeBiasi
- Kiki Demetrion-Gordon
- John and Karen Dillon
- Don and Judy Dixon
- Peggy and Pete Dobrozsi
- Tom and Judi Dowden
- Greg and Kate Dykes
- Dr. Margaret Edwards
- W. Patrick and Suzanne B. Edwards
- Courtney Eiken
- Don and Betty Elworth
- Mary Enochs
- Cathi and Jay Evans
- Robert and Nancy Fairchild
- Chris and Linda Fiora
- Rick and Jennifer Guyler Fishbaugh
- Mrs. Sharon Flagel
- Harriet E. Foley
- John and Rhea Fraley
- Dr. and Mrs. Stephen Gallagher
- Rick and Karen Gardner
- Robert and Mary Alice Gast
- Greg and Dianne Gerber
- Ginny Getter
- Jim Ginter
- Bud and Kathy Graff
- Kathleen Bidwell Gramke
- Gregg and Kelli Grimes
- Gerry Gunderson
- David and Karen Harrison
Dr. and Mrs. Thomas R. Ware
Lancer and Barbara Weinrich
Ron and Joyce Williams
Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Wilson

Bronze ($50 - $99)
Jo Ashworth
Sonny and Sally Bach
BeauVerre Riordan Studios
Patricia Bell
Doris Bergen
Jimmy and Judy Bober
Douglas and Janet Boyd
Chris and Tom Buchert
Central Connections
Mrs. Donna Chaney
Barbara K. Chappell
Peggy Harragh-Jeromos and
Joe Jeromos
Ed and Nora Dobrozsi
David Dohn
Sharon Dowden
Char and Jim Downing
Dave and Kristy Duritsch
Betty Gay Earls
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Rob and Angela Erhart
Bradford and Abby Evans
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Mr. Jack Howard
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Michael and Anjanette Stautberg
Eleanor Yeager Stewart
Jim and Verlena Stewart
Anonymous
Andrew and Laura Swope
Christine and Christopher Vaughan
Jim and Ann Veith
Michael A. Williams
Kathryn W. Wood
Mrs. Deborah Worbis

Sustaining
Janet Crawford
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pressler
Thomas and Marcia Shibley
Rose M. Slemmons
Alma Taulbee
Western Hills Veterinary Clinic

*Deceased
Resources

One of the main purposes of the Middletown Community Foundation is to be a resource to the communities we serve. That can happen a variety of different ways. We’ve outlined how the Foundation is a financial resource to the community but let’s take a look at how the Foundation acts as an intermediary in the community.

The tagline “We connect people who care to the causes that matter” illustrates how the Foundation is a resource for organizations and donors. The Foundation is also a resource to local governments, the Chambers in the communities we serve, the schools and local colleges and universities. Information sharing, inviting the right people to the table and introducing potential partners is also a big part of how the Foundation serves the community.

Here are some of the collaborations that took place in 2019 as a result of the Foundation acting as a resource to the community:

**DPIL** – the Dolly Parton Imagination Library program is a collaboration between the Foundation, the Women Enriching Lives committee and the Dollywood Foundation to provide free books monthly to children birth to five years of age. In 2019 the Foundation mailed 81,754 books to local children. This program is funded by the Middletown Community Foundation with the assistance of the WEL committee who provides support via an annual fundraising luncheon. The WEL committee provided $60,000 to the Dolly Parton Imagination Library program in 2019.

**READY!** – READY! is an early childhood education initiative that is currently supporting a myriad of programs and services in the community to assist families in preparing for school. This is an extremely collaborative effort as the Middletown Community Foundation evaluates and subsequently funds programs that our partners in the community ultimately provide.

**Middletown Moving Forward** – MMF is a non-profit organization that acts as an economic development arm of the City of Middletown. In 2019 MMF invited Traci Barnett, MCF Executive Director, to join the Board. The organization looks to support the City of Middletown in promoting development efforts in Middletown.

**Cincinnati State** – In 2019 the Middletown Community Foundation created a new partnership with Cincinnati State by offering Adult Non-Traditional Student scholarship funds to help alleviate financial challenges that arise as an obstacle to education. Some of the dollars have gone to assist with issues like transportation, books and technology needs.

**Strategic Plan** – the 2019 Strategic Plan was perhaps the most collaborative effort that the Middletown Community Foundation organized, gathering more than 50 community leaders to assist in identifying the focus of the Foundation for the next four years.

**Complete to Compete** – This is an initiative brought to the Foundation’s attention by the Chamber of Commerce serving Middletown, Monroe and Trenton. Complete to Compete is an initiative geared toward helping underemployed or unemployed people become more skilled in a craft or trade by offering opportunities to obtain a certificate through education provided by employers.

“Individual commitment to a group effort—that is what makes a team work, a company work, a society work, a civilisation work.”

Vince Lombardi
The READY! initiative, the Dolly Parton Imagination Library and the Foundation’s comprehensive Scholarship program are prime examples of how the Middletown Community Foundation values and supports education. The Foundation’s commitment to education runs deep and the Strategic Planning session only deepened it further.

In 2019, 11% of the competitive grant awards were for education programs. That amounts to $32,785 above and beyond the $331,678 for READY! programs and $761,950 awarded in Scholarships for a total of $1,126,413 in support of education initiatives and programs in the districts of Edgewood, Franklin, Madison, Middletown, Monroe, Fenwick and Middletown Christian.

“I hope one day I can help students achieve their goals, like you have with me.”
– Amanda, Scholarship recipient
Scholarships

**ACE Scholarship**
Jacob Delloma, $1,120
Robert Hoegeman, $1,120

**AK Steel Sons and Daughters Scholarship**
Brooke Caplinger, $20,000
Clay Cavanaugh, $20,000
Caitlyn Cypher, $20,000
Sabrina Ellison, $20,000
Nadir Emlemdi, $20,000
Olivia Fosson, $20,000
Julia Gibson, $20,000
Grace Harding, $20,000
Lyla Henry, $20,000
Morgan Mayer, $20,000
Brock McNeil, $20,000
Emily Niswander, $20,000
Kyle Pfabe, $20,000
Nathan Roberts, $20,000
Anna Ross, $20,000
David Sanabria, $20,000
Genesis Sanchez-Ramirez, $20,000
Ryland Scott, $20,000
Justin Wang, $20,000
Allison Zwelling, $20,000

**Alison Harris Fiora Scholarship**
Hannah Manuel, $420

**Alison M. Shuemake Scholarship**
Dmitrii Kuzmin, $1,000

**Allen Beach Award**
Allison Roberts, $1,700

**Alpha Delta Kappa**
Ellie Carder, $900

**American Association of University Women Scholarship**
Kaitlyn Morris, $4,000

**Arthur Harvey Scholarship**
Elizabeth Coldiron, $8,000
Bradley Nicely, $8,000
Kelli Ross, $4,000

**Audubon Society Scholarship**
Ryland Scott, $700

**Aviation Educational Trust Fund Scholarship**
Lauren Falk, $1,700

**Betty Helsinger Americanism Memorial Award**
Madalyn Thomas, $350

**Betty Walters Music Award**
Tazh Davis, $1,000

**Beulah Brown R.N. Nursing Scholarship**
Elleeanne Kinsworthy, $10,000

**Bob Grimes Memorial Scholarship**
Noah Chaney, $500

**Brian James Cook Athletic Memorial Scholarship**
Cole Pelgen, $1,000

**Brian Kelly Catron Memorial Scholarship**
Dylan McFaddin, $300

**Carl and Faye Robbins Memorial Scholarship**
Hadley Schmidt, $1,000

**Carmon DeLeone Middletown Symphony Orchestra Legacy Scholarship**
Jacob Wheeler, $1,250

**Charles Hook Citizenship Award 1st Place**
Ashley Turner, $300
Nick Osterman, $300
Nate Green, $300
Aubrey Major, $300
Grant Ashworth, $300
Benjamin Slone, $300

**Charles Hook Citizenship Award 2nd Place**
Elizabeth Handorf, $200
Shawn Poindexter, $200
Timothy Erhart, $200
Janie Jeffers, $200
Breyon Wright, $200
Kate Brewer, $200

**Christy Minnx Memorial Scholarship**
Kate Brewer, $3,000
Molly Burton, $4,000

**Coach Ted Stewart Memorial Scholarship**
Katie Sloneker, $490

**Constantine (Charles) Nicholas Revelos Scholarship**
Hayden Coss, $2,250

**David and Carole Schul Fund for the Arts**
Emily Moore, $750
Brianna Poland, $750

**David and Wanda Way Educational Scholarship**
Briley Dickson, $470

**Dorothy M. Brayton Scholarship**
Sarah Akison, $4,000
Maggie Connors, $4,000
Briley Dickson, $2,000
Alexis Dolph, $8,000
William Eiken, $4,000
Chloe Lasley, $4,000
Allison Roberts, $6,000
Jordan Zahora, $8,000

**Dr. James Russell Myers Memorial Scholarship for Engineering**
Jacob Dials, $8,000
John King, $8,000
Claire Mysonhimer, $8,000
Blake Perdue, $8,000

**Dusty Fisher Hustle, Heart and Harmony Scholarship**
Max Evans, $1,000

**Ebie and Johnsie Banks Scholarship**
Kaitlynn Wilson, $200

**Edwin L. McCallay and Louis B. McCallay Education Trust Fund**
Britton Boyle, $4,000
Katherine Davis, $8,000
Joseph Perrotti, $4,000
Kaitlynn Wilson, $4,000

**Edwin Tyson Memorial Scholarship**
Kelli Ross, $100

**Foster Booth Walters Music Scholarship**
Alexander Pickett, $1,000

**Gene and Dodee Saylor Memorial Scholarship**
Samuel Moon, $3,400

**George M Verity Memorial - Foundation in College Prep 1st Place**
Grant Ashworth, $300
Kelli Ross, $300
George M Verity Memorial - Foundation in College Prep 2nd Place
Briley Dickson, $150
Kate Brewer, $150

Harry A. Finkelman Scholarship
Leah Fugate, $750

Helen Hoover Tyson Memorial Scholarship
Kaitlynn Wilson, $100

Herbert C. and Marjorie L. Root Scholarship for Early Childhood Education
Lauren Rich, $2,000

Herbert C. and Marjorie L. Root Scholarship for Engineering
Cassidy Crouch, $2,000

Homemaker’s Circle Nine
Grace Kinworthy, $100
Kseniya Milashina, $100

Housh Family Memorial Scholarship
Nick Osterman, $1,000

Imogene Gephart Scholarship
Evan Crim, $400

Jack Gordon Memorial Football Scholarship
Troy Vinson, $1,000

James A. MacReady, M.D. Memorial Scholarship
Allison Handorf, $1,000

James M. Anderson, MD & Bertha Anderson Family Scholarship
Elizabeth Handorf, $1,000

Janice E. Schultz and Jerome C. Schultz Memorial Scholarship
Kate Brewer, $1,000

Janine Westercamp Memorial Scholarship
Noah Chaney, $250

Jean Verity Memorial Foundation in History Award 1st Place
Sarah Akison, $300

Jean Verity Memorial Foundation in History Award 2nd Place
Briley Dickson, $150

John A. McCluskey and Helen McCluskey Scholarship
makina gibson, $750

John and Kathryn Hensley Memorial Scholarship
Dustin Stewart, $3,000

John Reznor Memorial Scholarship
Marissa Milham, $3,500

Joshua Taylor Back Memorial Football Scholarship
Kyle Melton, $1,000

Junior Achievement
Jackson Beck, $1,500
Adreaanna Tran, $1,500
Conant Smith, $1,500
Mya Williams, $1,500

Kathryn Lee Witt Memorial Scholarship
Hunter Farno, $500

Kayla Harrison Scholarship
Blade McCormick, $450

Lee Ann Miltenberger Memorial Scholarship
Gracie DeBord, $500

Les Johnson Education Scholarship
Mya Williams, $1,250

Louie F. Cox Memorial AK Steel Foundation African-American Scholarship
Alexis McGregor, $20,000

Mabel D. Kinder American Red Cross Scholarship
Kelli Ross, $300

Marianne A. Dorenbusch Scholarship
Evan Crim, $2,000
Leah Fugate, $4,000
Zach Porter, $4,000
Caeley Taylor, $4,000
Ashley Turner, $2,000

Marjorie A. Johnston Memorial Scholarship
Brianna Claprood, $7,000

Martin B and Frances R Miller Memorial Scholarship
Tazz Davis, $500

Mary Ann Brehany Scholarship
Madalyn Thomas, $2,300

Matthew E. Fiora Scholarship
Chloe Vaughn, $2,400

MHS Class of ’56 Middle Magic Scholarship
Hayden Coss, $1,000

MHS Class of ’64
Allison Roberts, $1,964
Kelli Ross, $100
Sarah Akison, $100
Stephanie Kontnier, $100
Mya Williams, $100

MHS English Department Award
Stephanie Kontnier, $50

MHS Journalism Award
Aaron Jones, $275

Middletown Community Foundation Scholarship
Noah Chaney, $1,000
Corbin Craft, $1,000
Taylor English, $1,000
Alexander Gentry, $1,000
Makina Gibson, $1,000
Hannah Harig, $500
Jeremy Lindenschmidt, $1,000
Tara Luers, $1,000

Middletown Division of Police Scholarship for Sons and Daughters of Employees
Molly McKee, $980

Middletown Fire Fighters’ Association Scholarship
John King, $400

Middletown High School Class of 1950 Dwight Neill Memorial Scholarship
Sarah Akison, $900

Middletown Music Club - Louis John Johnen Music Scholarship
Lorien Evans, $2,000

Monna Conn Scholarship for Music
Jacob Wheeler, $400

Monroe Technical Scholarship
Zander Slone, $500

Monte Miltenberger Scholarship
Bradly Watts, $250

Nancy Cahill G.I.G.G.L.E.S. Scholarship
Sophie Sloneker, $600

Paul Bell Memorial Scholarship
Jordan Pate, $350

Paula Burke Memorial Scholarship
Harper Brock, $550
Ralph J. and Sondra Gordon Bays Scholarship
Bradly Watts, $450

Richard and Gloria Miltenberger Memorial Scholarship
Soren Melbye, $250

Richard B. Monroe, Sr. Scholarship
Kelli Ross, $4,500

RMP Family Scholarship
McKayla Sorrell, $10,000

Robert L “Bobby” Morris Human Relations Award
Elizabeth Orick, $300

Scott Cole Memorial Scholarship
Will Streit, $800

SPC James E. Hall, Jr. Scholarship
Emma Allen, $1,000

Stephanie Markham Minge Memorial Scholarship
Marissa Hembree, $500

The Lawrence and Jeanne Wood MAGYC Scholarship
Briley Dickson, $500
Rebecca Vogel, $500

The Opbroek Scholarship
Ellie Earls, $1,500

Todd E. Miltenberger Memorial Scholarship
Brianna Claprood, $250

Tolliver Pharmacy Scholarship
Claudia Miller, $1,000

Valda Wilkerson Middletown Symphony Orchestra Legacy Scholarship
Lorien Evans, $1,250

Veterans’ Memorial Scholarship
Ryan Duritsch, $4,000

Victor and Sara Carpenter Memorial Scholarship
Nick Osterman, $40,000

Vincenzo & Josephine Mazzarella Scholarship
Keegan Smith, $750

Walter and Nellie Evans Scholarship
Lauren Boland, $2,000
Harper Brock, $2,000
Robert Clesceri, $2,000
Lauren Falk, $6,000
Allison Handorf, $2,000
Elizabeth Handorf, $2,000
Jane Jeffers, $2,000
Matias Morita, $2,000
Adam Tetzloff, $4,000
Annabelle Thomas, $4,000
Kyra Wells, $8,000

Walter L. Bake Memorial Scholarship
Caeley Taylor, $1,000

Wilda and Ernest Streifthau Scholarship
Elena Daly, $2,000

Wilda and Ernest Streifthau Scholarship
Timothy Erhart, $6,000

Wilda and Ernest Streifthau Scholarship
Sean McCarthy, $6,000

William and Peggy Verity Memorial Award
Britton Boyle, $300

William and Peggy Verity Memorial Award
Jasmyn Thomas, $150

Women’s Center of Middletown Culinary Arts Scholarship
Timothy Erhart, $1,400

Upper Classman and Adult Scholarships Fall 2019

AAUW Non-Traditional Adult Scholarship
Henry Folgoso, $800

Charles and Marian Hattery Scholarship
Micah Senft, $1,300

Dorenbusch Upperclassman Scholarship
Sarah Chaney, $1,100
Joshua Guesman, $750
Kiana Hughley, $500
Carrie Langendorf, $750
Claire Puthoff, $800
Claudia Ross, $1,150
Micah Senft, $700

Elworth Scholarship for Adults
Henry Folgoso, $875

Harold O. Sebald Scholarship
Henry Folgoso, $500

The Phyllis M Anderson Family Scholarship Fund for Physicians and Surgeons
Emily Balon, $30,000

Veterans’ Memorial Scholarship
Zoe Bruce, $500
Tar Morris, $500

Winter 2019

AAUW Non-Traditional Adult Scholarship
Henry Folgoso, $800

Dorenbusch Upperclassman Scholarship
Sarah Chaney, $1,250
Claire Puthoff, $1,000
Claudia Ross, $1,350
Micah Senft, $1,400
Antonio Williams, $1,000

Harold O. Sebald Scholarship
Henry Folgoso, $1,250

The Opbroek Upperclassman Scholarship
Carrie Langendorf, $2,500
Watching young people embrace the concept of philanthropy is a wonderful side effect of our Youth Advisory Council. Over a nine-month span of time the Foundation meets with Youth Council, three representatives (sophomore, junior and senior) from each of the 7 schools in our service area. At each session the focus is on a different local organization and what they do for the community. It is often the case that a few students per year are so moved by the organization’s mission that they decide to volunteer. It is always gratifying to see Youth Council members plugging themselves into needs in the community.

The Youth Advisory Council is one of many ways that the Middletown Community Foundation partners with local schools to enhance the learning experience for youth.

At the end of the 9 months the Youth Council evaluates grants submitted for Summertime for Kids and Fondersmith, both support youth related programming. The Youth Council asks questions and assesses each application and makes the ultimate recommendations to the Board of Trustees.

**2018 - 2019 Youth Council**
**Front Row L to R:** Elley Ferrell, Middletown, Chloe Long, Middletown Christian, Mae Heller, Middletown Christian, Anna Eschmeyer, Monroe, Fiona Sulentic, Madison, Marissa Hembree, Madison, Alyssa Hall, Monroe, Makina Gibson, Middletown

**Back Row L to R:** Alexis McGregor, Franklin, Kalynn McRoberts, Franklin, Ellie Coldiron, Edgewood, Will Emrick, Franklin, Jeremy Lindenschmidt, Middletown Christian, Michael Langendorf, Middletown, Lucas Fligor, Madison, Leo Bell, Fenwick

**Not pictured:** Elise Fossum, Fenwick, Emma Wourms, Fenwick
Grants Awarded through Youth Council in 2019:

**SUMMERTIME FOR KIDS**

**Todd Tennis Foundation** - $1,000 for youth tennis equipment

**The Salvation Army** - $700 for entertainment and play equipment for use during the summer feeding program

**Safety Council of SW Ohio** - $1,000 for Safety Town

**YMCA** - $1,000 for the Summer Parks Program in conjunction with the Salvation Army free lunch program

**Hunter Safe Care** - $883 for Camp Safecare

**Abilities First** - $1,000 for Children’s Services Summer Fun

**Big Brothers Big Sisters** - $1,000 for Club of Unmatched Littles activities

**Butler County Educational Service Center** - $1,000 for TIP Summertime Adventures

**Butler County Family and Children First** - $1,000 for Pause for Parents, Play for Kids

**Girl Scouts of SW Ohio** - $1,000 for Camp for Every Girl Program

**FONDERSMITH**

**Franklin Township** - $3,000 for Barktoberfest

**Feed the Hungry** - $1,000 for Free Summer Camp

**Young Life Capernaum** - $10,000 for Camp Capernaum

**Big Brothers Big Sisters** - $1,500 for Lunch buddies at Madison School

**Salvation Army of Middletown** - $5,500 for Kids Summer Food Program

**Parachute (CASA)** - $1,000 for materials to train 7 new CASA volunteers

**Atrium Medical Center Foundation** - $1,000 for I-pad distraction for youth patients

**SELF** - $4,000 for Neighbors Who Care Home Repair
READY, Set, Learn!

The READY! focus for 2019 was to remove barriers to learning. The Foundation supported early childhood education initiatives with grants totaling $331,678. The READY! Coordinator meets with service providers to identify the greatest needs. In 2019 much of that centered around issues such as instability at home, absence of technology to complete assignments, food insecurity, meager pre-school options and poverty.

READY! Grants were awarded in the following way in 2019:

**4C for Children** - $10,000 support for local preschool centers

**Community Building Institute** - $34,678 playgroups, early intervention, outreach to parents with young children

**United Way** - $10,000 outreach for early Kindergarten registration

**Middletown City Schools** - $25,000 support for robotics, technology tools for Maker Space

**BCESC** - $20,000 keeping youth engaged in learning activities over the summer

**BCESC** - $75,000 home visitation program for families with children 3-5 years of age

**BCESC** - $75,000 support for Success Liaisons in two Middletown schools and one Edgewood school to help remove barriers to learning

**Monroe Local Schools** - $5,000 support for programs engaging incoming Kindergarteners

**4C for Children** - $20,000 services to local preschool centers in 2018 and 2019

**Franklin City Schools** - $17,000 support for a Success Liaison in Franklin

**Madison Schools** - $10,000 school counselor to provide mental health services to students

**Madison Schools** - $5,000 for Catalina Mobile Home after school program

**BCESC** - $25,000 Summer Bridge

$331,678
League of Ready! Community Heroes

Super Heroes ($100,000+)

Miriam G. Knoll
Charitable Foundation

in honor of Mary E. Akers,
in memory of William C. Akers
& Mark A. Akers

Gary & Sarah Kaup

Guardian Heroes ($25,000-$99,999)

TV Middletown
Duke Energy
Tina Breitenbach
   in memory of Bob Breitenbach
Doug & Beth Brockman
First Financial Bank
Bob & Sharon Flagel

Dan & Barbara Flory
Patricia Miller Gage in memory of
George Robert Gage
Douglas Hattery
Richard & Suzanne Isroff
Larry & Cathie Mulligan

ProCare Carpet Cleaning
Barney & Bonnie Riesbeck
David & Carole Schul
Mike Scotti in memory of Betty Scotti
Dr. Tom & Bonnie Scott
Tom & Mary Deas Wortley

Champion Heroes ($10,000-$24,999)

Dr. & Mrs. William J. Andrew
The Barrnitz Fund
Douglas J. Bean
James Burke in memory of Paula Burke
Joyce & Lou Christy in memory of Lynne
   Christy and Patty J. Smith
John & Patricia Dupps
Bob & Nancy Fairchild
Sarah Fitzhugh

Mark & Vickie Frazer
Mr. & Mrs. James Hardin
Steve Hightower
Kettering Medical Center
Morgan Foundation
Larry & Kristen Mulligan
Douglas Murray
Jack & Kathy Nanni

Gregory & Patty Pratt
Gene & Pat Saylor
Bill & Pat Schaefer
JC & Anita Shew
Joan Stonitsch
Tom & Lynne Wiley
Jeff Zollett
Scott & Lynn Zollett

Warrior Heroes ($1,000-$9,999)

Barb and Doug Alder
American Savings Bank
Breitenbach Anderson Funeral Home
Sam & Judy Ashworth
Jerry & Jacky Banks
Joseph & Carol Bidwell
Tim & Cindy Carlson
Cathy Bishop-Clark
Clark Schaefer Hackett
Class of 1966 Middletown
High School
Mr. & Mrs. Edward Combs
Kelly Cowan
Jim & Sarah Cunningham
Peggy Darragh-Jeromos
Robin Dennis
Pete & Peggy Dobrozsi
Nita Driscoll

Pat & Suzanne Edwards in memory
of Mildred Patrick & William Franklin
   Edwards
Cathi & Jay Evans
Ed Fening & Beth Hurst
Todd Flagel
David & Jayne Floering
Chick & Nancy Fraunfelter
Jack & Kiki Gordon
Gregg & Kelli Grimes
Lee Hartman
Charles & Marian Hattery
Lyndon & Anita Jones
Don & Mary Anne Kelley
Michael Kelley
Ray & Jean Anne Kieghan
Bill & Amy King
John & Avinne Kiser
Kiwanis Club of Middletown
Steve & Susie Lane

Joseph F. Lyons Jr.
Chris & Annemarie McCarthy
Estate of Verla McClure
Mike & Peggy McClusky
Katie McNeil
Mary Jo & Curt Meyer
Jamie Murphy & Phillip Harrison
James Kleinger
Mrs. Barry Leevey
Norma Nossokoff
Martha Oches
The Opus Foundation
Kenton A. Pate in memory
   of Cathy Pate
Jerald & Carolyn Pennington
James Kleinger
G. Michael & Patricia Pratt
John & Patricia Renick
Judge Kathleen Dobrozsi Romans
   & Mr. Mike Romans in memory
   of Gordon Hughes
Rotary Foundation of Middletown
Bill & Marlene Ruwe

Daniel & Frances Stack
Dr. William J. Saunders Jr.
Gene & Wilberta Schaefer
Chris and Elizabeth Schul
David & Karen Shaffer
Terrence Sherrer
Jeanne & Greg Siewny
Dr. J. Michael & Sharon Smith
Ron & Judy Spaulding
Deborah Silcox
Andrew & Susan Singer
Mr. & Mrs. James Stewart, Jr.
Suncoke Energy
John Venturella
Vitori Family Irrevocable Trust in
memory of Nick & Grace Vitori
Dr. Subodh K. Wadhwa
Lynne Waxweiler in memory
   of Christy Minnix
Marilyn Williams
Tim & Kathleen Wourms
ACTION HEROES ($150-$999)

Jeff & Libby Abele  
Patricia Anthony  
John & Betty Apple  
Teb & Ann Baines  
David & Barbara Balsmeyer  
Dr. & Mrs. L.B. Barnes  
Carl and Jennifer Batliner in memory of Robert Bender  
Ann Benington  
Amy Berleau  
Kitty & Jerry Blattner  
Jim & Judy Bober  
Darrell & Mary Sue Brandenburg  
Midge Bailey Bryant  
Grant & Holly Cahall  
Sanford & Barbara Casper  
Tim Chupka  
Erica Clayton  
Michelle Cramer, CFRE  
Larry & Leticia Curless  
Roger & Bonnie Daniel  
Fred & Amy DeBiase  
Connie Dennis  
Mike & Lisa Dickerson  
Tom Dowden  
Sherry Emerick  
Mary Enochs  
Chris & Linda Fiora  
Tom & Linda Fisler  
James K. & Susan A. Fitton  
Aurelia "Rhea" Fraley  
Gloria Lennon Freeman  
Gregory & Barbara Garrett  
Elaine Garver  
Bob & Mary Alice Gast  
Virginia Getter  
T. Duane Gordon & Matthew T. Dixon  
Girdwood Orthodontics  
Chuck & Ann Hageman  
Karen Halsey - Better Built Construction  
Dr. David & Mrs. Sharon Harris  
Jim & Kathy Harris  
Dave & Karen Harrison  
Nancy P. Harrison  
Marilyn M. Heiger  
Matt & Brenna Heller  
Jeff & Emily Hendrix  
Mr. and Mrs. Ruth Hoskins  
Stephen & Marilyn Ific  
Samuel R. Isom  
Anne & Carol Jantzen  
Mr. & Mrs. Wayne Johnson in memory of Janko & Bara Begovic and Daniel Janko Johnson  
Jones Family Fund  
John J. Jones  
Kathy Dabkowski Jones  
David & Sally Kash  
Lori Katcher in memory of Patty Smith  
Joann H. Kersh  
William King  
John Kiser  
Laborer’s Local Union #534, AFL-CIO  
Michael & Priscilla Lane  
Ronald & Jacqueline Lankfer  
Leap Realtors  
Links Theological University  
Chris Mack  
Virgil L. & Barbara F. Maines  
Dr. & Mrs. Russell L. Malcolm Jr.  
David & Kathy Malott  
Charles and Karen Maney  
Lauren Matus  
Chris & Annemarie McCarthy  
David & Janie McCauley-Myers  
Jay & Julie Meno  
Middletown HS Class of 1967  
Gloria Miltenberger  
Vivian Monroe  
Charles E. Morgan  
Matthew J. Mulligan  
Teresa Mulligan  
Sam & Ellen Nelson  
Friends of Nancy Nix  
Pat and Jackie Noonan  
Norma Nossokoff  
John O’Flynn  
Don & Imogene Orts  
Paul and Karen Ostermann  
Elizabeth Sebald Pague  
Jim Paparkirk with Flagel and Paparkirk LLC  
Don & Raylene Pelfrey  
Nancy & John Peterson  
Jacquelyn Phillips  
John and Nadine Raiche  
Charles & Martha Robertson  
Patricia Rouser  
Monroe Vice Mayor Suzi Rubin  
Jim & Lynette Schluter  
Sigma Phi Gamma International Sorority Delta Pi Chapter  
Thomas J. Singhofer  
Gene & Katherine Snow  
Bruce & Lisa Spring  
Stefano’s  
Nancy R. Strait  
Jon & Courtney Sulentic  
Virginia A. Swisher  
Darrell and Sandra Templeton  
Bill & Judy Thorn  
Judith A. Throp  
Shirley & Jerry Tillman  
Dan & Ruthann Tracy  
Rev. Gregory Tuys  
John & JoAnn Wagner  
Mike & Lisa Wallner  
James & Beverly White  
Cathy Ingram Wiley  
Wilson Schramm  
Saulding Funeral Home  
Ron & Joyce Williams  
Garland (Smokie) & Wanda Williams  
Walker & Sally Williamson  
Kathryn Wood

FRIENDS ($10-$149)

Anonymous  
Ken & Lois Allen  
Lindsay Arwood  
Jo Ashworth  
Jack Atherton  
& Aysmley Toomer  
Neil & Connie Back  
Michael & Linda Barnet  
BeauVerre Studios, Inc  
Pat Bell  
Betsy P. Bender  
Melissa Benedict  
John & Suzie Bennett  
Rita J. Blevins  
Roger & Peggy Bosch  
Gary & Terrie Bowyer  
Dr. Casey Boyce  
Jeffrey & Margaret Brubaker  
Dora Bronston & Patty Caldwell  
Amanda Loring  
Nancy & David Brown  
W. Perry & Marjorie Brown  
Ginger Bruggeman  
Tom & Chris Buchert  
Carol Burns  
Robert R. Caldwell  
Carolyn J. Callis  
Anon. in honor of  
Tim Carlson  
William & Wanda Campbell  
Cheri Worrell Carpenter  
Frank & Sharon Chapman  
Barbara K. Chappell  
Anthony & Andrea Checroun  
Bary & Diane Childers  
Mrs. Nortence Church  
Scott Clary  
Mandy Combs-Bailey  
Matthew Close  
Elizabeth Peterson Cook  
Janet B. Crawford  
Creekview Elementary PTO  
Elisa Croucher  
Roberta Daly  
Richard S. Davies  
Anon. in honor of  
Clay Davis  
Lee & Toni Dennis  
Doug & Sandra Dietz  
Karen & Jay Dillon  
Don & Judy Dixon  
Dobrozbo Insurance Agency Inc.  
Ed & Nora Dobrozi  
Joe & Becky Douthit  
Jim & Char Downing  
Dave & Kristy Duntsch  
Betty Gay Earls  
Sharyn Eden  
Anon. in honor of  
Kea Edwards  
Jim & Debbie Edwards  
Dr. Margaret Edwards  
Daphne & Greg Eldridge  
Tony & Linda Esposito  
Judith A. Evans  
Larry & Sue Evans  
Kim Feighery  
Mrs. H. O. Finkelman  
Rick & Sherry Fishbaugh  
Kim & Marty Fletcher  
Mary Jane Frazer  
Mike & Carol Friedman  
Gregory & Barbara Garrett  
Judith E. Gehm  
Vivian Gibbs  
Eleanor Y. Gilmore  
Jack & Kiki Gordon  
Bud and Kathy Graff  
Ed and Rose Grau  
Joann Grimes  
Gerry Gunderson  
Margaret Guyler  
Trilly Guyler  
Cheryl Guyton  
Dave & Sylvia Haft  
Norm & Pat Hayes  
Charles Heck and Wendy Soltensmson  
Justin Howlewer  
Laura Hoover  
Brenda L. Howard  
Dustin & Meeghan Hurley  
Marla & Dan Jeffers  
Chester & Virginia Jenkins  
Jessica Jones  
Mica Glaser Jones  
Wayne and Peggy Ketron  
William & Ellen Kinsey  
Logan Kiser  
Ted & Rita Klop  
John F. Kucia in memory of  
Patty J. Smith  
Ellen & Bill Kukuk  
DK Ylkes  
Les & Cheryl Landen in honor of Fred Finney  
Jim & Maria Langendorf  
Lisa Lawrence  
Holli Leonard in memory of Andrea Berkhowit  
Light Up Middletown  
Kenneth Lindon  
Annette & Michael Lollie  
Mike & Kay Long in honor of  
Elaine Garver  
John and Linda Lyons  
Patricia W. Marshall  
Nevin & Dee Markle  
Mary Deborah Circle of  
First UMC  
Molly Maugans  
William Monroe  
Sharon McCull, Jr.  
Mary Lou McCormick  
Timothy & Diane Meeks in memory of Niki  
Dan & Lori Meibers  
Jack & Rosemary Meibers  
Ted & Marcia Miller  
Anon. in honor of  
Gina Miltenberger  
John and Kim Minor  
Jay & Linda Mooman  
Mawse Moore in honor of  
John Heller  
Lydia Montgomery  
Talbott & Saralyn Moon  
Robert L. Morris  
Ann & Dick Mort  
David Mulligan  
Joe Mulligan  
John Mulligan  
Richard & Nancy Munafo  
Rebecca Napier in memory of  
Patty J. Smith  
Julianne Nickell in memory of  
Jennifer Nickell, from sister  
The Obringers  
Ed & Claudia Opbroek  
PAC Worldwide  
John & Wendy Parks  
Fred & Joyce Parrella  
Kathy & Richard Patten in memory of Gil Morris  
Ellen Paxton  
Rick & Saundra Pearce  
Andy Peterson

John & Michelle Scorti  
Susan Phillips  
Pat & Karen Piccinii  
C. Robert & Sharon Piper  
Trey Pitts  
Ted Pollard  
William T. Pratt  
Suzanne Prescott  
Fran & Judy Pressler  
Joseph Puthoff  
Anon. in honor of  
Jeff Repper  
Angela Retzios in memory of  
Judge Anthony Valen  
Thomas Reusch  
George Revelos  
Beverly Robertson  
Jennifer Robertson  
Mike Robinette & Rhonda Freeze  
Marjorie L. Root  
Dave & Sandy Rose  
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rossi  
Deb Rumford  
Ruth F. Sauer  
Larry & Maegrine Schmidt  
Carl W. Shannon  
Everett W. Sherron  
Tom & Marcia Shibley  
Rose M. Siemons  
Jim & Jenny Sliger  
Dorothy F. Smith  
Mike & Jane Smithsonian  
Dorothy F. Smith  
Middletown Area Unit  
NAACP  
Franklin City Schools  
Monroe Local Schools  
Middletown City Schools  
Madison Local Schools

DEFENDER HEROES (official endorsements)

The Chamber of Commerce Serving Middletown, Monroe, & Trenton  
The Franklin Area Chamber of Commerce  
Middletown Area Unit  
NAACP  
Franklin City Schools  
Monroe Local Schools  
Middletown City Schools  
Madison Local Schools
The 33rd Annual Meeting of the Middletown Community Foundation Membership was called to order on November 7, 2019 at 7:15 PM by Patti Miller Gage, President of the Board of Trustees.

The Membership approved the minutes of the 2018 Annual Meeting and accepted the 2018 audited financial statements.

Retiring Board of Trustees members Fred DeBiasi, Lalisa Lawrence, Daniel Sack, and Carole Schul were recognized.

Carole Schul, Chair of the Nominating Committee presented the slate of new board members for the term beginning January of 2020. The Membership approved the following nominees:

First term nominees: Neil Cohen, Elizabeth Yauch, Ron Spaulding.


The following officers were announced:

Patti Miller Gage – President, 2nd Year

John Kiser – Vice President/President Elect, 2nd Year

Verlena Stewart – Secretary, 1st year

Christine Vaughan – Treasurer, 3rd Year

The Business Meeting portion of the evening was adjourned at 7:55 PM.

Traci Barnett, Executive Director, addressed the Membership with her comments “The New Strategic Plan – Charting our Course for the Future.”

2019 Award winners were recognized. Awards were distributed as follows:

Mary Maurer “Volunteer of the Year” award went to Dustin Hurley, a local attorney and Middletown resident who serves on several boards and committees throughout the community.

Mary Jane Palmer Nunlist “I love Middletown” award went to Cathie Mulligan, a proud lifelong Middletonian who gives freely of her time and talent.

The Roland P. Ely President’s Award was given to Ken Cohen for his lifetime of service to the community.

The AK Steel Magnolia award was given to Amy Lyons who volunteers selflessly for the Salvation Army Middletown.

The Legacy Society was introduced, and the first members were recognized. Introducing the inaugural class of the Middletown Community Foundation Legacy Society: Donald Accurso, Joyce and Lou Christy, Jackie and Gerald Banks, Betty and Don Elworth, Doug Hattery, Mary Maurer, Kay Lawrence Price, Carole and David Schul.

The 33rd Annual Meeting was adjourned by Patti Miller Gage at 8:40 PM.
2019 Award Winners

Roland P. Ely Jr. President’s Award
Ken Cohen

Mary Jane Palmer Nunlist “I Love Middletown” Award
Cathie Mulligan

AK Steel Magnolia Award
Amy Lyons

Mary Maurer Volunteer of the Year Award
Dustin Hurley
The Middletown Community Foundation created the Legacy Society in 2019 to recognize those who have remembered the Foundation in their estate plans.

Planned Giving is one of the most impactful ways to ensure the longevity of any organization. A strong planned giving program is essential for successful, long-term operations. A planned gift is also one of the most profound ways that a donor can give, and one that the Middletown Community Foundation finds humbling.

The Middletown Community Foundation would like to thank the following people for leaving a lasting legacy:

- Donald Accurso
- Gerald and Jacqueline Banks
- Joyce and Lou Christy
- Don and Betty Elworth
- Doug Hattery
- Norm and Pat Hayes
- Mary Maurer
- Kay Lawrence Price
- David and Carole Schul

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