



# Indian Valley Foundation

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## Mission Statement

The mission of the Indian Valley Foundation is to enhance academic excellence within the Indian Valley School District through support of educational opportunities not funded by traditional sources.

## Board of Directors Meetings

Meetings are on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month at 6:30pm at the Indian Valley Foundation office in Gnadenhutzen. No meetings are held during the months of June, July and December.

## 2018 IV Foundation Board of Directors

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## 2018 Indian Valley Foundation Scholarship Recipients



At the 7th Annual Scholarship Recognition Banquet in April of 2018, twenty-six scholarships totaling \$24,200 were awarded to very deserving graduating Indian Valley seniors.

The Indian Valley South Class of 1977 gave a \$1,000 scholarship in honor of Roy Williams. Two \$1,000 scholarships were given in memory of John L. Hursey, a member of the IVS Class of 1974. His family and friends continue to honor him by helping deserving students. John was a strong supporter of Indian Valley.

Scholarships in the amount of \$1,000 were given in memory of: Barbara Williams Daniels by her family, Stacey Dunn Wise by her Mother and Sister, Charles and Martha Kail by their daughter and son, GHS Grad Juanite Garabrandt Johns by her son Kevin and his family and from the Lois Grosenbacher Ellison Estate. Additional \$1,000 scholarships were given by the GHS Class of 1967 and the Indian Valley Foundation. Also, the Midvale Alumni Association gave a \$1,500 scholarship, and the Indian Valley North Class of 1981 gave \$1,000 for scholarships.

Friends and family often give scholarships in memory of loved ones. Their gift not only helps to keep the memories alive today, they are also making a deposit into the future of others. Scholarships have been made possible through the generosity of others.

*Thank you!*



**YES! You can support the work of the Indian Valley Foundation.**  
Check out the ideas on the back of this Newsletter.



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# 2017 Treasurer's Brief Report

## Indian Valley Foundation continues to give added support to the teachers and students of Indian Valley

- A total of **\$229,437** has been raised through 2016 and the Foundation has expended **\$222,425**.
- **119** classroom grants, up to **\$250** each, totaling **\$27,056**
- **151** scholarships totaling **\$94,100** have been awarded. (Includes Spring 2018 awards.)
- Each Fall since 2011, grants of **\$1,500** have been awarded to each district building, totaling **\$42,000**.

Established in November 2009, the Indian Valley Foundation is an independent, non-profit, 501(c)3 charitable organization. Governed by a volunteer Board of Directors, all Indian Valley Foundation programs and activities are planned and implemented by volunteers from the community, school district and alumni. *New volunteers are welcome!*

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### Photos from Classroom Grants Awarded



### A Teacher's Point of View

My name is Debbie Lee. I am a retired Kindergarten teacher from Midvale. After school one night in 2009, Minnie Garabrandt spoke about this foundation a group wanted to create that would help all of the Indian Valley teachers and staff. That was nine years ago. Since then I have attended monthly meetings, helped with all the fundraisers, reviewed the classroom grants and scholarship recipients, plus served on the board of directors.

While teaching, I received several classroom grants. All you had to do was think of a need that would help your students, complete the form, submit and then after the review, you are awarded the money. So easy to benefit so many. Even though I am not a graduate of Indian Valley, I am honored to be on the board where we started with nothing and have grown with everyone's help to support teachers and staff of Indian Valley.

~ Debbie Lee



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*Celebrating our past . . . Building our future generations!  
You can help! Contact the Indian Valley Foundation*

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# Have you considered Indian Valley Foundation in your Estate Plan? Do you have a POSITIVE PLAN?

*Live with Purpose and Leave a Legacy for Future Generations*

**Where to begin?** Make the Indian Valley Foundation a part of your planned giving intentions. It's a wonderful way to support the organization and extend the reach of helping students for generations to come.

**Let your light shine!** As you plan your life legacy, your generosity of giving to the Indian Valley Foundation will continue to shine your light on students today and into the future.

*Your gift always gives back!*

*Invest in Success!*

## Indian Valley Foundation 2018 Spring Gala *Changing lives one student and/or classroom at a time!*

Indian Valley Foundation 2018 Spring Gala was held at the Schoenbrunn Inn on March 31, 2018. It was a very special and memorable night of the Indian Valley District communities coming together to enjoy friendships, music, great food, and fund-raising. Bob Hall was the Master of Ceremony and Auctioneer for the event.

Indian Valley Elementary School Teacher Patty Coutts, the 2017 District 9 Teacher of the Year, was the Guest of Honor. Live background music for the event was provided by Nathan Ohmart and Josh Winn.

The event featured donations of following:

- Forty-Three event sponsors
- Eighty-Five gift cards for the gift card pull
- Seventy bottles of wine for the wine pull
- Forty-Seven silent auction items
- Twenty-One live auction items

The event was a great success with 215 people in attendance and \$26,142 was raised for the Indian Valley Foundation. Plan now to attend the Spring GALA2 on Saturday, March 30, 2019!



## 2017 District 9 Teacher of the Year

**Patty Coutts**

Indian Valley Elementary  
School Teacher



**more photos . . . Spring Gala 2018**





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## Indian Valley Foundation Spring Gala Fundraiser

Saturday, **March 30, 2019**

Lewis Center, New Philadelphia, Ohio

**\$50** per Plate for Catered Dinner

**Silent Auction - Live Auction - Live Music**

*You are the key to our...*



**Yes, I want to support the work of the IVF! Here is my level of giving:**

☐ Benefactor \$1,000 or more

☐ Sponsor \$500 to \$999

☐ Supporter \$250 to \$499

☐ Patron \$100 to \$249

☐ Donor up to \$99

☐ In honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ In memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Occasion: \_\_\_\_\_

(Anniversary, Birthday, Graduation, etc.)

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**Amount Enclosed**

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Donor Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

School \_\_\_\_\_ Year Graduated \_\_\_\_\_ Maiden Name \_\_\_\_\_

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