



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 2nd 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.

2017 IVF Board of Directors

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2017 IV Foundation Scholarship Recipients



At the 6th Annual Scholarship Recognition Banquet in April of 2017, twenty-five scholarships totaling \$14,600 were awarded to very deserving graduating Indian Valley seniors.

The last graduating class of Gnadenhutzen High School (1967) exceeded their goal of \$1,967 by giving a \$1,000 scholarship this year and they will give a \$1,000 scholarship next year (2018).

The Indian Valley South Class of 1977 gave a \$600 scholarship. Scholarships were also given by the GHS Alumni in memory of Jack McKeown and Barbara Williams Daniels. Friends and family members of Barb gave a \$1,000 scholarship in her memory.

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.

These 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.

2016 Treasurer's Brief Report

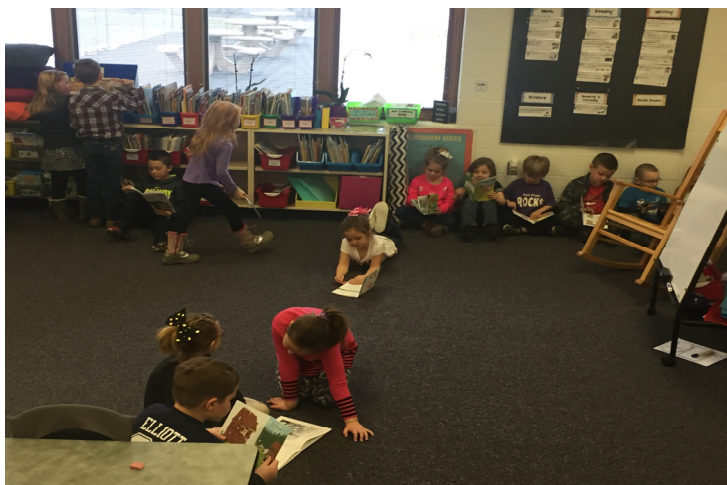
Indian Valley Foundation continues to give added support to the teachers and students of Indian Valley

- A total of **\$196,241** has been raised through 2016 and the Foundation has expended **\$188,603**.
- **92** classroom grants, up to **\$250** each, totaling **\$20,234**
- **99** scholarships totaling **\$55,300** have been awarded.
- Each Fall since 2011, grants of **\$1,500** have been awarded to each district building, totaling **\$36,000**.

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!*

Classroom Grants

Changing lives one student and/or classroom at a time!



NOTES From Teachers

To Indian Valley Foundation,

Thank you so much for the classroom grant money. It will be put to good use this upcoming school year and for years to come. Storyworks is a fantastic, differentiated reading program that will help engage students with their reading and writing skills. I appreciate all that the Foundation does; thank you again. ~ **Kayla Burcher**

Dear IVF,

Thank you for supporting our students at Midvale Elementary. I am excited to put together class sets of math manipulatives to help our students prepare for state testing. Thanks again! ~ **Terri Hupp**



Classroom Grant presented to Science Teacher, Bryant Oslin by Keeley Kochman



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

Indian Valley Foundation Receives 1st Estate Award

The Indian Valley Foundation recently received its first bequest from the estate of Lois Grosenbacher Schmidt Ellison. Lois was born in Wolf, Ohio and grew up in Lock Seventeen and graduated from Gnadenhutzen High School, Class of 1946. She attended Bliss Business College in Columbus and retired as a secretary for the City of Xenia.

She is survived by her six children and their spouses, 14 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren, two sisters and one brother. Lois was a faithful contributor to the Indian Valley Foundation from its beginning in 2009 and in her death she designated \$5,000 to be used for scholarships. Her loving family carried out her wishes, for which the Indian Valley Foundation is grateful.

Do you have a POSITIVE PLAN?

Invest in Success!

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!*

McPeck Brothers Provide Annual Scholarships

From the Indian Valley Foundation's beginning, the McPeck Brothers - David, Robert, and Doug and their families, have each given a \$500 scholarship each year in memory of their parents, Robert & Dorothy McPeck and their brother Todd. This year (2017), two of the grandchildren - Dave (Jill) McPeck and James (Kaila) McPeck joined together to give a \$500 scholarship in memory of their grandparents. The McPeck Family's contributions have helped many students as they began their college days.



IVN Class of 1981 Sells Big Blue Shirts for IV Foundation Student Scholarships

\$1,000 to be Presented at Spring 2018 Awards Banquet

Retro IVN Big Blue shirts were sold to classmates to wear during the 35 year reunion for the Class of 1981 in October 2016. Pictures posted on Facebook peaked the interest of many other Big Blue alumni, which prompted classmates Marlee (Smith) Beatty and Brenda (Zimmerman) Brumit to continue shirt sales. They pledged to donate proceeds from the shirt sales to the Indian Valley Foundation for scholarships awarded to IV students, to be determined by the Foundation.

In addition to the sales through Facebook posts, Marlee sold shirts at the annual **Tusky Days Festival** in June. This is also the location for the annual IVN gathering all classes. Bands, amusement rides, food vendors, merchants and the IV Boosters lined School Street and the parking lot of the former IVN Junior High and elementary building, which is now the Indian Valley Junior High.

She sold Big Blue shirts at the annual **Midvale Miner's Festival** in September, located at the Midvale Park. This was another IVN hometown event attracting alumni. Facebook orders continued to trickle in.

There are some shirts still available, but going quickly. If there is enough interest, pre-orders will be taken and more shirts will be made by our local supplier, as needed.

Shirts may be pre-ordered by phone, then mailed, or may be picked up locally at Mailer's Choice - 301 E. Main St., Gnadenhutzen.

IVN Retro Big Blue Shirt

Small - XL **\$20** 2-XL or 3-XL **\$23**

Add **\$5** to ship, or pick up locally at Mailer's Choice

By check, make payable to: Call **(330)340-0667** to pay by:

IVN Class of 1981
PO Box 500
Gnadenhutzen, OH 44629



Marlee (Smith) Beatty



Shirt proceeds go to the
Indian Valley Foundation
Scholarship Fund



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Indian Valley Foundation Spring Gala Fundraiser

Saturday, March 31, 2018

Lewis Center, New Philadelphia, Ohio

\$50 per Plate for Catered Dinner

Silent Auction - Live Auction - Live Music



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.)

Mail to: Indian Valley Foundation
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Donor Name _____

Address _____

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School _____ Year Graduated _____ Maiden Name _____

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