

# Fort LeBoeuf SCHOOL DISTRICT FOUNDATION



*Onward to the FUTURE*

## 2017 Annual Report

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# A message from our board president...

Each year I am amazed at our continued growth and this year has been no exception. We've seen increases in our **donors**, our **investments**, and the **people** that are involved, but most importantly we've seen our ability to enhance the educational opportunities of students grow.

By the numbers...

**22** - Years since the Foundation was formed by a group of people that loved the Fort LeBoeuf community and wanted to do their part to help students excel.

**5** - Schools with students that Foundation serves. The Foundation strives to provide opportunities for students at all three elementary schools, the middle school, and the high school in the Fort LeBoeuf School District.

**310,062**: Total balance of assets in the Foundation (6/30/17). **\$135,372** are unrestricted funds managed at the discretion of the Foundation while the remaining funds are designated for specific scholarships. The balance grew from \$264,659 at the beginning of the fiscal year from contributions and earnings for a net growth of **\$45,404** all while still distributing **\$31,149**.

**123**: Donors who partnered with us to pursue our mission of enhancing the educational opportunities of students. (This doesn't include the guests at our Harvest Gala or individuals that gave directly to specific scholarship funds.)

**6**: Committees that meet to develop specific projects, programs, and events that propel the Foundation forward. Over 15 individuals participate in these committees and include our board, community members, teachers, and administrators.

**7**: Years that **Excellence in Education** grants have been provided. The Foundation has given over \$42,000 in funds to educators in the district to help promote innovative ideas, creative programs, and student opportunities through this program.

**19**: Graduating seniors who received 32 scholarships through the Foundation totaling over \$15,000 in 2017.

While our heritage has laid an incredible foundation, **we push onward to the future** as we plan to **engage** with our donors, **expand** our impact with additional funding and programs, and **experience** greater collaboration with our members and the community. On behalf of the Foundation, I'd like to express the incredible gratitude we have for those that have partnered with us. We are proud to serve the Fort LeBoeuf community!

Sincerely,



Denny Fortin

## Our Board of Directors

**President: Denny Fortin**  
**Chairman: Valerie Rose**  
**Secretary: Sarah Breon**  
**Treasurer: Kim Heller**

**Richard Emerick**  
**Angela Tarr**  
**Leigh Williams**

Our PEOPLE at Work



# Committee Updates

- **EITC:** After multiple attempts to have a program approved for participation in the Educational Improvement Tax Credit from the PA Department of Economic and Community Development, the Foundation worked with staff to develop “**STEAMing into the Future,**” a comprehensive kindergarten through 5th grade robotics and coding program. This year the Foundation will reach out to local businesses that participate in the program to solicit funds and purchase the equipment for implementation. *(Chairman: Denny Fortin)*
- **Student Grants:** Over the years, the Foundation has budgeted several hundred dollars to help students with financial needs related to their education, such as summer school. The Foundation has expanded this part of the budget significantly as well as its scope to allow students to apply for mini-grants throughout the year for camps, programs, and seminars that will help enhance their educational opportunities. *(Chairman: Kathy Proctor)*
- **Finance:** We achieved one of our largest goals by having the Fort LeBoeuf Foundation’s first ever budget approved by the board. As we head into 2018 and beyond, we look to use our annual budgeting process as a key strategic tool in helping grow the Fort LeBoeuf Foundation while sustaining the Foundation's’ mission for generations of students to come. *(Chairman: Chris Romba)*
- **Donor Development:** We have retained a donor management software program that has enabled us to update our donor records and run financial reports with a few keystrokes. This will also give us a clearer picture of our constituents and their giving habits as we move forward this coming year. *(Chairman: Valerie Rose)*
- **Harvest Gala:** The 2016 Gala saw an increased attendance with 130 people and netted over \$7300 through ticket sales, sponsorships, and the silent auction. Through music, auctions and door prizes we encourage people to get involved. For 2017, we are striving to provide a memorable event again with the goal of seeing our attendance and funds raised increase 25%. *(Chairman: Leigh Williams)*
- **Marketing:** In 2017 we saw an expanded annual appeal delivered to the community coinciding with the Erie Gives Campaign. We have begun exploring opportunities with our efforts in social media, public relationships, and for an expanded 2018 campaign. *(Chairman: Dr. Jason)*



*“The **FUTURE** belong to those who **BELIEVE** in the beauty of their **DREAMS.**”*

*- Eleanor Roosevelt*



For the seventh year in a row The Fort LeBoeuf Foundation awarded several grants to teachers in all levels of the district from elementary to high school totaling over **\$6000**.

- At Robison Elementary, students who have Mrs. Woomer will get to experiment with **Snap Circuits** to learn about different forms of energy.
- Waterford Elementary was given funds to help produce the **school musical**. The play, directed by Mrs. Zylak, includes many students in all grade levels K-5.
- Also at Waterford, students will have access to more technology in Ms. Kulic's classes with **tablets** to host programs to support students struggling in reading and math.
- Mrs. Bukoski was given five **Makeblock Robotics kits** for second graders at Waterford; they will assemble and wire robotic tanks that are run by remote control.
- At the middle school level, Mrs. Friedman, who teaches 6th grade language arts, was given microphones that will allow students to record **podcasts** with the Chromebooks in research assignments.
- At the high school, the Foundation once more contributed to **Business Week**, a week long program that helps students learn how the economy works and discover their individual skills in various careers.
- Ms. Jennifer Peters was given **Adobe Creative Cloud** to use not only with art students, but also those who work on the yearbook and newspaper staff.

| Revenue                      |               |
|------------------------------|---------------|
| Donations                    | 230           |
| Annual Appeal /Erie Gives    | 4,785         |
| Harvest Gala                 | 7,333         |
| Faculty Payroll Deduction(s) | 3,133         |
| Membership Dues / Fees       | 40            |
| Investment Income            | 14,159        |
| <b>Total Revenue</b>         | <b>29,680</b> |

| Expenses                          |               |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|
| Advertising / Marketing           | 1,968         |
| Data Base Management              | 810           |
| Non-Profit Partnership Membership | 150           |
| Special Request Funding           | 600           |
| Educational Excellence Grants     | 6,722         |
| Dues and Fees                     | 1,422         |
| Miscellaneous                     | 530           |
| <b>Scholarship Payouts</b>        |               |
| Valedictorian Scholarship         | 1,000         |
| Trace Scholarship                 | 1,000         |
| <b>Total Expense</b>              | <b>14,202</b> |

| ASSETS (7/1/17)                    |                |
|------------------------------------|----------------|
| General Fund                       | 135,372        |
| TRACE Scholarship                  | 23,561         |
| <b>Sponsored Scholarships</b>      |                |
| Church Scholarship                 | 1,071          |
| Dustin Fortin Scholarship          | 75,978         |
| Evelyn Askey-Zaleski Scholarship   | 18,170         |
| Greg Nelson Scholarship            | 3,982          |
| Kuhn Family Scholarship            | 29,173         |
| Lions Club-Brian Milne Scholarship | 1,445          |
| Merry Scholarship                  | 8,119          |
| Wall of Fame                       | 4,017          |
| Waterford Invitational Scholarship | 9,175          |
| <b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>                | <b>310,063</b> |

## Scholarships

- **Valedictorian Scholarship** (\$1000): Brittney Loper
- **Dustin T. Fortin Memorial Scholarship** (\$4000): Mikalya Donnell
- **Evelyn Askey-Zaleski Scholarship** (\$500): Salem Nurse
- **Greg Nelson Memorial Scholarship** (\$600): James Lewis, David Lewis
- **Kuhn Family Scholarship** (\$500): Brittney Loper
- **Lawrence J. Gehrlein Engineering Scholarship** (\$500): Gregory Steele
- **Ron Oberlander Scholarship** (\$3250): Annie Lichtinger, Samantha Bengel, Casey Corritore, Brittney Loper, Kaylee Young, Alayna Seggi, Alexis Rimpa, Brenna Rindfuss, Sydney Worley, Madison Vorpapel, Jacob Criley, Garrett Dahn, Tyrzah McCall
- **TRACE Scholarship** (\$1000): James Lewis, David Lewis
- **Waterford Invitational Memorial Scholarship** (\$4000): Casey Corritore, Jacob Criley, Garret Dahn, Annie Lichtinger, Alexis Rimpa, Noah Rose, Sydney Worley,



# Upcoming Events...

- Annual Meeting.....October 11, 2017**
- Third Annual Harvest Gala.....November 11, 2017**
- Fourth Quarter Meeting.....Monday, December 11, 2017**
- First Quarter Meeting.....Monday, March 12, 2018**
- Second Quarter Meeting.....Monday, June 11, 2018**
- Erie Gives 2018.....Tuesday, August 14, 2018**
- Annual Meeting.....Wednesday, October 10, 2018**



## A-F

- American Legion Post #285
- Cynthia Andrus
- Ashely & Kuzma Physical Therapy
- Jason Beer
- Kara Bengel
- Matthew & Kate Bennett
- Bison Hill Stonecrafts
- Sarah Breon
- Kathleen Brundage
- Stacy Bukoski
- Marcie Campbell
- Janet Caplan
- Stuart Carr
- Andrew Church
- Denise Ciacchini
- Calvin & Connie Close
- Alicia Colletta
- Gary & Kristen Dahn
- Dennis Danielson
- Steven Davis
- Kathleen Dolen
- Richard Emerick
- Amy Fish
- Flowers by Val Jean
- Pamela Forsyth
- Dennis & Donna Fortin
- Denny & Lisa Fortin
- Laura Friedman
- Chris Galdon

## G-L

- Richard & Sara Gamble
- David Gerard
- Giant Eagle
- Marian Gregg
- Cynthia Haibach
- Hartwood Cares-Elementary Staff
- Kimberly Heller
- Brent Holt
- Jennifer Hopkins
- Hubbard-Bert, Inc.
- Craig Huck
- John & Natalie Huegel
- Robert Humes
- Humes of Waterford
- Benny & Darlene Hunt
- Hurst Potato Sales
- Ron Jagta
- Joel & Michelle Kahle
- Christopher & Trisha Keene
- Dan Kress
- John Kuhn
- Natalie Kuhn
- Pamela Lampman
- Terese Lazenby
- LECOM Health

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Our **DONORS** in Action

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Mindy Mazur  
Paula McGinnis  
Brian & Brenda McGowan  
Angela McGraw  
Shane & Trisha McIntyre  
Metalheads  
Millennium Sound  
Danielle Mitchell  
Carl Moore  
Gary Morrison  
North Coast Foot & Ankle  
Northwest Bank  
Karen Oberlander  
Lisa Oesterling  
John Ogden  
Jane Peganoff  
Heather Peters  
Jennifer Peters  
Susan Phillips  
Cliff Pier  
PNC Bank  
Ed & Yvonne Proctor  
Ray & Kathy Proctor  
ProMachining & Technology

## R-T

Kimberly Rankin  
Richelle Ransom  
Kristi Rathburn  
Martin & Tina Rimpa  
Mark & Valerie Rose  
William Rovnak  
Mark & Lisa Salvia  
Jack Sauers  
Gordon Sedgwick  
Karen Seggi  
Christine Seher  
Elizabeth Sisinni  
Small Town Rollers  
Pam Snyder  
Nanette Spaeder  
Jeff & Debra Spaulding  
Peter Stecher  
Larry & Kim Stevens  
Adlin Strimel  
Brian & Kim Sullivan  
Kimberly Sullivan  
Bradley Sweet  
Swiss Aero  
Angela Tarr  
Dennis Taylor  
Scott Taylor  
Dr. David Teufel  
Brenda Thomas  
Renee Turi

## V-Z

Marc Van Doren  
Mary Vitelli  
Haley Vorpapel  
Frank Walker  
John & Kerrie Wasiulewski  
Asbury United Methodist Women  
Waterford Lioness Club  
Waterford Physical Therapy  
David Whipple  
Brenda Withers  
Carl & Jessica Wolfrom  
Lillian Yochim  
Gay Ziegler  
Cynthia Zylak

