

Foundation Focus

Penn Manor Education Foundation Newsletter Fall 2022

Bound for Broadway

Maine endowment enables music students to visit NYC

A group of 30 Penn Manor High School seniors enjoyed a whirlwind tour of New York City, including a Broadway show, thanks to the generosity of a Penn Manor alumnus.

The group of music students left Penn



Douglas Maine

Manor High School the morning of April 29 and began their trip by visiting the 9/11 Memorial Museum, a truly eye-opening experience.

That afternoon, they visited Times Square and then ventured to

the Hard Rock Cafe for a group dinner, followed by an entertaining Blue Man Group show at the Astor Theatre.

The next day, the students and their chaperones visited the Top of the Rock Observatory at 30 Rockefeller



Penn Manor senior music students and chaperones pose outside the Gershwin Theater during a tour of New York City, which included the Broadway show, "Wicked."

Center. After lunch, they walked to the Gershwin Theatre to see *Wicked* on Broadway.

The trip was made possible by Douglas Maine, a 1966 Penn Manor graduate who established a \$50,000 endowment in 2014 to expose future generations of Penn Manor students to the arts.

Each year, endowment funds are used

for theatre and music trips outside of the area that many students otherwise could not afford on their own.

Trips are coordinated each year by the Penn Manor faculty.

Mr. Maine was able to pull some strings for this year's trip and set up a

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Family Fun Nights ease transition for newly arrived students, families

Thanks to a \$750 Venture Grant, Penn Manor has been able to connect immigrant families with services available through the school district and community organizations during Family Fun Nights.

The first Family Fun Night on March 9 brought together 48 students and family members for a dinner of pizza at the high school cafeteria and a presentation by Sandra Alvarez of the Spanish American Civic Association. She talked about adult ESL classes, job training programs and other services available through SACA, and participants enjoyed a spirited session of bingo, with prizes.

The second Family Fun Night, held April 6, targeted Penn Manor students from Guatemala and their families. Nearly 80 people enjoyed authentic Guatemalan food cooked by a student's family.

Spanish-speaking representatives

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Participants and volunteers listen to a presentation at a Family Fun Night in the cafeteria of Penn Manor High School.

Recognition Gifts

Gifts given from July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 in honor or memory of others

These donors made gifts to new or existing **scholarships** listed below in **bold print**:

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Three begin serving on Foundation board

Dianne Smith takes on executive assistant role

Two new members and a familiar face have recently joined the Education Foundation's all-volunteer board of directors.

In addition, former board member Dianne Smith has been appointed to the new position of executive assistant for the foundation.

The new board members are Jerissa Warfel and Katie Hess. Joining them is Joe Herman, who returns to the board after previously serving six years as a member.

Jerissa Warfel and her husband, Eric, have both served on the PMEF board and are active in the Penn Manor Community.

Jerissa has been involved with PMEF since 2009, serving in several roles,

including cochairing the PMEF Annual Dinner Committee. She also serves as an officer of the Conestoga Elementary



Jerissa Warfel

PTO and is a club advisor for Aevidum at Marticville Middle School.

Jerissa works under the U.S. Department of State Bridge USA program, supporting international exchange students through AuPairCare and Ayusa.

The Warfels have five children – two are Penn Manor graduates and three are currently enrolled in Penn Manor schools.

Jerissa said she is serving on the board "to make a tangible impact through collaboration and ensuring that donor funds are generated and spent according to our PMEF mission to provide awesome opportunities for our Penn Manor students."

Joe Herman returned to the PMEF board in July after a year off. He retired in 2014 from teaching social studies at Penn Manor High School, but he has continued to stay involved in Penn Manor.

Joe serves as a tutor at the

high school and as an adviser to the school's Civil War Club.

He's also a volunteer coach for the junior high soccer



Joe Herman

program and coaches throwers for the high school track and field team.

In addition, Joe serves as a member of the Penn Manor Co-Curricular Committee (PMC3) board.

Outside of Penn Manor, he serves as an usher, lector, and lay assistant at his church and as a presenter for colonial fishing and hunting at Hans Herr House, where he guest teaches on historical topics.

Joe said he is serving on the PMEF board "because PMEF is a unique organization whose goal is to provide Penn Manor students with the best opportunity to learn. By returning to the board, I can help students succeed and help teachers continue their dedicated work."

Katie Hess also joined the PMEF board in July.

A 1996 Solanco graduate, Katie has been married to Dell Hess for 19 years. Their twin sons, Caleb and Cody, will be seniors at Penn Manor High School in the fall.

The Hess family also includes Hank, a 1-year-old basset hound.

Katie owns a small boutique in Conestoga called Gather Home Boutique and Furniture



Katie Hess with her husband, Dell, and sons Caleb, left, and Cody.

and serves on the Millersville Lioness Club.

"We bought our first home knowing we wanted the boys to go through Penn Manor School District. And we loved the Letort Elementary and Marticville Middle School years and have enjoyed watching them grow academically and socially through their high school years," Katie said.

"Joining Penn Manor Education Foundation has me so excited to have more opportunities to give back."

Dianne Smith has transitioned from serving on the PMEF board to her new role as executive assistant.

As the Penn Manor Education Foundation continues to grow, the PMEF board recognized the need to provide part-time clerical support for the executive director, Jan Mindish. This need was especially critical in handling the correspondence and administration related to PMEF's 67 scholarships.

Dianne, who retired in 2015 after serving for 30 years as Central Manor Elementary



Dianne Smith

secretary, is a perfect fit for this new role.

"Serving on the PMEF board was an excellent way for me to stay connected

to my many friends, and also allowed me to continue to be a part of promoting Penn Manor staff, students and community in a

"Accepting this clerical position to assist the board helps me continue that service to Penn Manor."

We welcome these crucial

positive way," she said.

We welcome these crucial members of the PMEF team!

Executive director's message

I have been honored to serve on the PMEF board and as executive director over this past decade. PMEF



is proud to partner with our school district and community with a common

Jan Mindish mission of expanding opportunities for teaching and learning for our staff and students.

PMEF offers diverse ways for our community to support Penn Manor in the form of Venture Grants for teachers, Strong & Healthy Families Grants, and scholarships for high school seniors. We thank and recognize our many donors in this issue: community, staff, retirees and businesses. This newsletter highlights what we were able to fund through these programs thanks to community support.

This past year saw the return of our Annual Fundraising Dinner, our retiree gathering, and the Douglas Maine Endowed New York City trip.
Teachers once again had

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Class of 2022 PMEF scholarship/award recipients

Thanks to the generous support of donors, Penn Manor Education Foundation was able to award more than \$95,000 in scholarships and other awards to 95 deserving Penn Manor seniors in the Class of 2022!

PMEF scholarship awards fall into three categories:

- Awards funded by community members and businesses committed to investing in the future of Penn Manor graduates.
- Scholarships created by or in honor of alumni, staff and members of the Penn Manor community.
- Scholarships given in memory of Penn Manor students whom we have lost to honor their legacy.



The Foundation awarded a record number of scholarships to members of the Penn Manor High School Class of 2022.

Listed below are this year's recipients, along with their intended plans following high school.

Scholarship/Award

Recipient

Intended College

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Venture Grant projects for 2021-2022

Penn Manor Education Foundation was able to expand its Venture Grant program for 2021-2022 by adding a second grant cycle in the spring. This gave teachers the opportunity to apply for grants in fall 2021 and spring 2022.

As a result, we were able to award 50 grants totaling more than \$59,000 during the school year to 45 teachers on all levels at Penn Manor schools.

The grants range from \$532 for crayons and colored pencils at Central Manor Elementary to \$7,085 for a wind tunnel at the high school to support the teaching of aerodynamics, fluid dynamics and aeronautical engineering.

Several grants, including a \$3,520 award for a kiln at Pequea, were for projects supporting the arts at Penn Manor schools.

Listed below are descriptions of the 2021-2022 grants.

Alternative Seating

Several grants totaling nearly \$1,600 were awarded to provide alternative seating options to students in grades 2, 3 and 6 at Hambright and Central Manor Elementary Schools. The grants funded yoga balls, stools, cushions and lap desks for students.



Digital Cameras

Grants totaling nearly \$3,200

were awarded to teachers at Pequea Elementary and Penn Manor High School to purchase digital cameras for students to use in art classes.

Preparing Healthy Meals

Grants totaling \$1,350 were awarded to Penn Manor Life Skills teachers to support a program to teach students how to shop for and cook healthy foods. The grants funded grocery store gift cards and small appliances, including an air fryer, griddle and blender.

Aevidum Expansion Outreach

The grant funded fees for students and staff to attend the Aevidum Spark Conference on mental health and suicide prevention training in support of Penn Manor's Aevidum Trogram.



Speech Therapy Sound Manipulatives

This grant paid for sound boxes with manipulatives for use with students in grades K-12 practicing articulation.

Translating Language Device

The grant funded a Pocketalk Language Translator device to assist families at Central Manor Elementary School who are non-native English speakers.

Middle School Percussion

This grant enabled the music department to purchase snare and boom stands, mallets, tambourines and other instruments/materials for the middle school music program.

What's Going On in My Body?

Detailed scale models of the head, torso and human eye were purchased with this grant for high school biology classes.

Edible Classroom

Two grants totaling \$3,800 paid for Edible Classroom gardening lessons for students at Conestoga and Central Manor Elementary Schools.

TI CBR Motion Lab

This grant paid for a set of CBR motion detection sensors to enable students to graph their movements for high school calculus and algebra classes.



Classroom Set of Ukuleles

Sets of 25 Ukuleles and tuners were purchased for music classes at Martic and Letort Elementary Schools with this grant.

Family Fun Nights

This grant was used to provide dinner, games, craft activities and information about social services for "Family Fun Night" events targeting Penn Manor families with students in the English Language Learner program.



Math, Sports, Games and More!

The grant funded math sports kits to teach ratios, fractions, percentages, exponents, factors and other math concepts using sports-related games for sixth-graders at Central Manor.

Playaways

This grant was used to purchase a set of Playaways for Central Manor students, enabling them to read books while listening to them on an audiotape to help develop reading fluency and stimulate interest in reading.



STEM in the Science Classroom

STEM kits, including

Snap Circuits, K'Nex, Legos, motors, simple machines and currents, were purchased for use during classroom lessons and extension activities at Marticville Middle School.

Easels for Art Students

The grant paid for 10 bamboo easels for use in art classes at Penn Manor High School.

Aerodynamics in Engineering

The grant funded a wind tunnel to be used by high school students studying aerodynamics, fluid dynamics and aeronautical engineering.

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Teacher Grants

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Groundwater Simulation Systems

Two grants totaling more than \$3,800 were awarded to Hambright teachers to purchase groundwater simulation stations to help students understand how the movement of water impacts aquatic ecosystems.



Multi-Sensory Environment

The grant funded materials to establish a multisensory room at Hambright Elementary designed to meet the sensory needs of students, including auditory, kinesthetic, olfactory, and visual needs to help students develop coping strategies.

Outdoor School Activities

This grant funded a field trip for Eshleman thirdgraders to Millersville Borough Park, including materials for catching, identifying and dissecting insects and plants.



Shaken Baby and Infant Care Simulators

The grant funded the purchase of a shaken baby simulator and a real care baby simulator for students in child development, family and consumer science and health classes to use at home and in the classroom.

Not Your Typical Gong Show

This grant was used to purchase a gong and stand to be used by the high school music department to replace equipment that was no longer functional.



ELA Connection Builder

Board games, including Scrabble, Boggle, Word Teasers, Bananagrams, and Apples to Apples, were purchased to build students' relationships with the teacher and their peers at Manor Middle School.

The Mediator of Mindfulness

Hambright Emotional Support K-6 mindfulness and trauma-informed yoga sessions for emotional support staff were funded through this grant.

Plant Propagation for Anxiety and Stress Management

The grant paid for grow lights, plant stands, pots, plants and other materials to establish a plant propagation program for students enrolled in Penn Manor Virtual School.



Scientific Calculators

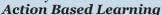
The grant funded a set of scientific calculators for students to use in high school science and chemistry classes.

Individualized Enrichment Activities

The grant funded three-dimensional games to stimulate higher-level thinking and independence while providing enrichment for second-grade students at Eshleman Elementary.

Sensory Walks

Grants totaling \$3,000 were used to purchase and install "sensory walks" – colorful paths on hallway floors for students to identify letters and numbers and calculate multiplication patterns to encourage active learning – at Martic and Eshleman Elementary Schools.



The grant funded materials to create action-based learning activities throughout the hallways of Pequea Elementary School.



This grant funded interactive, durable materials to aid in the study of cell transport, genetics, enzymes, DNA and protein synthesis, including enzymes in action, at the high school.



Readathon

The grant funded materials to support activities during a Readathon for students in grades K-2 at all Penn Manor elementary schools.



Longwood Gardens Field Trip

This grant funded a field trip to Longwood Gardens for high school students studying floriculture, plant science and landscaping. In addition to touring the gardens, students participated in a session by a Longwood

horticulturist on the grooming and preparation of plants.

Recognition gifts: Donations in memory or honor of others

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Drumore Estate will again host our Annual Dinner, on Sept. 25

Join us for the PMEF Annual Dinner

The PMEF Annual Dinner Gala will be held on September 25 at the beautiful Drumore Estate.

The event will included appetizers, cocktails, silent and live auctions, raffles and an outdoor dinner on the estate grounds.

The auctions will include a wide range of items, including a wine tasting experience for six with transportation and a Hershey Bears hockey game suite for 16.

Last year, the gala raised \$30,000 for PMEF scholarships, grants and other programs.

Please join us at this special event. A link to tickets and more information about auction items will be posted on our Facebook page, *PennManorEducationFoundation*.

Family Fun Nights

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were on hand from CASA of Lancaster, which provides ESL classes, vocational training, financial counseling, citizenship classes and other services to support immigrants and working-class residents.

Willow Breeze Laundromat

Penn Manor social workers also were on hand to assist with any questions about school district services.

The third Family Fun Night, held May 11, included dinner and a trip to the gymnasium to cheer on the Penn Manor boys' volleyball team.

Wendy Letavic, Penn Manor's English Language Development specialist, said Family Fun Nights provide a welcoming environment for students and families adjusting to a new environment and help strengthen the ties between Penn Manor and its families.

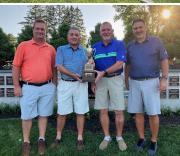
"We have definitely noticed a sense of community at these events, and this has made the connection between school and home stronger as a result," said Letavic, who applied for the Venture Grant.

"Together, we are making a positive impact on these students and their families."









Scramble raises \$10,500

Thanks to our generous community, PMEF raised more than \$10,500 at its 16th annual Charity Golf Scramble, held June 14 at Meadia Heights Country

A packed field of 128 golfers enjoyed lunch, a round of golf, dinner and an opportunity to win from a selection of over 50 raffle prizes.

This year's winning score of 58 was posted by Jim Zanghi, Mark Gast, Sam Ebersol and Bryan O'Toole.

PMEF would like to give a special thanks to its major sponsors: Raymond James Capital Markets (Ken Phillips & Lauren Stadel); Crabtree, Rohrbaugh & Associates; B.N. Excavating; Bob & Coleen Kayden; Moore Engineering; Shultz Transportation; and Trout CPA.

Since 2006, the golf fundraiser has generated over \$150,000 to support PMEF programs aimed at enriching the educational experiences of Penn Manor students.

The 2023 scramble will be held on June 13 at Meadia Heights.

Anyone interested in sponsorship levels should contact Pat Kline at *pkline38@comcast.net*.

Thanks again to our Penn Manor community for making this event a big success.

Director's message

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two opportunities to apply for Venture Grants in both semesters.

And we were delighted to bring Dianne Smith on as executive assistant to provide part-time clerical support as PMEF continues to grow.

We said farewell to Dr. Mike Leichliter, who has provided valuable leadership to PMEF in our support of district goals. And we welcomed Dr. Phil Gale, Penn Manor's new superintendent, as he assumes the role of the district's crucial link to PMEF.

As you will read, PMEF added 10 new scholarships for seniors this year, providing over \$96,000 to 95 seniors.

Donors don't always get a chance to hear how their donations impact staff and students, so I'd like to share a few of the thank-you notes we received from this year's scholarship recipients.

One of our six Houseknecht Scholarship winners wrote: It will help me very much with my college expenses at MU as I pursue a degree in biology. I plan to use this degree to focus on research in Marine ecology and help the environment. I am very grateful for your help.

The winner of the PMAA Mary Klemmer Scholarship noted: *I begin a summer* semester at Virginia Tech, where I will be training with the women's swimming and diving team. I will be pursuing dual degrees through the honors college, in English, with a minor in linguistics and International Studies, and a minor in National Security and Foreign Affairs, all on the prelaw track.

The Wade Groff recipient stated: I will be majoring in computer science at West Chester to pursue a career in programming. Thanks to this scholarship, I'm able to afford the things I need to get there. I hope one day I can give back and help, just like you.

A winner of the Dr. Jan Mindish Scholarship wrote: I plan to attend the University of Cincinnati's College Conservatory of Music, where I will be studying technical design and production. I decided on this field because

of the impact and positive influence theatre has had on my life, and I want to create that magical experience for others. I hope to be able to give back to my community in the same way that you have done for me.

A PMEF Scholarship winner summed it up: I am honored and know that this award will lift a great burden off my shoulders when it is time to buy textbooks and art supplies. What PMEF does for the Penn Manor community is incredible. We are so thankful for the opportunities PMEF has given us.

On behalf of PMEF, thank you to our terrific community for continuing to make a difference in the lives of our students through your support!

Maine Endowment: Broadway

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meet-and-greet with Dan Micciche, the music director and conductor of "Wicked."

Micciche talked with the students about all the work that goes into a Broadway production.

Following the show, the group departed for home, stopping for dinner and

returning to the high school late that evening.

"Our trip to NYC was a very fun way to wrap up our high school music careers," said Morgan Terry, a member of the 2022 Penn Manor graduating class. "Getting to see professionals bringing music to life and seeing how music can be made into a career was very exciting."

The trip was the first time Lydia Sylvester, another 2022 graduate, had visited New York City.

"From seeing 'Wicked' to exploring the city, it was an amazing experience I will never forget, and I am so thankful for it," Lydia said.

In the 2022-23 school year, the Penn Manor Theatre Department will be planning a trip for theatre students funded by the Maine Endowment.

The Education Foundation would like to thank Mr. Maine for providing this opportunity for our music and theatre students.

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If you are interested in establishing an endowment through PMEF to benefit Penn Manor students, please contact Jan Mindish, PMEF executive director, at janmindish@comcast.net.

PMEF adds 10 scholarships exceeding \$30,000

Thanks to our generous community, Penn Manor Education Foundation added 10 new scholarships in 2022 that were awarded to Penn Manor High School seniors, bringing the total to 67 different awards exceeding \$95,000. The new scholarships included three that were featured in the 2021 newsletter: Tony Purcell Sr. Memorial Scholarship, Warren V. Lefever ('42) Memorial Scholarship, and the Doan Family Scholarship.

The remaining seven new 2022 scholarships are:

Manor Township Agricultural Study and Political Science Scholarships

These two \$1,000 scholarships are sponsored by Manor Township, and



priority will be given to students who live in the township.

The agricultural study scholarship is for a student majoring in the field of agriculture, with priority given to

those studying agriculture or agronomy studies, agribusiness, bio-renewables, or animal, plant, earth or mineral science.

The political science scholarship is for an individual furthering his/her/their education in the field of political science, including majors in political science studies, international politics, politics and government or public policy.



Jim and Lee Amigh

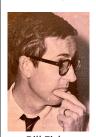
Lee 'Todd' Amigh Scholarship

Retired Penn Manor health and physical education teacher Jim Amigh recently funded a \$14,000 scholarship in memory of his wife, Lee, to honor her commitment to environmental education.

This award is for a student passionate about pursuing an education and career in environmental education. Previous coursework in environmental education and volunteer service related to the environment will be considered.

William 'Bill' Fisher Memorial Scholarship

This \$1,000 award was established



by family, friends, co-workers, and the Steinman Charitable Fund to honor Bill Fisher, a longtime sports editor and award-winning sportswriter for the Lancaster Sunday News. Bill was part of a tradition of entertaining,

investigative sports writers and generously passed along his passion to subsequent generations of writers. The scholarship goes to a student pursuing a career in journalism.

James D. Harne Memorial Scholarship

This \$500 scholarship will be

awarded in memory of Jim Harne, a 1963 Penn Manor graduate who was a varsity wrestler and theater student known for his sense of humor. The award is sponsored by a classmate, Don McCann, and his family. Seniors planning



Jim Harne

to major in English, library science or a related field are eligible to apply. Preference will be given to students known for their sense of humor and willingness to take creative risks.

Nick & Marnice Charles Scholarship

This \$650 scholarship is funded by 2013 Penn Manor graduate Nick

Charles and his wife, Marnice.

Nick was grateful for the scholarships he received at Penn Manor and wanted to provide financial support to a student facing the challenge of rising college costs.



Nick & Marnice Charles

The recipient, selected by the music staff, will be a student who, like Nick, benefitted from four years in one of Penn Manor's music ensemble groups.



Barley family members

Star Rock Farms Foundation Scholarship

The Barley family, wishing to give back to their community, established this \$1,500 scholarship for a student pursuing a career in agriculture or life sciences. Selection is based on financial need, scholastic achievement, and leadership responsibilities in the community, church, school and especially in agricultural activities.

If you would like to contribute to any of our current scholarships, send checks to PMEF at P.O. Box 1001, Millersville, PA 17551 or donate online at www.pennmanoredfoundation.org/donate/. Please include the name of the scholarship you are supporting with your donation.

The new scholarships for 2023 are:

Bree Taryn Caffey Memorial Scholarship

The world was changed July 15, 2010, when Bree Taryn Caffey lost her battle with non-Hodgkin's Burkitt's Lymphoma. Bree was a Class of 2007

Penn Manor graduate, but she will never graduate from college with her human resource degree.

She will never get married, have children or even meet her nephew and her niece. But in her 22 years of life, she was able to



Bree Caffey

leave a legacy of kindness and caring, and family and friends who loved her.

It has been of dream of our family to keep the legacy of my sister alive, and now we are doing it with the Bree Taryn Caffey Memorial Scholarship Fund. The recipient of this \$5,000 scholarship will be a graduate pursuing a degree in nursing. Preference will go to a student attending a four-year college, but an associate degree in nursing will be considered.

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November 18 ExtraGive to benefit PMEF

The ExtraGive, an annual daylong online fundraiser, has become an important way for community members to support PMEF.

In 2021, 159 donors helped the Foundation exceed its target goal of \$25,000. Among those donors were many Penn Manor alumni, retirees, staff, community members and businesses.

During last year's event, we challenged graduates from different decades – from the 1960s to the present – to raise the most funds for PMEF. Graduates

EXTRAGIVE







from the 1980s won the competition, contributing \$5,571. The decade with the most donors (14) was the 2010s.

For 2022, the ExtraGive will be held on Friday, November 18.

We will again be involving our alumni this year to extend our reach to Penn Manor supporters across the country. We ask that you share the link www. extragive.org with friends and family so they can donate online on November 18 to help us reach our goal of \$25,000.

More details about ExtraGive activities will be posted on PMEF social media.

Scholarships: *PMEF* adds 10 new awards this year

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We hope to encourage this generation to become the kind of nurses we need: nurses who are compassionate, kind, and have a passion to work with others during their greatest time of need. – written by Arielle Dunkle, Bree's sister.

August 'Gus' Birchler Memorial Scholarship

Gus Birchler was a wonderful brother, teacher, farmer, leader and friend. After graduating from high school, he joined the Navy and then attended Penn State. He eventually bought a small farm in Lancaster and began his life of farming and teaching agricultural education classes at Penn Manor High School.

Gus earned a Ph.D., but always wanted to be known as a farmer. He loved teaching, and his kids would often call him for advice. When Gus died in 2022, his estate funded an annual \$500 scholarship for a Penn Manor FFA student.

Here's how a former student (Jeff Wagner, Class of '79) remembers Gus: Of all the fine teachers at Penn Manor, Gus made the biggest impression on me. We spent many evenings catching chickens to raise money for the FFA. My highlight was going to Kansas City for the National FFA Convention. Gus always made sure that everyone who was deserving to go went.

A colleague of Gus (Becky Vickers-Gross, Class of '75) had this to say: *It is rare to find someone in this world like Gus Birchler. He was the kind of person that we all wish we could be* –



Gus Birchler

educated, kind, personable. The world was truly a better place for having Gus with us.

The Birchler family reached out to the community for donations to support the Penn Manor agricultural education program and students through grants to ag teachers.

If you would like to make a donation in Gus's memory to help support the agricultural education program, send it to PMEF, PO Box 1001, Millersville, PA 17551.

Craig S. Shyver awards

Two new awards have been established to celebrate the life of Penn Manor student Craig S. Shyver, who valiantly fought cancer for 3½ years until his passing in 1984.

To commemorate what Craig accomplished in his short life, Craig's parents, Thomas and Charlene Shyver, have donated funds to support a \$1,000 scholarship for a student planning to pursue a four-year degree in the music field and an annual \$1,000 grant for Penn Manor Productions.

Craig's zest for life was demonstrated in his many activities. He participated

in theatre, Key Club, Varsity Club, the peer counseling program, the International Thespian Society, Student Council and the AFS exchange organization.

Before his illness, he played football and was active in other sports. At age 11, as a member of S.P.A.D.E. (Student Production and Dramatic Education), Craig played Little Jake in *Annie Get Your Gun* at the Ephrata Playhouse in the Park.

In 1983 he participated in *Flower* Drum Song and Don't Drink the Water at Penn Manor High School. He was unable to be in the cast of the fall play,



Craig Shyver

1984, in November of 1984, but below the cast list in the play's program was "We miss you, Craig!"

One of the highlights of Craig's life was an experience that might be a thrill of any lifetime. He was

sponsored by a group led by former Olympic weightlifter Sam Bigler to carry the Olympic torch on the cross-country relay prior to the 1984 Olympics in Los Angeles.

That April, he carried the torch for a kilometer in suburban Philadelphia. Craig was an outpatient at the Hershey Medical Center at the time, but he worked hard to get his body in shape.

The life of Craig Shyver will be an ongoing inspiration to the recipients of these two awards, which are scheduled to begin this fall.

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That's what we call teamwork!



Thanks to former members of 7th- and 9th-grade basketball teams coached by Don Martin, PMEF was able to award a second Don & Sue Martin Scholarship, totaling \$1,600 over four years, to a 2022 graduate. Many thanks to these young

men for giving back. They are, front row, from left, Damon Cummins, Calder Gillichbauer, Connor White and Ethan Barley; back row, from left, Brad Seiger, Brad Underkoffler, Brett Caggiano, Don Martin, Logan Kinser and Mitch Sweigart.

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Strong & Healthy program distributes 300 free books in PM neighborhoods

One of 5 projects to receive nearly \$19,000 in grant funding

Penn Manor staff members are used to encouraging children to read, and this spring, they took that message on the road.

Using a \$1,500 grant awarded through PMEF's Strong & Healthy Families program, elementary principals and social workers distributed about 300 free books in four Penn Manor neighborhoods.

Books for students in kindergarten through middle school were distributed from May 5 to 18 in the Manor Heights, Brunswick Farms, Willow Run and Pheasant Ridge neighborhoods.

Along with receiving free books, parents



Hambright Elementary principal Eric Howe explains the book options to residents of the Pheasant Ridge neighborhood.

and students could check books out of the Lancaster County Bookmobile, which was on site. They also could receive a library card on the spot – along with free ice cream.

The Bookmobile was scheduled to return to the neighborhoods over the summer.

"The parents were grateful, and the students took information about the Bookmobile coming to their neighborhoods throughout the summer," said Scott Keddie, Conestoga Elementary School principal.

Other Penn Manor principals and elementary techers also participated in the book distributions. Parents and students enjoyed seeing them taking the time to visit their neighborhoods, bolstering their connection with the school district.

This is the sixth year in a row the Literacy Project has received a Strong & Healthy grant.

In 2022, a total of five grants were awarded through the Strong & Healthy program to assist Penn Manor students and families.

A \$7,000 grant supported the TeenHope program, which provides mental health screenings for all Penn Manor seventhand ninth-graders to identify those who may be struggling emotionally.



A youngster checks out a book from the Lancaster County Bookmobile, which was parked in the Pheasant Ridge neighborhood during the Literacy Project event.

A \$5,000 grant was used to purchase uniforms, tools, supplies and certification fees for students who attend Career & Technology Center programs.

A \$3,500 grant helped students pay AP exam fees, and a \$1,951 grant is funding a portion of the tuition cost for students to attend dual-enrollment college-credit classes.

Students are identified for this assistance based on their family incomes.

We'd like to thank our many supporters for helping make these Strong & Healthy Grant projects possible.



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Outdoor luncheon brings together PM retirees

For the first time since 2019, Penn Manor retirees gathered to reminisce and share a meal with former colleagues as the Foundation hosted a retiree luncheon on June 22 at the Copper Hill Pavilion at Crossgates Golf Club.

The outdoor event was held in lieu of the traditional retiree breakfast because of construction at Penn Manor High School.



Retiree Marianne Sullivan, left, embraces Wendy Letavic, the guest speaker at the luncheon.

Despite the venue change, the luncheon attracted nearly 75 retirees from many different decades. There were lots of hugs and enthusiastic greetings among the crowd.

Wendy Letavic, English Language Development specialist for the school district, was the guest speaker. She talked about how grants from PMEF have helped newly arrived students and families from other countries acclimate to the Penn Manor community.

Former superintendent Mike Leichliter gave a final address to the crowd, followed by the introduction of Phil Gale, Penn Manor's new superintendent, who talked about what makes Penn Manor such a special place.

Retiree John Perry drew the lucky number and won the raffle of a Penn Manor quilt crocheted by retired Penn



Retirees and Penn Manor staff, above, enjoy a picnic-style lunch at the Copper Hill Pavilion. Below, Raffle winner John Perry, left, receives the quilt from his fellow retiree and PMEF board member Joe Herman.

Manor social studies teacher Donna Brady. Other retirees won table floral arrangements.

The annual gathering – which was canceled the past two years because of the pandemic – is our way of thanking retirees for their many years of service to the Penn Manor community.

We look forward to next year's event!

