

# Foundation Focus

Penn Manor Education Foundation Newsletter
Fall 2023

# **Inspiring** creativity

Author/illustrator team visits all seven elementary schools

The creative impact of meeting an author or illustrator can be tremendous.

Thanks to a PMEF Venture Grant, Jonathan Stutzman and Heather Fox, a children's book author/illustrator team from Lancaster County, visited all seven Penn Manor elementary schools to talk about their craft and inspire students to tap into their own creativity.

The \$8,400 grant was requested by elementary librarians Nancy Nadig, Grace Painter, and Lori Paules.

The most recent book by Stutzman





In photo above, Jonathan Stutzman and Heather Fox, an author and illustrator of popular childrens' books, show the results of a lesson on book illustration. In photo below, students learn how a book is created.

and Fox, "Don't Feed the Coos!," has been nominated for this year's PA Young Reader's Choice Awards.

Their other titles include the popular "Llama" series and "Santa Baby."

The creative team gave four presentations at each school targeting specific grades that gave students a chance to try their hand at writing and

illustration.

According to Ms. Nadig, in-person visits like these by authors and illustrators to schools are a way to "create long-lasting memories that foster lifelong reading habits in students."

PMEF is proud to fund this district-wide initiative, which impacted more than 2,800 students!

# PMEF answers the call with Strong & Healthy nutrition grant

Nutrition is just one focus of PMEF's Strong & Healthy Families program. When the Power Packs program reached out for funding support due to increased demand and costs, PMEF was in a position to help.

Generous donations to the S&H program from members of the Class of '62 enabled PMEF to award a \$10,000 grant so Power Packs can continue to serve 123 Penn Manor families, providing nearly 1,000 meals.

The grant will help offset the

The grant will help offset the increased cost of food, milk,

produce and other expenses.

Power Packs provides families with a recipe and the main ingredients to make one weekend meal, eight or nine grocery items, including protein and fresh produce, and tips for healthy living.

In 2022-2023, the program assisted 123 Penn Manor families, including 374 children, based on economic need.

Power Packs operates yearround from the Loft Community Partnership, located in Millersville.



A student waits on a customer at the new Penn Manor HS Store.

# HS store open for business

PMEF provides funding

Penn Manor High School now has its own store – run by business students – where students and visitors can buy Penn Manor swag.

The Penn Manor School Store, located around the corner from the gymnasium lobby, was opened this past year with support from the Education Foundation.

Business education teacher Christa Craig received a \$3,000

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# Recognition Gifts

Gifts given from July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023 in honor or memory of others

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

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#### Penn Manor Alumni **Scholarship**

Penn Manor HS Alumni Association

#### Pequea Valley Sportsman Association Scholarship

Pequea Valley Sportman Association

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# Three join PMEF board of directors

PMEF recently welcomed three new members to its board of directors to serve three-year terms – Mary Rafter, Reilly Noetzel and Stephanie Keck.

**Reilly Noetzel** is a 2009 Penn Manor graduate who lives in Washington Boro with his wife, Cierra, a 2010 PM graduate,

and their 3-year-old daughter, Cornelia.

Reilly is a real estate attorney for Barley Snyder in Lancaster and serves on the board of the Lancaster Central Market Trust.

Reilly wanted to serve on the PMEF board, he said, as a way to

stay connected with the Penn Manor community and staff.

"I had a great experience at Penn Manor and value the opportunity to give back to students through PMEF," he said. "I am particularly passionate about helping all kids attain their higher education goals."

Reilly Noetzel



Mary Rafter, second from right, with her husband, Marty, and their children, Matt and Maggie.

Mary Rafter is a former middle school English teacher who lives in Willow Street with her husband, Marty, and two children, Matt, a 2020 Penn Manor CTC graduate, and Maggie, a sophomore at Penn Manor High School.

Since leaving full-time teaching when her daughter was born, Mary has worked as a preschool aide and most recently at Pequea Elementary as an aide to the reading specialist and a substitute building aide.

She also has been involved with Penn Manor booster clubs and the Pequea Elementary PTO, and has served as a classroom volunteer.

"I am looking forward to using my skills to be more active in the district through the work of PMEF," Mary said. "My kids have had wonderful experiences and opportunities at Penn Manor, and I want to ensure those possibilities continue for all students into the next decade."

**Stephanie Keck** is director of change enablement at Cox Automotive.

She and her husband, Jim, have a son, Jimmy, a 2023 Penn Manor graduate, and a daughter, Grace, a Penn Manor 10th-grader.

The Kecks live in Manor Township. Stephanie has served four years as secretary of the Manor Pride Gridiron Club.

Stephanie wanted to serve on the PMEF board "after hearing from friends about the great work that PMEF does," she said.

We welcome these new board members and appreciate their willingness to serve in these volunteer positions.



Stephanie Keck, left, with her children, Grace and Jimmy, and husband, Jim.









# 17th annual Golf Scramble another successful sellout

Raises more than \$8,000 for programs

Thanks to our generous community, PMEF raised more than \$8,000 at its 17th annual Charity Golf Scramble, held June 13 at Meadia Heights Country Club.

A packed field of 132 golfers enjoyed lunch, a round of golf, dinner and a chance at winning more than 50 raffle prizes.

This year's winning score of 56 was posted by the team of Dr. Phil Gale, Grant Gale, Jason Hottenstein and Larry Bellew.

PMEF would like to give a special thank you 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 more than \$170,000 to support PMEF programs aimed at enriching the educational experiences of all Penn Manor students.

The 2024 Scramble will be held June 11 at Meadia Heights. Anyone interested in sponsorship levels should contact Pat Kline at pkline38@comcast.net.

Thanks to all who helped make this event a success.

# Class of 2023 PMEF scholarship/award recipients

Thanks to the generous support of donors, Penn Manor Education Foundation was able to award \$117,000 in scholarships and other awards to 91 members of the Penn Manor Class of 2023 – the largest numbers in our history!

PMEF scholarship awards fall into these categories:

- Technology, trade and ag scholarships to students entering the workforce or career training programs.
- Scholarships for student pursuing careers in health care.
- Scholarships for future teachers and educators.
- Science, technology, engineering and math scholarships.
- Scholarships supporting art, music, theatre,



The Foundation awarded a record number of scholarships to members of the Penn Manor High School Class of 2023.

journalism and business students.

- Scholarships sponsored by community members and/or organizations.
- Scholarships in memory of Penn Manor students.

#### Scholarship/Award

#### Recipient

Elizabeth Hubbs

#### Plans after high school

#### Tech/Trade/Ag Scholarships

Political Science Scholarship sponsored by Manor Twp. Agriculture Study Scholarship sponsored by Manor Twp. Star Rock Farms Foundation Scholarship Willis & Martha Herr Family Scholarship August "Gus" Birchler Memorial Scholarship Edgar Funk Family Scholarship Doan Family Trade Scholarship Pequea Valley Sportsman Association Award Pequea Valley Sportsman Association Award Beverly Longenecker Scholarship Lloyd and Ann Boyd Memorial Scholarship Jim Livermore Memorial Scholarship J.K. Mechanical Trade Award Tony Purcell Sr. Memorial Scholarship Warren V. Lefever ('42) Memorial Scholarship Dennis R. Herr Memorial Scholarship Dr. Janice Mindish Tech/Trade Award Dr. Janice Mindish Tech/Trade Award Dr. Janice Mindish Tech/Trade Award

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#### Scholarship/Award Recipient Plans after high school

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# Venture Grant projects for 2022-2023

Penn Manor Education Foundation provided a near record level of funding to Penn Manor teachers this

past school year in the form of 52 Venture Grants totaling more than \$79,000.

In all, 45 teachers, counselors, and principals received funding for programs and materials impacting students at all 10 Penn Manor elementary and secondary schools.





The grants range from \$279 for Spanish language books for high school Spanish classes to \$4,513 to bring the Van Go! mobile art gallery to three elementary schools.

Three grants went to community gardening programs, and grants funded field trips to Longwood Gardens, the Baltimore Aquarium,

Gettysburg National Military Park, Zoo America and Fulton Opera House.

Listed below are highlights of the 2022-2023 grants.

## Instruments for Growing Students

Funding was used to purchase three cellos, two violins, a clarinet and five mouthpieces for use students in grades 5-6 at Letort, Conestoga, Central Manor and Eshleman Elementary Schools.



#### Video Project Update

Two Canon XA10 video cameras were purchased with this grant to enable high school students to create video content in 4D.

#### Susquehanna Valley Model UN

This grant covered admission fees for high school

students to participate in Model U.N. conferences in Lancaster and York Counties.

#### Livestock Project Materials

The grant paid for a livestock scale and shear kit for ag education students who show livestock at regional fairs as part of Manor FFA.

#### Author and Illustrator Visits to Schools

This grant brought Jonathan Stutzman and Heather Fox,

a children's book author/illustrator team, to visit all seven Penn Manor elementary schools, where they talked about their craft and conducted student workshops.

#### Mini Projectile Launchers for Physics Class

The grant was used to purchase 17 projectile launchers to demonstrate laws of motion and provide real-world demonstrations of physics equations in high school science classes.

#### Flexible Seating and Learning Spaces

This grant funded exercise balls, stools, balance chairs, modular seating and other alternative seating for second-graders at Martic Elementary. Similar grants funded alternative seating options for students

at Pequea and Eshleman Elementary Schools.

#### Letort Reads 'Poppy'

This \$1,300 grant funded a schoolwide project at Letort Elementary to read the book *Poppy*, including an assembly, daily trivia questions and a "books and breakfast" event for families.



Grant funding was used for four student visits to college campuses and panel discussions with professionals in manufacturing, engineering, computer science, business and entrepreneurship, sports and fine arts.

#### Lego Design Challenge STEM Unit

Funds were used to purchase Lego sets for applied engineering classes at Martic, Letort, Eshleman and Conestoga Elementary Schools.

#### Mystery Science for All Grades

This grant paid for a school-wide subscription to "Mystery Science" teaching materials for Hambright Elementary.

#### Choir Robe Update

This grant was used to purchase 25 choir robes and stoles to outfit high school students for choral festivals and competitions.

#### Making Rapid Prototyping More Rapid

The grant funded the purchase of a Lulzbot 3D printer to provide faster 3D printing of more designs in high school technology and engineering classes.

#### Horn and String Hospital

Grant funding was used to purchase tools and materials to repair woodwind, brass and stringed instruments for secondary music programs to bring old instruments back to life.

#### Art Class Grants

Two grants were awarded for elementary art materials. At Martic, a slab roller and glaze was purchased so

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## **Teacher Grants**

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students could create 3-D buildings and models. At Letort, a drying rack was purchased to accommodate artwork from up to 100 students.

#### **Science Lab Materials**

This grant funded beakers, test tubes and stoppers for photosynthesis labs in high school science classes.

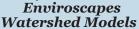
**Engine Stands Grant** 

Funding was used to purchase materials so students

could build engine stands for agricultural mechanics classes.

Sensory Path for Elementary Students

The grant paid for materials to create a rainforest trek sensory path in a hallway at Letort Elementary.



Grant funding was used to purchase five Enviroscape models, which help students

understand the effects of stormwater runoff, watersheds and environmental issues, in science classes at Penn Manor High School. A second grant funded the models for use in a fourth-grade classroom at Conestoga Elementary.

Cooperative Games Library

Funding was used to establish a library of cooperative games to be shared with the speech therapy

department at Conestoga Elementary.

Writer's Café

This grant helped fund a Writer's Café program at Manor MS. Students attended writing workshops and presented their work to their parents and peers.



#### Thinking Classroom Floating Whiteboards

This grant paid for rolling, height-adjustable whiteboards that enable students to show their work vertically in a third-grade classroom at Hambright Elementary.





Cardboard Regatta

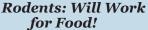
The grant covered materials and fees for high school science students to construct boats from cardboard and float them at the Millersville University swimming pool in a competition held twice during the school vear.

Arts for All

This grant funded materials for a new student art club at Penn Manor High School that pairs life skills students with other students to work one-on-one on art projects once a week.

#### Biology and Earth Science Manipulatives

At Hambright Elementary, this grant funded manipulatives - fossil replicas, skulls, skeletal fragments and solar system models – to enhance student learning in biology and earth sciences.



This grant funded new rodent operant chambers used to train rats in high school psychology classes.

Mirrored Bottle Lab with Silver Nitrate

The grant paid for materials for all chemistry students at Penn Manor High School to complete

this lab, which relates to property changes, chemical reactions and other topics.

#### German-American **Partnership**

This grant offset increased travel costs for 14 students traveling to Germany in the summer of 2023 for a cultural exchange.



#### Finding Joy in Math Through Logic and Games

Grant funds were used for materials for a math station that includes basic fact games and logic puzzles for fifth-graders at Central Manor Elementary.

School Store Startup

This grant, coupled with a no-interest loan, helped establish a new school store at Penn Manor High School that sells spiritware and other items.

## Recognition gifts: Donations in memory or honor of others

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Drumore Estate will again host our Annual Dinner, on Sept. 24

### Annual Dinner Gala to be held Sept. 24

will be held on September 24 at the beautiful Drumore Estate.

The event will include 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 private dinner for 10 with transportation, a Hershey Bears

The PMEF Annual Dinner Gala hockey game suite for 16 and one-day, all-inclusive (meals/ beverages included) tickets to the 2024 US Women's Open Championship at Lancaster Country Club.

Last year, the gala netted over \$33,000 for PMEF scholarships, grants and other programs.

More information will be posted on our Facebook page.

### Executive director's message

I began teaching elementary art in Penn Manor schools in 1972 and retired in 2009 as high school principal. During my 37-year career, I was privileged to work with thousands of students and hundreds of teachers, and enjoyed the support of our caring community.

My involvement with the Penn Manor **Education Foundation** over the past 14 years has enabled me to experience that connection to students, staff, and community from a different perspective.

Our mission to support students and teachers by enhancing teaching and learning opportunities depends on PMEF

gaining the support of our community. Luckily, Penn Manor is blessed to have a generous



community that has enabled us to distribute over \$2.5 million in grants and

scholarships Jan Mindish since our inception in 1997.

Our donors include Penn Manor retirees and alumni who strengthen the ties between Penn Manor past and present. PMEF sponsors a retiree breakfast that brings retirees back to the high school to share stories of their careers and pride in the difference they were

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# Donor Recognition

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(July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2023)

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to Max Ponton; Arielle Dunkle presents the Bree Caffrey Scholarship to Katelyn Quinn; and Mary Purcell gives the Tony Purcell Scholarship to Liam Howell.

## Scholarship recipients: \$117,000 given to Class of 2023

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Scholarship/Award	Recipient	Plans after high school
Millersville Business Association Scholarship Jack & Joanne Herr Scholarship Geist Family Citizenship Award Geist Family Citizenship Award	Peyton Witmer Olivia Parshley Quay Hanna Jr. Sheridan Charles	Millersville University North Carolina State University Nutrisoil foreman Montana Wilderness School of the Bible
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#### **Our Dream Team**

Our volunteer board of directors is the heart and soul of what makes PMEF so successful.

Pictured, front row from left, are members Brad Seiger, Jan Mindish (executive director), board president Becky Spezialetti, Reilly Noetzel, Stephanie Keck and Mary Rafter; back row, from left, board secretary Barb St. John, JoLynn Drexel, Dianne Smith (administrative assistant), Pat Kline, Katie Hess, Jerissa Warfel, treasurer Donald Mowery, Scott Stephan and Joe Herman. (Missing: board members Matt Blank and Carole Chismar.)

Many thanks to all!



# PMEF adds four scholarships totaling \$3,500

Our generous community has enabled the Education Foundation to add four new scholarships to the awards given to graduating Penn Manor seniors this past school year.

In all, 91 members of the Class of 2023 received \$117,000 in scholarships and awards administered by Penn Manor Education Foundation, all supported by our community members, organizations and businesses.

Here are details on the new scholarships:



Chris Leman of J.K. Mechanical presents the scholarship award to Kolton Francer.

#### J.K. Mechanical Trades Award

The J.K. Mechanical Trades Award is one of two new tech/trade scholarships offered this year.

Sponsored by the Willow Street HVAC, plumbing, electrical and air quality services company, this \$1,000 scholarship is awarded to a Lancaster County Career and Technology Center student who plans to work in the trades.

The funding can be used for trade or technical school tuition, apprenticeship programs, certifications or tools.

This year's scholarship went to Kolton Francer, who plans to attend Thaddeus Stevens College of Technology. J.K. Mechanical supports this scholarship because encouraging students to enter the trades is part of the company's mission.

#### The Harold 'Skip' and Dora Rhodes Memorial Scholarship

The \$500 Harold "Skip" and Dora



'Skip' Rhodes

Rhodes Memorial Scholarship is offered to a student interested in a career in music or the medical field.

Skip Rhodes opened the first pharmacy in Millersville in 1960, and his wife, Dora, was an organist and piano

player at local churches.

She also sang with the Lancaster Symphony chorus and in the choir at Lititz Moravian Church and worked at Rhodes Pharmacy.

This year's award went to Amber Floyd, who plans to attend Penn State University.



Dora Rhodes

#### Chris Steltz Memorial Boys' Tennis Scholarship

The Chris Steltz Memorial Boys' Tennis Scholarship is awarded to a



Chris Steltz

member of the varsity boys' tennis team who has demonstrated exemplary skills on the court, leadership, and sportsmanship consistently throughout the season.

The \$1,000 award honors the memory of Chris Steltz and her

unwavering positivity and enthusiasm

for the tennis team. This scholarship was made possible by contributions from friends of Chris.

This year's scholarship went to Patrick Fahey, who plans to attend Temple University.



Pequea Valley Sportsman Association members Marty Rafter, center, and Barry Acker present scholarship awards to Charles Heistand and Kip Witmer.

#### The Pequea Valley Sportsman Association Scholarship

The PV Sportsman Association is funding two \$1,000 scholarships for Penn Manor students who plan to attend a two- or four-year technical or trade school.

Recipients must demonstrate academic success, a strong work ethic, and a love for the outdoors, including hunting and fishing.

The Sportsman Association hopes to encourage young people to consider careers in the trades while continuing their appreciation of the outdoors.

This year's recipients are Charles Heistand, who plans to attend Thaddeus Stevens College of Technology, and Kip Witmer, who will work as a welder for Steel Fab Enterprises of Lancaster.

Many thanks to these companies and individuals for supporting students as they pursue careers.

#### **Donors**

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# Nov. 17 ExtraGive is an easy way to support PMEF

PMEF will again be participating in The ExtraGive, an annual daylong online fundraiser that last year generated nearly \$20,000 for our programs.

ExtraGive 2023 will be held on Friday, November 17, and we ask that you share the link www.extragive.org with friends and family and encourage them to donate that day.

Just look for Penn Manor Education Foundation and a donation is a few clicks away.

Among last year's donors were

# EXTRAGIVE





MURRY FOUNDATION

Penn Manor alumni, retirees and staff, community members and businesses from across several states.

This year, Lancaster restaurant Tobias Frogg has graciously agreed to host a PMEF ExtraGive Happy Hour on November 17. More details about the event will be posted on our Facebook page, https://www.facebook.com/PennManorEducationFoundation/.

We will again be involving our alumni this year to extend our reach to Penn Manor supporters across the country. We thank you in advance for your support!

# Strong & Healthy program expands to more areas, awards \$39,000 in grants

PMEF's Strong & Healthy grant program branched out into new areas for 2022-2023, including athletics.

In all, nearly \$39,000 worth of grants were approved for projects and materials to benefit families and students in need.

The largest grant was a \$10,000 contribution to offset operating costs for Power Packs, a program that provides food and recipes to needy families across the school district.



Nutritionist Erin Sparrold talks to student athletes about healthy eating habits.

Another grant brought a nutritionist to the high school to educate student athletes about healthy eating before and after competition.

A grant of \$630 was used to purchase lacrosse equipment for students whose families

could not afford it.

Two grants totaling more than \$1,200 were used to help spread the word about Aevidum, a program that raises awareness among teens about depression and suicide to help students overcome feelings that can lead to suicide.

Two grants totaling \$8,000 paid for toiletries for Penn Manor families and hygiene supplies for students at district schools.

Grants totaling \$1,500 supported literacy efforts, including a district-wide Readathon for students in kindergarten, 1st and 2nd grades at all Penn Manor elementary schools, and a program to distribute free books and bring the Bookmobile to several neighborhoods over the summer.

Grants of \$5,000 helped fund AP test fees and dual enrollment college classes for students at Penn Manor High School, and a \$5,000 grant helped students enrolled in Career & Technology programs pay for tools, supplies and textbooks.

A \$600 grant paid for services to assist ESL students, and a \$200 grant paid for



A member of the high school's Civitas Club reads a book to elementary students during the Readathon, which visited all seven Penn Manor elementary schools.

classroom headphones for students who could not afford their own.

The breadth of these grants

is a testament to the growing support for the Strong & Healthy program, thanks to the Penn Manor community.

### **School store**

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Venture Grant, along with a \$2,000 interest-free loan, to develop the store, which opened in April 2023.

The funding was used to purchase Penn Manor T-shirts, hoodies and other merchandise from Screen Printing Select Inc., a company established by Adam Sinz, a 2009 Penn Manor graduate.

Adam recently returned

to Penn Manor to talk with business students about his experience as a small business operator.

He got his start by designing and branding a T-shirt line called Amped Apparel, which he sold to fellow Penn Manor students and at Motorsports events. After college, Adam started his own printing company in a rented two-car garage with used equipment.

Screen Printing Select is now one of the largest apparel printing shops in the area.

## Memorial donations honor those who served at PM

Each year we say goodbye to a few members of our Penn Manor community who have been loyal donors to PMEF, and this year was no exception.

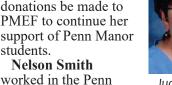
In 2022-2023 we lost some folks with direct connections to Penn Manor. Each of them remembered PMEF in their estate planning or requested that donations be made to PMEF in lieu of

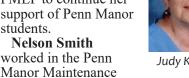


Barbara Herr, a Penn Manor alumnus, retired after working in the PMSD Business Office for 34 years. She included PMEF in her will and asked that donations be made to PMEF in her memory.

Judy Keiser retired

after 30 years as a wellrespected Penn Manor elementary teacher. She also asked that donations be made to PMEF to continue her support of Penn Manor students.





Judy Keiser

Department for many years. He and his wife, Nancy, were Penn Manor



**Nelson Smith** 

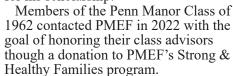
graduates and loyal Penn Manor sports fans. They decided that donations to PMEF would be a good way to continue their support of Penn Manor.

Dr. Perry Love was a Professor of Education at Millersville

University. He also served many

years as a member of the Penn Manor school board. When he retired, Perry created a scholarship for students pursuing a teaching career with donations made in his honor.

Upon his death, Perry Love his family asked that donations be made to PMEF, targeted for his scholarship.



They had learned of the program through the Millersville Woman's Club, which made annual donations to support Penn Manor Career & Technology Center students in need. At their class reunion last October,



PM Class of 1962 officers and advisors were honored this past year through donations to PMEF. Pictured are, from left, (front row) Earl Shaub, Janet Graybill and Joe Karabaich, (back row) Norma Aston, Bill Forrey and Gerald Dunkle.

they encouraged classmates to make a personal donation and also donated remaining class funds after the reunion. These donations were made in memory of their two class advisors, who had long careers as Penn Manor teachers -Norma Aston and Gerald Dunkle.

As a result, PMEF has received more than \$30,000 in donations from the Class of 1962, and donations continue to come in.

PMEF appreciates all of these gifts made in honor of folks we've lost as a way to make a positive impact on the lives of Penn Manor teachers, students and families.

### Message: Strong community support helps us extend our reach

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It's especially rewarding to watch alumni return to Penn Manor to teach, coach, and serve in a variety of roles, including administration.

Our fundraising events often bring past and present generations of Penn Manor together. Our current board includes seven PMHS alumni and five district retirees spanning five decades of Penn Manor experience.

The funds we raise support Venture Grants for innovative teaching, Strong & Healthy Grants for students and families in need, and scholarships for graduating seniors. In 2022-2023, more than \$250,000 was distributed through those three programs.

Venture Grants provide opportunities to enhance learning and to create lasting memories. The impact can be in a single classroom or subject, such as the "Cardboard Regatta" experienced by high school physics students.

It can impact an entire school, as the "Letort Reads Poppy" grant reached out to involve all families at Letort Elementary. A grant can even have a district-wide impact, as the "Author/ Illustrator Visits" grant inspired students in all classrooms in Penn Manor's seven elementary schools.

Penn Manor's generous community has enabled PMEF to distribute over \$2.5 million in grants and scholarships since our inception in 1997.

Our Strong & Healthy Grants program expanded its reach this year to provide funding for a nutritionist to speak to all student athletes and athletic equipment for students who otherwise could not afford to participate in a sport.

We also received a request to help fund the Power Pack program and responded with a \$10,000 grant.

Fortunately, our donations

to the Strong & Healthy program also increased this year, thanks in large part to the Class of 1962.

Our scholarship program continued to grow this year as well, as PMEF added seven new awards to bring the total of PMEFsponsored scholarships to 76, totaling over \$117,000 awarded to 91 seniors this year.

We share the stories of our scholarship sponsors at the Awards Ceremony so that seniors can make connections to the real people who are supporting their future goals.

In this newsletter, we thank our many donors and share stories about the programs made possible by our generous community.



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# Retirees enjoy musical performances, HS tours

Annual breakfast returns to high school venue

When Penn Manor's retirees high school – its traditional gathered at Penn Manor High School May 10, it was a return to form for the PMEF Retiree Breakfast, which was canceled for two years and held as an outdoor luncheon last year as a result of COVID restrictions.

This year, nearly 100 retirees turned out for the event, held in the LGI room of the new

venue.

Retirees gathered to share a meal and swap memories while learning about the PMEF programs and scholarships that are assisting Penn Manor families and students.

Guest speaker Mike Treier, a 2009 Penn Manor graduate, talked about his journey as



The Manor Singers, led by choral director Lauren Ciemiewicz, entertain at the Retiree Breakfast at Penn Manor High School.



Penn Manor employees, past and present, get caught up at the May 10 breakfast.

a football coaching assistant after graduation, which led to his current position as safeties coach for the New York Giants.

Attendees also got to hear an update on the school district from superintendent Dr. Phil Gale and were entertained by the talented Manor Singers, led by choral director Lauren Ciemiewicz.

Following breakfast, retirees had the opportunity to win raffle prizes and tour the new high school.

We'd like to thank Penn Manor's food service and custodial staffs for making this event possible.

It was great to reconnect with so many familiar faces!