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## Cultivating Great Minds

The Marlington community has long been known for its farming heritage. From acres of cornfields and countless dairy barns across the district, to a deeply rooted Future Farmers of America program and current course work in Agriculture, Oil and Gas and Horticulture, you are proud of our agricultural legacy and so are we.

With agricultural studies at our roots, and in honor of our 25th Anniversary in 2014, we are excited and proud to launch **Cultivating Great Minds**, a campaign to benefit scholarships and academic awards for Marlington students.

Just like you, we believe in a strong work ethic. We want students to work hard and study hard. MAA scholarship awards range from \$500-\$10,000 and are given both to students with strong academic achievements and affirm those solid "B" students who demonstrate the work ethic you value. You may designate your Cultivating Great Minds gift to one of the 17 existing named scholarships or to the newly named MAA Scholarship Fund.

*Your gift to the MAA Scholarship Fund supports:*

- **Alumni Scholarships**, benefitting those students with high academic achievements
- **Duke Scholarships**, awarded to students who have demonstrated improvement and exhibited personal integrity and a strong work ethic
- The newly established **Academic Excellence Awards**, cash awards to top students in the senior class

**Our goal** is to raise \$300,000 between September 1, 2013 and April 1, 2015. It's a challenge, but we know as loyal Dukes you will want to be included. Your gift will be recognized individually, but also by class- so don't let your classmates down! Cultivating Great Minds is your opportunity to ensure your values are shared with future generations. **Make your gift now at [www.marlingtonalumni.org](http://www.marlingtonalumni.org) to be listed among the first in your class to accept the challenge!**

*Vondea Sheaffer*

Vondea (Bohaychyk) Sheaffer ('76) President

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## The Louise Bingham Scholarship



It is with great pleasure the Marlinton Alumni Association announces the Louise Bingham Scholarship as the first gift of the Cultivating Great Minds campaign. Louise Bingham would have celebrated her 100th birthday on September 13, 2013 and we are delighted to remember her and celebrate her memory this way!

Established by Ralph ('61) and Jennifer Bingham with a gift of \$10,000, the Louise Bingham Scholarship is fully funded and will immediately benefit Marlinton students who choose to pursue a career in music or the arts.

Mrs. Bingham was Marlinton's first vocal music director, her career spanning from the mid-1950's through the mid-1970's. She graduated from Kent State University in 1935 and began her teaching career at Edinburg High School in Portage County where she taught English, social studies, history, mathematics, girl's gymnastics and her first love, music.

After living on a small farm in Portage County for several years, she and her husband, Leslie, moved to their large farm on Marlboro Avenue where they grew potatoes and pickles and provided seasonal employment to many young people. When their son, Ralph, entered high school Louise

was encouraged to return to teaching by Marlinton principal, Thomas Hazen. He offered Bingham the challenge of beginning the first music program at Marlboro High School, later to become Marlinton High School.

Mrs. Bingham soon developed several different choral levels and for many years the choral participation surpassed 60% of the entire school student body. Over the years she had numerous students participate in local and state vocal and ensemble competitions with many of her students continuing on to pursue a career in music. She had the ability to make music fun, her students would tell, and though she was a tough, no-nonsense taskmaster, she could bring out their best.

Although it took many extra hours of her time and added pressure, Mrs. Bingham received much pleasure providing direction and oversight of several large, musical productions including Finian's Rainbow and Brigadoon. Mrs. Bingham retired in the mid '70's to care for her husband and to enjoy her only grandchild, Christopher.

In addition to her unwavering commitment to Marlinton, Mrs. Bingham was a valuable community volunteer. She dedicated her talents as choir director of the Marlboro Methodist Church (now Aldersgate Methodist Church) for forty-seven years. Mrs. Bingham died in May of 2001. Both Louise and Leslie Bingham strongly encouraged and supported young people to continue their education.

It is an honor for the Marlinton Alumni Association to remember Louise Bingham and her commitment to Marlinton with this newly established scholarship. As with all MAA endowed scholarships, designated gifts to this fund are welcome and encouraged. Your gift to the Louise Bingham Scholarship will enable us to encourage future artists, musicians, and music educators!

*Ralph Bingham,  
Jennifer Bingham  
and Vondea Sheaffer*



## Albright Family Establishes Education Scholarship

In celebration of the Marlinton Alumni Association's 25th Anniversary and as part of the Cultivating Great Minds campaign, the seven children and extended families of Elizabeth Albright are pleased to establish the Elizabeth Albright Education Scholarship. Honoring Elizabeth Albright's eighteen years as a teacher at Lexington Elementary School, this newly established scholarship will be awarded to students pursuing a career in education.

The Albright family has a long history of hard work, community service and education. Sally (Albright) Rodgers is semi-retired as a Certified Public Accountant and lives in Canton, Ohio. Nancy (Albright) Shinn was a kindergarten teacher. She and her husband Larry reside in Berea, KY where he recently retired as president of Berea College. Kay (Albright) Burgi is a retired lab technician and preschool administrator. David Albright ('62) is a retired electrician and owner of Albright Electric in Alliance. Don Albright ('64) lives in Minerva and is retired after multiple careers in the area, and Carol (Albright) Mineweaser ('65) is a retired teacher and home health nurse. Mary (Albright) Swartz ('66) is retired after having worked as the Director of the University of Mount Union bookstore.

The seven children, fourteen grandchildren, thirty-seven great-grandchildren and three great-great grandchildren knew the best way to honor Elizabeth's love of family and her commitment to education was to help a Marlinton graduate become a teacher. "Mom would be so happy," shared Mary, "to know she was able to help a student." While Mrs. Albright is in failing health, she was pleased to learn of her children's interest in establishing this award.

Born in 1917, Mrs. Albright is a graduate of Alliance High School and Kent State University. She is a member of the Beechwood Christian Church, the Alliance Retired Teachers and a charter member of the Mended Hearts



of Alliance. She is Past Matron of the Homeworth Easter Stars, a volunteer for the Red Cross and a twenty year volunteer at Alliance Community Hospital. When not working or volunteering, Mrs. Albright always enjoyed cooking and sewing.

The Albright family is delighted to honor Mrs. Albright's years at Lexington and her love for education. Friends and colleagues are encouraged to honor Elizabeth's teaching legacy and help a future teacher by making a designated gift to the newly established Elizabeth Albright Education Scholarship.

*Vondea Sheaffer,  
Don Albright,  
Dave Albright,  
Mary Swartz and  
Sally Rodgers*



The **Marlinton**  
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# Cultivating Great Minds - Current Scholarships

The Marlinton Alumni Association is pleased to make annual awards from the following scholarships. Your gift of any size may be designated to any of these scholarships or to the Marlinton Alumni Association Scholarship Fund.

## Academic Excellence

- Gerald P. Burke Scholarship- academic excellence
- Ford C. Davis Scholarship- academic excellence
- Marlinton Alumni Scholarship- academic excellence
- Pete Moulin Scholarship- academic excellence
- Rita Moulin Memorial Scholarship- academic excellence
- Duke Scholarship- academic improvement, work ethic
- Wayne and Bertha McAlister Family Scholarship-academic excellence

## Agriculture and Horticulture

- Gordon A. Eaton Scholarship- agriculture, natural resources, horticulture or education; preference to students involved in FFA
- James Krabill Memorial Scholarship-agriculture, horticulture or a related field
- Lee and Carolyn Gabric Scholarship- Agriculture, Horticulture, and related; FFA member

## Fine Arts

- Barbara Yoder Hall Memorial Scholarship- journalism, writing, language arts or music
- Harold (Hal) and Ruth Sweitzer Scholarship- fine art, music, drama

- Kimi Korleski Memorial Scholarship- music, drama, or any fine art with GPA between 2.50 – 3.50
- Louise Bingham Scholarship- music, music education

## Language

- Ramser Scholarship- study of foreign language

## Sports and Academic Excellence

- Franklin Muniz Baseball Scholarship- senior baseball player and academic excellence
- Scott and Cheryl Robertson Scholarship-business, sports and academic excellence

## Science and Medicine

- Carol Teutsch Memorial Scholarship- geology or environmental sciences, science education or medicine; preference for students who attended Lexington Elementary
- Hastings Scholarship- journalism or science

## Technical and Trade

- Richard W. Bohaychuk Memorial Scholarship- two-year or certificate programs; technical or trade programs

# How do we do that?

Clyde Lepley ('68)

Scholarships are the core of your Marlinton Alumni Association and we work hard to be good stewards of the gifts you make and transparent in the way we evaluate and award scholarships. So how exactly does the process work?

New scholarships are established by families and individuals just like you. While we have a minimum threshold of \$10,000 before scholarships can be awarded from a fund, we are happy to allow you up to three years to reach the minimum endowment balance. An endowment means those funds cannot be liquidated, but with careful investing and prudent management your scholarship will provide in perpetuity- a legacy for a lifetime. Some of our scholarships were established with well over \$10,000 and some, over time, have grown far past their initial investment enabling the MAA to award larger scholarships to more students. Others, more recently established, provide initially smaller awards, but will grow in size and scope with time.

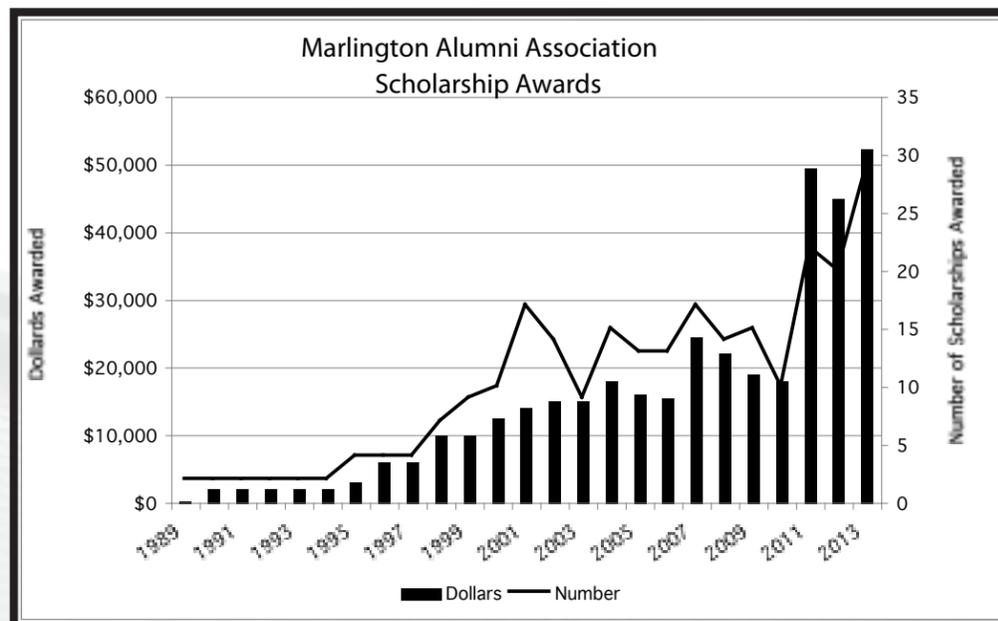
Some MAA scholarships have specific interests while others are based on students' academic achievements. However, regardless of the size or emphasis of the scholarship, each is designed to honor the donor and affirm a deserving Marlinton student. We welcome those families who choose to help evaluate and recommend candidates for their scholarship. Scholarship applications are accepted online and all names are removed before the scholarship committee, comprised of seven of your peers, makes their initial review. Each committee member provides a composite score which is then averaged and ranked. The committee returns with recommendations, final evaluations are completed and once approved, the student names are revealed to the committee. In 2013 we received 60 applications from a class of approximately 175 students. Throughout the process the scholarship committee consistently said two things:

"We have some pretty amazing students at Marlinton!" and "We need more money to help more students!" Your gift to the MAA Scholarship Fund or to any existing scholarship will allow them to continue the good work begun twenty-five years ago.

Gifts to the Marlinton Alumni Association can be made in many ways. While direct gifts of cash or checks are most common, Planned Gifts may help you make a meaningful gift while also addressing other financial goals. Gifts of cash, securities or appreciated assets can be given with a simple provision in your will. When listing the people in your life, you may also wish to include the Marlinton Alumni Association in your estate planning. For more information contact please contact Bill Liber (330) 454-5390 or Vondea Sheaffer (330) 697-4036.

## Our Mission:

**The primary mission of the Marlinton Alumni Association is to provide scholarships, through a non-discriminatory process, to Marlinton graduates so they may further their education in their chosen field of study. The Association will keep a database of Marlinton graduates to enhance pride and tradition in the Marlinton Community.**



## MAA Awards Highest Honor

An example of mentoring in the best sense of the word, the Marlinton Alumni Association was pleased to receive nomination of the 2013 Outstanding Alumna from retired Marlinton educator, Joelle McIlroy. The nomination of former student Lee Ann (Williams) Stephens ('80) was an opportunity for McIlroy to highlight Stephens's accomplishments as a fellow educator.

After taking one of McIlroy's classes, Lee Ann joined the Future Homemakers of America. She participated in a number of speech competitions, winning several honors. Following graduation from Marlinton, in 1984 Stephens earned a BA in International Studies from Miami University and accepted a position as a buyer for Dayton and Company in Minneapolis, not far from McIlroy's family home.

Stephens continued her education earning a BS in Elementary Education in 1989 and a MS of Education in Curriculum and Instruction in 1997, both from the University of Minnesota.

Her teaching career has spanned several grades, school districts and opportunities, teaching gifted and talented K-5, English Language Arts, Writing and Science and most recently as Director of Students and co-teacher of grade 10 English at St. Louis Park Senior High School in St. Louis park, MN.

Stephens was named Minnesota Teacher of the Year in 2006 and in 2010 was named to the Minnesota Board of Teaching where she provides leadership for improvements in teacher education programs and assurance of well qualified teachers for the future.

The MAA is proud to honor Lee Ann (Williams) Stephens ('80).



## Alumni Golf Event Breaks Records!

Karen (Slabaugh) Humphries ('83)

When we hosted our 17th annual golf outing on Friday, July 19 at Tannenhaut Golf Course, YOU helped us break records! Even with temperatures topping 90 degrees, we had the support of 34 (the first record) teams of foursomes that helped us raise over \$13,000 (the second record) to benefit the MAA's scholarship funds!

We also broke a few other records too, including the number of Gold Sponsors (11) and Hole Sponsorships (38).

The winning team was comprised of the Frase family (left to right) – Josh, Abbey, Jeff, and Scott, of Sable Creek Golf Course. Second place went to the team of Dave Kent, Allen Mickley, and Jeff and Andy Hanzel. The third place team was Shawn Dillon, Joe Knoll, John Oyster and Dave Mazzei. Door prizes, including a new golf set, were distributed to most everyone in attendance. (Watch for our full list of sponsors in December!)

We thank all those who helped with, or participated in, our biggest fundraiser of the year. And we invite you to next year's golf outing set for Friday, July 18, 2014!



## Current Students Build for the Future

Since 1999 Marlinton Horticulture students have been building, planting and landscaping around the Horticulture building on Moulin Avenue. Under the direction of Horticulture educator Mr. John Hippley students have learned the art and craft of landscape design and maintenance while creating a community space complete with a beautiful pavilion, walking path and gardens. Tucked behind the Marlinton Horticulture building, just past the Marlinton Middle School and extending to the woods behind the school, the space honors former educators and administrators Eleanor Ramser, Alan Andreani and Gordon Rinehart. A children's garden honoring the memory of Tom Hazen continues to be developed and is expected to be completed over the next several years.

The "Ruin Garden," in honor of Gordon Rinehart, resembles a vintage stone structure, artfully accented with ornamental grasses, flowers and a water feature. The stone pavilion and adjacent restroom have slate roofs,

reclaimed for the project from a Lisbon, Ohio barn. The pavilion, available for community use by contacting school administration, has three levels, outdoor grills and spacious seating. The facility is fully functional for events and has power, lights and a speaker system. "Senior students," shared Hippley, "gain experience drawing plans for a project each year. The incoming senior class implements the project according to the plan." The hands-on program provides practical application of skills, useful as students prepare for horticulture and landscaping careers.

While Hippley retired in 2012 after teaching at Marlinton for 19 years, he is confident Andy Lamancusa, the new Horticulture Department faculty, will continue to expand the work begun by past Marlinton classes. When returning to the area for alumni or family events, we encourage alumni to consider the venue at Marlinton – it's a beautiful outdoor space and lovely addition to our school.



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Esteemed alumni co-chair Marlinton's

# cultivating great minds Campaign

Dear Friends,

We know how hard you have worked to get to this place in your life, because we have worked hard too!

We know what it's like to get up early, labor all day and come home tired ... but satisfied. We know what it's like to stay up late studying for exams even when we really wanted to do just about anything else. And we know what it's like to want something so badly that we refuse to quit, refuse to take the easy way out and refuse to take no for an answer.

That's why we are so excited to serve as co-chairs for the Marlinton Alumni Association's first campaign- **Cultivating Great Minds.**

Before we invest our time and resources in anything, we carefully consider both the history and potential. We invest in projects that share our core values and programs that will make a difference in others lives long after we're gone. The scholarships provided by the Marlinton Alumni Association have been established and supported by you, our friends and neighbors and we couldn't be more proud to be part of something that allows us to support the school and the community that gave us a solid academic foundation, a strong work ethic and a valuable sense of community.

Investing in students who, like us, will go on to be hard-working community members in towns and cities across the world, is an opportunity and a privilege. We ask you to partner with us by making a gift that will encourage and affirm Marlinton students. **We ask you to be a part of something significant and support the Marlinton Alumni Association's scholarship program by making a gift to the Cultivating Great Minds campaign. [www.marlingtonalumni.org](http://www.marlingtonalumni.org) or PO Box 6001, Alliance OH 44601.**

Robert W. Frase  
Mary (Berger) Frase

Thomas O. Robinson, M.D.  
Karen Robinson

Scott Robertson  
Cheryl Robertson

*"Our roots go very deep. We are proud of Marlinton Schools. We received a good education and so did our children."  
Mary (Berger) Frase ('59)*



**Bob ('59) and Mary (Berger) Frase ('59)**

Bob and Mary both graduated from the former Marlboro High School and have remained in the community. High school sweethearts, they have been married 52 years and raised six children, each of whom graduated from Marlinton. Together they began building Sable Creek Golf Course in 1993 and the beautiful Marlboro Township course has grown from a 9-hole course to 27 holes, hosting hundreds each year to outings, class reunions and weddings.

*"We believe it's important to help others fulfill their potential and dreams."  
Karen (Werstler) Robinson ('69)*



**Dr. Tom ('68) and Karen (Werstler) Robinson ('69)**

Both graduates of Marlinton and the University of Mount Union, Tom and Karen have strong ties to the community. Tom graduated from The Ohio State University College of Medicine and completed an internship and residency in Akron. He joined Atrium OBGYN, Inc. where he has been his entire career. As an elementary teacher and licensed Intervention Specialist, Karen credits her role models at Marlinton for inspiring her to become a teacher. Having met in elementary school, Tom and Karen both credit Marlinton for that special opportunity! They have been married for 41 years and have three sons. Believing in the work of the Marlinton Alumni Association, Karen served as a member of the Scholarship Committee and Tom is a past president.

*"This is our opportunity to say thank-you to the school that gave us such a good foundation."  
Scott Robertson ('80)*



**Scott ('80) and Cheryl Robertson**

Scott and Cheryl have lived and worked in the greater Alliance community all their lives. Scott began working at the family business when he was 14. He graduated from the University of Akron in 1984 with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, and became President of Robertson Heating and Supply in 1991. Cheryl, a graduate of Alliance High School, is also employed at Robertson. Scott and Cheryl have been married for 21 years and have 5 children, three of whom are Marlinton graduates.

# Scholarship Awards

By Karen (Slabaugh) Humphries ('83)

*The Marlington Alumni Association held its annual banquet at The Hartville Kitchen on Monday, April 29 where the following scholarship awards were distributed.*

## Richard W. Bohaychuk Memorial Scholarship



**Darrian Gray** – will attend Stautzenberger College to study Veterinary Technology. She plans to become a Registered Veterinary Technician, and hopes to one day become a Veterinarian. During high school she enjoyed softball, ballet, animals, and soccer. Some of her favorite memories are of doing ballet with friends and attending school dances and football games. She was most influenced by Mrs. McKnight's health science class at Alliance High School.

## Gerald P. Burke Scholarship



**Caleb Ramsier** – will attend Geneva College where he will study Chemical Engineering. He would like to become a Chemical, Mechanical, or Polymer Engineer,

or a mathematician, youth Pastor, "or whatever else God leads me to be." During high school, Caleb enjoyed youth group at New Baltimore Church, Youth For Christ, For His Glory Dance Ministry, Dukes of Harmony, video games, and spending time with friends. Some of his favorite memories are of all his math classes, especially Mr. Locke's, and being in all the choirs. He was most influenced by Mr. Locke, Ms Rudlosky, Ms. McLaughlin, Mrs. Bugansky, Mrs. Painter, and Mrs. Morrison.

## Ford C. Davis Memorial Scholarship



**Todd Dickerhoof** – will attend The University of Akron where he will study Electrical Engineering. After completing his education, he hopes to work with a corporation designing electronics, and finally, start his own business. Todd is a four-year letterman in soccer and his favorite memories involve the field trip to Washington D.C. and participating in field days in elementary school. He was most influenced by Mr. Locke, Mr. Groff, and Mr. Borders.

## Marlington Alumni Duke Scholarship



**Tyler Church** – plans to attend Stark State College to major in

Photography. He hopes to become a professional action sports, lifestyle, and music tour photographer and videographer. During high school he enjoyed taking photos and videos for Marlington football, as well as participating in Ski Club and Drama Dukes. His favorite memory is Friday night football games. He was most influenced by Coach Miley, Mrs. Poto, and Mrs. Shoemaker, all who have encouraged and supported him.



**Clay Poynter** – will attend Kent State University to study Business Management. He hopes to become a financial analyst and eventually own his own business. In high school, Clay enjoyed playing football all four years and running track for three years. His favorite memories center on football and the accounting tech prep program. He was most influenced by the college tech prep accounting class taught by Mr. Grady.

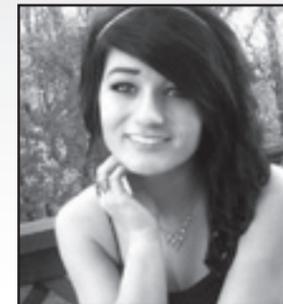
## Gordon A. Eaton Scholarship and Lee and Carolyn Gabric Scholarship



**Brittany Johnson** – plans to attend Hocking College to major in Geo Environmental Science. She would love to work for the E.P.A. in order to help protect and regulate our natural resources. During high

school, Brittany participated in Tennis, FFA, Character Counts, and Youth for Christ, as well as working at Cinemark Theatres. She feels that, having lived in five different states throughout her education so far, her favorite school memory is simply having friends across the U.S. She was most influenced by Mr. Locke, Mr. Oyster, and Ms. Helsing, who all pushed her to become a strong leader and person.

## Barbara (Yoder) Hall Memorial Scholarship



**Emily Rinaldi** – will attend Kent State University to study Psychology. She plans to get her Masters Degree in order to open her own clinic and wellness center. She enjoyed Tennis, Character Counts, Link Crew, French Club, Choir and Academic Challenge in high school. Her favorite memories are of going to New Orleans to rebuild houses which she calls a "once in a lifetime opportunity thanks to Link Crew." She was highly influenced by teachers Mrs. Gray, Miss Rudlosky, and Mrs. Phillips, as well as high school Guidance Counselor, Mrs. Buck.

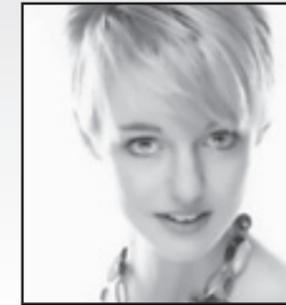
## Hastings Scholarship



**Hannah Tartar** – plans to attend Penn State University in order to study Journalism. Her high school interests included cross country,

track, Student Council, French Club, youth group, 4-H, and attending sports and school events. Some of her favorite memories are of the Washington D.C. field trip, cross country meets, and when an ice storm came and students were sent home from school early. She was most influenced by Ms. Hempstead and Miss Wagner.

## Kimi Korleski Memorial Scholarship



**Emily Kunz** – will attend Capital University and will major in Art Therapy. After college, she plans to work at a hospital using the skills learned. At Marlington, Emily enjoyed Ski Club, Golf, being on the Yearbook staff, and attending Alliance Friends youth group. Her favorite memories include winning the NBC Player of the Year award for Golf, winning the high school art show, and having great friends. She was most influenced by Mrs. Schloneger's science and math classes in eighth grade, as well as Mr. Oyster's geometry and stats classes.

## James Krabill Memorial Scholarship

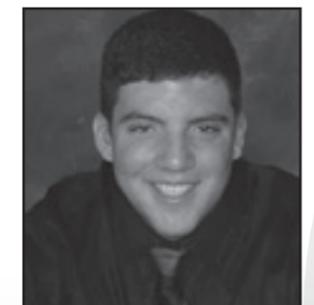


**Morgan Bitzel** – will attend Ohio Dominican University to study Biology. She plans to become a veterinarian. While at Marlington,

she enjoyed volleyball, track and field, and cross country. Her favorite memories of high school include meeting new friends and having a successful cross country season her senior year. Her most influential classes were science and math, which she says caused her to want to pursue a biology-based major.



**Mercedez Wood** – attending Ohio Wesleyan University to study Zoology/Pre-Veterinary Medicine. She would like to study abroad in Spain and Japan and work with exotic animals. Mercedez enjoyed playing volleyball and softball all four of her high school years, as well as Spanish Club. A favorite memory is travelling with the volleyball team to the Friendship Cup Tournament. In high school she was most influenced by all of her math and science classes and teachers, as well as Mrs. Bugansky, who made her want to travel the world and experience new things.



**Ethan Elias** – plans to attend Kent State University to study Biology. He is in the process of deciding whether to pursue wildlife management or something in the medical field. During high school, Ethan enjoyed track and field, youth group, and

football. Some of his favorite school memories include recess at Lexington Elementary, "build-a-burrito day" at lunch, and running a 4 x 400 relay. He was most influenced by his French teachers, Mrs. Phillips, Ms. Hempstead, and his fourth grade teacher, Mrs. Shoemaker.



**Isabella Steiner** – will attend Ashland University in order to study Biology, and minor in Spanish. She would then like to go on to The Ohio State University for Veterinarian school, specializing in large animals. Isabella's high school activities include Choir, theater, softball, volunteering, working in the Guidance Office, Character Counts, and S.A.D.D. Her favorite memories are of choir concerts and playing softball, as well as participating in musicals. She was most influenced by Mrs. Painter's choir class, Miss Wagner's chemistry class and Mr. Greco's science class.

**Marlington Alumni Scholarship**



**Alisha Robinson** – plans to attend The Ohio State University for Nursing, obtain her B.S.N., and then continue on to graduate school to become a Neonatal Nurse Practitioner, ultimately working at a Children's Hospital. She enjoyed

soccer, softball, art class, choir, church youth group, Student Council, and Interact in high school. Her favorite memories are of soccer team camp in Erie, PA, and beating Alliance in softball. She was most influenced by Mr. Oyster, Miss Wagner, Mrs. Bugansky, and Mrs. Viscounte.



**Brittany Devies** – will attend The Ohio State University to study Psychology, in the hopes of becoming a psychiatrist. During high school, Brittany enjoyed playing softball, being on the Link Crew, being a part of National Honor Society, Jazz Choir, and Drama Dukes. She also worked at Texas Roadhouse. Some of her favorite memories are of being in the "Duke Pound" for all of the football and basketball games, and especially when the football team made it to the final four. She was highly influenced by Mrs. Bugansky's Spanish class and the AP English class her Junior year.

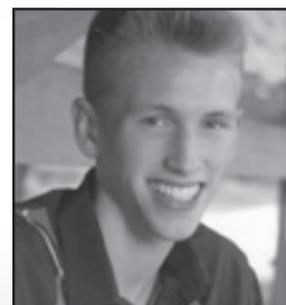


**Abbie Fox** – will plan the University of Mount Union but is yet undecided in her major. She hopes to ultimately contribute to society in whatever field she enters. She enjoyed Drama Dukes, Dukes of Harmony, and "the Duke Pound" in high school. Her favorite memories are of football

games in the Duke Pound, and performing at a Cavs game with the Dukes of Harmony. Abbie says that she was most influenced by Mrs. Painter in choir, because she taught her that if you want something, you cannot stop until you succeed.



**Jacob Sutton** – will attend the University of Mount Union in order to study Mathematics. He is uncertain exactly what he will do once attaining his degree, but knows that it will be related to Math, and that he hopes to help society by making the world more productive. Jacob was a four-year letterman for soccer, a four-year member of the MHS choir, and was in two school musicals. Some of Jacob's favorite memories are of sporting events, recess football games, making new friends, Homecoming, and Prom. He was most influenced by Mr. Locke's calculus classes, saying they were his favorite classes and helped him decide his major. He also names Mr. Leone's algebra class and Mr. Grigg's World History class as influential.



**Jacob Ryan** – plans to attend the University of Dayton to study Mechanical Engineering. His goal is to have a career which will support world travel. In high school he enjoyed soccer, cross-country and track,

Select Choir, and participating in the three musicals. His favorite memories center on time spent with the soccer team and musical casts. He was most influenced by Mrs. Bugansky, whom he states is "the nicest teacher I have ever had." He also was greatly helped by Mr. Locke.

**The Wayne and Bertha McAlister Scholarship**



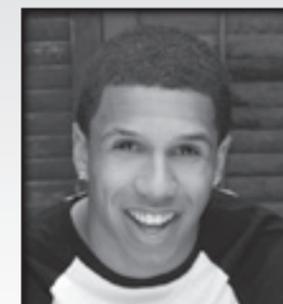
**Daniel Truax** – will attend Case Western Reserve University to study Engineering. His goal is to get a job in an engineering field and then later obtain a business degree. Daniel played soccer and participated in Academic Challenge in high school, while also being involved with Link Crew and Youth for Christ. His favorite school memories include his seventh and eighth grade field trips, as well as soccer games and practices. His goal is to get a job in an engineering field and then later obtain a business degree. Daniel was influenced mostly by his algebra, calculus, chemistry, and AP English classes.

**Pete Moulin Scholarship Fund**



**Bethany Brugger** – will attend Malone University to study Public Relations, ultimately enriching the lives of others through her career. During high school, Bethany was involved with Dukes of Harmony, marching and

concert band, 4-H Club, and church youth group. Her favorite memories are of auditioning for the Acappella Choir and having the opportunity to sing for the community and at a Cavs game. She was most influenced by all of her elementary school teachers at Washington who she says prepared her to succeed.



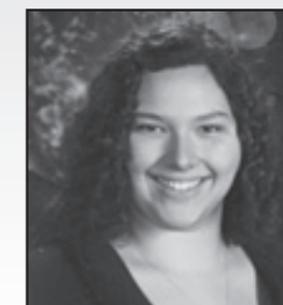
**Courtlen Vizzuso** – plans to attend Ohio University to study Political Science, and Pre-Law. He wants to attend law school in order to either work for the Government or as an attorney. He enjoyed soccer, being a class officer, participating in Dukes of Harmony, Link Crew, and Interact. Some of his favorite memories are of making new friends when moving to the District, having a great time in "the Duke Pound" as well as participating in Buckeye Boys State. Courtlen says he was inspired by his history, economics, government, and sociology classes, saying "Our social studies department at Marlington influenced my decision greatly."

**Rita Moulin Scholarship Fund**



**Tyler Weisent** – will attend Kent State University to study Nursing. He would like to work in an ICU unit and then apply to attend school at Cleveland Clinic to become a Nurse

Anesthesist. During high school, he enjoyed cross country, track, Student Council, 4-H Junior Fair, and volunteering at Aultman Hospital. Some of his favorite memories are of running cross country and track throughout high school and meeting new people involved with Marlington Theater. He was most influenced by Mr. Oyster, Mr. Raber, and Mr. Marshall.



**Sara Stone** – will attend The Ohio State University to study Molecular Genetics. She hopes to work in a lab or as a genetic counselor. During high school, Sara enjoyed music, drama, fishing, and Academic Challenge. Her favorite memories come from acting in the musicals, saying that being in that sort of "family" is the most special feeling. She was influenced most by Ms. McMillian, Mrs. Painter, Mrs. Francis, Mr. Locke, and Mr. Oyster.

**Ramser Scholarship**



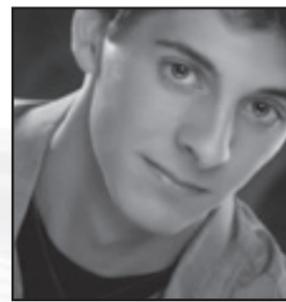
**Shane Kaplan** – will attend the University of Cincinnati to major in Biological Studies. After graduating, he then would like to go on to medical school to study orthopedics in order to become an orthopedic surgeon. During high school he enjoyed soccer, track, choir, school

plays, French Club, and Math Club. He was influenced by all of his science classes, saying they helped him to decide his career path. The teachers he names as most influential are Mr. Locke, Mrs. Francis, and Mrs. Phillips.

**Scott and Cheryl Robertson Scholarship**



**Brandi Floor** – will attend Honors College at The University of Akron where she will study International Business/Marketing Management, and minor in Spanish. Brandi hopes to travel the world with other business members. She enjoyed tennis, Jazz Choir, Track, Spanish Club, working backstage for “South Pacific” musical, and indoor soccer. Her favorite memories are of singing the national anthem at a Cavs game, her Freshman year in track, and chemistry class. She was most influenced by Mr. Locke, who gave her encouragement that helped her do well in difficult classes, as well as Mrs. Painter, who inspired her to believe in her singing.



**Colin Eggleston** – will be attending Walsh University where he will major in Math and minor in Actuarial Science. He plans is to become an Actuary. During high school, Colin

enjoyed cross-country and track, lettering in both sports all four years, as well as playing guitar and piano. Some of his favorite memories include close friends, a class trip to Baltimore, and winning the four by eight-hundred team race at regionals which set a school record and making him an All-Ohioan. He was most influenced by his statistics class and the following teachers: Mr. Locke, Mr. Oyster, and Mr. Farrell.

**Harold (Hal) and Ruth Sweitzer Scholarship**



**Emily McDaniel** – will attend Kent State University to major in Visual Communication Design, minoring in Advertising. She would like to work with an advertising agency. During high school she enjoyed soccer and softball. Some of her favorite memories are of going to soccer camp in Erie, PA, and playing soccer on the beach. She was most influenced by fourth grade teacher Mrs. Hampu and Spanish teacher, Mrs. Bugansky.

**Carol Teutsch Memorial Scholarship**



**Ryan Haupt** – will be attending Kent State University, Salem branch, where he will study nursing. He plans to become a nurse practitioner in the future. His school activities

include soccer, track, Jazz Choir, Select Choir, drumming, and also hanging out with friends. His favorite memories are of elementary school recess, playing soccer in high school, and school dances. He was most influenced by his fourth grade teacher, Mrs. Akenhead, and his eighth grade teacher, Mr. Marshall.

**Your MAA board members congratulate all of our hard working students!**

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**Where are they now?**

Kacy Robertson ('08) received a Marlington Alumni Association Scholarship. She studied nursing at the University of Akron, and graduated with honors in 2012 with a Bachelors of Science. She is employed at Aultman Hospital as a Registered Nurse and works in a Medical Surgery unit.

Lindsay (Brugger) Sheen ('08) attended Malone University and graduated with honors in 2012 with a BS in Early Childhood Education, Intervention Specialist with a Reading endorsement. While at Malone she was a member of the marching band and choir. She is an Intervention Specialist at Marlington High School.

Ann McAlister ('09) received a Marlington Alumni Association Scholarship and following graduation moved to rural Michigan to attend Hillsdale College. She graduated in 2013 with a Bachelor of Science in History and a minor in Chemistry. Attending a liberal arts college, Ann participated in honor societies for music, chemistry, and history and tutored elementary students on a weekly basis. She now resides in Colorado Springs and teaches Physical Science at Cheyenne Mountain Charter Academy to more than 100 eighth graders.

Melinda Tarter ('08) received a Marlington Alumni Association Scholarship. She graduated in 2012 from Penn State University with a degree in Hotel, Restaurant, and Institutional Management. For two years while attending college, Melinda managed a bar and restaurant in Happy Valley, PA. She has recently returned to NE Ohio and accepted a floor leading position at the Winking Lizard. Melinda is also in the process of obtaining her Ohio Real Estate license and plans to pursue a career in hospitality real estate.

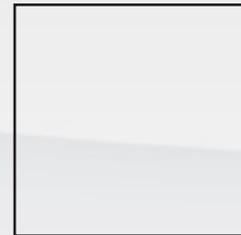
Scott Brand ('09) Received the Ford C. Davis Scholarship and is currently attending Youngstown State University. He will complete a degree in Chemical Engineering in December, 2013. This past summer he was an intern at Delphi in the Materials Engineering department, working primarily with new materials. He hopes to soon find a job in materials engineering.

Louanne (Johnson) Kiko ('90) received a Marlington Alumni Association scholarship in 1990 and graduated Magna Cum Laude with a Bachelors of Science in 1992 from the University of Akron. She was clearly on the “fast track” and appreciated every dollar of financial aid. From an on-campus interview she joined Cohen & Company, a regional accounting firm out of Cleveland, and five years later founded their Canton office. Her early years and opportunities set the stage and created a network for her success today as an independent financial and managerial consultant. She enjoys a flexible schedule which has allowed her to raise her five children and assist her husband in the management of his family’s dairy farm. Her experiences at Marlington provided numerous benefits to help her reach her goals.



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In celebration of the 25th Anniversary of the MAA, we have received the first three gifts to the Cultivating Great Minds Campaign! We hope you will make one of at least 1,000 individual gifts we hope to receive as we reach our \$300,000 campaign goal. Add your name to the Cultivating Great Minds Campaign by making a gift of any size at [www.marlingtonalumni.org](http://www.marlingtonalumni.org) or to PO Box 6001, Alliance, OH 44601. The Count Me In list will be periodically updated on Facebook and on our website, so check back often to celebrate with us!

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