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2009 Scholarship Recipients

More than \$12,000 was awarded to students graduating from Orange County schools in 2009. Students from all three of the county's school systems were also awarded \$1,000 each from the Orange County Commissioners Supporting Organization if enrolled in an accredited college, university or trade school, as well as to any graduate who has enlisted in military service. Other community scholarships are provided through funds generously created by local philanthropists for the benefit of Orange County and its 20,000 residents. With 20 active funds designated specifically for scholarships and the generosity of the supporting organization, it is clear that the future of Orange County's young people is a significant concern of the county's philanthropists. In addition to the recipients listed here, the Orleans School Foundation provided scholarship from three funds held with OCCF; names were not provided.

Anita Bradford Art Scholarship:
JEFF SMITLEY
Russell O. Doan Memorial Scholarship:
ELIZABETH THOMAS
Maud Anna Ham Memorial Scholarship:
JENNA BOSLEY
PHS Alumni Scholarship:
NATHANIEL SMITH
Leon and Mary Newlin Lewis Scholarship:
OLIVIA MILEY
Newlin-Stout Memorial Scholarship
IMMANUEL BENEDICTO
Arminta Sue Wagner Memorial:
KALI WALLS
Ray Gardner Memorial Scholarship:
OLIVIA MILEY
Rosetta Mae Atkinson Scholarship:
ASHLEY HALL
Moore Family Scholarship:
AMANDA HUTSON

BHOC Foundation Scholarship:
BRYANNA HESS
Justin Moon Memorial Scholarship:
SAMANTHA BRADBURY
Clarice White Bridgewater Memorial:
KRISTIN KEY
Robert J. Cloud Mem. Citizenship Award:
KATIE BOSTIC
George and Evelyn Sorrells Memorial:
WHITNEY BRADLEY
Leonard and Janet Vaught Scholarship:
LISA BRANSTETTER
Charles and Violet Galloway Scholarship:
JARED MEEHAN
Keith Howard Memorial Scholarship:
DIRK TOMLINSON
Sugarman Trust Scholarship:
KAYLEE SHIPMAN
French Lick HS Alumni Scholarship:
BETH ELKINS

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Scholarship Facts for 2009:

- More than 20 area students were honored with community scholarships this year.
- The Orange County Commissioners Supporting Organization provided a further \$1,000 to each student pursuing a career education or military service.

2009 Lilly Scholars Prepare for the Future...

Kyle Apple and Chelsea Brinegar were chosen as the recipients of 2009's Lilly Endowment Community Scholarships from Orange County.

Apple is the son of Trevor and Teresa Apple and a graduate of Springs Valley High School. He graduated as co-valedictorian of his class and plans to attend Rose-Hulman Institute to pursue a degree in engineering.

During his high school years, Kyle earned the title of National Merit Commended Student, served as captain of the English academic team, was active in National Honor Society, was elected Senior Class Treasurer, and earned an academic letter for outstanding

academic achievement. He also volunteered in several community projects and helped out as an after-school tutor.

Chelsea Brinegar is the daughter of Kevin and Jill Brinegar. She graduated salutatorian of her class at Paoli Junior-Senior High School and plans to attend Indiana State University to pursue a career in medicine.

During her academic career, Chelsea was involved in SADD, Tri-Hi-Y and Booster Club. She was a peer tutor, captain of the basketball team, and volunteered with the special education program at Comprehensive Health Care while job-shadowing there.



Chelsea Brinegar



Kyle Apple

Fourteen outstanding finalists made selection difficult, but congratulations are extended to these exceptional young people.

Stuckwisch First Crowe Recipient

Tom Stuckwisch, a 35-year mathematics teacher at Paoli High School, was the first recipient of the Fred and Ethel Crowe Educator Award. He received the \$500 cash award before his peers on the final day of teacher attendance for the school year.

Fred and Ethel Crowe spent a total of 67 years as educators in the Paoli school system, and the Crowe Award was created by their three children to honor each year a teacher who has gone above and beyond expectations in the fields of education, community involvement, school involvement, and innovative ideas. The award is paid from the Fred and Ethel Crowe Educator Award Fund held at OCCF.

Stuckwisch was honored with a standing ovation, in addition to the cash award.



Crowe Educator Award recipient Tom Stuckwisch with his wife Vivian and members of the Crowe family.

Fourth Graders Give Time, Talent, and Treasure...

Prepared by the OCCF Youth Council's education series throughout the school year, fourth graders all around Orange County put the lessons they learned into action by giving time, talent and treasure to their community.

Students from all three school systems created ways in which they could practice philanthropy in their hometowns.

Fourth graders at Throop Elementary School in Paoli visited residents in nursing homes, planted flowers and picked up trash on the school grounds.

Orleans students participated in an essay contest title "How I Can Help Others", sharing their personal experiences as philanthropists through various activities.

In Springs Valley, fourth graders collected change in "Phil the Pig" events, raising more than \$200 to assist the Orange County Humane Society.

The OCCF Youth Council education series has been in existence for six years, and members will soon gear up for their seventh year of philanthropy education to fourth graders in Orange County.



Grant Provides Drunk, Drugged and Distracted Driving Awareness Program

A grant from the Smithville Charitable Foundation has provided funding to address the number one crime problem in Orange County—impaired driving.

The Orange County Sheriff's Department, in conjunction with the Orange County Community Foundation, Families in Action, Orange County Circuit Court, Orange County FACT Program and the Orange County Superior Court, has created a program called "Drunk, Drugged and Distracted Driving (DDDD) to provide public awareness and preventive education to tackle the problem of impaired driving throughout the county.

The program involves video presentations and instruction, followed by hands-on demonstrations of impaired driving and its consequences.

In local school systems, the program was presented just prior to prom week—a time of significant concern over impaired driving. Students in each school were given the opportunity to experience the effects of impairments while operating a small, four

-wheeled vehicle on a closed course. They were also made to walk a straight line while "impaired", and further subjected to other testing that police officers would impose upon a suspected impaired driver.

In addition to being presented at schools, the program has been made available to agencies, civic clubs and organizations, and any other group with members who would benefit from the instruction. With impaired driving the cause for the highest percentage of arrests and accidents in Orange County, the program was deemed a valuable asset to both the Sheriff's Department and to the citizens of Orange County and their safety.

As a result of the program being offered in the schools systems prior to this year's prom events, a marked decrease in prom-related incidents involving vehicles was experienced throughout the county. The program will continue to be presented within school systems and made available for public presentation in the future.



Students participating in the DDDD program.

In Purse-Suit of Superwoman...



On Administrative Professionals' Day in April, more than 100 ladies gathered at the French Lick Resort to hear humorist Deb DiSandro at the annual Ladies' Luncheon. DiSandro used purses to illustrate a woman's busy life and the various stages in the life of a woman.

The luncheon, co-sponsored by Orange County Community Foundation and the Bloomington Hospital of Orange County (BHO) Foundation, is held each year so that women of all ages can come together for a

good meal, a good time, and a good cause. More than \$1,500 was raised from contributions given at the luncheon toward the BHO Foundation Scholarship for those pursuing education in the area of health care.



Barnett Honored for Community Service

At its annual meeting recently, the French Lick-West Baden Chamber of Commerce honored long-time community volunteer Alan Barnett with the creation of the Alan Barnett Community Service Scholarship.

Barnett, who served on the Chamber's board of directors for 29 years, was retiring from his post on that board. He has been credited to a large extent for the development of tourism in the Springs Val-

ley area, and a tireless worker toward realizing his vision of the area as a major tourism destination.

The scholarship will make funds available each year to one student graduating from Springs Valley High School. The student must plan to pursue a career in tourism, recreation, or a related field. The fund will be held with OCCF.

*"The practice of charity will bind us
...will bind all men together in one
great brotherhood."*
—Conrad Hilton

A Country Cabaret

Once again the OCCF joined forces with Orange County Players to provide their annual Cabaret event, with OCCF Youth Council members helping out as servers and in the kitchen.

To convey the "country" theme of this year's program, both performers and Youth Council volunteers dressed in appropriate attire (see picture at right), and

the musical offerings consisted of a collection of country, bluegrass and gospel songs.

Benefits from the Cabaret were divided evenly between the OCCF Youth Council funds and the Orange County Players endowment fund held at OCCF.

