

## Win a Chevy Cruze and help enhance BCSD technology

The Chevy Network and Serpentine Chevrolet of Strongsville are sponsoring an amazing fundraising opportunity for the Education Foundation and the Berea City School District.

In December 2015, one lucky winner will be the owner of a brand new Chevy Cruze.

Raffle tickets will go on sale in August and are \$10 per ticket.

Student athletes, band members, choir members, students participating in clubs/groups, PTA, booster organizations, staff members and local groups will be invited to sell raffle tickets to help raise money for their particular group and to enhance district technology.

This is an exciting opportunity for the foundation and the district and we are grateful to Serpentine Chevrolet for this opportunity.

For more information about selling or buying tickets contact Kim Dettmer, Education Foundation Executive Director at [kdettmer@bera.k12.oh.us](mailto:kdettmer@bera.k12.oh.us) or 216-898-8270.



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## Education Foundation awards over \$33,000 in Scholarships to BMHS Seniors

The following seniors were awarded foundation scholarship during the May 20th Senior Recognition Ceremony:

**Thomas Thompson**

Brian Adkins Scholarship

**Mansi Mehta**

Dr. J. R. Andrisek Scholarship

**Madeline Gunnoe**

Berea Board of Education Scholarship

**Rachel Rouwenhorst**

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**Erikah Jackson**

Berea City Club Scholarship

**Peter Cary**

Berea City Club Scholarship

**Elizabeth Skok**

BHS Class of 1962 Scholarship

**Kayla Drager**

BHS Class of 1976 Merit Scholarship

**Austin Hopperton**

BHS Class of 1976 Merit Scholarship

**Sarah McKissock**

The Berea-Midpark High School Activities  
Department Scholarship

**Alexis Boledovic**

Jessica Leigh Brown Memorial Scholarship

**Emily Vulpio**

Dr. James V. Connell Scholarship

**Brandon Plumb**

Brian James Floria Scholarship

**Brianna Rodriguez**

Dr. Paul C. Gallaher Scholarship

**Delaine Thomas**

Dr. Paul C. Gallaher Scholarship

**Taylor Krug**

Joe Stitt Memorial Scholarship

Giant Eagle Scholarship

**Courtney Elkins**

The Jill Herrick Future Teacher Scholarship

**Frederick Assmus**

Dean Kelly Scholarship

**Benjamin Baldwin**

Jeffrey D. King Scholarship

**Tylor Mahany**

Carolyn Kreighbaum Memorial Scholarship

**Matthew Nennstiel**

Madzy Lineman Scholarship

**Elena Joyce**

Medical Mutual Scholarship

**Taylor Clawson**

Midpark Scholarship

**Katherine Avallone**

Midpark Scholarship

**Leanne Tang**

Thomas M. Nosek Science Scholarship

**Gabrielle Shirk**

Claudia M. Nosek Art Scholarship

**Julia Higgins**

OAPSE Local 213 Scholarship

**Lucille Buckholz**

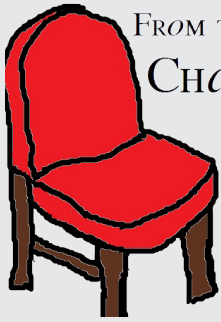
Bob Studier, Jr. Scholarship

**Jordan Stallard**

Berea Education Association  
Paul Swaddling Memorial Scholarship

## a Message

FROM THE  
Chair



As I review this edition of the Foundation newsletter, the word that most comes to mind is appreciation. Each article is a different example of why the Board of Trustees appreciates all of the individuals who support The Education Foundation.

First and foremost, we as

trustees are thankful for the twenty-six individuals and/or organizations who have established a scholarship(s) available to a Berea-Midpark High School senior. The list is impressive and twenty-nine graduating seniors have benefitted from these scholarships.

The next form of appreciation is for all the individuals involved in the Foundation Auction Fundraiser. The Auction committee under the capable direction of Auction Chair Susan Hans is to be appreciated for all of its hard work in planning and executing another successful fundraiser. Appreciation is also extended to the more than 200 individuals who attended and supported the auction.

Appreciation must also be extended to all of the Berea City School District employees who each pay check make a contribution so that payroll deduction grants can be awarded twice a year. The eleven grants listed on page 4 would not have been possible without employee contributions.

Another type of appreciation is for all of the individuals who give of their time to assist The Education Foundation. The newsletter has two examples of this type of contribution. Graduating seniors were not selected for a scholarship without a scholarship committee that spends countless hours reviewing applications and meeting to make decisions regarding each scholarship. The gift of time is also evident in the two new individuals, Irene Joyce and Laurie Scriven, who have accepted the invitation to serve as trustees.

On behalf of all of The Education Foundation trustees, I want to thank all of you who have contributed in so many ways to help The Education Foundation grow and be of service to the students in the Berea school district.

*Jim Connell*

Chair  
The Education Foundation

## Foundation welcomes 2 new trustees

Two new trustees have joined The Education Foundation Board.

Irene Joyce, outgoing president of Berea PTA Council, and Laurie Scriven, retired librarian at Berea-Midpark High School, were named to the Board earlier this year.

Joyce is past president of Berea-Midpark High School PTA and Brookview Elementary School PTA. She has been



Irene Joyce

a very active volunteer with The Education Foundation's auction.

Joyce and her husband, James, a police officer, have three children. Erik is a Cuyahoga County sheriff's deputy, Evan is a junior at Case Western Reserve University and Elena graduated from Berea-Midpark High School this spring. Joyce has a bachelor of fine arts degree from Kent State and

previously was an art teacher. For the past 26 years, she has worked part time at Fairview Lanes, primarily working with children's leagues.

Scriven retired in June. She had been a school librarian for 28 years and at Berea-Midpark since 2006. She previously coached tennis at Strongville High School, was a Girl Scout leader and was a PTA president at Fairwood



Laurie Scriven

Elementary School and Roehm Middle School. She has been active on district-wide committees, including the Committee for Good Schools. Scriven has worked with teachers to obtain grants from The Education Foundation, including one that supported the Global Symposium project.

Scriven and husband, Pete, a retired Strongsville Schools teacher, have two children.

Elizabeth is an Episcopal priest in Ann Arbor, Mich., and Jim is an actor and dancer with a lyric opera company in Pittsburgh.

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## SPOTLIGHT ON...

# Foundation grant helps students explore Germany

Thanks to a grant from The Education Foundation, eight Berea-Midpark High School students spent a week in Hamburg, Germany, during spring break.

The students and two chaperones explored cultural and business aspects of the city and the students met with local high school students.

Principal Vincenzo Ruggiero, who accompanied the students, said, "We didn't want this to be a typical tourist experience." For example, before the trip, each student selected a building or monument in Hamburg to study in depth. They prepared presentations on the locations and then shared that information when the group visited the sites in Germany.

Also traveling with the students was Jack Thomason, who founded the Berea Leadership Academy. Thomason used to live and work in Hamburg. "He had contacts there and resources," Ruggiero said.

The group toured historical sites, attended a theatrical performance, studied the architecture, got to meet local families and immerse themselves in the culture of the city. A side trip to Berlin was included.

Ruggiero said the students selected for the experience were those that most likely would not be expected to travel overseas and gain the insights the trip would offer. He said the trip was transforming for many of the students. "We awakened them," he said. "They came out of their shells."

Lydia Guan, one of the students on the trip, said the experience was "life-changing. It gave us a chance to be close to people you wouldn't ordinarily meet." She also said it was a bonding experience with the other students.

The Education Foundation grant paid for the flight, the hotel and dinner expenses. A car wash fundraiser and donations from supporters paid for other costs.

Ruggiero said he was grateful for The Education Foundation's support. "It enabled students to have an experience that probably

wouldn't have otherwise," he said. "Each day was different."



*BMHS students, along with Principal, Vincenzo Ruggiero enjoying their Hamburg experience*

## The Education Foundation helps BCSD bring Chromebooks to Classrooms

Chromebooks will be added to classrooms in the district with the help of The Education Foundation.

The first phase is expected to be launched in the fall 2015 as part of a multi-phased plan.

Chromebooks are economical, web-based laptops that are used by many school districts across the country. The Berea School District's goal is to cultivate a technology environment to enhance learning for students.

"In Berea, we currently use Google Apps for Education," Superintendent Michael Sheppard said. "All of our students and staff have [bereaschools.org](http://bereaschools.org) G-mail accounts and we use applications like Google Drive for document sharing and storage and Google Sites for web site hosting."

"Chromebooks made a lot of sense because they work so well with all the other tools from Google that we already use and will support a student-centered learning environment," he said.

Engaging students in 21st century teaching and learning is a core element of the project and will promote critical skills, which will help students be successful in an ever-evolving workforce, he added.

The Education Foundation is proud to take part in this new initiative and already has provided the funds to equip an entire classroom with a set of Chromebooks. In the coming months, The Foundation will offer a chance for local businesses and residents to join us in supporting this exciting high-tech project for the students of the Berea Schools.



# THE EDUCATION FOUNDATION

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## CALENDAR

August 18, 2015

First Day of School for students

September 7, 2015

No School, Labor Day

October 23, 2015

No School

November 25, 26, 27, 2015

Thanksgiving Vacation

December 21, 2015 - January 1, 2016

Winter Break

March 10, 2016

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