



Be Part of Our Success

The Special Events Committee invites you to help us create a unique learning environment where students can work collaboratively, using problem-solving skills, and find success in a global economy.

Commit to a sponsorship ... at any level

Not only will you be providing much needed monetary support, you will also receive tickets to attend this upscale event.

\$ 2,000	Gatsby center page ad + 10 tickets
\$ 1,500	Flapper full page ad + 8 tickets
\$ 1,000	Gangster 3/4 page ad + 6 tickets
\$ 500	Teetotaler 1/2 page ad + 4 tickets
\$ 250	Shoe Shine Man 1/4 page ad + 2 tickets

Donate a product, service, or themed basket

lottery tickets, car care kits, pet care items, home decor, skin care, event tickets, etc.

Donations of \$75 or more will also be eligible for complimentary tickets based upon the value of the donation.

Purchase tickets and attend the gala

Bring your Christmas list and take home exquisite gifts at a fraction of the cost! Donations of overnight hotel packages, fine dining experiences, family outings, golf packages, trips and sports memorabilia have already been received with more arriving daily.

Tickets are \$50 each ... contact the Foundation for Special Discounts!

View Photos & Event Details at www.Apollo-RidgeEducationFoundation.org

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MEMBERSHIP DUES

Annual—\$25
Lifetime—\$100
Corporate—\$300 Annual

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ANNUAL REPORT

www.Apollo-RidgeEducationFoundation.org

July 2015

Gala Generates STEAM for Learning Center

\$16,000 Raised in One Evening

The Education Foundation's Special Events Committee's 1st Annual Gala/Silent Auction for STEAM generated \$16,000 from event sponsors, donors, and guests bidding on luxury items at the 1st Annual Gala/Silent Auction for STEAM. The event was held in the newly opened RoseCourt Winery in Spring Church featuring live entertainment and complimentary hors d'oeuvres donated by The Nutrition Group and Just Ask Catering. Net proceeds of \$12,000 were donated to the Apollo-Ridge School District to purchase Robotics and K'nex kits providing hands-on tools for students learning STEM concepts.

Full STEAM Ahead

During the 2015-2016 school year, Apollo-Ridge will begin furnishing the STEAM Center with the help of proceeds from the Gala/Silent Auction.

- **Purchase and install computers** for computer-aided design and technology-based exploration of the arts;
- **Purchase and install custom workstations** enabling students to work collaboratively utilizing problem-solving skills; and
- **Purchase world-class STEM curriculum** so students can develop the skills necessary to succeed in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math careers.

Over 100 guests attended 2014's Gala/Silent Auction, an upscale event that featured wine tasting, hors d'oeuvres, a silent auction, and live music.

As a result of donations from over 150 sponsors and donors, 90 auction items were available for bid.

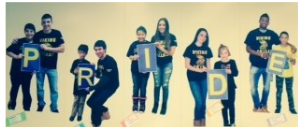
Net proceeds from the event totaled \$12,000 — the largest fund raiser in the AREF's nineteen year history!



Special Events Committee Presents Dr. Curci with \$12,000 Check

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P.R.I.D.E. Fatheads



Innovative Projects Grants in Action

Educators Receive Grants

The Apollo-Ridge Education Foundation annually awards grants of up to \$500 to District Educators for classroom initiatives that enrich education. The Foundation has awarded nearly \$100,000 since its inception in 1996. For the 2014-2015 school year, the Apollo-Ridge Education Foundation received 10 grant applications totaling over \$4,300. Of those, the Foundation awarded \$2166.50 to the following 6 applicants.

P.R.I.D.E. PHASE 2 / Mr. Clint Weimer and the PRIDE Team

CROSS-GRADE, CROSS-CURRICULAR MENTORING PROGRAM
Ms. Danielle King & Mrs. Debra Romano

ELEMENTARY SPANISH CAMP / Ms. Kristen Scotece

ART HISTORY SEMINAR / Mr. Dan Barrett

BORN LEARNING TRAIL / Dr. Matthew Curci

YOGA: SOUND BODY, SOUND MIND / Ms. Karissa Petrilla

Dollars and Cents

Statement of Activities for the Year Ended December 31, 2014

NET ASSETS-January 1, 2014.....	\$11,250
REVENUE	\$28,601
EXPENSES	\$15,042
NET ASSETS-December 31, 2014	\$25,292

REVENUE		EXPENSES	
Contributions	\$27,744	Program Services	\$12,599
Miscellaneous	\$82	General/Admin	\$960
Memberships	\$775		

For a complete financial review visit the Annual Report page on the website.

LEGACY GIFTS

ROBERT CURCI

Donations in Mr. Curci's memory will enrich the Biology Program at Apollo-Ridge High School. Mr. Curci taught Biology 30 years.

LYNNE SNYDER

ARIN honored our former Curriculum Director upon her retirement with a donation for the STEAM Center. Ms. Snyder served A-R from 2004-2008.

Call 724-478-6010 to set up an honorarium or a memorial for a friend, colleague, or loved one.



Andy Jones - 2015 Magic Staffer

This employee was chosen by their peers for the 1st Annual Magic Staffer Award. This individual received a cash award, t-shirt, and designated parking space for the 2015-16 school year. The name will be announced August 18.



The Foundation for Wellness Professionals presented a stress workshop and chair massages for staff during Wellness Week.

Friends of the Foundation

- First Commonwealth Bank
- RoseCourt Winery
- STA-Spring Church
- Rosebud Mining
- Highmark
- Kelly L. Corridoni Funeral Home
- Just Ask Catering
- Allegheny Supply
- Apollo Trust Company
- Trib Total Media
- Indiana Gazette
- Curran-Shaffer Funeral Homes
- Donghia Lumber
- Geary & Loperfito, LLC
- Glenn Bush Ford
- Toshiba
- OB Milling
- Peoples Natural Gas Co.
- Senator Don White
- Thompson/McLay Insurance
- WESTARM Physical Therapy
- Steel City Photo Booth
- Nutrition Group

EITC PARTNERS

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- First Commonwealth Bank
- Nutrition Group



Speakers Series, Gala/Silent Auction, 9/11 Program and Learning Festival

2014-2015 Achievements

- * Six Innovative Projects grants, totaling \$2166.50, were awarded in October.
- * Oprah Book Club author, Tawni O'Dell, was the featured guest at the October Speakers Series program that coincided with the release of her latest novel, *One of Us*.
- * The 1st Annual Gala/Silent Auction, held at the RoseCourt Winery, was a resounding success financially and generated awareness of the goals and mission of the AREF.
- * January's 1st Annual Giving Campaign increased membership (4 new sustaining members) and generated \$60 in one-time donations.
- * \$6,250 in donations was received from First Commonwealth Bank and The Nutrition Group through the EITC program.
- * The Foundation took advantage of three advertising opportunities in the Indiana Gazette's TV Guide, sponsored by the Reschini Group, Safer, and the Indiana Gazette.
- * Apollo-RidgeEducationFoundation.org launched in January of 2015 and has had over 1000 hits to date. The Foundation's Facebook page has 423 "likes".
- * Staff Appreciation activities included an October Flu Shot Clinic provided by Rite Aid, Wellness Week in partnership with The Foundation for Wellness Professionals, and the 1st Annual Magic Staffer Award.
- * Mahlon Fuller presented "9/11 and the Heroes of Flight 93" to the community and High School students in April. \$1600 from the program was donated to the Friends of Flight 93.
- * Kira Marks, Class of 2015, created the "I Give Because ..." video featuring local non-profits and business leaders. It will be shown to all incoming Freshman to encourage volunteerism.