Imagine what we can do, together.
OUR MISSION...
To enhance and strengthen the quality of life for citizens of Greater Fairfield.
The Fairfield Community Foundation Board of Trustees chose two finalists to compete in their third annual Grant Challenge which took place at their Annual Event, “Imagine” concert, on October 25th, 2018 at the Fairfield Community Arts Center. The two organizations were required to present their proposals by creating a 3-5 minute video to be shown at the “Imagine” concert. The Champion was selected by those in attendance at the annual event. The Champion received a $3,500 grant. The runner-up was to have received a $1,500 grant. One of the Founders of the Fairfield Community Foundation, Dick Niehaus had another idea. Dick recently lost his beloved wife of 60 years, Marian. After watching the two proposals, Dick knew in his heart, if Marian had been with him, she would have wanted both organizations to receive $3,500. Therefore, Dick wrote a check for $2,000 so Family Promise would be awarded $3,500 as well. The Fairfield community is blessed to have such devoted residents who care.

Sleep in Heavenly Peace won the Grant Challenge providing beds and bedding for children 2-17 who are living below the poverty level and do not have a bed. The beds are built by volunteers. After the beds are built, they will be distributed to children of Greater Fairfield.

Family Promise of Butler County also won $3,500. They run Day Centers for homeless families to shower, as well as do housing and job searches. The families receive help in parenting and financial skills. They also facilitate referrals to needed resources.
Report from the President

**IMAGINE.** As in previous years, I chose a word to express my goals and feelings for the year to those who share the year with me. That includes my family, friends, colleagues and all of you reading this publication. In a time of change and turmoil all around us, we must adjust, cope, compromise and IMAGINE a better world.

The theme for our annual event was also IMAGINE. The Newbees performed the best of the Beatles at our event. I cannot think of the Beatles without thinking, and yes singing, one of my all-time favorites, IMAGINE. The message is clear. We can only do what we can IMAGINE. Can you Imagine what we can do if we come together to help our community?

If you joined us, I don’t need to tell you the event was a success. We honored two incredible people, Sally Braun and Dr. Stanley Goodman by inducting them into our Wall of Fame. Both have left their mark on our community by giving unselfishly of their time and talent.

When you throw an event, you always hope the spirit of the event is recognized and will continue. That is exactly what happened with the winners of our third annual Grant Challenge. The winners were Sleep in Heavenly Peace and Family Promise of Butler County. The exposure both organizations received help to promote ongoing volunteerism and additional donations for them. We imagined what we could do together, but the generosity of our community exceeded our imaginations.

—Linda Yarger, President
The Fairfield Community Foundation welcomes **Lou Silverberg**, President and owner of Omni Printing and Promotions, Inc., as its newly elected Chairman of the Board of Trustees. Lou has been a Board member since 2015 and has been very involved in the Foundation.

Lou and his family lived in Fairfield for more than 40 years and continue to do business in Fairfield. He is very active within the community serving as Past President of the Fairfield Prevention Coalition. He is also a current member of the Fairfield Rotary as well as Past President. Lou was recently named Rotarian of the Year for his tireless work and contributions within the community.

Lou has seen tremendous growth in Greater Fairfield and hopes to continue the stewardship of the Foundation’s generous supporters. He looks forward to supporting the mission of the Fairfield Community Foundation to enhance and strengthen the quality of life for citizens of Greater Fairfield.

The Fairfield Community Foundation would like to welcome its newest member, **Shane Knisley**. Shane is the Chief Operating Office of Mercy Hospital in Fairfield. Shane brings a wealth of knowledge. He understands the needs of the community and how quality healthcare can have a positive impact. We are blessed to have him join us.

Shane shared, “Being a new transplant to greater Cincinnati, I have been inspired at seeing the level of engagement in community that surrounds us. Subsequent to joining Mercy Health Fairfield, the opportunity to now join the team of the Fairfield Community Foundation is such an honor. I am excited to be able to work with Linda and her team in forwarding the mission of enhancing and strengthening the quality of life for Fairfield. Having served on a Foundation Board in Texas, I appreciate the impact that can be made through philanthropy and service. I am inspired to help advance the mission of the Fairfield Community Foundation.”
Stitches for Good

Every year Sally Braun (above), a former Board Chair of the Fairfield Community Foundation, creates a handmade quilt to be raffled off by the Fairfield Community Foundation at our Annual Event in October. The proceeds are donated to the Foundation for operating expenses. This year she outdid herself with this exquisite Xavier University quilt. The proceeds from the quilt raffle exceeded $2,000. Sally is just adding the finishing touches to this year’s quilt. Miami University fans will want to buy tickets for this one!

McKendry Scholarship 2018

The Fairfield Community Foundation once again awarded the Assistant Chief Paul McKendry Memorial Scholarship. The scholarship was established to honor Fairfield Township Assistant Fire Chief Paul McKendry who died in 2009. It is awarded to a Fairfield City or Township firefighter or resident enrolled in a paramedic program, firefighter level II program or pursuing a degree in fire science or administration.

This year’s recipient of the $1,000 scholarship was Madeline Cinquina of the City of Fairfield Fire Department. Madeline is a 2016 University of Cincinnati graduate. She is enrolled in Cincinnati State’s Paramedic Certification program.

The award was given at the Fairfield Township Fire Department on Morris Road, April 17th, 2018.
Two Fairfield Citizens Were Added to Fairfield Community Foundation Wall of Fame

At its annual meeting on October 25th, the Fairfield Community Foundation honored two Fairfield citizens with induction on the FCF Wall of Fame at the Fairfield Community Arts Center. The Fairfield Community Wall of Fame was created as a “tribute to citizens whose tireless and selfless efforts have made our city a better place to live.” Current honorees on the Wall of Fame are: Esther R. Benzing, Peggy Collins, Erick L. Cook, Robert W. Cropenbaker, Don Hassler, Tom O. Marsh, Joe Nuxhall and Robert F. Wessel.

Dr. Stanley Goodman, who passed away on May 28, 2018, was honored posthumously. Dr. Goodman was Fairfield’s first practicing physician. He founded Pediatric Associates of Fairfield and practiced medicine in Fairfield for 39 years. In addition to his medical practice, Dr. Goodman was a generous volunteer, serving on many boards and committees. One of his significant contributions was as member of the Fairfield Board of Education for 20 years.

Sally Braun loves children and education. She combined these passions as the nurse at Sacred Heart Elementary School for 28 years. Many Fairfield citizens remember her loving care at Sacred Heart as students and parents. Sally is also an avid volunteer serving on many boards and committees, including a member and Chair of the Fairfield Community Foundation Board of Trustees.
Angels Circle of Caring

The Angels Circle of Caring is made up of special people who provide charitable gifts to help the Foundation’s work in our community. Each donor is an important partner with the Foundation. Gifts listed below were given between July 1, 2017 and June 30, 2018. Thank you!

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- Fairfield Champions Fund
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- LCPL Michael Cifuentes Scholarship Fund
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- Fairfield High School ESL Scholarship
- Four Seasons Garden Club Scholarship
- The Don Friedman Memorial Music Scholarship
- Jimmy Hassman Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Kiwanis Club of Fairfield Scholarship
- Doug Lopina Soccer Fund
- Love Works Scholarship Fund
- The Dr. Fred Marzan Music Memorial Scholarship
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- Asst. Fire Chief Paul McKendry Memorial Scholarship
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FAIRFIELD LANE LIBRARY: VALERIE SIMMONS (LEFT) AND JENNIFER STAPLETON

▲ THE NEWBEES

▼ FAIRFIELD CITY SCHOOLS: FROM LEFT, NANCY LANE, PEGGY SMITH, BILLY SMITH, KATIE MEYERS AND ROGER MARTIN
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