

MHSAA paves way for Giant Discovery Zone

Thanks to grant funding facilitated in part by the Marion High School Alumni Association, Marion Community Schools third- and fourth-graders have an exciting new option this year: the Giant Discovery Zone!

This after-school program brings together the best coaches, organizations, and businesses in the city to help our students explore new activities and discover what they enjoy, and where they can excel.

Thanks to many contributors, including the Moorehead Family Foundation, the Community Foundation of Grant County, Marion Community Schools, and the state of Indiana, along with a partnership with the Marion High School Alumni Association, these MCS students have the expert child care offered by the YMCA Live Y-ers program, along with tutoring and mentoring, as well as a wide array of activities to explore throughout the year, with professional coaches and artists leading the way.

Organizations working with students have already included Tiger Tae Kwon Do, Playhouse Studio of Dance, Marion Police and Fire Departments, the Marion High School girls basketball team, and more.

The vision for this program is to give young Marion students the chance to explore many different activities, and the hope is that they find one (or more!) that they fall in love with. Then, our fantastic coaches and community partners can help guide them to even greater engagement, so that students can use



MCS elementary students have fun during a lesson with Tiger Tae Kwon Do, part of the Giant Discovery Zone after-school program.



Students learn about nutrition and food prep techniques with local chef Brad Luzadder.

their talents and build valuable skills (not to mention learn responsibility, discipline, confidence, leadership skills and more). This will not only help to build our local teams and organizations, but also empower these students, expand their horizons,

and broaden their options for life after high school.

This program wouldn't have been possible without the partnership with MHSAA! This is just one of the ways alumni are making a difference in the lives of Giants today and in the future!

Get involved:

- **Give directly to a school, a group, a program, or a cause:** MHSAA is a 501(c)3 organization, so you can make your gift through us and get a tax deduction if applicable. We then pass funds to your chosen beneficiaries.
 - **Give to the Giant Dreams Endowment:** Through a partnership with the Community Foundation of Grant County, the MHSAA can meet needs every year. Your gift will truly just keep on giving.
 - **Support MHSAA:** Donate to keep MHSAA (an all-volunteer organization) up and running.
- >> Info at MHSalum.com



MHSAA membership makes a great holiday gift!

As you make your gift lists, visit www.MHSalum.com to learn more.

Grants and gifts update

Giant Challenge 2016 fundraiser

The 2016 Giant Challenge raised about \$18,000. Here's a look at how the profit was distributed to the various beneficiaries. Individual teams' gift amounts were determined based in part on alumni sign-ups and direct donations, along with team participation in the weekend events.

- \$6,730 went to the MHS Athletic Department
- \$2,470 (profit from Giant Golf Scramble) was placed into the Giant Dreams Endowment Fund for Athletics at the Community Foundation of Grant County.
- MHS baseball: \$517
- MHS boys and girls golf: \$500 each.
- MHS boys soccer: \$475
- MHS girls soccer: \$350
- MHS football: \$350
- MHS boys and girls cross country: \$250 each
- MHS tennis: \$200
- MHS volleyball: \$175
- MHS boys basketball: \$150
- MHS girls basketball: \$120

Giant Dreams Endowments disbursements

In July, MHSAA provided grants from each of the Giant Dreams Endowed Funds, held at the Community Foundation of Grant County, to Marion Community Schools.

Each grant was for \$1,000, directed toward academics, arts, and athletics.

The grant funds for arts and athletics came directly from the endowments. The academics grant was supplemented by Marion High School Alumni Association, as the endowment was not yet large enough to provide a grant of that size.

MHSAA and Community Foundation continue to accept donations for the Giant Dreams Endowments. The goal is to collect \$1 million in each fund, to be able to provide grant funds to meet needs at MCS in perpetuity.

As of Nov. 1, 2016, the funds stand as follows:

- Giant Academics: \$14,770
- Giant Arts: \$52,978



Marion High School Principal Keith Burke accepts a check from Marion High School Alumni Association Treasurer Cathy Moritz for \$1,000 to be used for athletics needs.

- Giant Athletics: \$92,312
- MHSAA hopes to meet the goal of \$1 million in each fund by spring 2020, five years after the endowments were created. However, the needs are very real now. The sooner we can get these endowments filled, the sooner we can provide better opportunities for our Giants!
- Each year, tens of thousands of dollars is needed to sustain the athletics and arts programs

and enhance the academic offerings at MCS. We believe NOW is the time to act to ensure the continued success of Giants present and future.

If you would like more information about the endowments, please contact us at info@MHSalum.com.

You can donate at our website, MHSalum.com, or at the Community Foundation website, www.GiveToGrant.org.

On the calendar

- **Class of 1982 Reunion:** July 22, 2017. Save the date for the MHS Class of 1982's 35th reunion! More details to come.
- **Class of 1992 Reunion:** Date TBD. Looking for info and input from classmates. If you have not recently received an email touching base about our 25th reunion, that means we don't have current contact information for you! Please email us at marionhs1992@yahoo.com.

Share with us!

You can email us at info@MHSalum.com, or mail it to P.O. Box 48, Marion, IN 46952.

Make your gift go further: Consider us when planning your year-end donations!

The Marion High School Alumni Association is a registered 501(c)3 organization, so all donations are tax deductible as allowed by applicable laws.

MHSAA believes NOW is the time to act to ensure the continued success of Giants present and future. Will you join us?

There are a number of ways your gift can impact the students, schools, and your hometown of Marion, Indiana.

You can earmark your gift for a specific school, group, program, organization, or cause. In such an arrangement, MHSAA passes 100 percent of the funds donated to your chosen beneficiary (minus any processing fees if you choose to give online at MHSalum.com).

You can give to the Giant Dreams Endowments to make an impact every year from now until long into the future.

Or you can give directly to MHSAA, to help keep this all-volunteer organization going. Operating costs include printing, mailing, website maintenance, and other expenses overseen by the MHSAA Board of Directors.

In 2016, MHSAA Board members are: President Anne Vermillion, Vice President Shane Nevers, Treasurer Cathy Moritz, Secretary Linda Kitts, and members Norma Achor, Matt Bennet, Bobby Browder, Robert Burke, Julie Cline, John Earnest, Joyce Eltzroth, Frannie Pack, and Kellie Street. In addition, several seats are filled by Marion Com-

munity Schools designees, part of a formal cooperative and collaborative relationship with the school system. In 2016, those members are: Keith Burke (MHS Principal), Bob Schultz (MCS Assistant Superintendent for Business Affairs), and Mike Quinn (MHS Athletic Director). MCS Communications Director Patricia Gibson and Creative Development, Marketing, and Sales Director Mark Fauser act in advisory and organizational capacity to the board.

And don't forget: If you're not yet a member, make sure you join, so you can keep up on the latest news! Together, we can make a GIANT difference!

See MHSalum.com for more information.

PRESIDENT'S PERSPECTIVE

This year has been a special one for MHSAA.

We have continued to educate and raise funds for our Giant Dreams Endowments and have been fortunate to give \$1,000 back in all three areas: Academics, Athletics and Arts. That is thanks to YOUR support for



the endowments!

During this season of giving, members of the MHSAA Board of Directors (all dedicated volunteers) encourage you to consider our organization and the endowments. Your year-end giving can help provide opportunities to Giants now and in the future. I promise you, your gift will be a blessing to Marion Community Schools, the MHSAA, and — most importantly — our students.

This year we have also been happy to see our membership

list growing. But we know there are literally thousands of Giants out there who have not yet joined our cause! If you are not a member, please consider joining today! And take a look at the list below. If you know others in your graduating class or group of friends who are not yet members, please encourage them to join! Just head to MHSalum.com for more information!

It has been a pleasure to serve this year as president of the MHSAA Board of

Directors. And I am thrilled to introduce to you the newly named President, Lori (Hurst) Eltzroth, Class of 1989. Lori has been an active member and contributor to the MHSAA's efforts, and as president she will bring passion and vision for the organization in the next year.

Finally, I want to take this opportunity to wish you and your family a blessed holiday season!

— Ann (Beck) Vermilion
(Class of 1992)

MHSAA members:

Class of 1935: Joseph Davis

Class of 1936: Harold Witcoff

Class of 1937: James Wilson

Class of 1938: Richard Simons

Class of 1940: Margie Vice

Class of 1942: Edmund Casey

Class of 1943: Jeanne Michos

Class of 1947: Clark Beck

Class of 1948: Nancy Teeters

Class of 1949: George Dixon,

Pierre Fisher, Robert Shirar

Class of 1950: Carol Fisher, Jane Kohlmorgen

Class of 1951: Francis "Frank" Fisher, Alene Sloan, Kenneth Sloan

Class of 1952: James Sutter

Class of 1954: Lynn Wynston

Class of 1955: Oatess

Archev, Jerry Jones

Class of 1956: Janice Evans,

Frank Faunce, William Hanley, Doris Jesch

Class of 1957: Bob Daugherty, Steve Moorehead,

Peggy (Walton) Pace, Dick Persinger, Don Tillman

Class of 1958: James Moritz

Class of 1960: Deanna

Bergsma, Mark Boatwright,

George Bragg, Avery Chandler, Mike Conroy,

William Dennis, Bernard

Diamond, Charles Esarey,

Roselyn Farley, David

Fosnough, Mary Gough,

Richard Green, Sondra

Haynes, Gloria Heinemann,

Jim Hughes, John Jacob,

Jane Keene, Alice Kreissler,

Bettieann Liddle, Michael

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Members: Update your profile

Log on at www.MHSalum.com and share your graduating class and other information. The directory is viewable only by members.

Maidenberg, Kay Miller, Frances Pack, Marsha Pence, John Smith, Janet Tenhula, James Thorne, Rosilyn Vyhnalek, Carole (Knotts) Wandrei, Thomas Westfall

Class of 1961: Michael Achor, Steve Carmach, Bert Ewer, Jane (Baas) Sharon

Class of 1962: Amy Anderson, John Anderson,

Virginia Boatwright, Bill Bowman, Carolyn Brooks, Robert

Burke, Richard Conroy, Sue Cook, Leelia Cornell, Janet

Davis, Wendell Detamore, John Earnest, Gayle Faunce,

Judith (Long) Guerrero, Lloyd Herring, Joanna (Harris)

Hesher, Suellen Huff, Jean Jacob, David Joyce, Susan

Long, Terry Long, Jill Oswalt, Terry Porter, Joan (Arm-

strong) Purvis, Jack Robison, Steve Sharon, Jerry Shull,

Sarah Smith, Susan Sutton, Sandy Van Hoose-Clevenger,

Charles Young

Class of 1963: Norma Achor, Darlene "Anna" (Holaday)

Burke, Cheryl Detamore, Marcia Donnell, Dave Liniger,

Nancy Love, Richard Osburn, Catherine (Hadley) Reid,

Dianne (Sector) Smith, Susie (Herrick) Vesey

Class of 1964: Judy D. (Achor) Agee, David Albert-

son, Berniece E. (Detamore) Andrews, Jim Arnold, Bill

Beekman, Lee Ann (Babcock) Brown, Ruth A. (Sherman)

Detamore-Reynolds, Joyce Eltzroth, Paul F. Esler, Connie

(Patterson) Gill, Evelyn M. (Giegler) Grubb, Glen Hefner,

Tom Holloway, Jackie Hoss, Lee Maidenberg, Jack L. Mar-

shall, Adrian Messer Jr., John Milford, Susan Nation-Resler,

George Rauch, Charlotte E. Real, Marshall Stewart, Becky

Stubbs, William Thorne

Class of 1965: Carole Cardwell, Sharon Dunwoody,

Tracy (Mattingly) Kirk, Linda Kitts, Anthony Maidenberg,

Linda Mark, Kathi Richey

Class of 1966: Verlene "Vee" (Miller) Herrington, Phil

Jenkins

Class of 1967: Frank Ireland, Cheryl Wiggs

Class of 1968: John Beineke, Charles Burns

Class of 1969: Arthur Hewitt, John Jarrett, Bill Perry, Joe

Sutter

Class of 1970: James Hodge, Jennifer Maidenberg, Steven

Moritz, Carol Murphy, Susie Oyler, Twanna Scroggins, Avis

Stewart, Judi Woodward

Class of 1971: Bruce Baumbaugh, Eddie Lee Black,

Philippa Culley, Paula (Nahler) Jarvis, Daryl Johnson, Terry

Johnson, Connie (McCuan) Kirsch, Jacquelyn Reed,

David Siders, Kathy (Harris) Smith

Class of 1973: David Fisher, Cindy Wright, David Wright,

Steve Wright

Class of 1974: Mike Barney, Brian Landrum, James Luttrull

Jr., Julie (Collins) Sherman

Class of 1975: Patty Barney, Michael Flynn

Class of 1976: Robbin Smith

Class of 1977: Robert Butch Thomas

Class of 1978: David Kiley, William Wilds

Class of 1979: Kathy Landrum, Reggie Nevels

Class of 1980: Mark Bilger, Cathy Moritz

Class of 1981: Todd Nukes, Kelly Snyder

Class of 1982: Wayne Seybold

Class of 1983: Jeff Hutchens, Sabrina Wilds

Class of 1984: Kim (Seybold) Catron, Melissa (Bennet)

Pogue, Kellie Street

Class of 1987: Kari Persinger

Class of 1988: Matt Bennet, Angela Dale, Kara Morley,

Greg Taylor

Class of 1989: Lori Eltzroth, Leslie (Achor) Hendricks, Ivo-

ry "Von" Jackson, Greg Kitts,

Tade Powell, Aaron Vermilion

Class of 1992: Ann Vermilion, Diane Janowicz

Class of 1993: Bobby Browder

Class of 1994: Kyle Kirby

Class of 1997: TJ Dailey, Troy Jones, Meredith

(Earnest) Miller

Class of 1998: Josh Matchette

Class of 1999: David Culley, Trent Dailey, Ryan Earnest,

Teneal Gardner

Class of 2000: Zach Randolph

Class of 2001: Brandon Barrett, Ashley Braun,

Brittany Pelz

Class of 2003: Bradley Norris

Class of 2005: Kyle Booher, Julie Cline, Shane Nevers

Class of 2006: Rachel Polsley

Class of 2007: Regan Reese

Class of 2011: Katie Landrum

No Year Noted: Shari Ashkar,

Carl Bleke, William Campbell,

William Carson, George Dixon, Linda Dreiman,

Clayton Edwards, Sara Edwards, Paul Esler, Todd

Graham, Marcia Guenin,

Michelle Harris, Tim Harris,

Sharron (Ackley) Jacks,

Kristin Marcuccilli,

Themosticles Michos,

Rebecca Moses, Susan

Natoli, Jonathan Perez, Sarah

Poehler, Rory Shivers-Brimm,

Rhonda Stewart, Pat Travis,

Christopher Wagner, Tim

Wentz, Lucinda Witt

Honorary: Lennon Brown,

Kerry Clevenger, Steve

Edwards

MHS Hall of Distinction - Class of 2016



Marion High School Hall of Distinction 2016 inductees
 << seen from left to right

- **Avis Stewart, Class of 1970**, teacher, coach, administrator, community leader in Richmond and Earlham College
- **Kerry Clevenger, honorary inductee**, business owner, coach, team sponsor, philanthropist
- **Joe Sutter, Class of 1969**, former pro basketball player, physical therapist, philanthropist
- **Zach Randolph, Class of 2000**, NBA All-Star, philanthropist
- **Sharon Dunwoody, Class of 1965**, professor, journalist, pioneer in research field of science communication
- **James Luttrull Jr., Class of 1974**, county prosecutor, professor, leader in addressing child abuse
- **David Kiley, Class of 1978**, OB/GYN, administrator, expert in patient-centered care
- **Capt. Brandon Barrett, Class of 2001**, (inducted posthumously — his sister, Taylor, accepted the award on his behalf); killed in action in Afghanistan while serving with U.S. Marine Corps
- **Diane Janowicz, MHS Class of 1992**, infectious disease and HIV/AIDS specialist, spearheaded clinical response to major HIV outbreak in southern Indiana in 2015



The MHS Hall of Distinction 2016 Induction Banquet took place on Sept. 24. This is a special night for inductees and their families, along with anyone who wants to celebrate the past at Marion High School, to learn more about present successes, and to plan to make the future even brighter for Marion Giants and the whole community.

Celebrating a legacy of excellence

The Marion High School Hall of Distinction, founded in 2006, gives lasting recognition to alumni who have made exceptional contributions to the achievements and prestige of Marion Community Schools. It also serves to help inspire current students to aspire to similar success.

MHS Hall of Distinction inductees — 48 in all so far — have made their mark in many different fields of endeavor,

from education, to medicine, to entertainment and the arts, to athletics, to government, to law and criminal justice, to the media, to the military, and more.

There are inductees from graduating classes of every decade since the 1930s, all the way to the 2000s.

Any MHS alumnus who graduated at least five years ago and who has made substantial contributions to the achievements of Marion Community

Schools or whose exemplary actions reflect honor on MCS is eligible for nomination. The Hall seeks to honor men and women who have distinguished themselves through superb accomplishment on a local, state or national level in diverse fields.

Non-MHS graduates may be afforded honorary status in the MHS Hall of Distinction.

>> To learn more about the inductees, visit www.marion.k12.in.us

How to make a nomination:

We know there are lots of Giants out there who deserve this honor!

The nomination period will be reopened next year. Nomination forms and more are available in the Alumni section of the Marion Community Schools website, www.marion.k12.in.us.

The induction banquet will be held on MHS Homecoming weekend.