

Celebrate

*We're going to have
a good time tonight!*

So come along and join us for the



ANNUAL BANQUET

MAY 18, 2024



**Winchester Community High School Commons
700 North Union Street
Winchester, Indiana**

**4:30 P.M. Social Hour
Appetizers**

6:00 Dinner

Fried Chicken

Beef Pot Roast

Seasoned Green Beans

Mashed Potatoes & Gravy

Buttered Corn

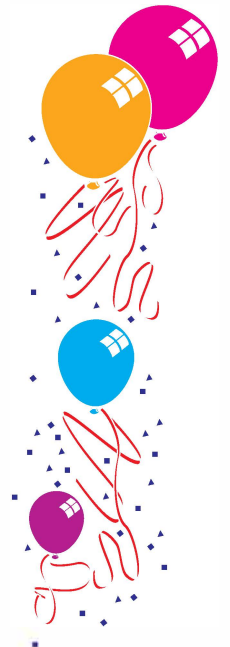
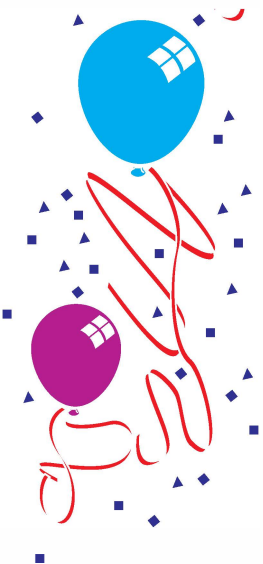
Cole Slaw, Broccoli Salad & Apple Salad

Assorted Desserts

Drinks

RSVP by May 1, 2024

Catered by Willie and Red's (formerly Wellivers)



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President, Cris Loney Fine '70	Joyce Huffer Phipps '64
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2023 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Taylor Campbell	Reece Michael
Avery Clevenger	Tara Norman
Amelia Donnelly	Tia-Ann Retz
Braelyn Gastineau	Alexis Roth
Andrew Todd Loyd	Alijah Trausch
Jocelyn Wolf	



The Community Foundation of Randolph County

The Board of Directors would like to thank the Foundation for the grant which was awarded to help with our projects this year. The foundation helps many organizations throughout the county with the grants. We appreciate their commitment to assist this organization this year.



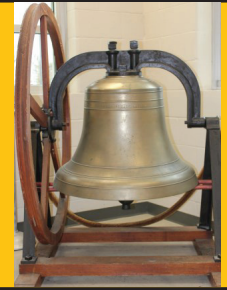
Winchester Alumni Association Scholarship Endowment Fund Goal

\$250,000.00

Percent of Goal

60%

\$150,000.00



2024 NEWSLETTER



The Winchester Bell Society

The Winchester Bell Society is a distinguished group for those who wish to support the Winchester Alumni Association Endowment Fund in their estate plans. Members can bequest gifts through their will / trust, give from their Retirement Plan with their annual RMD, or make the Endowment a beneficiary of insurance. Membership does not create a binding obligation and the specifics of your gift are kept confidential. Joining the Winchester Bell Society allows us to offer our thanks during your lifetime and ensure that your gift will be used to endow future scholarships for qualifying Winchester graduates. We understand that some donors do not want to be listed as Winchester Bell Society members, a request which will most certainly be honored. The Winchester Bell Society Fund is administered by the Winchester Alumni Association Scholarship Endowment Fund, EIN 82-5173441, a 501-c-3 non-profit public charity. If you have questions or would like an application, email us at: winchesteralumni@yahoo.com

Golden Graduate Book #2

Book #2 is going to be fabulous whenever its authors get it finished! Yes, we're moving more slowly than anticipated, but the new biographical format we've established for this book simply takes more time. Be assured that when it's finished, you will be amazed at this second group of Winchester graduates! You'll love reading about the life and career of Chester Burleigh Watts, an astronomer from the Class of 1907 who became one of the most important astronomers of the 20th century. He worked at the U.S. Naval Observatory in Washington, D.C. for 50 years and photographed and mapped the surface of the moon. His life-long work was still in use by scientists in preparation for the moon landing in 1969. Our youngest graduate in the book is Wade Junco, Class of 1992. 17-time Emmy award winner, friend and confidant to John Madden, Wade is one of the most influential men to play a role in professional football today.

Another feature of Book 2 is that we are recognizing the 5 rural school districts that consolidated to form present-day Randolph Central School Corporation (Winchester Schools) by writing a "Golden Graduate" story from each of their districts. One of the five is Leon F. Hesser (1943 graduate of Lincoln High School, West White River Twp). With a PHD in agriculture from Purdue, Leon led US Department of Agriculture large scale grain development projects that provided crops for millions in 20 countries around the world. He became known as "The Man Who Fed the World." Check the website for further updates!



www.winchesterindianaalumni.org

The website is live! You will find information on the Alumni Association, the Endowment Fund, the Golden Graduate book project, current events, yearbooks and more! Updates are continually being made! There are many yearbooks to still load, but it is a project in process! In the near future, links will be available for purchasing the Golden Graduate book as well!

If you are hosting a reunion or an event that you would like us to post, please email us at winchesteralumni@yahoo.com.

Winchester High School Honor Society Members Awarded Golden Graduate Book 1 at 2023 Induction Ceremony

The Community Foundation of Randolph County awarded a 2023 grant to the Endowment Fund, which allowed them to present copies of Golden Graduates of Winchester High School: a Small Indiana Town's Remarkable Achievement to junior and senior members of the NHS. The initial purpose of the Golden Graduate Project was to encourage today's students to aspire to the same high goals as former students who made significant contributions to our town, our state, our nation, and even our world. Dane Starbuck and Pat Knasinski were pleased to address the entire audience about Winchester's Golden Graduates, then to present a personally dedicated copy of Book 1 to each Honor Society Member. Thank you, CFRC, for enabling us to do this!



WE THANK YOU!

The Endowment Fund has reached \$150,000 of its new \$250,000 goal! Since its inception in 2018, donations from YOU have made it possible for us to hit our first goal! This money remains invested with the Community Foundation of Randolph County where future gains will pay for scholarships for Winchester Graduates as the Alumni Association needs them!

There are many ways to donate to help us reach our goal. You may send in a one time donation, you may join the Bell Society and use estate planning to donate, or you may give a gift from a qualified account (IRA) as we are a 501(c)(3) nonprofit public charity. Thank you to everyone who is supporting this fund! Donations may be sent at any time to the following address:

Winchester Alumni Endowment Fund.
Attn: Patricia Knasinski, PO Box 492,
Winchester, IN 47394



Alumni Endowment Fund Financial Donors

April 1, 2023 – February 1, 2024

BELL SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP

(minimum \$10,000 bequest)

MILLIGAN FAMILY GIVING FUND,
Christopher & Terese Milligan

JAMES NICHOLS

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In memory of Joan Phillips Alexander

G. DALY WALKER

PLATINUM (\$5000 and up)

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JOLENE CODDINGTON GREEN

*In memory of Jack & Marita
Coddington Lovell*

JANE COCKERILL HUNT

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In memory of Susan Wallace

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Doug Baker

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Valandingham and Harry & Olive Bowers

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Derry & Brenda Hobson

Shelby Longnecker Hoyt

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In memory of Gary Huston

Lisa Jennings

Barry Johnston

David Keever

Dawn Keys

In memory of David Bruce Keys

Cheri Shively Lawson

*In memory of Susan Wallace Suddeth
and Merritt H. Beck*

Dale Leonard

Nancy Macy & Robert L. Painter, MD

Jack R. McCollum

In memory of son John Daniel McCollum

Patricia McCormick

Patrick McCoy

In memory of Shawn McCoy, Class of '80

Patrick McLaughlin

Margo Ritchey Monks

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Colette Robbins Rydman

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Mike & Roberta Sipe

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*In honor of his parents, Mike & Diane
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In memory of Dr. V. Richard Williams

OTHER

Carla Leddy Barnes

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*In memory of WCHS English teacher Joe
Casey*

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Marcia K. Davis Sproul

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*In memory of Frances & Riley Thornburg,
Class of '25*

Dan Thornburg

Mary Jo Younger Wickersham

Joyce Wilson and Mark Wilson

*In memory of Susan Wallace and Brian
Wallace*

Philip Wray

In memory of Joycelyn Wray

John Wyatt

Tom and Cheryl Zell

Banquet 2023

On May 21, 2023, the alumni of Winchester High School met for our annual banquet where we all gathered to share memories of our high school days. The class of 1973 was honored for their 50 year anniversary. Dr. Rolland Abraham gave a talk about the progress the school system is making for the future growth of the Winchester Community Schools. The dinner was catered by Willie and Red's from Hagerstown.



Ann Moorman Riddle Distinguished Service Award

Dr. Daly Walker was selected by the board to receive this award. He spearheaded establishing a Winchester Alumni Endowment Fund which will provide funds for future graduates of the Winchester High School. He funded the book *Golden Graduates of Winchester High School, A Small Indiana Town's Remarkable Achievement*, from a CFRC grant established by his parents. We appreciate his assistance helping the board to move forward to the future.

*Rolland Abraham, Superintendent of the
Randolph Central School Corporation,
will be conducting a tour of WCHS at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday May 18*

Big Ruthie's Tenderloin Dinner

In October, we had our annual fundraiser the Big Ruthie Tenderloin Dinner. The Phi Delts provide the great cooks and their facility for the dinner. The tenderloins were delicious plus the sides were very tasty. A crowd of 200 or more enjoyed the meal. Jason's Meat Market provided the tenderloins for the dinner. Pies were donated by Wick's Pies.



Board Donations

The Board of Directors awarded to each of the elementary schools in the Winchester Community School System \$200.00 to use as needed. The Board of Directors also donated \$1000 to the Randolph Central Weekend Meal Program. This program helps provide meals for the students in need during the summer break.



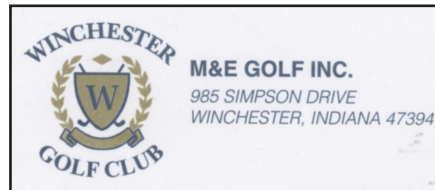
Tammy Bousman
765-744-7219



City of Winchester



FARMHOUSE
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A & B CAFE
SPORTS BAR



Dr. Ken Watkins





Please return this portion as soon as possible to:

Winchester Alumni Association, Inc.
PO Box 492
Winchester, IN 47394

All reservations must be received by May 21, ~~2024~~

Name _____ Year Graduated _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone _____ E-Mail Address _____

(Fill out for future information for the Database)

Do you prefer an e-mail invitation or a mailed invitation in the future? _____

____ I AM PLANNING TO ATTEND the May 18th, 2024 Alumni Banquet starting at 4:30 p.m.

Enclosed is payment for _____ meals at \$25.00 each \$ _____

Names (to be printed on Name Tags) Year of graduation Prefer sitting with class of _____

____ I am enclosing a donation to help support the Alumni Association.

____ Alumni expenses which include mailings, supplies, banquet, etc. \$ _____

____ Annual Scholarship Fund (awarded in 2025) \$ _____

____ Endowment Fund \$ _____

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ _____

ALL DONATIONS LARGE AND SMALL ARE TAX DEDUCTABLE

Volunteer request information

____ As a "friend", I would like to help with events such as mailings, banquet preparations, etc.

____ I would consider serving on the Board of Directors beginning _____ (year)