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LAHS PHYSICAL EDUCATION CLASSES RECEIVE NEW TENNIS EQUIPMENT

The Green Dragon Foundation is proud to support physical education and student well-being at LAHS through funding new tennis equipment for gym classes and the tennis club. Read more about this project on page 11.

2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR ANNUAL REPORT

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MESSAGES FROM THE GDF & LASD LEADERSHIP



FROM BOARD PRESIDENT BOB KALLIN

American journalist Sydney Harris said, “The whole purpose of education is to turn mirrors into windows.” In 2024-2025, The Green Dragon Foundation helped open many windows for our students.

The foundation distributed \$231,807 to the Lewisburg Area School District last year in support of the arts, athletics, STEM programs, health and well-being initiatives, and several experiential programs. You can read all about these programs, and their impact on students and teachers, in the pages that follow.

Our deepest gratitude goes to the many parents, grandparents, alumni, district employees, businesses, and other friends whose support made a positive difference for our students, teachers, and community. A special thank you to **Abby Gulden-Luthi and John Luthi** for leading the successful campaign to fund lights and a sound system for the high school turf field. Game on!

FROM SUPERINTENDENT CATHY S. MOSER

The Green Dragon Foundation continues to be the Lewisburg Area School District’s valued partner. Starting from GDF’s inception in 2008, I have witnessed the foundation’s tremendous impact in support of our students and their families in the greater Lewisburg community.

It is easy to point to the many ways in which valued programming has impacted and supported K-12 students. GDF has boosted our ability to provide opportunities in the performing and visual arts, career development, social and emotional learning, STEM, classroom teaching and learning, student clubs and organizations, and the like. Their good work has funded facilities enhancements, program expansions, special events programming, project-based learning, and field trips. We are the rich beneficiaries of their dedicated and sustained efforts.

Partnerships like ours with The Green Dragon Foundation are truly at the heart of the best outcomes in public education. Our valued work with the foundation allows us to envision the possibilities and then take action steps to provide both traditional and innovative learning experiences for our students.

Members of our community have the opportunity to join our collective work by partnering with the foundation and LASD, and making donations to support our work. We ask you to please consider partnering with us. Together we can continue to enrich and enhance learning for all LASD students.

I am grateful and appreciative of all donors whose gifts, both past and present, have made a powerful difference in the lives of our students. We truly are a proud school district and a vibrant community invested in our students. It is exciting to see all the ways our students grow and shape our collective future.

ABOUT US

The mission of The Green Dragon Foundation is to enhance our student experience, assist our teachers and staff, and enrich our community by raising funds to support the priorities of the Lewisburg Area School District.



INVESTING IN STUDENTS

Thanks to loyal and dedicated donors and volunteers, the hard work of The Green Dragon Foundation's Board of Directors, Lewisburg Area School District leadership, faculty and staff, **GDF raised \$528,468 in 2024-2025.**

The **additional revenue from your gifts creates exceptional opportunities for all Lewisburg area students and helps meet the needs of our most vulnerable.** Endowments provide predictable long-term support for our students. Major gifts can underwrite larger projects and, as annual support increases, so do opportunities for our students.

GDF is governed by a 27-member board of directors (including advisors), led by executive director Ann Glock. In 2024-2025, GDF benefited from the work of 55 volunteers who provided 758 hours of service. Volunteers and the essential work they do are key factors that enable GDF to fulfill its mission.

We invite you to join our team! Volunteers are needed for special events, mailings, data entry and more. To learn more, contact the GDF office at (570) 522-8433 or annglock@greendragonfoundation.org.

LOOKING AHEAD

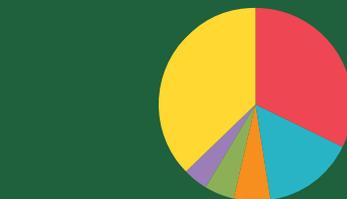
GDF's ongoing mission is to raise essential funds to support the Lewisburg Area School District's priorities. **In the fall of 2025 we plan to celebrate one such achievement: the purchase and installation of lighting at the turf field and tennis courts at the Lewisburg Area High School, which was fueled by the Fire Up the Lights! Campaign.** We continue to offer sponsorship and naming opportunities to support other needed enhancements.

We look forward to continued support for the arts, and academic and athletic programs, to give Lewisburg area students access to unique opportunities on an ongoing basis. **Gifts to our Annual Fund offer the most flexibility and can be utilized where funds are needed most.** We seek to provide support for students of all abilities and all grade levels throughout LASD. **We thank you for your continued partnership.**

GIFTS TO LASD

Through the generosity of parents, alumni, businesses, and friends, The Green Dragon Foundation supports Lewisburg Area School District students, faculty, and programs in a variety of ways. **In 2024-2025, GDF provided or invested a total of \$349,077 to benefit current and future LASD students.** GDF distributed \$235,852 (\$231,807 financial and \$4,045 in-kind) to the LASD and endowed an additional \$113,225 for future programmatic support. These gifts will enhance and enrich educational opportunities for all Lewisburg area students and future generations.

2024-2025 GDF GIFTS TO LASD AND DEPOSITS TO ENDOWED FUNDS (TOTAL \$349,077)



- Academic Programs: 37% / \$129,255
- Endowed Fund Deposits: 32% / \$113,225
- Athletic Programs/Facilities: 15% / \$53,424
- Capital Improvements: 6% / \$20,364
- Health & Well-being: 5% / \$17,101
- Arts & In-Kind: 4% / \$15,708



2024-2025: THE GREEN DRAGON FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS & STAFF

From left to right: (Front) Brianna Apfelbaum Kula, Cathy Moser, Kimberley Drexler, Jennifer Shabahang, Corey Jusko, Addy Rummel, Erin Jablonski, Ann Glock, Bob Kallin. (Back) Andy Felo, Jimmy Chen, Tim Stackhouse, Tim Apple, Andy Gritzer, Beth Confer. (Not pictured) Usman Bajwa, Katie Cavanagh, Brooks Gronlund, Amit Johal, Matt Markunas, Bob McCormack, Ben Ranck, Courtney Remmey, Greg Salzler, Kathy Swope, Leslie Temple.



WHY I SERVE:

LESLIE TEMPLE

Although The Green Dragon Foundation has board members who are LASD alumni, we are proud to embrace supporters who have become honorary Green Dragons through their children or spouses. Leslie Temple, a graduate of Bloomsburg High School, is an honorary Green Dragon through her husband, Mark Temple (former LASD athletic director and teacher), Class of 1983, and her three sons, Jack '15, Erik '17 and Cole '20. Leslie and Mark met in Lancaster when Leslie was first employed by Fulton Bank. In 2004, Leslie's new position with Fulton brought them to Mark's hometown of Lewisburg. Leslie has been committed to the community

of Lewisburg ever since. The Temples have been supporters of GDF since 2009.

Over the years Leslie has served on numerous boards and community groups. She joined The Green Dragon Foundation board in 2021. She served as Vice-President and currently holds the position of Fund Development Committee Chair. Leslie's connections to the community are an asset for fundraising efforts and spreading the word about the ways the foundation supports Lewisburg area students. She enjoys the camaraderie and healthy dialogue among board members and advisors.

Leslie cares for the health and well-being of our community by serving on the regional board of Wellspan and chairing The Evangelical Community Hospital Foundation. She is a Trustee of The First Presbyterian Church of Lewisburg and a member of the DRIVE economic development board.

Asked about her involvement with the foundation, Leslie stated, **"It is important for our schools and community to be as strong as possible. Due to economic realities, school budgets cannot support everything, so we need to turn to private funding to round out our children's education. GDF often helps provide the extras or, as I like to say, 'the sprinkles' on the cupcakes."** Additionally, Leslie wants the public to realize that GDF does not focus on one area but rather distributes resources to academic, arts, athletic, or capital improvements as prioritized by the LASD administration and school board.

The foundation is grateful to Leslie for being a strong advocate of GDF and the community of Lewisburg.



Donors wishing to fund academic, arts or athletic programs, or capital improvement projects, **can make a donation online** by visiting: www.greendragonfoundation.org. Gifts can also be mailed to 115 Farley Circle, Suite 306, Lewisburg, PA 17837.



HOW YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE FOR LEWISBURG STUDENTS

A VARIETY OF WAYS TO DONATE

Financial gifts to The Green Dragon Foundation, a 501(c)(3) organization, make a difference for current and future Lewisburg Area School District students and generate opportunities for learning and growth that would not otherwise be possible. Below is a list of some of the many ways a gift can be made or planned.

- + Outright Gift of Cash
- + Matching Gift
- + In-Kind Gift
- + Outright Gift of Appreciated Securities
- + Outright Gift of Real Estate
- + IRA Assets
- + Bequest
- + Gift of Retirement Assets
- + Gifts of Insurance Policy Proceeds

OUTRIGHT GIFTS OF CASH

A cash gift, the most common way to make a gift to GDF, is tax-deductible. You may donate online at www.greendragonfoundation.org or you may send your donation to:

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Lewisburg, PA 17837*

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For more detailed information about the various types of charitable gifts, please contact The Green Dragon Foundation at (570) 522-8433 or annglock@greendragonfoundation.org.

STUDENT PERSPECTIVE

RUBY LOCK CLASS OF 2025



Like many students, Ruby Lock, Class of 2025, took advantage of the diverse academic and extracurricular opportunities at LAHS. From AP classes to her involvement in the spring musical, Ruby's years at LAHS allowed her to grow as a person and gain valuable life lessons.

The art program was a highlight for Ruby. She took Ceramics I & II and AP Art. The art room became her "home" within the high school. Art teacher Ms. Hillary Cree, a very influential faculty member for Ruby, was always willing to assist and allow access to the art room. Ruby participated in the Raku workshop sponsored by the foundation in May 2025 and said it was one of her most exciting and unique art experiences.

Another memorable experience for Ruby was her involvement with the LAHS Greenhouse through the Sustainability: Farm to Table class. Ruby stated, **"As a hands-on learner I found it very rewarding to be out working in the greenhouse every day instead of watching a video or learning from a textbook."** She enjoyed the process of growing food and applied the knowledge she gained to her family's garden.

Ruby is grateful to GDF for enabling students to have opportunities like the greenhouse, Girls Need Space club, and the Raku workshop which she said are valuable experiences for many students. Ruby advised other students to, **"Take the time to find what you are passionate about and you will find your community within the school."**

After traveling abroad this summer, Ruby plans to take a gap year. She hopes to enroll in some classes locally and take some time to decide what she would like to focus on. The foundation wishes Ruby and the entire Class of 2025 all the best in their future endeavors.

THE PA EDUCATIONAL IMPROVEMENT TAX CREDIT (EITC) PROGRAM: PROVIDING EXCEPTIONAL EXPERIENCES FOR STUDENTS



During the 2024-2025 school year, The Green Dragon Foundation received \$89,500 from Pennsylvania businesses enrolled in the PA EITC program. This source of substantial funding enables Lewisburg area students to experience innovative curricular programs and extra-curricular activities that open their minds beyond the traditional classroom. The opportunities facilitated by PA EITC funding are outlined below.

► **In May 2025, LAHS science students competed at the PA State Envirothon.** According to science teacher and Envirothon advisor Kristina Rogers, the students used what they learned in the classroom in a hands-on, team-based competition focused on topics that included forestry, wildlife, soils, and water. It helped them better understand environmental issues and how natural resources are managed.

Rogers stated, **“The event helped them build important life skills like teamwork, communication, and problem-solving. Meeting students from other schools and talking to professionals in the environmental field gave them a better idea of possible future careers. Overall, it was a rewarding and inspiring opportunity.”**

► **Lewisburg area middle and high school students attended the Technology Student Association (TSA) state conference in 2025.** Daniel Morgan, DHEMS Technology Education teacher and TSA advisor, thanked the foundation and said, “This conference engaged students in a number of technology-related competitions with peers from around the state

of Pennsylvania. **Most importantly, our students connected and built a love for STEM through this multi-day conference.”**

► **In February 2025, Lewisburg area students attended the Ivy League Model United Nations Conference (ILMUNC) in Philadelphia.** LAHS student Eli Kalberer thanked the foundation for supporting Model U.N., saying, **“Through committee discussions, and arguments, Model U.N trips such as ILMUNC have helped me see things from other perspectives, hone my relationship building and diplomacy skills, and understand the complexity and nuance of global issues.”**

► **At the end of the 2024-2025 school year, the LAHS Beekeeping Club requested EITC funding to acquire hive sensors** to enable students to better monitor and maintain the honeybee colonies. The system gives students hands-on experience with environmental data collection, analysis and application.

► **EITC funding continues to support programming at the LAHS greenhouse.** Many students enjoy the Sustainability: Farm to Table class and are using their new knowledge to grow food at home for their families.

► **Finally, EITC funds supported the Girls Need Space program** (see page 11).

Thank you to the PA businesses (listed on page 24) who choose to support Lewisburg students and facilitate these amazing experiences.

NEW ENDOWMENTS ESTABLISHED IN 2024-2025

An endowment is a gift that will provide funding in perpetuity for the Lewisburg Area School District.

The principal funds are preserved, while a small percentage (typically 4 percent) of funds is available each year for distribution to LASD. It is a perfect way to establish an enduring legacy in honor or memory of a loved one. It also creates a stream of permanent funding and can be structured to benefit the donor's particular interest. Below are descriptions of our new

endowments that were established during the 2024-2025 school year.

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If creating an endowment for the benefit of current and future Lewisburg area students meets your philanthropic goals, please contact GDF for more information.

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THE BRAVMAN FAMILY ENDOWMENT FOR MATH, TECHNOLOGY, AND PHYSICS



Created in February 2025, The Bravman Family Endowment for Math, Technology, and Physics will provide annual funding to LASD to broadly support co-curricular and extracurricular activities in math, technology, and physics at Lewisburg Area High School and Donald H. Eichhorn Middle School. This support includes, but is not limited to, laboratory-based activities, course materials and supplies, scientific equipment, student clubs and competitions, field trips, advanced placement (AP) exam fees for students in need, stipends for guest speakers, science fair administration and projects, student achievement awards in related areas, and continuing education for teachers.

Dr. Bravman and Dr. Wendelin (Wendy) Wright, the parents of two sons enrolled in LASD, established the fund in honor of the teachers who inspired them to pursue careers in science and higher education. They elaborated by saying, **“Teachers create the student experience. Innovative and energetic teachers, backed by well-resourced science enrichment programs, set us both on our paths to rewarding careers. We hope this endowment will similarly benefit Lewisburg area students.”**

THE GEORGE BURMAN ENDOWMENT FOR FINANCIAL COMPETENCY

The George Burman Endowment for Financial Competency was created in September 2024 by Mr. George R. Burman, Jr., to provide annual funding to LASD to develop and support initiatives and opportunities for K-12 students to master financial literacy skills essential for success in life.

Mr. Burman graduated from Bucknell University in 1973 and returned to Lewisburg in 1997 after a successful career as an executive and entrepreneur. Reflecting on why he chose to create this endowment Mr. Burman stated, **“Every time I hear that 60 to 80 percent of Americans live paycheck to paycheck, I think ‘we must do a better job helping students learn to manage their personal finances.’”**

Armed with strong financial knowledge and decision-making skills, students will successfully weigh options and make informed choices for their financial circumstances, such as deciding how and when to save and spend, comparing costs before a big purchase, and planning for retirement or other long-term savings. Annual distributions from the fund will be used to support programs, initiatives, and educational opportunities such as, but not limited to, guest speakers, and the purchase of books and software.



THE MARGARET STILL MEMORIAL ENDOWMENT



The Green Dragon Foundation is working with Dr. Chris Still and his children to create a memorial endowment for their wife and mother, Dr. Margaret (Maggie) Still, who passed away in July 2024. As a devoted primary care provider, Maggie touched the lives of countless families in our community through her compassionate care.

Maggie had a deep love of reading and, as Chris recalls, made time to read every day. She read to her children nightly when they were young and regularly provided books to her patients, fostering literacy alongside healing. Beyond her medical practice, Maggie found joy in tending the community garden and teaching yoga, embodying the holistic wellness she believed in.

The endowment details are being finalized, but **it will focus on supporting the holistic well-being of young children in LASD, continuing Maggie’s dedication to children’s overall health and development.**

In an exciting challenge, the Still Family will match all donations (up to \$5,000) made to Maggie’s endowment through June 30, 2026. Donate to help this fund grow!

DONOR-NAMED PERMANENT ENDOWMENTS

ENDOWMENT NAME	PROGRAM SUPPORTED IN 2024-2025	AMOUNT DISTRIBUTED 2024-2025	FAIR MARKET VALUE AS OF JUNE 30, 2025
The Wendell B. Bertram Memorial Endowment	Will support environmental science, conservation, and wildlife programs.	**	\$6,321
The Bravman Family Endowment for Math, Technology & Physics	Will support co-curricular and extracurricular activities in math, technology and physics at the high school and middle school.	**	\$4,205
George Burman Endowment for Financial Competency	Will support financial literacy skills for K-12 students.	**	\$15,709
The Pat Collins Endowment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funded the 8th grade hands-on experience at SUN Area Technical Institute • Partially funded the Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) state-wide conference in Hershey, PA. 	\$5,211	\$118,260
The DiRocco Fund for Professional Development	Supports training opportunities to enhance professional skills for LASD staff.	\$0	\$38,605
The Miles McKennan Foreman Memorial Endowment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Partially funded the Thula Sizwe African Choir visit. • Funded equipment for the high school photojournalism class. 	\$1,637	\$60,096
The GDF Endowment for LASD Lacrosse Programs	Supports boys' and girls' lacrosse programs.	\$0	\$12,488
The Glock Family Endowment	Will provide GDF operational support.	**	\$17,191
The Brooks Gronlund Endowment	Provided GDF operational support.	\$1,461	\$42,185
The Nathaniel Hafer '96 and Christopher Hafer '99 Endowment for LAHS Science Curriculum	Partially funded the purchase of a new telescope to support the district-wide Girls Need Space program.	\$531	\$25,256
The William H. and Lillian D. Heiner Endowment for Literacy Mastery	Funded the SoundTown phonics program for Pre-K and kindergarten students.	\$695	\$66,978
The Lois J. Hunter Endowment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funded the purchase of recorders for every 3rd grade student. • Partially funded the Thula Sizwe African Choir visit. 	\$570	\$21,216
The Riya K. and Aamar S. Johal Endowment for the Enrichment of Environmental Sciences	Partially funded the high school fiber arts workshop.	\$478	\$12,911
Uniquely the Same—The Jusko Family Endowment	Will support elementary flexible seating and Link Crew at LAHS in 2025-2026.	\$0	\$26,625
The P. Joseph Keller Endowment	Partially funded this year's production of <i>Shrek the Musical</i> .	\$456	\$16,665
The Maryellen (Carter) and Richard L. Keyser Endowment	Partially funded the Thula Sizwe African Choir visit.	\$4,797	\$131,899
The LAHS Class of 1980 Endowment Fund	Partially funded the FBLA state-wide conference in Hershey, PA.	\$597	\$18,327
The Jamie Stahl Rogers '77 Memorial Endowment	Will support high school field hockey and girls' tennis programs.	**	\$5,094
The Shabahang Family Endowment	Partially funded: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Thula Sizwe African Choir visit. • <i>Shrek the Musical</i> 	\$450	\$14,519
The Josephine K. Machamer Steele Endowment	Supported the Union-Snyder-Northumberland Transition Council Conference.	\$250	\$54,434
Margaret Still Endowment	Will support the holistic well-being of young children in the district.	**	\$10,382

** Funds had not yet reached the minimum criteria to begin distributions for 2024-2025

GDF-CREATED PERMANENT ENDOWMENTS

ENDOWMENT NAME	PROGRAM SUPPORTED IN 2024-2025	AMOUNT DISTRIBUTED 2024-2025	FAIR MARKET VALUE AS OF JUNE 30, 2025
21st Century Learning	Partially funded the purchase of technology-based CPR training manikins.	\$467	\$12,535
Athletic Programs & Facilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Partially funded equipment for physical education classes. Supported football and soccer teams. 	\$794	\$14,312
Business, Economics & Entrepreneurism	Partially funded students attending the FBLA state-wide conference in Hershey, PA.	\$852	\$23,318
Educational Programs	<p>Partially funded the purchase of physical education equipment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tennis items for high school. Archery items for middle school. 	\$1,626	\$56,378
Health & Well-Being	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provided funding for the high school Link Crew orientation program. Partially funded the purchase of CPR training manikins. 	\$674	\$30,553
Performing & Visual Arts	Partially funded the Thula Sizwe African Choir visit.	\$1,515	\$44,497
STEM (Science Technology Engineering Math) Programs	<p>Partially funded the following programs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Girls Need Space. CPR training manikins. <p>Funded the following programs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dragon banks for all kindergarten students. High school Beekeeping Club. 	\$6,073	\$143,481

QUASI-ENDOWMENTS

THE FUND'S PRINCIPAL AS WELL AS THE INCOME MAY BE SPENT AS NEEDED.

ENDOWMENT NAME	PROGRAM SUPPORTED IN 2024-2025	AMOUNT DISTRIBUTED 2024-2025	FAIR MARKET VALUE AS OF JUNE 30, 2025
Quasi-Endowment for Art	<p>Funded the following high school programs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> iPads for digital art curriculum. Raku ceramics workshop. Fiber arts workshop. 	\$19,168	All funds have been distributed.
Ensuring Access to the Table (EAT): The Kraus Family Fund for Food Security	Funded LASD's "Snack Pack" program which supports K-8 grade students facing food insecurity issues.	\$2,000	\$24,943
The Fund for LASD Football Programs & Facilities	Will support district-wide football programs and/or helping to fund the creation of a high school football facility.	**	\$2,563
The Brandon S. Kramm Memorial Quasi-Endowment	<p>Funded Brandon Kramm Memorial Baseball Field improvements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sound system. Batting cage divider. 	\$6,124	\$60,761
Quasi-Endowment for Lifting Up Lewisburg	Helped to meet the immediate unmet needs of individual students, as identified by teachers and counselors across the district.	\$423	\$15,248

PROJECT IMPACT STORIES

During the 2024-2025 school year, GDF allocated funding to benefit Lewisburg area students from 23 endowed funds. These funds have reached the minimum criteria to begin disbursing monies to support their intended purposes—enhancing LASD programs, projects, and capital improvement projects. The following articles highlight many of the programs funded from July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025.

THULA SIZWE AFRICAN CHOIR CAPTIVATES MUSIC STUDENTS



Donald H. Eichhorn Middle School music teacher Sarah Tiede seeks out unique experiences to expand her students' knowledge of music and the world. In the 2024-2025 school year, Mrs. Tiede requested funding to sponsor a workshop and concert with Thula Sizwe, a ten-man Zulu choir from South Africa. Their singing and dancing performances, accompanied

by songs of peace and freedom, originated during the Apartheid era and still resonate today.

Assemblies were held with all Linntown and DHEMS students, and LAHS choir students participated in a workshop. At an evening concert Thula Sizwe performed with the DHEMS and LAHS choirs and delighted students and their families with many traditional South African songs.

Not only did the students learn and perform Zulu music, the experience was made even more meaningful through offstage interaction between students and choir members. Mrs. Tiede thanked the foundation, saying, "From the first note of the assembly, our students were captivated. **The energy, musicianship, and spirit of Thula Sizwe resonated deeply—not just as a performance, but as a human connection that transcended language and borders. Our students were visibly moved, and many described it as 'the best assembly they've ever experienced.'**"

Funding from the following endowments made this experience possible: The Lois J. Hunter Endowment, The Maryellen (Carter) and Richard L. Keyser Endowment, The Shabahang Family Endowment.

LAHS' SHREK THE MUSICAL



In March 2025, LAHS performers, crew, and musicians delighted audiences with *Shrek the Musical*. Funding from GDF supported the acquisition of specialized make up, prosthetics, wigs, and scenery backdrops vital to bring the fairytale world of Shrek to life on stage. Funding came from The P. Joseph Keller Endowment, The Shabahang Family Endowment, and gifts designated for the musical.

Musical Director Mrs. Sarah Tiede said, "Special effects makeup, wigs, and beautifully handmade costumes allowed students to fully embody their roles and showcase their talents. **This support not only enhanced the visual impact of the production but also gave students a deeper appreciation for the collaborative artistry of theater.**"



Lewisburg Studio

TENNIS EQUIPMENT FOR LAHS PHYSICAL EDUCATION CLASSES

With the installation of six tennis courts at the LAHS athletic complex in the fall of 2024, physical education teachers realized an opportunity to add a tennis unit to their curriculum. Funding from GDF facilitated the purchase of tennis rackets, balls, and carts. Students were thrilled by the new addition, as racket sports are very popular.

Physical education teacher Ms. Casey Miller noted that for many students this was their first time receiving formal tennis instruction. She said, **“It has been exciting to see our students make small skill improvements and gain a better understanding of the game. We are looking forward to providing this unit each year!”**

Funding was provided from: The GDF Endowment for Educational Programs, The GDF Endowment for Athletic Programs & Facilities, and other designated gifts.

GIRLS NEED SPACE PROVIDES OPPORTUNITIES IN STEM

Girls Need Space is a student-led initiative aimed at fostering a love for astronomy and encouraging young girls, particularly those in intermediate and middle school, to explore their interests in science. The group, co-founded by LAHS students Mariah Drexler and Alanna Jacob, aims to allow girls to feel welcome in the STEM community. They have hosted stargazing and moon observation nights, as well as workshops to build model rockets.

During the 2024-2025 school year, funding was provided for the purchase of a new telescope, binoculars, and rocket launching kits. Linntown Intermediate student Lily Peterson attended the group’s February meeting. “We went outside and looked at different stars through a telescope,” Lily said. “It was really fun. We learned about different comets and different scientists.”

Girls Need Space advisor, science teacher Dillon Durinick, thanked the foundation for its support, saying, **“By investing in Girls Need Space, we can inspire more girls to feel confident in pursuing their interests in science and provide them with valuable, hands-on experiences in astronomy and telescope operation. The new telescope and additional equipment will have a lasting impact, benefiting current and future generations of students.”**

Funding for Girls Need Space was provided by The Nathaniel Hafer ’96 and Christopher Hafer ’99 Endowment for LAHS Science Curriculum, GDF Endowment for STEM Programs and the PA EITC Program.



The Daily Item



WORKSHOPS INTRODUCE STUDENTS TO UNIQUE ART FORMS

During the 2024-2025 school year the foundation sponsored two unique hands-on art workshops. In March, artists from “The Cool Bus,” a mobile art studio, taught students to create thread and fabric from the fur of Angora rabbits. Students had the opportunity to create thread with a drop spindle, examine different animal hair under a microscope, pet Angora rabbits, and create fabric with a portable loom.

Senior Madasyn Criswell said, “I learned about so many types of fibers and ways they can be made. **It was fun to use the machinery myself, whether it be a loom, spindle, or lucent, and it really helped to reinforce my learning via hands-on experience.** I will certainly be looking more into the things I’ve learned during the workshop.” Funding came from The Riya K. and Amar S. Johal Endowment for the Enrichment of Environmental Sciences and The Quasi-Endowment for HS Art.

In May, LAHS art students enjoyed participating in a workshop to experience Raku, a Japanese clay pottery firing technique. From bringing the work to the kiln and overseeing the metal trashcans for the reduction to quick cooling with water and washing their pieces, students were involved in all of the steps.

LAHS Art teacher Hillary Cree thanked the foundation, saying, **“Bringing Mobile Raku to LAHS greatly inspired my students, and in some piqued a curiosity in ceramics that they hadn’t yet experienced. The day was incredibly energizing for me and my students.”** Funding was provided by The Quasi-Endowment for HS Art.



NEW SOUND SYSTEM AT THE BRANDON KRAMM MEMORIAL FIELD

A new sound system was installed at The Brandon Kramm Memorial Field at LAHS for the 2025 baseball season. The sound system energizes the team with walk-up songs during games and fun music during practices. Both players and audiences thrill to the playing of “The Star-Spangled Banner” before each game as well as player announcements during the game. Funding for the upgrades came from The Brandon S. Kramm Memorial Quasi-Endowment, which supports high school athletic programs or facilities. The Kramm Family is proud that the endowment enabled this important enhancement to the baseball facility.

KELLY SOUNDTOWN BUILDS CONFIDENCE IN YOUNG READERS

In the 2024-2025 school year, The Green Dragon Foundation provided support for a SoundTown subscription for kindergarten and pre-K students at Kelly Elementary. SoundTown is a web-based program that supports phonemic awareness and letter sound knowledge through engaging, student-friendly videos. Pre-K and kindergarten teachers use SoundTown to supplement their core curriculum and help students strengthen their letter-sound knowledge. The funding came from the William H. & Lillian D. Heiner Endowment for Literacy Mastery.

Kelly Elementary teacher Hannah Irion-Frake thanked the foundation by saying, **“SoundTown has been an excellent supplemental resource for our early readers!** It makes learning letter sounds engaging and meaningful. Students are practicing important early literacy skills in a way that is fun and memorable for them.”



LAHS FALL PLAY ENHANCED THROUGH MEMORIAL DONATIONS

In November 2024, over 40 LAHS students presented their production of the play, *Laughing Stock*. Students worked for several months honing their acting skills, creating sets, and perfecting the lighting and sound effects. The foundation provided funding to enhance the artistic and special effects of the show. Financial support was provided through gifts made in memory of LAHS Fall Play Director and English teacher Roberta Pickering, who passed away in 2023.

Fall Play Director Josh Wilkinson stated, **“If it hadn’t been for The Green Dragon Foundation and the generous gift, we wouldn’t have been able to produce the Dracula scene at the same level. The extra funds allowed us to get what we needed without having to scrimp.** After months of rehearsal, the sight of the faces of the kids lighting up when they saw the backdrop for the first time was worth the cost alone. It really energized the cast and crew.”

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DONOR & VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION RECEPTION

On September 15, 2024, The Green Dragon Foundation held its annual Donor & Volunteer Recognition Reception to celebrate the foundation's support of students and teachers during the 2023-2024 school year. The afternoon of fellowship and good cheer was held at Fero Vineyards and Winery in Lewisburg and included entertainment by LAHS orchestra students.

Awards were presented to many dedicated volunteers. Fifteen-year service recognition awards were presented to Tim Apple, Bob McCormack, and Gale Reish. Volunteers honored for five and 10 years of service included: Char Gray, Debbie Pigos, and Ann Sabol (10 years); and Corey Jusko, Matt Markunas, Karen Miller, Carol Weinrich, and Chuck Weinrich (five years).

The Volunteer of the Year award was bestowed upon William C. Stackhouse, Class of 1969. Bill taught health and physical education at Donald H. Eichhorn Middle School for 35 years. Bill and his wife Suzanne

have supported the foundation since 2014. In 2018, Bill began serving as a GDF Board Advisor, giving sage advice from the perspective of a former teacher. Although Bill stepped down as an advisor in 2024, he continues to help GDF by delivering bulk mailings to the post office or picking up items for special events.

Board President Bob Kallin, Assistant Superintendent Vince Hoover, and School Board President Erin Jablonski addressed the attendees. A special presentation was made by LAHS science teacher Alex Oliver, LAHS senior Lindsey Barker, and Maiya Hauck-Dabney '24 on the LAHS Greenhouse program. The students described how the exciting hands-on curriculum in the greenhouse inspired them to grow food at home and is influencing their future career choices. The Green Dragon Foundation is very grateful to the sponsors who made this event possible.

LAHS SPRING MUSICAL MATINEE

GDF hosted a meet and greet for its leadership donors, residents of Asbury RiverWoods and the cast, crew, and pit musicians from LAHS' *Shrek the Musical* on February 26, 2025. Students and guests enjoyed refreshments and conversation after the senior matinee. Thank you to Asbury Riverwoods for their support of the spring musical.



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THE BRANDON KRAMM MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

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Over 140 golfers participated in a great day on the course as The Brandon Kramm Memorial Golf Tournament kicked off June 13, 2025. \$7,287 was added to the Brandon Kramm Memorial Quasi-Endowment for athletic programs or facilities at LAHS. (The income from the tournament was lower than in past years due to a rainout in the afternoon in 2024.) Thank you to the Kramm family, friends, and sponsors who generously support this event.



KINDERGARTEN GRILL OUT

On August 14, 2024, The Green Dragon Foundation hosted its annual Kindergarten Grill Out for families of incoming kindergarten students. This year the event was moved to Kelly Elementary to give the new students an opportunity to enjoy the new playground at the school. Kelly Elementary Principal Eric Wetzel, Assistant Principal Brett Hoffmaster, and LASD Assistant Superintendent Vincent Hoover welcomed families and helped serve hot dogs and watermelon. Thank you to LAHS Key Club members who volunteered at the event.

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PLANNING YOUR LEGACY:

JANET B. MATHIAS '62



Joe Reish

Janet (Jan) B. Mathias, Class of 1962, intends to bequeath a portion of her estate to The Green Dragon Foundation to establish **The Strike Up The Band! Endowment for the Lewisburg Area High School Instrumental Music Program**. The fund will ensure that future Lewisburg area students will have inspirational experiences through their instrumental music program.

Jan wanted to create a planned gift in honor of her dear friend and classmate, Dr. Joseph G. Reish '62, and her former band director (1954-1960), Mr. John S. Leister. Ms. Mathias was moved to create this endowment by her own meaningful experiences as a member of the Lewisburg Joint High School Senior Marching and Symphonic bands, beginning in the 7th grade. She and her friend Joe, both flutists, inspired one another to strive for the excellence that led them to also perform

with district, regional, and state bands. Mr. Leister, remembered and respected for his sense of humor and exceptional musical sensibility and guidance, helped cultivate Ms. Mathias' skills and enduring love of music.

Annual distributions from the fund will be used to broadly support the high school's instrumental music activities. This support includes, but is not limited to, music program expenses, educational music-related trips, and the purchase or maintenance of instruments, uniforms, and other essential materials that contribute to a high-quality music education experience.

Ms. Mathias shared her thoughts with the foundation saying, "I was so proud of our band, even when slogging through cold, wet, foggy mornings rehearsing football half-time formations on the practice field! Discipline, hard work, and persistence, all liberally interspersed with humor, were, for me, the hallmarks of Mr. Leister's leadership; Joe's tender-hearted humor underpinned our life-long friendship despite high school band years spent as fierce competitors. **Learning while laughing defined my overall band experience, and I wish the same rewarding outcome for other band members, both current and future.**"



Mr. John S. Leister

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WHAT KIND OF LEGACY WILL YOU LEAVE?

Named for the year in which the Lewisburg Area High School was founded, The 1885 Society recognizes individuals and families who have remembered The Green Dragon Foundation in their estate plans through documented planned gifts, including: bequests; life insurance; charitable gift annuities; charitable trusts; and other testamentary gifts.

HOW CAN YOU BECOME A MEMBER?

If you have already made a planned gift or have included GDF in your will, you are eligible for membership in The 1885 Society. If not, you may become a member simply by notifying us that you have named GDF as a beneficiary in your will or estate plan.

To explore the benefits of a planned gift, please contact The Green Dragon Foundation at (570) 522-8433 or info@greendragonfoundation.org.



Donors wishing to fund academic, arts or athletic programs, or capital improvement projects, **can make a donation online** by visiting: www.greendragonfoundation.org. Gifts can also be mailed to 115 Farley Circle, Suite 306, Lewisburg, PA 17837.

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The Green Dragon Foundation established giving level societies to recognize the dedication and commitment of its donors. We are very grateful for the financial support of the contributors, listed on the next several pages, who have made donations (including in-kind) or pledge payments between **July 1, 2024 and June 30, 2025**. The total years of giving are in parentheses.

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WHY I GIVE: BRIAN ROADARMELE '04



The Lewisburg community is fortunate to have a strong LAHS alumni presence. From alumni who graduated more than 50 years ago to those who just earned their diplomas, Green Dragon pride in the community is strong. One such alumnus is Brian Roadarmel, Class of 2004, who has supported the foundation since 2016.

After attending school in a nearby town, Brian and his parents thought he might benefit from the academic and athletic opportunities available within the Lewisburg Area School District. Brian began 8th grade in Lewisburg. In high school, he golfed and participated in track and field. Brian was in the jazz band which accompanied the spring musical, *Grease*. He enjoyed the creativity of art classes and took AP Art as a senior. Looking back, he positively recalls that friends accepted each other even though they came from different backgrounds and had different

interests. The teachers and opportunities available in high school made Lewisburg a unique place to grow up, he added.

Brian received undergraduate and graduate degrees from Bloomsburg University and earned an MBA at Penn State. Currently Brian is the Founder and President of Four Leaf Capital. He is actively engaged in several real estate and hospitality ventures and divides his time between Lewisburg and Hershey, Pa.

Brian believes the most impactful way he can support GDF is through a monthly recurring monetary donation that provides steady income to the organization.

He chooses to financially support organizations that improve the lives of children, especially those who are underprivileged. **“Through my support of GDF, I can help the school community that shaped who I am and prepared me for the world. Donating through a monthly, recurring donation is an easy way to do this.”**

Brian is grateful to the teachers and mentors in Lewisburg who taught him not only academics but also the very important interpersonal skills he uses daily in his work. He created long-lasting friendships at LAHS and stays in touch with classmates who are now scattered throughout the country and globe.

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WHY I GIVE: DILLON DURINICK



LASD staff member Dillon Durinick is a dedicated teacher and coach who continually finds new ways to stretch his students' minds. Originally from Pike County, Pa., Dillon started his career as a meteorologist. The desire for a more hands-on and creative profession led him to teaching.

Dillon, who came to LASD in 2016, has made a positive impact on many students and athletes. He currently teaches AP Physics 1, AP Physics 2, Introduction to Physics, Astronomy, and Meteorology.

Dillon has supported The Green Dragon Foundation since 2019 when he began donating through the payroll deduction program. He has requested funding to support Girls Need Space and the Beekeeping Club, student groups that he mentors. Dillon noted that the equipment purchased through funds provided by the foundation engenders a more innovative and exciting environment for students. When asked why he supports GDF Dillon said, **“A small investment on my part helps create a big payoff for education.”**

In addition to teaching and supervising extracurricular activities, “Coach D” has been coaching cross country and track for nine years. He meaningfully connects with students, whether in the classroom, stargazing with the new telescope or on the bus to a cross country meet.

The foundation is grateful to Dillon and all the current and retired LASD staff who choose to support GDF. Thank you for your commitment to your students and the LASD community.

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Through generous donor support the foundation was able to fund a wide variety of programs during the 2024-2025 school year. Listed below are the projects and LASD staff members who requested funding. Thank you to all donors who make these enriching experiences possible for Lewisburg students.

LASD STAFF MEMBER	PROJECT
Ms. Peggy Albright	Union-Northumberland-Snyder Transition Council Conference for students to prepare for life after high school
Ms. Hillary Cree	Raku workshop at the high school
Mr. Michael Creeger	Future Business Leaders of America state conference
Ms. Liesl Doebler	Recorders for every 3rd grade student at Kelly Elementary
Mr. Dillon Durinick	Telescope for the Girls Need Space program & hive sensors for Beekeeping Club at the high school
Ms. Sydney Edwards	Fiber arts education at the high school
Ms. Alaina Foresman	Student art for the Linntown yearbook cover
Ms. Claire Gault	GOLD (Growth, Opportunity & Leadership Development) workshop at the high school
Ms. Amanda Geer	Target archery equipment for the middle school PE curriculum
Mr. Dakota Gessner	Ivy League Model United Nations Conference
Ms. Lindsay Hawksworth	CPR manikins for the LAHS Health class
Mr. Vincent Hoover	iPads for digital art classes at the high school
Ms. Hannah Irion-Frake	SoundTown subscription for phonics support for pre-K and kindergarten at Kelly Elementary
Mr. Jeremy Lauver	LAHS Technology Student Association (TSA) – Battling Bots
Ms. Casey Miller	Tennis equipment for PE enrichment at the high school
Mrs. Cathy Moser	Stage curtain at the middle school
Ms. Kristina Rogers	Envirothon – state-level environmental science competition
Mr. Michael Sokalzuk	8th Grade SUN Tech Experience, DHEMS & LAHS TSA Competition
Ms. Sarah Tiede	Shrek the Musical and Thula Sizwe – the visiting South African choir
Mr. Gregg Wetzal	Sound system and batting cage divider at Brandon Kramm Memorial Baseball Field
Ms. Melissa Yankowski	Link Crew program, a middle school to high school transition program

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