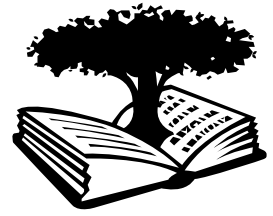




Zionsville Education Foundation's

# ZEF Express



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Dear Friends,

Have you ever walked into a restaurant and noticed that the staff is eating a meal prepared somewhere else? It kind of makes you wonder if the staff knows something about your dinner that they are not telling you. I get a completely different feeling when I ask a server about an item on the menu and they respond that it is one of their favorites. (OK, I admit, they might just be a really good salesperson, but it still makes me feel better about my selection.)

This month we wanted to highlight a group of ZEF donors that makes us feel good about our mission. These are the administrators and teachers that are donors to ZEF. Some of these educators donate to ZEF by a deduction from each paycheck while others make specific donations. The point is that we are deeply encouraged by educators that have chosen to support ZEF as a means of positively affecting education in Zionsville. The Board of Directors of ZEF appreciates the active participation of educators as financial donors.

Many of you also had an opportunity to donate to ZEF this past month at our annual Oktoberfest. It was a great evening of fun for a good cause. Events like Oktoberfest do not just happen, and from our new Executive Director and Oktoberfest Co-chairs all the way down to the one afternoon volunteer, the Board is sincerely appreciative that you chose to invest your time and efforts into supporting our cause. If you want to be a part of Oktoberfest 2006, please contact Katrina Willis, our fantastic Executive Director, and let her know that you want to help.

It has been a busy fall. As we start to enter into the holidays, know that the ZEF Board is truly thankful for your support as we pursue our mission of making Zionsville Community Schools the best they can be.

The Board of Directors

## Teachers Show Continual Support for Education

Education is strongly supported by people throughout the community. Numerous teachers and administrators support education through donations to the Zionsville Education Foundation. Many do so through the ZCS employees payroll deductions. ZEF thanks you.

Paulette Berger  
Peggy Buchanan  
Barbara Burkhardt  
Sue Cash  
Kristin Cavolick  
John Crist  
Delora Douglas  
Jim Eggers  
Cathy Fuelling  
Irene Furman  
Mary Grabianowski  
Sue Gregerson  
Alice Halik  
Mary Hightshue  
John Hines

Brenda Jalaie  
James Kartholl  
Lisa Klaunig  
Tom Landrum  
Giovanna Mandel  
Mary Mills  
Marie Palmer  
Monica Plantan  
Leanne Thacker  
Vicky Tudor  
Rhea Vandenberg  
Lisa Wagner  
Eileen Williams  
Emily Zucker

## Hall & Mills Receive Imagine Grants

Deb Hall, Eagle Elementary, and Mary Mills, Union Elementary, received this year's ZEF Imagine Grants. These two grants were selected from a wide variety of exciting proposals.

With her grant funding, Deb Hall will attend training for the Schools Attuned professional development training program. This program strives to aid all students in learning and expands the current Zionsville model of collaboration between parents, teachers and students to provide the optimum learning experience.

Mary Mills will apply her grant funds to attend the 2006 Iditarod Trail Dog Sled Race in March to further expand an exciting unit she

currently teaches that involves the race. She will share firsthand experience with her students.



## ZEF Mission & Vision

### Mission

The mission of the Zionsville Education Foundation is to serve its school community by providing funds that promote academic excellence.

### Vision

The Zionsville Education Foundation will partner with its school community to instill in students a lifelong desire for knowledge.

# Oktoberfest 2005

Building on three great years, the Fourth Annual ZEF Oktoberfest still managed to be filled with firsts: new co-chairs, new location, new ZEF Executive Director and new landscaping. The ZEF Board of Directors says thank you to all who came together to make 2005 an outstanding success. Applause is given to this year's co-chairs, Melinda Heim and Eva Collins, who brought fresh ideas and faces to the event. Thank you also to our generous sponsors and donors.

It was a wonderful event with almost 450 in attendance. More than \$10,000 was raised during the auction portion of the evening alone. This year everyone in attendance had the opportunity to raise his or her bid card to help fund this year's two *Imagine Grant* winners. This year's recipients, Deb Hall and Mary Mills, will each receive \$1,500 to fulfill their *Imagine Grant* wishes.

Another exciting presentation came from the Reitz family of Stonegate, Inc. and the Gunn family of Highland Farms who jointly presented a generous check in the amount of \$10,000. Thank you for your generous support of ZEF!

The lucky winner of the ZEF \$10,000 Scholarship Raffle was the McKenney Family: Aaron, Julie, Mikaela and Kasey.

All in all, it was a festive, fun and fantastic evening raising funds to enrich education throughout Zionsville schools.



*Andrea Greaves (on left) assists ZEF Executive Director, Katrina Willis, in drawing the winning ticket for the women's door prize.*



*Above: Oktoberfest 2005 Co-Chairs Eva Collins and Melinda Heim.*

*At Right: The Reitz family of Stonegate and the Gunn family with Highland Farms present a check for \$10,000 to ZEF President Thomas Peterson.*



Are you looking for that special way to honor Zionsville Community School employees who have made your child's learning experience more meaningful this year? EAGLE HONORS TO BENEFIT THE ZIONSVILLE EDUCATION FOUNDATION (ZEF) IS JUST THE WAY TO DO THAT.

With a minimum \$25 gift per honoree to ZEF, we will send a personalized acknowledgement letter to the individual and a thank you to you.

## Eagle Honors Program

I/We would like to send an "Eagle Honor" with our gift to the Zionsville Education Foundation.

Enclosed is my/our gift of \$\_\_\_\_\_ honoring \_\_\_\_\_ at

\_\_\_\_\_ school for \_\_\_\_\_

(Please briefly state why you are honoring this school member.)

Name of donor(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: Day \_\_\_\_\_ Evening \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_

*One form per teacher/administrator/personnel please. Make check payable to the Zionsville Education Foundation and mail it with this completed form to: Zionsville Education Foundation, EAGLE HONORS Program, 900 Mulberry St., Zionsville, IN 46077.*



*Jill McRoberts purchased the winning gift box for the beautiful necklace donated by Reis Nichols.*



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