

# Foundation Flyer

# President's 2013 Annual Report

#### Our Mission...

The Educational Foundation of Watertown,
Inc. is a non-profit organization who acquires and distributes financial resources for the purpose of promoting and strengthening education opportunities for both public and private schools throughout the Watertown Area School District.

#### **Did You Know?**

A record 30 grant requests were met in 2013.

The Educational Foundation of Watertown met its goal of providing over \$10,000 in grants in 2013.

The Foundation Board has set a record goal of \$12,500 in grants to be distributed in 2014.

66% of grants funded technology, including 12 new iPad Minis that were put in the hands of teachers and students.

School district employees can support through payroll deduction.

Over 500 students impacted by this years Educational Foundation awards.

2014 grants will be distributed at the October Foundation meeting.

2013 was an excellent year for the Educational Foundation of Watertown, Inc. and the teachers and students it supports. Thank you to each person or company who helped fund our activities. With your support, we were able to fund 30 out of 52 grant requests with a total value of over \$10,000. That's an increase of over 27% in the value of grants awarded compared to 2012 and it exceeded the Foundation's planned goal for 2013.

Last year represented the second best year for contributions, which were up 19 % over 2012. Board investments returned a solid 12.45% on average assets while operating expenses remained under 8 % of total contributions and earnings.

As in previous years, 2013 grants allowed teachers and students to be able to participate in activities they would not otherwise have been able to. For 2013, we awarded more grants for technology equipment and software for the students to learn on (see the list of grants on page 3).

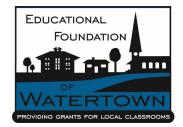
We are now impacting more than 10% of all public and parochial students in the Watertown School District with the continued increased number of grants and with the residual effect of the items procured with previous year's grants.

The Foundation continues to meet or exceed the steps in its five year plan which is targeting to double the level of grants to \$20,000 per year by 2017.

We appreciate your continuing support of the Educational Foundation, our teachers and most importantly, our students. Thank you in advance for your continuing support.

Randy Phelps

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Thanks to the generosity of many, the Educational Foundation was able to award 30 grants to deserving teachers in 2013. It was all smiles when Educational Foundation of Watertown board members visited the classrooms to present the checks.

Thank you so very much for awarding the WHS English teachers \$500 to purchase novels for our "literature circles". We purchased numerous titles and copies, including Orphan Train, Where Things Come Back, The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time and many others. We would not have been able to provide these without your help. It means so much to us and the students!

Pam Suski
Diane Schultz



## **Recipient Schools**

Schurz Elementary, Lincoln Elementary, Maranatha Baptist
Academy, St. Bernard's Catholic,
Douglas Elementary, Watertown
High School, Riverside Middle
School, St. Henry's Catholic,
Calvary Baptist Christian, St.
Mark's Lutheran, Douglas
Elementary, Great Expectations,
Webster Elementary, Lebanon
Lutheran, Trinity-St. Luke's
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#### Goals

The Educational Foundation of Watertown, Inc. seeks to promote excellence in education through the use of its resources including, but not limited to the following:

**Stimulate**... outstanding academic achievement and provide enhanced learning opportunities to students.

**Increase** . . . local business, civic and private sector involvement within the schools of the Watertown area.

**Recognize** . . . outstanding achievement by teachers and support staff.

**Encourage** . . . creative and innovative educational enhancements.

**Promote...** and maintain use of the most recent technologies in teaching and learning.

**Provide** . . . schools, students and teachers with financial support through grants and/or scholarships.

# **Foundation Spotlight**

Even though he does not attend meetings, Jim Powell is an important member of the Educational Foundation of Watertown team.

Jim has developed and supports the EFW website. He lives in Sun Prairie and is in his 25th year as a Workstation Support Specialist for the state of Wisconsin. He also volunteers his time as secretary of the US Deaf Basketball Assoc. as well as doing IT projects for St. Bernard's and St. Henry's schools. Jim loves to travel and is somewhat famous for his delicious cheesecake.

When asked, Jim did not hesitate to help the Foundation because he believes that teachers need the tools to make education come alive for the students. His goal is to make our website informative and readable for donors and make it easy for teachers to apply for grants.

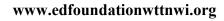


Watertown Irish Jig Jog 5K Race Directors Jeff Allen, left and Dawn Chavez, right, present Foundation president Randy Phelps a check for \$1,200.

## **2013 EFW Grants**

12 iPad Minis, Cases & Software

Sheet Music for Band & Choirs Set of "Stability Belts" (for combining music and physical activity) 2 Digital Cameras Subscription to online programs Contribution to WHS Bike Fund 3 Nextbook Tablets Math Software for SmartBoard Set of Suzuki Chimettes "Rock & Read Spanish Books **Tone Chimes NEC Digital Projector** Interactive Science Software 2 iTouch Devices 2 Yamaha Student Guitars **Document Camera** AODA DVD's United States/World Map WHS Music Dept. CD's & Videos





Local physician, Dr. Thom McGorey, performed a benefit concert for the Ed Foundation netting over \$330.00.



