

Progress for Today. Preparation for Tomorrow.



Bill Corbin '62
President

Please take a close look at the opposite side of this **UPDATE**, explaining the progress and plans of the Alumni Association and the UC Education Foundation. The Association serves today. The Foundation is being positioned to help our school navigate the daunting obstacles facing public education in the remainder of the 21st Century. Your interest and potential active support are appreciated! We can make a real and lasting difference!

146th Banquet: Huge Success



The 146th was an action-filled event that included welcoming the Class of 2022 to the ranks of Alumni, and automatic UCAA membership and honoring the 50-year Class of 1972 including

keynote comments by Greg Harshman. A special segment of the program recognized the 50th Year of KISS-TV, with remarks by original initiator, John Schmidt, and Brian Bousman, a "KISS KID," Class of 1993, who presented an original video. Rick Clear, John Schmidt's fellow pioneer, shared memories remotely.

We introduced 29(!) Teacher Grant recipients and provided 9 scholarships that supplement the multiple scholarships given at the school's Awards Night.

We had record support from Corporate Sponsors, a huge help in defraying banquet costs and other operational costs of the Association (**sponsors listed on opposite side**).

Teacher Grant - Great Example Making a Post-Pandemic Difference

Teacher Grant projects allow teachers to turn innovative ideas into reality, when normal budgets cannot support the project. Kirby Tipple imagined a multi-part system that encourages students to 1) get back into the pattern of regular attendance, and 2) commit to improved grades --- important goals as the school fights to reverse the impacts of the Covid Pandemic. (Shown, a student making his commitment to improvement.)



See Teacher Grants in Action! Click:

<https://unioncityalumni.org/tg>

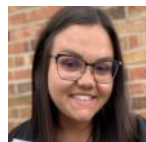
RESC Continued Recognition

Our small school in "east central Indiana" continues to earn state-wide awards, most recently the Educational Excellence Award at the annual gala of the Indiana Department of Education.

Congratulations leaders, staff and teachers.

Young Alumni, Starting their Careers

Through our long history, Union City schools have launched careers of value and service, succeeding locally and nationally,



many of which were helped by our scholarship program. **Meet Corrie Lykins, Class of 2016**, and a double-major graduate of the University of Indianapolis. Corrie is the new coordinator of the KISS-TV program, starting her teaching career in her hometown. Our school's ability to "home grow" teachers from within the Union City community is an excellent part of maintaining a quality teacher corp, familiar with Union City culture and excited to serve in their hometown.



Meet Hope (Schweigert) Moore, Class of 2008.

Hope earned her BSN degree from Indiana University East in 2014. She worked eight years as a nurse at St. Vincent Randolph and received her Masters in 2021 from the University of Southern Indiana College of Nursing and Health Professionals. She is currently a Family Nurse Practitioner at Ascension Healthcare Union City and taking new patients there.



KISS and DECA Go Downtown

For over 50 years, Union City schools have pioneered in hands-on, career focused education via KISS-TV and our outstanding DECA chapter. Today's educational trends stress immersive experiences, making education simulate the real world marketplace. Union City's renovation of the old Apothecary Shop building, **now Vision Corner**, will provide both KISS and DECA downtown facilities, interacting directly with the public.

Revisit Your Yearbook, or ANY Yearbook

We've added a cool new Alumni Association benefit. EVERY yearbook from 1950 to 2020, including Wayne and Jackson Townships, pre-consolidation, is available on the AA website.

Click <https://unioncityalumni.org/memories>



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2012: The Alumni Association is being reorganized. Visionary leadership secures 501(c)(3) charitable giving status, making the rest of this progression possible..

A close working relationship with the school is a key element of our progress and ability to bring new value.

Aaron Black, Superintendent



I'm delighted to strongly reinforce the role and vision of the Alumni Association and the recently formed Union City Education Foundation.

In addition to its role in providing scholarships, the Alumni Association has played and continues to play an important role in teacher encouragement and effectiveness.

The Education Foundation is finalizing plans that will raise endowed funds that will help our school remain competitive, far into the 21st Century.

Our Regular Alumni Giving Remains the Key to Ongoing Success. THANK YOU!

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2012-Present: The Alumni Association grows steadily, made possible by the regular giving of alumni. The Teacher Grants Program is added as another way to contribute to excellence in UC Education. The teacher grant programs become a major contributor to RESC's national recognition in STEM-based education.

2019: Alumni Association leadership becomes aware of the emerging trend toward Education Foundations as the structure to support raising, managing and distributing funding aimed directly at helping small public schools be competitive in student scholarships, technology-driven curricula and teacher excellence.

2019: Alumni Association establishes "UCEF" as a formally recognized Indiana public education foundation.



2020-22: Infrastructure being built, early steps to building endowed funds successfully



2023-24: UCEF Launches the "Seed-Funding Campaign" to provide resources necessary for an organization prepared to receive and manage major endowed funding on an in perpetuity basis.

For more information and possible role in this step:
<https://www.unioncityeducationfoundation.org/seedvideo>

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