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The TCSD Foundation's contributions to our community and education of our students would not be possible without the efforts of many volunteers, generous donors and the support of the Trumansburg Central School District. We look forward to continuing our work to enhance the educational opportunities of students throughout our community.

Please visit our website (www.tcsdfoundation.org) for more information about our donors, business partners, Trumansburg Kids Explore & Discover program and other ways you can support the efforts of the TCSD Foundation. Thanks to all of our generous supporters and donors (more properly listed on our website).

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The mission of the TCSD Foundation is to:

- (I) Enhance Pre-K through 12 educational and extracurricular opportunities in the district
- (II) Forge partnerships with friends of the Trumansburg Central School District
- (III) Raise funds and award grants to foster personal growth and encourage excellence



REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY
2013

president's message

We are excited to present our 2013 Annual Report that illustrates the commitment our community shows to educating our youth. In 2013 we funded many creative teacher grants in excess of \$9,200 and continued our exciting Trumansburg Kids Explore and Discover program. In addition, we successfully launched an effort for advancing health education for our kids and a community newsletter produced by TCSD students. This year was highlighted

by the support of all of you and the team effort of our teachers, community organizations and the administration of our district. We are looking forward to 2014 and the continued connection to our community, thank you.



Tara Masters
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financial report

The following highlights the success of our efforts and activities in 2013. For the year January 1 to December 31, 2013 we raised a total of \$27,137 from individuals, businesses and other charitable organizations in support of our efforts. Some of our income was received in the form of in-kind goods and services that were critical to our success. These funds were used to continue the Trumansburg Kids Explore & Discover program

and to fund 13 other grants and our Award for Community Service exceeding \$21,969.

We intend to focus our campaigns in 2014 on raising funds to continue our existing programs, our new initiatives, and increasing our endowment to support our efforts to enhance the education of students throughout our school district for the future.

distribution of funds...



TRUMANSBURG KIDS EXPLORE & DISCOVER PROGRAM (TKED). 2013 Operations. \$9,470

Trumansburg Elementary School

YOUTH ART MONTH. Activities and workshops for K-12 art departments engage students during Youth Art Month. A K-12 Art show featuring student workshop art. \$1,000

OUR LIBRARIES PARTNERSHIP. Collaboration of Elementary School and Ulysses Philomathic Library, purchase of fiction/non-fiction book pairings, joint celebration of Dot Day, based on The Dot by Peter Reynolds. \$500

iPAD INTEGRATION. Purchase of iPad minis for Elementary art, music and library teachers to explore and design curriculum integrating iPad technology. \$1,494

DONATION IN MEMORY OF CAROL KAPPEL. Funds for Elementary Library to purchase books. \$500

Trumansburg Middle School

TASP Labyrinth Challenge. Middle School Afterschool Program purchased 2 Labyrinth Balance Boards for Labyrinth Challenge encouraging students to improve balance, coordination, increasing ability to concentrate when competing with each other. \$170

Trumansburg High School

ADOPT-A-BAND. Collaboration of Middle School students and Ithaca Concert Band performing together to enhance music education, inspire performance after graduation. Culminated in concert March, 2014. \$500

ROBOT RAIDERS. Regional competition, materials and tools to build competitive robot for FIRST Robotics Competition. \$3,000

FLOATING CLASSROOM. Ecology fieldtrip for 80 9th/10th graders aboard Cayuga Floating Classroom and an educational hike to Taughannock Falls. \$1,000

Ulysses Philomathic Library

LIBRARY AFTERSCHOOL ACTIVITIES - Funds for What Teens Want, a series of afterschool activities at the Ulysses Philomathic Library. \$500

WOW EARLY LITERACY. The Ulysses Philomathic Library coordinated and hosted two story time sessions per month, and purchased early literacy materials. \$335

AWARD FOR COMMUNITY SERVICE. Taylor Frey. \$250

our new initiatives...

FOOD IS ELEMENTARY (FIE)

This is a program of the Food Studies Institute, Inc., a national non-profit based in Trumansburg focused on improving health destinies of children through innovative hands-on food and nutrition education. FIE is widely regarded by nutrition and health professionals as one of the most effective approaches to encouraging students to eat foods that protect them from developing chronic diet-related diseases. In 2013 we employed a new crowd-funding website to raise over \$8450 for FIE, including our matching grant of \$3,000 and a donation by the Trumansburg ShurSave

of all of the food required for the program for this school year. Fundraising will continue through grant requests to local and national foundations, in addition to the USDA Farm to School program. This tremendous effort to make FIE permanent in our Elementary School, to extend it throughout our schools, and create a national model for food education requires support of the entire community to be a success. Please support our efforts to advance this program in 2014. Thanks to all Champions and donors that have supported our campaign to date.

NEWSLETTER

The Trumansburg Troubadour has officially launched the first edition of Trumansburg Central School District news. A newsletter providing information about the School District as well as the work of TCSD Foundation is something that the TCSD Foundation has long envisioned. We are grateful to Jane George for her willingness to offer a journalism Independent Study for high school students writing for this newsletter in addition to her regular teaching responsibilities. The students produced two issues (one enclosed) this year and we intend that the program will

continue in the 2014/2015 school year. The Foundation is providing all financial support for this newsletter as well as administrative/editing support as needed. Stay tuned for upcoming issues which will be made available in local businesses, as well as through the schools and our website. This second issue was mailed along with this Annual Report to all Residents in the Trumansburg Central School District. By subscribing (free) to receive the newsletter by email through our website you will save us some costs in printing and mailing - thank you!

ROBOTICS

We granted funds to a High School Robotics Team for materials, and tools to build a robot for a regional competition. The FIRST Robotics Competition (FRC) is "The Varsity Sport for the Mind", combining the excitement of sport with the rigors of science and technology. Under strict rules, limited resources, and time limits, students are challenged to raise funds, design a team "brand," hone teamwork skills, and build and program robots to perform prescribed tasks against a field of competitors. Volunteer profession-

al mentors guide each team. Opportunities for students in engineering and computer science are limited in our school district. FRC bridges that gap for our students. FIRST program participants are significantly more likely to attend college, and major in science or engineering. FRC's mission is to show students that science, technology, and problem solving are fun, rewarding, and proven paths to a bright future. We look forward to the 2014-15 competition and new teams in the Middle and Elementary Schools.