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► **Composer in Residence/
Commission of New Music**

Jim Probasco and Mike Berning
Fairmont High School
For the grand opening of the new performing-arts center, a composer, Eric Ewazen, has been commissioned to compose a new work for full orchestra and chorus, putting to music words from a Paul Laurence Dunbar poem. Students will write and keep journals during the project, and the journals will be on display.

► **A Learning Day in the Life of
Your Child**

Shannon Dipple
J E Prass Elementary School
This project is designed to allow parents to experience their children's daily, hands-on, standards-based learning activities. Parents will be invited on a bi-monthly basis to the school, in the evening, for

these activities in the classroom, the science lab or the computer lab.

► **Reading First**

Esther Mata
Greenmont Elementary School
The grant will help purchase a variety of single-title, leveled books appropriate for independent reading in a first-grade class, helping students gain confidence while practicing vocabulary, word recognition, decoding and reading fluency.

► **"Ding! Dong! The Pitch Is Read!"**

Janis Combs
Oakview Elementary School
The project would provide two sets of resonator bells (one octave each) for use at each seat in the music classroom, giving each student the opportunity to read and perform, improvise and compose melodic patterns or melodies with pitched instruments.

► **Ohio's Underground Railroad**

Trisha Himes
Kettering Middle School
The funds will purchase books and other multimedia materials to enhance the teaching of the lessons of the Underground Railroad and Ohio's historical role.

► **Math Mania**

Sherry Hawley
Oakview Elementary School
The goal of this project is to increase math skills through the use of math games, puzzles and manipulatives. The use of take-home bags will create a home-school connection.

► **Bountiful Books!**

Tynetta Wilson
Orchard Park Elementary
Funds will purchase multiple copies of individual titles of both fiction and nonfiction books for guided reading by students in the intermediate grades.

► **Gateway to Gardening**

Linda Rudd and Marilyn Dickey
JF Kennedy Elementary
The grant will help with a portable indoor greenhouse used to grow plants in the classroom. Plants and flowers grown there will be presented to local nursing homes, neighborhood parks, the school or nearby residents.

► **Letter**

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Bringing Matt on board will allow the Kettering Education Foundation to realize the goals that we have set out to fulfill, including providing \$100,000 annual support back to the teachers and students of the Kettering City School system, building a \$1 million dollar endowment fund and developing donor-designated scholarships for graduating Fairmont seniors.

We have many new events and programs in the planning stages including a grand opening benefit concert at the Trent Arena, employee-giving campaigns, a quarterly newsletter and more.

We have accomplished a lot in the past year, and as you read through this Annual Report you will see some highlights. For many of us at the Kettering Education Foundation, we now have that same first-day feeling of anticipation and excitement for all the good things in store for the Kettering City Schools.

With your help we can truly uphold our mission and make the Kettering City School system THE leader in innovative learning.

**Ken
Brightman**
*President,
Kettering Education
Foundation*

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The Kettering Education Foundation was established to create opportunities for interested citizens, organizations and businesses to enhance the educational opportunities in the Kettering school system. Contributions are sought from supporters of education and used to fund a grants program supporting curriculum-based programs and innovative teaching

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KEF 2005 Annual Report

Dear Friends,
Do you remember what it was like walking into a new school for your first day? You might have been starting kindergarten, middle school or high school, but you felt that level of anticipation and excitement for what the year ahead would hold. Whether it was your clothes, book bags or the school itself, everything seemed shiny and new, full of promise.

This year, the Kettering City Schools have the opportunity to provide this feeling for ALL the kids in our system. Excitement has been building for two years, and the construction project is in its final stages. There is a tremendous buzz around the city of Kettering, and we here at the Kettering Education Foundation are proud to be a part of it.

Just like our counterparts at the schools, the Kettering Education Foundation has been doing some significant building of

its own over the last year, and we are extremely excited and proud to announce the hiring of Matt L. Wahrhaftig as the new Executive Director of the Kettering Education Foundation and General Manager of the James S. Trent Arena.

The hiring of an Executive Director has been a goal that the Kettering Education Foundation identified through its strategic planning process completed in 2004. The Kettering Education Foundation joined forces with the Kettering City School system for what is a historic alliance to share the cost of an Executive Director.



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The Kettering Education Foundation awarded the following 21 grants for the 2005-2006 school year, totaling more than \$14,000.

▶ Learning for All Lending Library

Heather Fawley
Kettering Middle School Teachers will be provided with parallel curriculum materials to help them meet the needs of lower-level readers. Resource materials will help teachers develop differentiated lessons, allowing for both gifted and handicapped students to have their needs met in the general education classroom.

▶ Science Essentials

Pamela Bauser
Moraine Meadows Elementary School
The grant funds will help with the purchase of durable science equipment for teacher demonstrations and student use to replace and update old and missing equipment.

▶ Soaring Through Summer Reading at VBMS

Deborah Schlarb and Mary Kayser
Van Buren Middle School, Funds will buy materials to continue a summer reading program, including journals and books.

▶ Keeping an Eye On Optics

Chad Runyon and Jeffrey McManus
Fairmont High School
The grant will purchase a ray optics laser system used to teach real-world



applications of geometric optics. Demonstrations will be possible on the inner workings of the human eye, the function of eyeglasses, how telescopes and cameras work and refraction and reflection of light.

▶ Got Pelt?

Fred Kleinhenz
Orchard Park Elementary
The purchase of animal pelts and other materials to assist fifth-grade social studies students in the understanding of early Colonial exploration and trade.

▶ Wild Over Writing (WOW)

Melissa Gallagher and Linda Evans
Orchard Park Elementary
The funds will purchase high-quality children's literature to provide examples of good writing and materials to enhance student publishing of their independent work.

▶ Books Aplenty! Books Galore!

Kimberly Ulrich
Orchard Park Elementary

Funds will purchase guided leveled books, six in each level, for the bookroom that can be taken home for reading fluency practice and teach vocabulary, decoding, fluency and comprehension skills.

▶ Social/Emotional Lending Library (SELL)

Susan Moses
Moraine Meadows Elementary School
The funds will buy children's literature and professional handbooks (bibliotherapy materials) that focus on coping strategies, to be available to educators, paraprofessionals or parents working with children.

▶ TEAMS Through Play (Teaching and Enriching Achievement in Math and Science)

Heather McClintick
Southdale Elementary School
The funds will be used to help integrate math and science games and activities in the classroom.

▶ Promoting Literacy at School and Home

Jennifer Bucklew
Oakview Elementary School
Each child will have the opportunity to share interactive storytelling kits and literacy bags with their family. A literacy journal will allow parents to write about their child's reading progress.

▶ Wordplay: Improving Literacy Skills Through Games

Ryan Lamb
Kettering Middle School
Students will improve spelling, vocabulary and word recognition skills while learning strategies through the games Quiddler, Boggle and Upwords.

▶ Literacy Link-Up

Linda Macke
JF Kennedy Elementary
This is a project for first grade students with a multisensory approach to hearing and seeing words
The Reading Monitor is an electronic device that integrates phonemic awareness, phonics, listening, speaking and other key reading skills using interlocking Reading Rods.

▶ Exploring Math with Hands and Minds

MaryEllen Sage
Oakview Elementary School
The funds will purchase math puzzles, brainteasers and exploration activities to help second-grade math students with basic skills as well as introducing them to higher level skills such as prediction, inference and classification.

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