

Photos by Arza Barnett, The Courier-Journal  
 The Artemis Fund decided to give \$1,200 to the Louisville Deaf Oral School. From left, Carol Wahl, of the Heuser Hearing Institute, and the Deaf Oral School's Rebecca Dabney accepted a check last week from Krista Klotter, a Kentucky Country Day School junior and a fund trustee.

# What gives?

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 Chris,  
 Sincere congrats  
 on a remarkable  
 program!  
 David &  
 Betty  
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## Kentucky Country Day students operate charitable trust

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Stephanie Sims, a senior at Kentucky Country Day School, thought it would look good on her résumé — a semester spent learning about philanthropy.

But after soliciting donations, holding fund-raisers, managing a \$65,000 trust and choosing grant recipients, she also came away with a new appreciation for the difficulty and need for such work.

"It opened my eyes," the 18-year-old student said. "I could see how much need there was in the community."

Started in 2001 with a \$10,000 gift from the Miller Family Foundation, Kentucky Country Day's high school philanthropy course has allowed about 40 students to operate a charitable trust that has dispensed \$19,300 to local organizations.

Last month the National Association of Independent Schools recognized the class for its innovation.

"We run this like any foundation," said Chris Brice, the class instructor and the private school's development director. "They examine grant applications, review them, go on site visits, look at financial statements and tax returns, consider values and priorities."

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The students serve as trustees for the Artemis Fund, a component fund of the Community Foundation of Louisville. Its mission is to support local organizations while promoting love, family and respect.

The most recent class of 14 students was advised by local philanthropists such as Judith



Emery Reagan, left, a junior, and Sarah Saneii, a senior, learned about operating a charitable-giving organization in their philanthropy class. "It was hard to choose" which funding requests to grant, Sarah said.



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Miller but did much of the work itself.

The students learned to call potential donors for money, which several students said proved difficult. They also organized fund-raisers, such as raffling off a one-on-one game with a Kentucky Colonels basketball player. The class raised about \$12,000.

"I still can't believe we raised so much," said Kathryn Klein, a junior.

Then it was time to decide how to distribute a maximum of 5 percent of the fund plus half of

what they raised. The students visited nonprofit applicants such as the Louisville Zoo's education program and the Louisville Deaf Oral School.

"It was hard to choose," said Sarah Saneii, 17, who said all the applicants needed far more than the class could give away.

This year the group gave \$3,500 to Youth Alive, a western Louisville after-school reading program; \$2,000 for school programs at the zoo; \$1,200 to the Deaf Oral School for a family retreat program; and \$1,000 to Caritas Peace Center for a fami-

ly room in a unit for teenagers at the psychiatric hospital.

Rebecca Dabney, an official with the Deaf Oral School, marveled that "these are just high school students" after receiving a check last week from student Krista Klotter, who called the Deaf Oral program "so unique and so cool."

Along the way, the students also learned about the history of philanthropy and about the crucial role it plays for many local nonprofit organizations. One former class participant is using the skills she learned to raise money to build a Habitat for Humanity house, Brice said.

"They learn organization, leadership, communication and writing skills," he said. "But they really walk away knowing how important the volunteer sector is to the community. And they know they have an obligation to serve."



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*Making a Difference in the Lives of Louisville Youth*

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2002	St. Joe's Catholic Orphanage	\$2,700.00	classic book program for residents
2002	Nat'l Org to Treat A-T	\$285.00	support student-led fundraiser
2003	Home of the Innocents	\$2,600.00	wheel chair access glider swing
2003	American Diabetes Assoc	\$2,540.00	summer camp scholarships
2004	The Cabbage Patch	\$1,050.00	summer camp scholarships
2004	Big Bros Big Sis	\$1,079.00	computer upgrades for database
2004	Brooklawn	\$1,350.00	supplies for art therapy room
2005	Louisville Deaf-Oral School	\$1,000.00	support for family retreat weekend
2005	Caritas Peace Center	\$1,200.00	support for family room in teen unit
2005	Louisville Zoo	\$2,000.00	support for the School at the Zoo
2005	Youth Alive!	\$3,500.00	support for afterschool reading class
2006	Brooklawn	\$1,000.00	support for construction of outdoor learning center
2006	KY Refugee Ministries	\$2,750.00	support for expansion of art therapy program
2006	CASA	\$3,000.00	support for additional CASA volunteer training
2006	School Choice	\$2,000.00	scholarship for Nativity Academy
2006	Healing Place	in-kind	arranged for donations of computer equipment
2007	Arcadia Community Center	\$2,000.00	support for afterschool arts programming
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2007	Friends School of Louisville	\$1,500.00	playground equipment for special needs kids

# Artemis Fund

*Philanthropy in action*



## Accomplishments

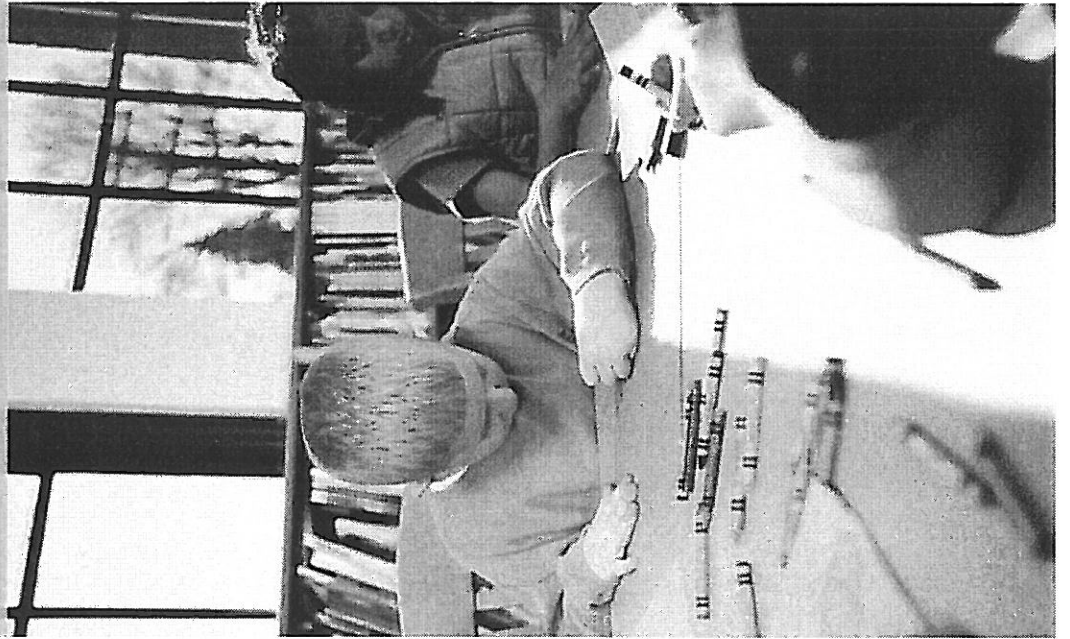
- > **87 students** have served as trustees in last seven academic years; **this year 12 students** are enrolled in the course
- > Support from over **245 donors** – individuals, foundations and corporate givers
- > Grants totaling more than **\$41,000** to date
- > **2005 Youth Philanthropist of the Year** from the Greater Louisville Chapter of the Association of Fundraising Professionals
- > **2004 Leading Edge award** from the National Association of Independent Schools for Curriculum Innovation

•Artemis Fund Class 2009-10

(standing) Michael James, Sophia Mahmood, Nathan Spielburg, Gavin Reidenauer, Luke Bade, Jason Harter, Thomas Brown  
Megan Boulong, PaRa Kno, Mackenzie Lyles, Olivia Harter, Stephanie Klotter

# Artemis Fund

*Philanthropy in action*



## Fund Summary

Principal Received	\$ 118,464
Income & Appreciation	\$ 13,452
CFL Fees	- \$ 4,199
Grants	- \$ 41,554
<b>Balance as of 9/30/09</b>	<b>\$ 86,163</b>
Projected Grants Budget - Winter 2010	\$ 4,200



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## *A Disciplined Financial Approach*

*September 2001 – September 2007*

Grants Received:	\$93,927
Income & Net Capital Gains:	\$23,833
CFL Fees:	\$2,602
Artemis Expenses:	\$1,920
Grants Made:	\$32,554
<b>Balance as of 9/30/07</b>	<b>\$82,605</b>



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# Congressional Record

PROCEEDINGS AND DEBATES OF THE 109<sup>th</sup> CONGRESS, FIRST SESSION

WASHINGTON, WEDNESDAY, MAY 11, 2005

## *House of Representatives*

### RECOGNITION FOR KENTUCKY COUNTRY DAY SCHOOL

**HON. ANNE M. NORTHUP**

OF KENTUCKY  
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, May 11, 2005*

Mrs. NORTHUP. Mr. Speaker, I would like to recognize the philanthropic work of forty high-school students at Kentucky Country Day School in Louisville, Kentucky whose original fund-raising work on behalf of local organizations won them nationwide recognition for curriculum innovation in February 2005 by the Washington, D.C.-based National Association of Independent Schools (NAIS). Kentucky Country Day School was one of three schools nationally to receive this prestigious honor through the Leading Edge Program run by NAIS. The Leading Edge Program was created to explore, encourage, support and reward exceptional and innovative achievement in the areas of community relations, curriculum innovation, equity and justice initiatives and technology. This award is a testament to Kentucky Country Day School's commitment to developing and enhancing the leadership skills of the youngest and brightest among us through its unique Philanthropy course.

Philanthropy is no easy endeavor. Andrew Carnegie once said, "I resolved to stop accumulating and begin the infinitely more serious and difficult task of wise distribution." With a \$10,000 grant, these high school students began this "serious and difficult task" by creating a mission statement to help

define their purpose and goals for The Artemis Fund, the charitable trust which they themselves operated. As trustees, these students were faced with the challenge of raising funds through telephone solicitations and establishing rules and procedures for giving and selecting worthy causes to fund.

Since the course's inception in 2001, The Artemis Fund has dispensed just over \$19,000 to local organizations. This year, among the recipients chosen by The Artemis Fund were The Deaf Oral School and Youth Alive, a western Louisville after-school reading program.

Mr. Speaker, one of the most exciting things for me to see is the building up of our youth through positive and enriching programs that last far longer than the prescribed semester. Life-impacting education serves as a bedrock for creative ideas that one day will be used to transform the way we, as a society, interact and live. I am proud to know that these students have learned more than how to accumulate and dispense funds. Indeed, they have learned to lead by example and commitment, following through on their stated goals. This opportunity to learn about "hands-on philanthropy" will serve them well into adulthood. We can all take an important lesson from their great achievement and service to their community. I am delighted to recognize the Kentucky Country Day School for this momentous accomplishment.

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2008	West End School	\$ 2,000.00	help fund needs for the school
2008	Kentucky Center for the Arts	\$ 1,000.00	help fund ArtsReach violin program
	St. Mary's Foundation/Jewish		
2008	Hospital	\$ 1,000.00	help fund Stretch & Grow program

