

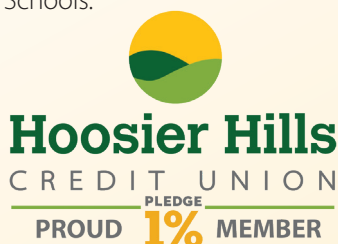
Member Matters\$



A Message from President/CEO, Travis Markley

Hoosier Hills Credit Union takes immense pride in the investments we make in people - in our membership and the businesses they own, and in our communities. These investments make a positive difference in the here-and-now, and they also serve to positively shape the future.

As a part of the Pledge 1% commitment to our service center communities, this year we awarded 17 high school seniors throughout southern Indiana a \$1,000 Pay It Forward Hoosier Hills Scholarship. We are thrilled to share that not only has our annual individual scholarship level grown from \$500 to \$1000, but this year, we added three schools: Lawrenceburg, Switzerland County, and South Dearborn High Schools.



Scholarship dollars undoubtedly help students with the immediate financial burden of pursuing a college degree or embarking on a professional trade. But more importantly, the scholarships will pay dividends for decades to come as our youth establish roots and families to become future community and business leaders.

We love being able to support the success and immediate goals of these impressive seniors. But there is much more at work with these scholarships.

Hoosier Hills Credit Union is committed to our community partnerships to ensure our future stays in good hands. As the torch passes from one generation to the next, our investments in the success of our youth will transcend these generations well beyond our lifetimes. We hope you are as proud of our HHCU family as we are. Congratulations, scholarship winners, and best of luck in your future endeavors!

Pay it Forward: 17 Scholarships to HHCU Members

School systems throughout South and Central Indiana picked 17 winners of the 2023 HHCU \$1,000 scholarship, and among the winners is Kendall Cash (pictured here) of Perry Central High.



The Cash family - Mom, Kelly; Scholarship winner Kendall and Dad, Calvin

Kendall will attend Western Kentucky University and plans to build on lessons learned on the job at the family business - Cash Waggner & Associates, also a member of HHCU - to get an undergraduate business degree. Next comes a master's degree and then law school.

A scholar and athlete, Kendall credits that *bit-of-everything* job at her father's engineering firm and her mother's guidance for her success. "I owe it all to them," Kendall says.

Learn about all your HHCU scholarship winners - and their accomplishments - in the following pages of Member Matters.

Neuroscience: the next challenge for Marty

Martin Higgins, son of Chris and Melissa Higgins, is the Paoli High School winner and plans to attend Notre Dame in the fall. Martin, known as Marty, was the National Honor Society Vice-President and President and on the Football, Track and Wrestling teams. He sees a big picture for his future:

"My career goal is to be a neurosurgeon who one day owns/operates a practice. Initially, I intend to employ my services as a physician to the United States Navy. I will enter as a lieutenant. I want to serve the men and women who sacrifice so much for our nation."



Criminal justice to be Jacob's focus

Tell City winner **Jacob Roesch**, son of Erin and Mark Conner, got the most out of his years in high school.

You might have seen him playing the role of "dad" in the 2021 Tell City High production of *Stuck at Home*. Two years before, Jacob portrayed the role of "son" in the play *Camp Paradise*, by Robert Frankel. His entertainment chops don't end there, either.

Jacob can play *Phantom of the Opera*, *Guardians of the Galaxy*, *Metrix* and many other songs on his baritone trombone thanks to his four-year stint in the Tell City Marching Band.

He plans to study Criminal Justice at the University of Louisville.



Sports & academics bring Pendley a scholarship

Thomas "Max" Pendley, son of Trent and Kim Pendley, is our Springs Valley scholarship winner.

He played Basketball and Golf for Springs Valley, was a member of the Cross Country and Track teams, served as the yearbook editor, and was a member of the National Honor Society, Student Council, and the Senior Executive Council. Interestingly, Max's Senior year was his first effort at running cross country, and his team made it to semi-state!

Max will attend Vincennes University.

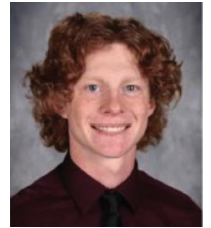


Giving back shaped Andrew's school career

A Baseball player at Lawrenceburg High, **Andrew Myers** knew as a freshman he wanted to help others, so he joined Big Brothers Big Sisters and was assigned a "little."

"Littles sometimes don't have great role models at home," Andrew detailed. "One day a week for the past four years I have gone to another school to have lunch with my little...we talk about home life, school life, anything. If he needs help, I am there."

"Being a role model allows me to lead him down the right path, which makes me feel very good. I have been with my little since I started high school and I plan to always be a positive role model and influence in his life."



Healthcare beckons Brooklyn Flanders

From volunteering as an elementary teacher's aide to budgeting and sorting gifts for an Angel tree – from working at a Mothers' Day Tea Party for mothers of pediatric patients to sorting donated food at a food pantry, Switzerland County High scholarship winner **Brooklyn Flanders** leads by serving others.

An athlete, Brooklyn participated in Soccer, Track, Swimming, and Golf. She was her class salutatorian, too, and held a job as certified nurse assistant. Brooklyn's career? No surprise: "I plan to study nursing at Ball State with a specialization in infants and toddlers so I can become a pediatric nurse."



Biology's appeal shapes Ethan's future

Ethan Pierce, son of Wade and Stephanie Pierce and a Forest Park High School graduate, will attend Purdue University. A National Honor Society member, scholarship winner Ethan has long been fascinated by science. In kindergarten, he marveled at how hard the ants in his little ant farm worked.

How much did they get paid, he wanted to know. "My first biology class sparked a fire in me and helped me realize that I could have a future learning and working in a field I genuinely enjoyed," he said. "I may question a lot of things, but I will never question why I chose biology as my major."



"Life comes at you pretty fast. If you don't stop and look around once in a while, you could miss it."

Ferris Bueller from the classic movie *Ferris Bueller's Day Off*

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Josiah plans a career in nursing

Josiah Stevens, the son of Chris and Marilyn Stevens and a Northeast Dubois High School graduate, already sees a mission in his future. He plans to head to Vincennes University as a first step to become a nurse to combine his love of science with "a desire to help others." A recent hospital stay helped him chart that career path.



"I was struck by the compassion of the nurses who cared for me," Josiah said. "Their tireless work and unwavering commitment to their patients inspired me. I knew I wanted to follow in their footsteps and help others in the same way they helped me. To me, earning this scholarship is more than just money."

"I am excited to be embarking on this journey and intend to make a meaningful difference in peoples' lives."

Jett loves golf, hoops, and the gridiron at BNL

Bedford North Lawrence senior **Jett Jones**, son of James and Stormi Jones, had a full four years at BNL. He spent four years on the Basketball team, four years on the Football team, and four years on the Golf team.



Though athletics clearly had a big pull for him, Jett was not one to neglect his studies, either. He was a member of National Honor Society, Beta Club, Student Athletic Leadership Team, and Santa's Stars. Jett will attend Indiana Wesleyan and major in Engineering.

Four years as class president for Italy

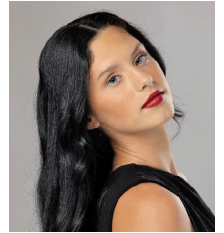
Bedford North Lawrence's **Italy Lewis**, daughter of HHCU members Philip and Allison Lewis, was elected class president four years in a row, was a member of the National Honor Society, Tennis team, and five other clubs and played cello in the BNL Pops Orchestra. Her volunteer work was with Santa's Stars.



Italy will attend Butler University to major in Business. Don't be surprised if you see her name on a ballot one of these years. Once politics is in your blood, they say, it tends to stay there.

Running and swimming shaped Alexis's future

Alexis Smith, daughter of Heather and Jarret Parkes, is the Mitchell High School recipient of a \$1,000 HHCU member scholarship. She will be studying Exercise Science Pre-Occupational Therapy upon her graduation.



Like all the other graduate winners, Alexis was busy during her high school years. You might have seen her as a lifeguard at the Mitchell pool, a server at Great Wall restaurant or an associate at French Lick Resort, another one of her jobs.

A National Honor Society and Tri-Hi-Y member, she knows the importance of stewardship of our environment and always participated in the Spring Mill Clean Up. Alexis was captain of her high school Cross Country team and ran Track, so studying Exercise Science at the University of Southern Indiana is a natural choice.

Big goals lead to bright future for Allison

Allison Jones, daughter of Matt and Nicole Jones and an Orleans High graduate, will be attending Ivy Tech. With part-time jobs during the school year and full-time jobs in the summer, Allison has learned the value of hard work.



During her summers, she took classes at Ivy Tech to get a jump on her education. In addition to working at jobs in animal husbandry, she has been active at Orleans community events. With other National Honor Society members, Alison helped maintain a cemetery close to her Orleans home.

Allison will study Diagnostic Cardiac Medical Sonography.

Edgewood winner devoted to Pantry 279

Stanley Oliver, son of Shanna D. Oliver, will be attending Ohio Northern University and plans to study Construction Management. His high school career at Edgewood High School led to an incredible number of hours as a volunteer. His charity of choice was the food pantry - Pantry 279.



In all, he posted more than 200 hours of volunteer service during his high school career, while also notching leadership positions in 4-H. He played varsity Football and Lacrosse, gained National Honor Society status and was an officer with his FFA chapter.

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Trumpeter and academic, Hayden devoted to 4-H

Hayden Fox, son of Daryl and LeAnn Fox, took honor classes throughout high school, is a trumpet player at Zion Lutheran Church, and participates in Jazz, Concert, Marching and Pep Bands at South Dearborn High School with honors from competing at the Indiana State School of Music Association.

Hayden, who will attend the University of Cincinnati to study chemical engineering, led the South Dearborn academic team to consecutive second- place and third-place finishes. Despite a full calendar of activities, including a decade at 4-H, Hayden found time to spread mulch and plant landscape for Seasonal Scape.



Animal care moves Grace to become a veterinarian

Grace Phillips, daughter of Jeffery and Nancy Phillips, attended Heritage Hills High School and is the winner of the HHCU 2023 scholarship for the Spencer County high school. She plans to attend Vincennes University Jasper Campus to complete her general studies degree and then transfer to Purdue or Murray State to become a licensed veterinarian.

During high school she participated in the local 4-H and FFA Clubs where she earned her Hoosier Degree. Last summer she worked at the Lincoln Boyhood National Park in the Youth Conservation Corps. Grace is not waiting to learn about animal care - she is currently absorbing all she can about her future career at the Dubois County Animal Hospital.



Cheyenne's future lies in housing development

Cheyenne Scherle, daughter of Tom and Jackie Scherle, is one of our Jasper High School scholarship winners. She has 12 years of experience in Girl Scouts and a decade as a member of 4-H.

Among her many activities, Cheyenne was a flautist in the high school Band, organized Toys for Tots, volunteered at a soup kitchen and made blankets out of old ties for children at Memorial Hospital. She participated in Track, Volleyball, 4-H Junior Leaders and Spanish Club.

She was also her FFA chapter president, president of her 4-H chapter and already has a career direction. Cheyenne will pursue Architectural Science at Western Kentucky University to focus on housing design.



Solid work ethic motivates Quinn

Quinn Winkel, son of Michael and Amy Winkel, participated in Track and Key Club and will attend Western Kentucky University, where he will study Architectural Science. Besides school and work, Quinn also took pride in how he helped an elderly neighbor with routine chores.

Like most recipients, his job during his high school years taught him some powerful lessons. When asked about his personal development and what he learned from work, Quinn does not fall back on the typical answer with a teenager:

Even at a young age, Quinn already understands what's important in life. He offered a summation that is a terrific road map for living a mindful life, whether you are young or old:

"I am a responsible, kind, and respectful person," he detailed. "It's important to develop a good work ethic...my parents taught me good manners...I never procrastinate with my work. I always try my best no matter the circumstance."



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