



Blue Ridge School Education Foundation

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Tue, May 16, 2017 at 2:51 PM

To: mickeyluker@jacksonnc.org

Good morning Mickey.

I would like to give you an update on what is happening with the Blue Ridge School Education Foundation. Over the past school year the foundation has been able to help the school in the form of funding various much needed equipment and supplies. The foundation works to identify needs that are not funded by the state and county governments. Here are a few of the items that the foundation has funded this year:

Scholarships for College/University bound graduates - \$23,500
Computers for each student 7th - 12th grades - \$30,000
High School science program - microscopes - \$9000
School Music Program - the music program has made great progress with one teacher - \$27,000
Academic Awards Dinner (at the Orchard) to recognize the top 3 students in grades 7 - 12 - \$3000

This was the second year that the Foundation sponsored the Academic Awards Dinner. In addition to recognizing the students for their academic achievements the dinner was the venue for the Foundation and the other local charities to award their scholarships. The scholarships awarded that evening totaled \$50,650.

The teachers and staff at Blue Ridge are working hard to provide a quality public school education and the foundation is in place to help out in the areas that need the most financial assistance. I thought you might enjoy hearing about the success of the Foundation and the school for the year.

In addition to our ongoing daily efforts to raise funds in the form of donations, the Foundation has one major fund raising event each year - The Songwriters Round - this is the 12th year for this event. The event is held at Trillium Club House and features Rivers Rutherford, an award winning Nashville based songwriter, musician, and entertainer. Each year Rivers brings several other award winning songwriters to Trillium for an evening of music and story telling. It is a fun and casual evening beginning with a dinner of fried chicken and BBQ followed by the entertainment. I think you would enjoy the event and I encourage you to attend and bring some friends. I have included a link to our website below. Tables are \$1500 for 10 guests; single tickets are \$100. I hope you can attend - save the date Saturday September 9th, 2017 at 6 PM.

<http://www.brsfoundation.com/songwriters-round2.html>

Sincerely,
Keven Hawkins

Mickey Luker - Commissioner <mickeyluker@jacksonnc.org>

Thu, May 18, 2017 at 4:41 PM

To: kevenhawkins@aol.com

WOW Keven! Thanks - gonna give that report at Commissioners meeting!!!

Mick

Sent from my iPhone

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Thu, May 18, 2017 at 4:49 PM

To: mickeyluker@jacksonnc.org

Thank you Mickey that would be great. The Blue Ridge Education Foundation is constantly looking for needs within the school and early college. The funding comes directly from the local community and directly into the school. We do not have any expenses other than the one yearly event. Thanks again.

Keven

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