



BRIEFINGS

FROM THE QUAYLE VICE PRESIDENTIAL LEARNING CENTER

MORE GOOD THINGS HAPPENING!

HUNTINGTON NURSERY DONATES LANDSCAPING

The landscaping around the Learning Center received a much needed facelift in the fall of 2020 thanks to a great in-kind donation from Jim and Kevin Yarger at Huntington Nursery.

The crew from the Nursery removed the overgrown bushes and trees from the front of the building and replaced them with new plants and river rock. The results look great. Thank you!



SPRING PURSE BINGO!

The Center is pleased to announce that the extremely popular annual Purse Bingo Fundraiser is scheduled for Tuesday, April 27th.



The event will be held at a new venue this year - The Huntington PAL Club. The doors will open at 5:30 p.m. and Bingo begins at 6:30 p.m. You must be 18 years old to participate in this event. The crowd is limited to 200 participants. Masks and social distancing are required.

Tickets are \$25.00 for 20 games of play. They will be available through our DQCF board members and at the Center during public hours. Additional game packets and daubers will be available for purchase at the event. Limited refreshments will be available for purchase. Prizes will include designer purses donated by DQCF board members.

For more information, please contact the Center at 356-6356 or email us at info@historyeducates.org. Keep an eye on our Facebook page for updates!

ACAIR FOUNDATION DONATES ON BEHALF OF QUAYLE FAMILY

The Learning Center received a donation through the ACAIR Foundation on behalf of the Quayle Family.

"This is a much appreciated gift which will help solidify the Center's position and set our direction for the future," said Board President, Marj Hiner.

This gift, was given outside the scope of the Efforts For Education annual campaign which raises operating funds for the Learning Center each year. The board of directors extends their gratitude for the Quayle Family's continued support.

Efforts for **EDUCATION** MEETS 2020 GOAL

Quayle Vice Presidential Learning Center

Through all the challenges put forward by the year of 2020, the support for the mission of the Quayle Vice Presidential Learning Center never wavered.

Helped by a flurry of generosity from several donors as the year ended, the Center was able to meet, and slightly surpass, its annual Efforts For Education fundraising goal.

The annual campaign raised approximately \$21,000 to meet the needs of operating the Learning Center. Especially encouraging were all the first-time donors who gave in 2020.

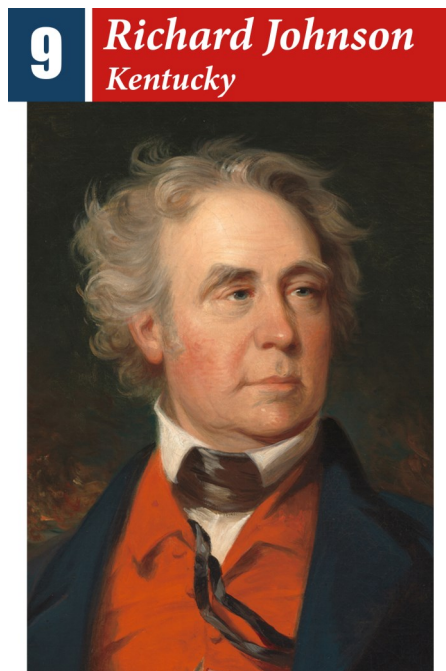
"We would like to thank all of those who supported the Center this year," said Executive Director, Daniel Johns. "I think it is a true testament to the place of value which the community holds us to be."

HINER FAMILY FUND GRANT UPDATES PORTRAIT WALL

Our large display of portraits of all the vice presidents will be getting a needed update thanks to a grant from the Hiner Family Fund of the Huntington County Community Foundation.

In 2020, the Center was able to update our informational display signage throughout the building. 2021 will now bring that new look to our VP Portrait Gallery, located in our upper educational level.

"I always thought it was important to give our visiting school groups that initial 'awe and wow' moment as they sit down and look up at the faces of all the vice presidents in history," said Executive Director, Daniel Johns. "We are really excited to give this feature the update it has needed!"



DID YOU KNOW?

Referencing the picture above, did you know that Johnson is the most frequent last name of our vice presidents? Three VP's were named Johnson:

Richard Johnson (under Van Buren), Andrew Johnson (under Lincoln), and Lyndon Johnson (under Kennedy).

QUAYLE COMMEMORATIVE BOARD CONDUCTS LONG RANGE PLANNING

The governing board of directors of the Learning Center held a long range planning meeting at the end of February to examine the vision which will continue to guide the facility's mission.

"One of the important jobs that we, as board members, have is to provide the vision and guidance for the future of the Center", said DQCF Vice President, Ryan Warner. "The past year has presented several changes and opportunities that we feel are important to address."

After affirming that the strength of the Center is its commitment to educational programming, the board identified some key action points:

1. Study the incorporation of technology and distance learning opportunities into the Center's curriculum, especially in light of the events of COVID-19.
2. Collaborate with other Huntington entities—cultural, educational, businesses, especially downtown.
3. Study how to cultivate and invest large gift commitments to the Center toward a long range goal.
4. Continue to identify and develop potential new board members.
5. Develop a staff compensation strategy.

The Center periodically holds these LRP sessions to lay out a blue-print to follow for the immediate five to ten year period.

The overall mission of the Center is to educate the public, especially schoolchildren, about the Office of the Vice President and all those who have held it, as well as the history and workings of our government.

REMOTE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMING

One of the key topics discussed during the Long Range Planning Meeting was the question of how to continue to provide the best educational programming in the realities of the new school/classroom environment.

"Our interactive, role-playing approach to educational programs has been a unique and key strength of the Center," said Executive Director, Daniel Johns. "We look forward to continuing to do that in person, but we are also taking a comprehensive look at how to best provide that content remotely. That's going to take a new approach in terms of technology, manpower and funding to provide that for the schools and students. It's a big undertaking, but we want to accept that challenge."

OUR UPDATED WISH LIST

We have been blessed this year by so many generous gifts toward our facility needs. However, there are still plenty of projects with which we are seeking either financial or in-kind assistance. Please contact the Center at 260-356-6356 if you can help us with these projects:

**FACILITY GROUNDS
MAINTENANCE & UPKEEP**

**UNDERWRITING
REMOTE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMING:
Please contact us for opportunities**

**MESSAGE BOARD
FOR FRONT OF BUILDING
\$500**

**CHAIR RACK AND TABLES
FOR UPPER LEVEL
\$700**

Thank you Huntington Nursery!



SPRING CLEANING

Space is always a premium at the Center, so we've decided to clear away some of the older office type equipment. We have heavy older 8' laminate tables, a small glass-top computer desk, a gray retail cash register stand and a whole lot of scrap wood. If you would be interested, please contact the Center ASAP!

ONE LAST THOUGHT...

The Center has seen an increase in walk-in visitors this past winter despite COVID. The common theme is the desire of people just to get out and see things they've always wanted to visit. You should come visit us, too! Thursday through Saturday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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