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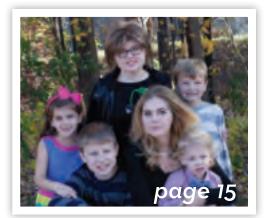
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# **Giving Matters**

Some people describe community philanthropy as giving from a community, on behalf of a community. That's the premise of a community foundation. People "give where they live" as a way to make it a better place for themselves and others.

Southwest Initiative Foundation is one of more than 700 community foundations across the country and this year, we mark the 100th anniversary of the first one. We share the belief that anyone can be a philanthropist—and that giving really matters. GIVING MATTERS to the 414 individuals, 60

businesses, **62** counties and cities, and **13** organizations and foundations who supported Southwest Initiative Foundation's work in Fiscal Year 2014.

**GIVING MATTERS** to the nonprofits and communities who received our **371** grants totaling **\$1.3** million that allowed them to provide important services and programs.

**GIVING MATTERS** to the **24** community foundation affiliates and **90** funds who can support critical needs and move exciting projects forward.

**GIVING MATTERS** to the families, businesses and organizations who make southwest Minnesota their home.

Together during the past year, we all made southwest Minnesota stronger. We took on new challenges, addressed immediate needs and dreamed about the unlimited possibilities for our future.

That's what families do. We take care of each other. We work together. We try to make things better for the next generation.

Thank you for being part of our Southwest Initiative Foundation family.

With great appreciation, we recognize our generous donors for their contributions during our Fiscal Year 2014 from July 1, 2013, through June 30, 2014. We believe this list is accurate and complete. However, please accept our apology if we have inadvertently omitted your name or listed your gift incorrectly and contact us as soon as possible to ensure we update our records.

Funds that received no gifts and awarded no grants in Fiscal Year 2014 are not included in this booklet. The ability to award grants even when no gifts were received is due to investment and project strategies, as well as support from generous donors in previous years.

Visit www.swifoundation.org/funds to view our complete family of funds.

# **Our Mission**

To be a catalyst, facilitating opportunities for economic and social growth by developing and challenging leaders to build on the region's assets.

# **Our Region**

- 12,340 square miles
- 18 counties
- 282,000 people

# Southwest Initiative Foundation General Endowment Giving and Grantmaking

#### SWIF GENERAL ENDOWMENT - A permanent resource for southwest Minnesota that allows SWIF to respond to

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#### Awarded Regional Impact Grants totaling \$75,000

- Project Turnabout Addiction Recovery Center for expansion of the Granite Falls campus
- Southwest Minnesota State University for agricultural educator curriculum development

#### Awarded Community Development Grants totaling \$41,073

Big Stone Arts Council to honor Becky Parker, Southwest Initiative Foundation Awardee City of Hutchinson to support Hutchinson Waters project planning efforts around Healthy Lakes and Rivers

Council on Foundations to promote philanthropic practices and principles across southwest Minnesota GiveMN.org to promote as an online giving vehicle for all Minnesota nonprofits Heartland Community Action, Western Community Action, and Southwest Minnesota Opportunity Council for collaboration and planning efforts Minnesota Council of Nonprofits for strategic leadership for nonprofits membership Minnesota Council on Foundations to strengthen and increase philanthropy in Minnesota Minnesota Valley History Learning Center for organizational development Southwest Minnesota Arts Council for membership Southwest Minnesota Housing Partnership for: Sponsorship of the Cultures on the Prairie Minnesota Coalition for the Homeless Conference attendance scholarships Support for book distribution across southwest Minnesota in honor of the Early Childhood Initaitive's 10th Anniversary Upper Minnesota Valley **Regional Development** Commission for Meander Art Crawl sponsorship Willmar Area Arts Council for operating support

#### Awarded Economic Development Grants totaling \$30,500

- Agricultural Utilization Research Institute for an ag-bioscience economic impact study
- Meeker County Economic Development Corporation for 'Developing Your Team' workshop series
- Minnesota Inventors Congress for sponsorship of the Invention Expo 2014 Regional Business Leader
- Engagement Winsted Area Chamber of Commerce for MOVE of Western MN to develop a workforce training center
- Worthington Regional Economic Development Corporation for 2014 Regional Bioscience Conference

Ellsworth and Clarice Olson

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# Youth Development Grants totaling \$25,600

ISD #2859 - Glencoe-Silver Lake for: "Get To Day" Project Lead the Way MinnWest Technology Foundation for a youth science retreat Nobles County Integration Collaborative for Leadership on Purpose, Be the Change United Way of Southwest Minnesota for a parent enrichment event Willmar Area Community Foundation for CEO (Creating Entrepreneurial Opportunities) program

# Southwest Initiative Foundation Programs and Grantmaking

SWIF PROGRAM - A nonendowed resource that helps SWIF deliver its programs and initiatives throughout southwest Minnesota.

Arthur and Walter Anderson Charitable Trust The Bush Foundation Funders' Network for Smart Growth and Livable Communities K.A.H.R. Foundation **Kresge Foundation** The McKnight Foundation The Robert and Helen Remick Charitable Foundation Trust The Siebenand Family Standford and Ruth Swenson Estate State of Minnesota Worthington Regional Health Care Foundation, Inc.

# Awarded grants totaling \$80,000

ISD #2184 - Luverne Public Schools for the Luverne Child Guide program

Southwest Minnesota Housing Partnership for the Achieve program

Southwest Minnesota State University for the southwest Small Business Development Center

Willmar Area Multicultural Business Center for the entrepreneurship initiative Worthington area adult day care scholarships

#### SWIF PROGRAM - EARLY CHILDHOOD INITIATIVE AND MINNESOTA THRIVE

INITIATIVE - A non-endowed resource that helps SWIF deliver its Early Childhood Initiative and the Minnesota Thrive Initiative in southwest Minnesota that work to ensure our youngest children have the best possible start and a healthy life of learning, achieving and succeeding.

The McKnight Foundation Otto Bremer Foundation

#### Awarded grants totaling \$36,550

BOLD Early Childhood Coalition's Local Coordinator Early Childhood Dental Network-Southwest for regional coordination ISD #2903 - Ortonville Public School for SMART Training KMS Early Childhood Coalition's Local Coordinator Lac qui Parle Valley Early Childhood Coalition's Local Coordinator Litchfield Early Childhood Coaliltion's Local Coordinator Mountain Lake Early Childhood Initiative's Local Coordinator Murray County Early Childhood Coalition's Local Coordinator Ortonville Early Childhood Coalition's Local Coordinator PACT 4 Families Collaborative for 2013 Community Conference on the Brain Redwood Falls Area Early Childhood Coalition's Local Coordinator Ridgewater College for Child Care Provider Education Seminar Rock County Early Childhood Coalition's Local Coordinator Southwest West Central Service Cooperative for SEEDS Early Childhood Training SWIF Regional Thrive Initiative for regional coordination

Willmar Early Childhood Coalition's Local Coordinator Worthington Early Childhood Coalition's Local Coordinator

#### SWIF PROGRAM -MICROENTERPRISE LOAN

**PROGRAM** - A non-endowed resource that helps SWIF support southwest Minnesota's entrepreneurs develop small businesses and self-employment opportunities.

Initiative Foundation U.S. Small Business Administration USDA

#### SWIF PROGRAM - RENEWABLE ENERGY PRIMARILY FOR YOUTH ENERGY SUMMIT

**PROGRAM** - A non-endowed resource that helps SWIF deliver its Youth Energy Summit (YES!) program, support youth leadership development and support the region's renewable energy sector.

Basin Electric Power Cooperative MN Rural Electric Management Assn. Initiative Foundation The McKnight Foundation Prairie Woods Environmental Learning Center University of Minnesota Regional Sustainable Development Partnership Awarded Grants totaling

### \$54,197

ISD #77 - Mankato Public Schools for: Hydration stations Second Place YES! Prize Award ISD #84 - Sleepy Eye School District for: Youth Energy Summit

Youth Energy Summit Third Place YES! Prize Award ISD #85 - Springfield Public Schools to: Plant native seeds along the Cottonwood River Third Place YES! Prize Award ISD #255 - Pine Island High School for school-wide and community projects that support awareness of environmental education ISD #345 - New London-Spicer for: Gardening supplies and equipment First Place YES! Prize Award ISD #463 - Eden Valley-Watkins for hydration stations ISD #485 - Royalton School District for First Place YES! Prize Award ISD #492 - Austin High School to install solar panel ISD #742 - St. Cloud Area School District for: Second Place YES! Prize Award Third Place YES! Prize Award ISD #2190 - Yellow Medicine East for community gardens ISD #2365 - Gibbon-Fairfax-Winthrop for Youth Energy Summit ISD #2396 - ACGC for: Hydration stations Third Place YES! Prize Award ISD #2853 - Lac qui Parle Valley to: Grow greens in the greenhouse Second Place YES! Prize Award ISD #2859 - Glencoe-Silver Lake for an ethanol powered supermileage vehicle ISD #2898 - Westbrook-Walnut Grove for: A miniature golf course and small recycling project First Place YES! Prize Award Prairie Woods Environmental Learning Center for supporting, sustaining and transitioning the future of YES!

# Generations of Giving Through Our Growing Home Circle

From Ortonville to Jackson, Hutchinson to Luverne, Southwest Initiative Foundation serves more than 150 communities. Each is unique but they share rural values of a strong work ethic, innovation, and a giving spirit. Individually, we take on new opportunities and address challenges. Together as a region, we can do even more.

Our Growing Home Circle is a way for those who care deeply about southwest Minnesota's future to make a difference-together. This membership circle honors individuals, families, organizations and businesses that pledge to make an annual contribution of \$1,000 or more to the Southwest Initiative Foundation General Endowment.

In Fiscal Year 2014 (July 1, 2013 - June 30, 2014), 88 Growing Home Circle members contributed \$186,620. Their gifts were matched dollar-for-dollar by The McKnight Foundation and support a wide variety of work.

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Visit www.swifoundation.org/growinghomecircle for a list of charter members.

**Give Where You Live.**<sup>™</sup>

# **Buzz Burich and Heather Knorr:** Investing in Others

Since 1886, Citizens Bank has been a pillar in the Hutchinson community. Since the early 1960s when Irvin J. Burich assumed a majority interest and became the Bank's third president, his family has, too. Now, his son, Thomas "Buzz" Burich is leading the charge.

After spending 17 years at First National Bank (now U.S. Bank) in the Twin Cities, Buzz got a call from his dad asking him to come back to Hutchinson. Buzz served as president of Citizen's Bank from 1985 to 2005 and remains Chairman and CEO.

Giving has been an important part of the family's community involvement and is a value that extends to Bank employees. Community service and volunteer leadership are even required of their senior staff.

"To me, that's sharing your time, talent and treasure," Buzz said. "It takes a lot of time but it's for a reasonyou're helping people."

Buzz and Citizens Bank are Growing Home Circle Charter members. He remembers learning about what Southwest Initiative Foundation was doing in the area and wanting to work together.

"The other thing I like is the leverage through McKnight," Buzz said, which makes sense coming from a career investor.

There's also a seat on his family's I.J. Burich Family Foundation board for a Southwest Initiative Foundation representative. Buzz is proud they bring together a diverse group of people, with three family members and six community leaders serving on the board.

Heather Knorr, Buzz's daughter, has taken a lead role as chair of the I.J. Burich Family Foundation



Buzz Burich and daughter Heather Knorr are continuing their family's legacy of giving.

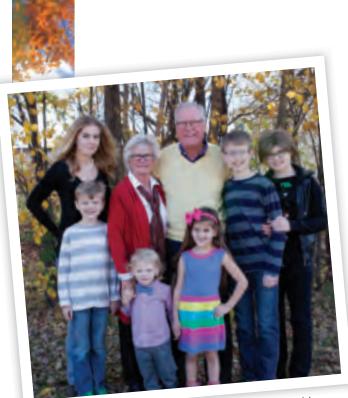
along with her involvement with the Bank's holding company. "The Foundation is one of my biggest passions," Heather said. "Everyone, at some point, needs someone to give back."

She loves helping such a variety of people and projects through their grantmaking. Heather gives much of her time, currently serving as Education Committee chair and volunteer at St. Anastasia School, Hutch Tiger Trap treasurer and board member of H-Town Tennis Association. She's also a past treasurer for Hutchinson Center for the Arts.

"We all have to pitch in together." – BUZZ BURICH

"We give our time and show our kids that's important," Heather said, passing this value to yet another generation. "I'm very proud of the family I'm part of."

And, both Heather and Buzz appreciate the relationships they make through giving. "You get to help someone who is not as lucky as you," Buzz said. "We all have to pitch in together."



Dave and Marlyce Logan are including their grandchildren– Lucile Burger, Scott Griebel, Jack and Molly Thomas, Samuel Griebel and Audrey Burger–in their giving decisions.

At just under 3-years-old, Jack Thomas is Southwest Initiative Foundation's youngest Growing Home Circle member. He is joined by his sister Molly and cousins Scott and Samuel Griebel and Audrey and Lucile Burger, who range from age 5 to 16.

Since 2011, their grandparents Dave and Marlyce Logan have made an annual gift in each of their honor.

"We wanted to give them the notion of giving to things that are important," Dave said.

"It's sinking in, too," Marlyce added. The older grandchildren have taken a sincere interest in giving, offering ideas and asking good questions.

The family is intentional and inclusive about their giving decisions. They hold a meeting to discuss worthwhile projects—things happening in their schools, groups they're involved with, church, and other needs they know about.

# **Logan Family:** Sharing Philanthropy

"We wanted to give them the notion of giving to things that are important,"

– DAVE LOGAN

A mission pastor and friend, Steve Hanson, shared about a home for people with disabilities in Haiti. Dave, along with son-in-law Mike Thomas who is a dentist in Marshall, traveled there to provide dental care to every resident and staff member at the home.

"In your life, you know people like Steve, and that leads to what we want to give to," Dave said.

Marlyce grew up near Pipestone and she and Dave split their time between there and Arizona. Dave is an original partner in New Horizon Farms, which started as a much smaller hog operation in 1993 and today is 15 times its original size, with a feed mill and grain elevator. Marlyce also worked there until retiring in 2007.

Lucile and Audrey's family recently moved to Cottonwood and Scott and Samuel's and Molly and Jack's families live in Marshall.

"It's wonderful to have all our girls together," Marlyce said. She enjoys meeting for ball games and school events, but especially having everyone out to their farm.

There's a special tie to their home community and Southwest Initiative Foundation's history, too. In the late 1980s, Pipestone was the first community to support Southwest Initiative Foundation's General Endowment and create a permanent resource for economic and social growth throughout the region.

"We should be able to do something for our community," Dave said, noting their family's faith plays a key role in their giving. "If you've been fortunate and blessed, you have that obligation to share that blessing with those in need."

# **Gasser Family:** Teaching to Contribute

Steve and Beth Gasser combine an active family life with owning a business, and still find plenty of time to get involved with their community.

Beth is from Canby and attended Southwest Minnesota State University-Marshall. After getting married, she and Steve set down roots in Hutchinson. "I love southwest Minnesota," Beth said. "I've never lived anywhere but southwest Minnesota."

The couple finds Southwest Initiative Foundation to be a great resource for their many regional connections and supports our work as donors, partners and makes referrals to our programs.

"Every little bit helps," Steve said, admitting that what they give feels small in comparison to others. "The Growing Home Circle makes us feel like we're doing a lot."

"Southwest Initiative Foundation is a good fundamental building block for entrepreneurs or just getting people involved in community," Beth said.

> "It's important to find what you enjoy. There are plenty of things out there that need help."

> > – BETH GASSER

The Gassers know firsthand what it's like to start and grow a business. Steve started their online marketing company Vivid Image in 1995 and eventually Beth joined in. She said they balance each other. "Steve's courageous, the true entrepreneur. I'm practical and grounded."

Their daughters have distinct personalities and interests, too.

Isabelle, 15, loves fashion and plays lacrosse. She led a fundraising effort for new dance line uniforms



Steve and Beth Gasser are encouraging their daughters Adria, Jillian and Isabelle to be active in their community and give back.

and is planning a mission trip to Thailand. "Get out and try things," she said.

Adria, 11, is a talented artist and enjoys animals and games. This year, she helped her teacher get the classroom ready and volunteered with her mom and sister at a local coat drive.

Jilian, 6, is into shoes and reading. She recently ran in a father-daughter race, helping their extended family raise \$1,100 for the ALS Association. All of the girls helped fundraise for local causes at their summer lemonade stand, located near the family's business.

And, the Gassers have hosted five exchange students, introducing their family to new cultures and exposing visiting students to rural Minnesota life. "We try to be open-minded and inclusive," Beth said. "That's a big thing about our family."

They make it a priority to do things as a family both at home—including eating dinner around the table every night to reconnect—and in the community. Adria's advice to other families is to "stick together."

"It's important to find what you enjoy," Beth said. "There are plenty of things out there that need help."

# Generations of Giving Through Our Keep It Growing<sup>SM</sup> Program

If you're in southwest Minnesota, you're likely in view of some of the best farmland in the world. Agriculture is the backbone of our regional economy and the lifeblood of our rural communities.

We know area farmers working that land are deeply connected to it. They built a life from it. It's part of their legacy. That's why Southwest Initiative Foundation created our Keep It Growing<sup>SM</sup> farmland giving program.

Landowners can donate their land to support things that are important to them and keep their farm legacy going. Farmland gifts can also provide tax savings and a secure income for life. What makes our program unique is that we keep the land in production with local farmers, too.

#### Keep It Growing<sup>sM</sup> is an important giving tool that benefits all involved.

- Landowners receive a tax deduction for the charitable portion of the gift, bypass all capital gains taxes, create stable revenue source for remainder of their lifetime, and benefit favorite charities.
- Tenants continue renting the land and keep wealth generated by the land local.
- **County** maintains tax base, as Southwest Initiative Foundation continues paying property taxes on the land.
- Southwest Initiative Foundation retains ownership of the land and diversifies its investment portfolio, earns revenue from the rent for the benefit of the southwest Minnesota region and communities, and serves donors in a meaningful way.

Since inception, Southwest Initiative Foundation has received <b>1,650</b> acres of farmland through <b>seven</b> separate gifts.	<b>1,298</b> acres currently reserve a life estate for the donor and the donor receives the annual rental income.
Approximate value of these farmland gifts is <b>\$14.9 million</b> .	<b>352</b> acres Southwest Initiative Foundation owns outright currently generate annual income of <b>\$80,000</b> to support programs and grantmaking.
<b>Two</b> gifts are unrestricted, <b>two</b> benefit community foundation affiliates and <b>three</b> create field of interest funds.	

Explore this unique giving program online at www.keepitgrowing.org or give us a call at 800-594-9480.

# **Bob and Helen Remick:** *Planting Seeds for a New Way to Give*

Robert Remick was a bus depot employee, a high school teacher, an artist and a farmer in Cottonwood County. He and wife Helen were generous people whose giving far outlasted their lifetime through The Robert and Helen Remick Charitable Foundation Trust.

Southwest Initiative Foundation has been a grateful recipient of substantial gifts from the Remick Trust to support our Southwest Initiative Foundation General Endowment, Growing Home Circle, Early Childhood Initiative, and a memorial scholarship fund.

The Remick Trust also made one of the first gifts of farmland–240 acres–through our Keep It Growing<sup>SM</sup> program. Over the last few years, farmland giving



Bob and Helen Remick inspired a new way for rural Minnesota donors to give with a gift of farmland from The Robert and Helen Remick Charitable Foundation Trust.

has become a cornerstone of the innovative and flexible giving options Southwest Initiative Foundation offers our rural region. And, it all started because of people like Bob.

Lakefield attorney Patrick Costello saw many clients who were charitably inclined and deeply connected to their farmland and neighbors. Pat wondered if charities might consider keeping and managing donated farmland, and knew immediately that community foundations would be best positioned for the opportunity.

Over the last few years, farmland giving has become a cornerstone of the innovative and flexible giving options Southwest Initiative Foundation offers our rural region. And, it all started because of people like Bob.

Rather than liquidating the assets like other charities usually do with gifts of real estate, Pat's model allows Southwest Initiative Foundation to receive remainder interest of the donor's life estate and maintain ownership of the land after the donor passes.

Keep It Growing<sup>SM</sup> has been a winning combination, gaining interest across the region and country.

The 352 acres of land Southwest Initiative Foundation owns outright today generates about \$80,000 annually to support programs and grantmaking. And, local ownership means wealth generated stays with local tenants, circulating throughout the community.



# **Geof and Leann Johnson:** Cultivating the Next Generation

A hardworking, fun-loving couple, farming is in Geoffrey and Leann Johnson's blood. Leann grew up a farm girl near Mountain Lake. She and Geof met at a neighbor's hoedown. They've been married 32 years and made their home on Geof's family farm near Windom.

They have two adult daughters, Kari and Lisa, and just welcomed their first granddaughter in July. "Our girls are everything for us," Leann said.

They're active in the community, helping with things like fundraising for the State Theatre, serving on the township board, supporting FFA and giving to the Southwest Initiative Foundation General Endowment.

"We appreciate all of our landowners. It's a privilege to use their land." - GEOF JOHNSON

With their own land plus property rented from 10 different landowners, including the Remick property owned by Southwest Initiative Foundation, they farm about 2,600 acres. They credit support from others to get them started as young farmers and later grow their business. "We appreciate all of our landowners," Geof said. "It's a privilege to use their land."

Advice from one landlord has always stuck with Geof. "The more you give, the more you get," he said.

That's a big reason Geof started mentoring Zachary Walton. Zac grew up on a farm near Bricelyn, Minn. He attended South Central College for diesel mechanics where he met Kari and Lisa who were attending Minnesota State University-Mankato. In 2011, Geof's father, who was also his farming partner, passed away. Geof invited Zac to help in the shop and with fieldwork for the summer.

"It was meant to be," Leann said. "He's just like part of the family. We couldn't do it without him."

Geof and Leann Johnson are passing on their experience and values while giving Zac Walton an opportunity to start farming.

Zac agrees it's a good fit. It's something he enjoys, does well and can do to make a good living. "When I was a kid, I wanted to farm, too," Zac said. "I just didn't have the opportunity."

Today, they work together in all areas of the business. Future plans for passing on the farm include Zac, as well as their girls. "The funnest part is that my daughters found my farming partner for me." Geof said.

It's also been a good partnership between the Johnson family and Southwest Initiative Foundation. "I like to see the dollars at work." Geof said. "I'm earning a living and helping the community at the same time."





# **Siebenand Siblings:** Inheriting the Farm

The Family Shoe Store was a mainstay in downtown Madison for decades. Owner Chic Siebenand, an outgoing entrepreneur and family man, moved from Arlington, Minn., in 1943 with wife Marie to start the business. He sold shoes to patrons from across the prairie until retiring in 1968.

"I thought he knew everyone in the county," daughter Mary Ann Kramer said. "And he probably did."

That community connection remained strong with all four of Chic and Marie's children–Mary Ann, Kathryn, John and Charles–despite none of them living in Madison today.

The siblings inherited a giving spirit from watching their parents. They described their mother as the "queen of hospitality," opening their home to guests and delivering cakes to their neighboring Catholic nuns.

As for their father, "He never sold a pair of shoes without throwing in the box of polish," daughter Kathryn Kulas said.

John recently encouraged his siblings to consider a gift to honor their late parents. The gift involved 116 acres of farmland Chic purchased when the children were young and rented to local farmers. Youngest son Chuck remembers picking weeds because "Dad would want to make it look good" and pheasant hunting in the willows.

"He put us all through college on this farm," Kathryn said. "It was the best investment he ever made."

Thanks to the family's tremendous generosity, this farmland—which today is valued at about \$900,000—will be reinvested for even more benefit.

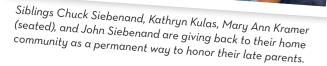
The siblings' attorney and Southwest Initiative

"My dad made his money in Madison, so we want to give back to Madison." – JOHN SIEBENAND

Foundation worked together to set up a retained life estate. This provided an immediate charitable tax deduction to all four siblings. They retain the right to continue using and receiving income from the property—which means they also continue paying property taxes on it—for as long as they live. Then, the farmland will become available to the Madison Community Foundation, one of Southwest Initiative Foundation's 24 community foundation affiliates, through our Keep It Growing<sup>SM</sup> program, and it will be sold as the siblings desire.

Proceeds from the future sale will create the Siebenand Family Memorial Endowment Fund, a permanent fund that will award local grants.

"My dad made his money in Madison, so we want to give back to Madison," John said.





# Southwest Initiative Foundation Affiliate Gifts and Grantmaking

### Funds that benefit people and organizations in multiple southwest Minnesota areas

#### CHIPPEWA RIVER WATERSHED PROJECT

**ENDOWMENT FUND** - A fund that benefits the Chippewa River Watershed Project of Montevideo.

Glenn and Sylvia Gunderson

#### COOPER AND JACK SCHOENFELD MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND - A

non-endowed fund that benefits youth of FFA Region 6 of Minnesota.

Robert and Helen Remick Charitable Foundation Trust

#### Awarded grants totaling \$1,500

Iowa Lakes Community College for a Post Secondary Scholarship South Dakota State University for a Post Secondary Scholarship University of Minnesota for a Post Secondary Scholarship

#### JENNIE-O TURKEY STORE, INC. CRISIS ASSISTANCE RELIEF EFFORT (CARE)

**FUND** - A non-endowed fund that provides financial assistance to team members of Jennie-O Turkey Store, Inc. and its subsidiaries and divisions in emergency or hardship situations.

Three Anonymous Gifts Arthur-Bertel & Associates, Inc. Baldwin & Mattson, Inc. Bay Food Brokerage, Inc. Scott Bragg Richard and Laura Carlson Donald Cole William and Shirley Drentlaw Dreyer Marketing, Inc. Emkay Food Sales Etherton Sales & Merchandising Co. Jeff and LeeAnn Ettinger Kevin and Debra Gander Jerry Haas Kevin Hetz Gary and Cynthia Jamison Jennie-O Turkey Store Fundraising Proceeds Jennie-O Turkey Store, Barron Wisc. Fundraising Proceeds Scott Lindberg Phil Liverseed Longhorn Food Brokers L.P. Robert Lutz Steven Lykken Barry Lynch Barry and Deidre Lynch Mancuso Marketing, Inc. Charles and Lori Meath Jeremy B. Miller National Food Sales, Inc. Dennis and Colleen Okland **Omni Food Sales** Perishable Sales, Inc. Chad and Nicole Randick **Robert Rinehart** Tonia Sarff Seafood Partners, Inc. Matthew Slinden and Jennifer Fhresmann Lawrence and Patrice Smoley James and Patricia Solheid Patricia Solheid Steven and Sherry Williams

# Awarded grants totaling \$46,000

For emergency assistance for Jennie-O Turkey Store employees experiencing a crisis

#### MACCRAY #2180

FOUNDATION FUND - An endowment and non-endowed fund that provides perpetual and immediate support to the MACCRAY Independent School District.

Calvin and Carol DyKema Chad S. Gunter Wayne and Joyce Harguth Janice Harms LuAnn Kruger Cameron Macht Maynard Lions Club Ross and Carissa Pederson Bruce and Carol Soine Charles and Chris Volz Thomas and Karleen Williamson

#### Awarded grants totaling \$11,509

ISD #2180 - MACCRAY for: After school program Artist in Residency Portable pitching mound Reading books Science genetics kits SMART board and MacBook Pro SMART room Sound system

#### PAUL AND ALMA SCHWAN AGING TRUST ENDOWMENT

FUND - A fund that maximizes the social and economic contributions of elders throughout southwest Minnesota by keeping them well and engaged in community life.

Ann and Peter Holme Ron and Dorothy Williams

# Awarded grants totaling \$25,000

Amherst H. Wilder Foundation to research the health and opportunities of aging residents in southwest Minnesota

#### WALTER AND RAEANNA GISLASON ADVISED FUND - A

non-endowed fund that benefits the Willmar area, as well as other charitable organizations and causes in Minnesota and beyond.

Walter and Raeanna Gislason

#### Awarded grants totaling \$6,000

Black Hills Arts Resource Center for 'Play a Part' Black Hills Playhouse, Inc. for the costume shop project

## Funds that benefit people and organizations in the Big Stone County area

In Ortonville...

ORTONVILLE EARLY CHILDHOOD FUND - A nonendowed fund that benefits children ages birth to 5 in the Ortonville Area.

Donna Borgerson Karen Brandt Car Quest of Ortonville James and Mary Dahl - In Honor of Owen Dahl Kristi Delage Kari Dorry Don and Jeanette Felton - In Memory of Irene Greenfield First English Lutheran Endowment Fund Emily Getty Arlene Gustafson Kristin Haggerty Dan and Sue Hanratty - In Memory of Ella Elizabeth Schlup Sally Helgeson Kelsey Henningson-Kaye Zach Kafka Memorial Fund Kristine Kirkeby Brad Kramer Marlys Kunde - In Memory of Robert Kunde Laura Lamb Wallace and Lois Larson - In Memory of Art and Ethel Schare Thomas and Gloria Letrud - In Memory of Richie Carpenter Myron and Beth Mueller Naomi Circle Eidskog Church The Gregg Neu Family - In Honor of Neu Children Carrie Olson

Nancy and Carol Olson - In Memory of Vernon Olson Ortonville Area Health Services "Casual Friday Fund" Ortonville United Appeal Otter Tail Power Company, Big Stone Plant Golf Tournament Proceeds Pro Auto Sales and Service, Inc. Katheryn Rien Lorilee and Bodie Ronglien - In Honor of John and Marie Bergwall Lou Jean Schake - In Memory of Howard Schake Jamie and Renee Schwebach - In Memory of James F. Schwebach Bradley and Ronda Sellin - In Honor of Dr. Christopher and Tracy Conrog Shirley Skoog Dan Snow Michael and Susan Spors - In Honor of Nolan Michael Voecks Greg and Sarah Strei - In Memory of Tom and Cynthia Strei Jacob Strei Strong, Inc. Timothy and Elizabeth Swanson - In Honor of Angie Redepenning Arwilda Taylor - In Memory of **Robert Taylor** Gary and Sharon Watkins Joshua and Sara Wollschlager Awarded grants totaling \$3,000

Big Stone Area Growth for ongoing ECI Activities

#### ORTONVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL FOUNDATION

FUND - An endowment and non-endowed fund that provides perpetual and immediate support to the Ortonville Public School District.

Five Anonymous Gifts A+ Foundation Golf Tournament Myrna Adams - In Memory of Joyce Smith Anzevino, Ortonville High School, Class of 1956 Climate Control, Inc. - Dennis and Sonja Swangler Conroy Eye Care Heather Eastman Celia Ellingson First State Bank Terry and Judy Gere Hasslen Construction Larry and Sandy Helgeson - In Memory of: Diane Goddard **Richard Janke** Anthony and Nancy Hilleren - In Memory of Ervin Mikkelson Robert and Barbara Hornstein - In Memory of Diane Goddard Ortonville High School, Class of 1955 - In Memory of: Dennis Dragt Jack Zummach Lyndon Johnson Sandra Josephson - In Memory of Diane Goddard Paul Treinen and Julie Treinen Liz Ketz Michelle Knutson

of Ervin Mikkelson Ruth Nagel Aaron and Michelle Knutson - In Memory of Richard Janke Cliff and Marlys Koeckeritz Daniel and Debra Lindholm Roger and Ann Lundberg - In Memory of Harold Hipple, Class of 1949 Darlene Mikkelson - In Memory of Ervin Mikkelson Jeanette Mueller-Alexander John and Judy Nichols Ortonville High School Class of 1963 Sandra Parkila - In Memory of Hilda and Reuben Mueller The Pepsi Bottling Group Pro Image Partners, Inc. Jay Dee and Gloria Ross Jay Dee and Gloria Ross -Cookies for Kids Match Jay Dee and Gloria Ross - In Memory of Ervin Mikkelson Shirley Skoog Donald Swanson - In Memory of Rollie Hoberg John Tobin - In Honor of Roger Sandberg SWIF Leadership in Philanthropy Grant - On Behalf of John Tobin Mary Ann Ulrich Robert and Marguretta Yaeger - In Memory of Diane Goddard

Michelle Knutson - In Memory

# Funds that benefit people and organizations in the Chippewa County area

#### CHIPPEWA COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY ENDOWMENT FUND - A related

endowment and non-endowed fund of the Montevideo Area Community Foundation that benefits Chippewa County Historical Society.

Chippewa County Historical Society

#### In Milan...

#### KAREN JENSON ENDOWMENT FUND FOR THE MILAN VILLAGE ARTS SCHOOL - A

related endowment fund of the Milan Community Foundation that was created to benefit the Milan Village Arts School, Inc.

#### Awarded grants totaling \$523

Milan Village Arts School for operational support

#### MILAN COMMUNITY

FOUNDATION - A permanent resource that benefits the Milan area through grantmaking and community projects.

Lani Blazer Michael Burns Jim Kanten Darin Prescott Nancy Strand Nancy Strand - In Memory of: Colleen Frey Arden Pearson Laura Stock Carrington Bob Thompson Kermit Thorsland Chuck Waibel Gayle Wenskaug Olson David Zimmerman John Tanquist John Tanquist - In Honor of Colleen Frey John Tanquist and Colleen Frey Erik Thompson - In Memory of: Colleen Frey Chuck Waibel SWIF Leadership in Philanthropy Grant - On Behalf of Erik Thompson

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#### Mark and Terri Thorsland

Awarded grants totaling \$6,300 Greater Milan Initiative for the Milan gym lobby roof replacement Lac qui Parle Valley Community Education for: Open gym Summer Recreation scholarships Milan Village Arts School for the A Taste of Syttende Mai Basement project

#### In Montevideo... MONTEVIDEO AREA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

- A permanent resource that benefits the Montevideo area through grantmaking and community projects.

Colleen Agrotis Jeff B. Anderson, O.D. Paul Anderson Dr. Thomas G. Birkey and Doris Thompson Norman and Wilma Bosch Casey's General Stores, Inc. Montevideo Economic Development Authority -On Behalf of the City of Montevideo and Chippewa County Montevideo Community **Development Corporation** - On Behalf of the City of Montevideo and Chippewa County Dana F. Cole & Company, LLP Farmers Union Oil Co. French Glass & Specialty, Inc. Gervais Jewelers, Inc. Goldleaf Financial, Ltd. Lorine Hanson Glen and Jacqueline Herfurth J&D Construction Inc. Jake's Pizza of Montevideo Shari Kottke - In Honor of LouAnn Kling Nicholas Krueger Nicholas and Donna Krueger

James and Gaynelle Lee Lions Club of Montevideo Scott and June Lynne Minnwest Bank Emmanuel Mogck Trust Ronald Molde Montevideo Admirals Montevideo Business Assoc. LLC Brian Reinert and Martha Ritter Todd and Alyssa Ricke Ritalka. Inc. John and Mary Sellner Anna Spray Kevin TeBeest Jerry Tilden

#### Awarded grants totaling \$3,486

Chippewa County for The Mentoring Program Community Animal Resource, Education & Support for community pet vaccination assistance ISD #129 - Montevideo for: "Step Up & Step In - Stop Bullying" The Sally A. Nystrum Arts Scholarship Kinder Kare for Sanford Education Center Toddler Playground Montevideo Women of Today for a bench honoring Veterans

#### MONTEVIDEO AREA REHABILITATION ENDOWMENT

**FUND** - A related endowment fund of the Montevideo Area Community Foundation that was created to benefit individuals with physical disabilities in the Montevideo area.

#### Awarded grants totaling \$16,613

Chippewa County Fair Association for increased handicap accessibility Chippewa Enterprises, Inc. for equipment purchase ISD #129 - Montevideo for the Sanford Toddler Playground

### Funds that benefit people and organizations in the Cottonwood County area

#### In Mountain Lake...

**BRAD BEHRENDS MEMORIAL** 

**FUND** - A related non-endowed fund of the Mountain Lake Area Foundation that supports the Mountain Lake community.

#### Awarded grants totaling \$2,000

Brad Behrends Memorial Fund for Mountain Lake High School Scholarships

#### HARDER FAMILY FOUNDATION

ADVISED FUND - A related endowment and non-endowed fund of the Mountain Lake Area Foundation that benefits Mountain Lake and the southwest Minnesota area.

Steve and Judy Harder

#### Awarded grants totaling \$2,200

City of Mountain Lake for the Pow Wow Road Race Land Stewardship Project for operational support Mountain Lake Community Food Shelf for operational support Seed Savers Exchange for operational support

#### MOUNTAIN LAKE AREA

FOUNDATION - A permanent resource that benefits the Mountain Lake area through grantmaking and community projects.

Two Anonymous Gifts David T. and Joyce L. Bucklin Jean Haberman - In Memory of Shirley Janzen Steve and Judy Harder Misty Karschnik Mountain Lake Area Foundation Fundraising Proceeds Peterson Drug & Gifts - Vern and Cheryl Peterson James L. and Dianne Swanson Timothy Swoboda

#### Awarded grants totaling \$6,397

City of Mountain Lake for: Christmas in the Park Downtown Beautification Project The Mountain Lake Trail and Disc Golf enhancements First Mennonite Church for the Ministerial Association Good Samaritan Society for nursing home furnishings Heritage Village for school house building improvements ISD #173 - Mountain Lake for summer recreation Lutheran Social Services for Senior Dining Mountain Lake Chamber of Commerce for: Downtown Beautification Project Memory Walk Park Mountain Lake Community Food Shelf for operational support

#### MOUNTAIN LAKE AREA FOUNDATION FOR EDUCATION FUND - A related

non-endowed fund of the Mountain Lake Area Foundation created to benefit the Mountain Lake area school systems.

#### Awarded grants totaling \$4,944

ISD #173 - Mountain Lake for: Auditorium seating Early childhood screening bags Guitars and Class Materials Pool project Trap League

#### MOUNTAIN LAKE EARLY CHILDHOOD FUND - A related

non-endowed fund of the Mountain Lake Area Foundation that benefits children ages birth to 5 in the Mountain Lake area.

Dolores Peters - In Memory of Mr. and Mrs. J. William Smith

#### Awarded grants totaling \$1,280

ISD #173 - Mountain Lake to sustain the Mountain Lake Early Childhood Initiative

#### **MOUNTAIN LAKE AREA**

HEALTHCARE FUND - A related endowment and non-endowed fund of the Mountain Lake Area Foundation that was created to benefit healthcare services in the Mountain Lake area.

#### Awarded grants totaling \$7,865

City of Mountain Lake for the Bike Trail System

- Lake Commission, City of Mountain Lake for Bike Mt. Lake
- Mountain Lake Fire Department for turnout gear

## Funds that benefit people and organizations in the Jackson County area

#### HERON LAKE-OKABENA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

- A permanent resource that benefits the Heron Lake and Okabena area through grantmaking and community projects.

One Anonymous Gift One Anonymous Gift - In Memory of Vernon Kay One Anonymous Gift - In Memory of Robert Ferguson Sr. One Anonymous Gift - In Memory of Ann Mathias Amy R. Bang Curtis and Janeen Baumgard -In Memory of Vernon Kay Jackie Baumgard - In Memory of Raymond Baumgard Lashea Diehm Collette Diemer - In Honor of Bonnie Hagge George and Collette Diemer - In Memory of: Ray Baumgard Kathi Brunk David Hullerman Gladys "Tim" Schumacher George and Collete Diemer, Marv and Anne Liepold, Gene and Delores Pelzel, Elaine Stenzel and Ron and Ann Wendorff - In Memory of Donald Stenzel Margaret Diemer - In Memory of: Ray Baumgard Allan Beckman Robert Ferguson Sr. Vernon Kav Burdell Schmidt Wanda Douglas - In Memory of Vernon Kay FCA Co-op William and Marilyn Fest - In Memory of Gladys "Tim" Schumacher Ardith Frederickson - In Memory of Vernon Kay Karl and Bonnie Frederickson -In Memory of: Robert Ferguson Sr. Vernon Kay Ann Mathias Jason and Tracy Freking - In Memory of: Wally Bloch Kathi Brunk Ann Mathias Gladys "Tim" Schumacher Donald Stenzel Leona Marion Tietz

Eric and Cheryl Hartman - In Memory of Vernon Kay Heron Lake-Okabena **Community Foundation** Fundraising Proceeds April Hussong Steven Hussong Steven and Barbara Hussong - In Memory of: Ray Baumgard Vernon Kay Heron Lake-Okabena ISD - In Memory of Vernon Kay Doug and Cindy Iverson Land O'Lakes Foundation Cleo Miranowski - In Memory of: Barb Chepa Shirley Fisher Marcella Kopeste Carlson Tom Odenbrett Leon Schimbeno Lois Sykora Ed and Bardene Peter - In Memory of: Al Beckman Robert Ferguson Sr. Paul and Barbara Pohlman - In Memory of Gladys "Tim" Schumacher Ralph Manwarren Charitable Trust Eva Rostomily - In Memory of: Robert Ferguson Sr. David Hullerman Marcella Kopeste Carlson Gladys "Tim" Schumacher Kim Schafer Mary Schmid - In Memory of: Bob Palm Ann Mathias Jim Schneider Jim Schneider - In Memory of: Ray Baumgard Vernon Kay The Schumacher Family - In Memory of Gladys "Tim" Schumacher Dean and Judy Schumacher -In Memory of Gladys "Tim" Schumacher Marleen Soleta - In Memory of: Morris "Fred" Soleta Donald Stenzel Sr. Colleen Weimer Frank J. Zaher Charitable Trust Awarded grants totaling \$9,250 City of Heron Lake for the Heron Lake Emergency **Medical Services** Heron Lake Day Care Center, Inc. for supplies and

operations

Heron Lake Fire Department to replace air tank systems Heron Lake Library to expand eBook collection ISD #330 - Southwest Star Concept Schools for: Classroom learning supplies Operational equipment SSC Flag Squad SSC Wellness Committee Student of the Week Recognition Okabena Legion Post #608 to replace built-in ovens and range Western Community Action, Inc. for Food Shelf Support -Heron Lake-Okabena

#### In Jackson... FRIENDS OF THE JACKSON COUNTY LIBRARY FUND - A related non-endowed fund of the

Jackson Community Foundation that benefits the Jackson County Library and its related programming.

75 Anonymous Gifts Carol Achterkirch **AgStar Financial Services** Dorothy Doppenberg Mary Lou Drahota Friends of the Jackson County Library Fundraising Proceeds Nancy Garvin Beth Graves Jackson Federal Savings & Loan Association Karla Kuipers Karla Kuipers - In Memory of: Dorothy Benson Mike Dunker **Glennys Murdink** Stan Sadusky Joyce Schlager Carl Williams Daniel and Janeen Ruby Donita Soucek - In Memory of: Barbara J. Christensen Margaret Titus Myrtle Qualley Kay Steffen Kathryn Tewes Thrivent Choice - On Behalf of Karla Kuipers Karin Trosine Anita Whisney - In Honor of the Staff at Jackson County Library Zimmerli Family Trust

#### Awarded grants totaling \$6,131

- Jackson County Public Library for:
- Memorial donations
- Educational materials
- Operating support
- Plum Creek Library System for audio books

#### JACKSON COMMUNITY

FOUNDATION - A permanent resource that benefits the Jackson area through grantmaking and community projects.

One Anonymous Gift Carol Achterkirch Lynne Anderson - In Memory of Merv Nosbusch Mrytle Anderson Tracy Asa Gerald and Karen Benjamin CoBank - On Behalf of FCA Co-op Steve Dekok **Dolores** Dopp Kerry Ella FCA Co-op Megan Gallaway Ron and Sylvia Johnson **Richard Koch** Richard Koch - In Memory of: Roxann Hample Elaine Harder Richard and Sonja Koch Richard and Sonja Koch - In Memory of Ann Bezdicek Dr. Allen Krebs Sharon Kuehl Paul and Tamara Meium Margie and Bret Nelsen Shirley Nosbusch and Family - In Memory of Merv Nosbusch Daryl and Ann Marie Olson Daryl and Ann Marie Olson - In Memory of Lucille Hale Rosanne Owens **Richard and Kathy Peterson** Richard and Kathy Peterson - In Memory of: Vivian Geiken Mayard Handevidt Kenneth Johnson David and Nancy Pribyl Barbara Pritchard Dr. Paul Roggow Carol Sandve Donita Soucek Prakasith Souksavath Helen Striemer Meium Jerry Svoboda Merle and Cathy Thompson

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Rodney and Sylvia Von Ohlen Donald and Sue Weatherley Frank J. Zaher Charitable Trust Dorothy Zimmerli

#### Awarded grants totaling \$12,150

City of Jackson for Town & Country Days carnival Fort Belmont Foundation Inc. for operational support Fort Belmont-Jackson County Tourism, Inc. for the handicap ramp Friends of the Jackson County Library Advised Fund to keep the love of reading alive Jackson County Fair Association for the Olson Pavilion bleacher project Jackson County Public Library for: Library support Presentation equipment Lutheran Social Service for Jackson County Senior Dining and Meals on Wheels Rhythm of the River for the Phil Baker Performance

#### JACKSON COUNTY CENTRAL **EDUCATION FOUNDATION**

FUND - An endowment and non-endowed fund that provides perpetual and immediate support to the Jackson County Central School District.

One Anonymous Gift Lynne Anderson - In Memory of: Arline Post Maybelle Tyrrell Shirley Anderson Holli Arp Dan Beert Leroy and Dee Berkness - In Memory of Roxann Hample Mary Bezdicek - In Memory of Duane W. Petersen Laura Bidne Susan Buresch Robin Carlson Tricia Christopher Steve Condon David and Anne DeJong - In Memory of: Dorothy Benson Roxann Hample Mary Tufvesson Karla Ebert Tamie Egge Dennis Hample - In Memory of Roxann Hample

Janice Hansen - In Memory of Roxann Hample **Roger Hesebeck** Jackson Federal Savings & Loan Association Jackson High School Class of 1978 Jim and Sue Keul Jim and Sue Keul - In Memory of: Roxann Hample Elaine Harder Merv Nosbusch Michael P. Kuntz - In Memory of Mary and Michelle Kuntz David and Suzanne Lovell Helen Meium Paul and Tamara Meium Tamara Meium Todd Meyer Shirley Nosbusch - In Memory of Merv Nosbusch Daryl "Barney" and Ann Marie Olson Daryl and Ann Marie Olson - In Memory of Roxann Hample Roger and Wilma Pell - In Memory of Roxann Hample Paul and Deb Rentschler Kerri Rose Carol Sandve Rhonda Schmidt Jerry Svoboda

Mark and Linda Titus - In Memory of Roxann Hample Diane Ulrich - In Memory of Roxanne Hample Kari Wilkinson Dan Winterfeld Dan Winterfeld - In Memory of Roxann Hample Frank J. Zaher Charitable Trust

#### Awarded grants totaling \$6,224

ISD #2895 - Jackson County Central for: Co-op Scholarship Educational enhancement

#### **KRISTI ELAINE TEIGEN** MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

FUND - A related non-endowed fund of the Jackson Community Foundation created in memory of Kristi Elaine Teigen that provides scholarships to graduating seniors of the Jackson County Central School District.

Audrey Teigen

#### Awarded grants totaling \$15,000

Scholarships to graduating seniors of Jackson County

## Funds that benefit people and organizations in the Kandiyohi County area

#### In Willmar...

**BEATRICE F. OURADA** ADVISED FUND - A nonendowed fund that benefits First Presbuterian Church in Willmar. as well as other charitable organizations or purposes throughout Minnesota.

#### Awarded grants totaling \$150

Willmar Area Arts Council for operations

WILLMAR EARLY CHILDHOOD

FUND - A non-endowed fund that benefits children ages birth to 5 in the Willmar area.

Kathryn Hund

WILLMAR MUSIC MATTERS FUND - A non-endowed fund that benefits music programs at Willmar Public Schools.

One Anonymous Gift Dale and Cathy Bays Kenneth and Alix Behm Katherine (Kauffman) Bishop - In Memory of Vic Olson, former Willmar High School Band Director Mark and Beth Bloomquist Glenn and Eunice Buchanan Michael and Elizabeth Carlson Richard and Laura Carlson Brian and Beth Daniel David and Dee Anna Dorsey Chris and Lara Duininck Morrie and Daphne Evenson - In Memory of: Laurie Swenson Mildred Wermager Todd and Jean Geselius John and Karin Gilbertson Walter and Raeanna Gislason Walter and Raeanna Gislason -In Honor of Smitty Luschen, for her ongoing support for music in the Willmar Schools

Walter and Raeanna Gislason -In Memory of: Mavis Hagert Sandy Kocka Jovce Lee Nancy Malone Jim Terhune Keith and Lori Green John and Donna Haines Bob and Dona Haines Timothy and Mindy Hardy Eric and Michele Haugen Michael and Mary Ann Hodapp Mary Hovland Mabel Hulstrand Paul and Myriam Ivers Wayne Janitschke Jr. and Cathleen Janitschke Jennie-O Turkey Store, Inc. Nancy Johnson Keith and Cindy Kerstetter Ron Adkins and Ramona Lackore James Litch - In Memory of Jack Hickey S.J. and Dawn Lykken

Lyle and Melissa Mangen Brad and Su Michelson David Moody and Mary Catherwood Peter and Carol Myers Dennis and Ruthanne Neeser Kathryn Nelson Hund Beatrice Ourada Larry D. Rice Dr. Robert and Dolores Rosenbrook Jerome and Elaine Schliep William Smith and Lori Park-Smith Barbara Swenson Judith Terhune - In Memory of Jim Terhune Dorothy Timm Meili Michael and Sheila Tolbert Connie VanDerBill Medin Judy Wieland Willmar High School Class of 1963 Willmar Music Matters **Fundraising Proceeds** Willmar Musicale

Awarded grants totaling \$27,137 ISD #347 - Willmar for: U of M Marching Band Event Willmar School Music Department Purchases

### Funds that benefit people and organizations in the Lac qui Parle County area

#### In Dawson...

RUSSELL & BETTY DAHL MEMORIAL ENDOWMENT FOR DAWSON-BOYD MUSIC DEPARTMENT - A related endowment fund of the Dawson Community Foundation that supports the music department at ISD#378 - Dawson-Boyd.

Doug and Sharilyn Bates James Christopherson Capt. Lee Crane Larry and LuAnn Dahl - In Honor of: Carter and Eliza Dahl Sidney and Anders Schaefer Larry and LuAnn Dahl - In Memory of: Wendell Anderson Agnes Erickson Clayton Schad Tom and Susan Dahl - In Memory of: Clayton Schad Kenneth Schad Beth Givens Joan Gustafson Strom - In Memory of John Solie Janet Hall Elsie Johnson Ron and Pat Jordahl Gordon and Mary Jane Lee Kristi Michaelson Bonieta Miller Kenwood and Diane Peet - In Memory of Lonny Strand John and Jill Storlien Kevin TeBeest Beth Torstenson Diane Viesselman Paul and Kathryn Wirth Corrine B. Wogan

#### DAWSON-BOYD ALUMNI ASSOCIATION ENDOWMENT

**FUND** - A related endowment fund of the Dawson Community Foundation that was created to address the educational needs of youth of the Dawson/Boyd School District

Dawson Boyd Alumni Association Beth Givens - In Memory of Mary Givens George and Sharon Schneider Jerome Thompson - In Memory of Ervin and Genora Thompson

#### **DAWSON COMMUNITY**

FOUNDATION - A permanent resource that benefits the Dawson area through grantmaking and community projects.

Diana and John Anderson - In Memory of Steve Anderson Jim and Caryl Bates Doug and Sharilyn Bates Martin and Carol Bergeland Joe and Alberta Berghorst Jeff and Sandra Boss Dale and Deborah Breberg - In Memory of: Steve Anderson Audrey Froiland Janet Rensberger Alta Roesch Richard Budzynski - In Memory of Leona M. (Taylor) Budzynski Matt and Liz Cheney - In Memory of Agnus Erickson Dawson Fire Department Relief Association Delores Erickson - In Memory of Steve Anderson Harlan and Dorvce Farmen Loren Femrite Luanne Fondell Brenda Halvorson Timothy and Brenda Halvorson -In Memory of Don Boe James and Lois Helgeson - In Memory of Helmer and Alice Helgeson Clayton and Karen Houff Clayton and Karen Houff - In Memory of Charles Skordahl Jeff and Carla Johnson Thomas and Cheryl Kloss - In Memory of Don Holtan Alvin Kvaal Donald and Pat Lindblad - In Memory of: Iola Kostad Alta Roesch

David and Kathleen Michaelson Bonieta Miller John and Eleanor Nordgaard David and Peggy Pederson Charles and Janice Prestholdt Vern and Laurel Silvernale Sandy Smaagaard Rev. Kendall and Emily Stelter Valgean and Doris Storlien - In Honor of Wendon and Doris Anderson's Birthdavs Evie Bendel's 90th Birthday Roger and Lois Fjerkenstad's 80th Birthdays Friends' Birthdays Lyle Hanson's Birthday Marlyce Ludvigson's Birthday Marcella Oellien's 80th Birthday Mavis Oellien's 80th Birthday Hazel Oman's Birthday Doris Storlien's 80th Birthday Del Thielke's Birthday Valgean and Doris Storlien - In Memory of: Jerry Anderson Charles Bendel Bernice Halvorson Evelyn Hanson Friends Iness Jackson Margaret Johnson Iola Kostad Stanley Ludvigson Char Lund Valoris Miller Mary Nelson Lillian Ness Genevieve Rimstad Alta Roesch Robert "Buster" Skallerud Charles Skordahl Randolph Windingstad Roger and Arlys Swenson John and Virginia Tollefson - In Memory of Janet Rensberger Arthur and Mary Ann Winden

Charles "Chuck" Skordahl

#### Awarded grants totaling \$5,540

Boyd Senior Citizens Club for new windows Grace Lutheran Church for Girl Scout Leaders Amongst Us

- ISD #378 Dawson-Boyd for the 2013 Dawson Community Foundation Essay Contest
- Lac qui Parle County for the Lac qui Parle Computer Commuter
- Lac qui Parle County Historical Society to preserve the history of Lac qui Parle County
- Veterans of Foreign Wars for Korean War Veteran's Dinner

#### DAWSON RSG (RUZICH, SEELING AND GUSTAFSON) SCHOLARSHIP ENDOWMENT

FUND - A related fund of the Dawson Community Foundation created by Dawson sports alumni that generates scholarship opportunities in honor of Steve Ruzich, Ken Seeling and Charles Gustafson, three retired teachers and coaches.

Capt. Lee Crane Dan and Luanne Fondell - In Memory of Michael Anyasike Maxine Gustafson - In Memory of Charles Gustafson Daniel and Melrose Jarner Jon and DeAnn Lund Jerome Thompson - In Memory of Ervin and Genora

Thompson

#### Awarded grants totaling \$2,000

ISD #378 - Dawson-Boyd for Dawson RSG Scholarships

#### JOHNSON MEMORIAL

FOUNDATION FUND - A related endowment and non-endowed fund of the Dawson Community Foundation that benefits Johnson Memorial Foundation in Dawson.

- J. Dennis Anderson In Memory of Vivian Sundin Ruby Anderson - In Memory of
- Stanley Ludvigson Faye Annett - In Memory of Dale
- Faye Annett In Memory of Dale Beninga

Ruth Arrington - In Memory of Dale Beninga Elnore Bergeson - In Memory of Charles Skordahl Lowell and Mary Berglund - In Memory of: Don Holtan Stanley Ludvigson Lillian Ness Charles Skordahl Arlene Thompson Larry and LuAnn Dahl - In Memory of: Alta Roesch Charles Skordahl Dawson-Boyd Student Council John and Effie Deno - In Memory of: Edna Kragh Elaine Nyberg-Bergeson Charles Skordahl Arlene Thompson Julie Turnberg Delmore and Bethel Fenske - In Memory of Stanley Ludvigson Dan and Luanne Fondell - In Memory of: Philip Christie Ron Eggert Milton and Virginia Goplen - In Memory of: Stanley Ludvigson Charles Skordahl Philip Greseth Douglas and Barbara Hagg Timothy and Brenda Halvorson -In Memory of Dorothy Odden Ronald Helgeson - In Memory of: Agnes Erickson Iola Kostad Charles Skordahl Roy and Judith Hinz - In Memory of Charles Skordahl Larry and Janet Jensen - In Memory of Alta Roesch Carla S. Johnson - In Memory of: Agnes Erickson Don Moe Alta Roesch Charles Skordahl Curtis and Sharon Johnsrud - In Memory of: Steve Anderson Ernest Bakken Odeu Halvorson Don Holton Lee Klosterboer Iola Kostad Francis Kassel James Larson Shirley Nyheim Janet Rensberger **Richard Thompson** Ronald and Patricia Jordahl - In Memory of Charles Skordahl Mike and Barb Jorgenson - In

Ervin and Janice Kostad - In Memory of Iola Kostad Liebl Construction LLC - In Memory of: Lawrence Olson Arlene Thompson Barbara Lundquist - In Memory of Arlene Thompson Brad and Maggie Madsen - In Memory of Arlene Thompson Shirley Maiers - In Memory of Gene Maiers Dr. Phil and Jean Maus - In Memory of: Wendell Anderson Don Holtan Danny and Kimberly Miller - In Memory of: Alta Roesch Lorraine Winslow Marjorie Miranowski and Joe and Shelly Miranowski - In Memory of Alta Roesch Donn and Susan Mork - In Memory of: Pete Knutson Gene Maiers Milo Moen Vivian Sundin Steven Nash - In Memory of: Millie Jauss Shirley Storlien Mary Nelson Family - In Memory of Mary Nelson Richard and Diane Olson - In Memory of: Milo Moen Genevieve Rimstad Sam and Mary Olson - In Memory of: Philip Christie Millie Jauss Iola Kostad Edna Kragh Gene Maiers Milo Moen Elaine Nyberg-Bergeson Lawrence Olson Charles Skordahl Larry Strand Arlene Thompson Gary and Jeri Pearson - In Memory of Shirley Cope Kenwood and Diane Peet - In Memory of: Iola Kostad Edna Kragh Charles Skordahl Rich Thompson Gordon and Norma Powers - In Memory of: Don Holtan Lawrence Olson Alta Roesch

Shirley Storlien

Donald and Debra Ranallo - In Memory of Elaine Nyberg-Bergerson Neil and Rosalie Schilling - In Memory of: Janet Rensberger Arlene Thompson Charles (Doc) and Sharon Skordahl - In Memory of Alta Roesch Harold and Ruth Solem - In Memory of Don Holtan Stanley and Margaret Stamp - In Memory of: Don Holtan Alta Rosech Strand Insurance Agency, Inc. -In Memory of: Edna Kragh Del Thielke Paul and Luella Strand - In Memory of Lorraine Winslow Jerome Thompson - In Memory of Ervin and Genora Thompson Tollefson & Lee Law Office PLLC - In Memory of: Philip Christie Lillian Ness Lawrence Olson Genevieve Rimstad Arlene Thompson John and Virginia Tollefson - In Memory of: Elaine Nyberg-Bergeson Alta Roesch Florence Werner - In Memory of Wendell Anderson Millie Jauss Urban Just Vivian Sundin Arlene Thompson Michael and Beth Westby - In Memory of Iola Kostad Terry and Beverly Westfield - In Memory of: Alice Dougherty **Rick Thompson** Shelia Windingstad - In Memory of Charles Skordahl

#### Awarded grants totaling \$8,124

Johnson Memorial Foundation for operational support

#### LAC QUI PARLE MUSEUM ENDOWMENT FUND - A

related endowment fund of the Dawson Community Foundation and the Madison Community Foundation that benefits the Lac qui Parle County Historical Society and Museum.

Lac qui Parle Historical Society

#### MAUREEN M. YOGODKA, PH.D. MEMORIAL FUND - A

related non-endowed fund of the Dawson Community Foundation that supports the Dawson area.

#### Awarded grants totaling \$7,635

City of Dawson for: Gnome Chapel renovation Main Street flower baskets **Riverfest** fireworks West Softball Field Dawson-Boyd Arts Association for VocalEssence's "River Songs and Tales with Mark Twain Tour" Farmers For Dawson for Veterans Park playground equipment ISD #378 - Dawson-Boyd for: 2014 Dawson Community Foundation Essay Contest Transportation for summer food program Lac qui Parle County Economic Dev. Authority for Junior Achievement of Lac qui Parle County Lac qui Parle County Historical Society to share the history of Lac qui Parle County

#### In Madison... BERNICE HALVORSON SCHOLARSHIP FUND - A

related non-endowed fund of the Madison Community Foundation that provides scholarship support to students pursuing a degree in the field of education.

The Bernice Halvorson Scholarship Fund of the Lutheran Community Foundation

#### Awarded grants totaling \$6,500

- Southwest Minnesota State University for post secondary scholarship
- University of Wisconsin River Falls for post secondary scholarship

#### MADISON COMMUNITY BASE-BALL ENDOWMENT FUND - A

related endowment fund of the Madison Community Foundation created to benefit the Madison community baseball field and its related programming.

Shane Meier

Memory of Alta Roesch

Haugen Insurance Agency, Inc.

MADISON COMMUNITY

FOUNDATION - A permanent resource that benefits the Madison area through grantmaking and community projects.

Seven Anonymous Gifts One Anonymous Gift - In Memory of Victor Tennessen One Anonymous Gift - In Memory of Lonny West James Abramowski Roger and Joanne Abramowski Cynthia Albrecht Cynthia Albrecht - In Memory of Curtis Fossen Myrtle Hastad **Clarence Hiepler** Robin Allen American Legion Post 158, Lac qui Parle American Legion Post 158, Lac qui Parle - In Memory of Art Lau Josh and Angela Amland Amundson Peterson, Inc. David and Vicky Amundson Donald and Christine Anderson Harlow Anderson LeRoy Anderson Linda Anderson Arneson Tire Shop Alton and Sharon Arneson Brent and Connie Bacon James and Eileen Bauler Kevin and Tami Bendel David and Margaret Berg David and Cindy Bergerson Barry and Alyssa Besonen Ethel Besonen Jerome and Diane Billiet Theresa Bly and Stephanie Bly -In Memory of: Steve Bly Tom Bly Bolton & Menk, Inc. Blanche Boraas Gary and Jane Boraas William and Sharon Bork Robert and Delores Bormann Elwood and Sandra Borstad Gary and Lois Brehmer Wayne and Liz Brehmer - In Memory of Gertie Fernholz Brian and Tamara Bremseth Joe and Lisa Bungarden - In Memory of Cletus Bungarden Nick and Sara Cain and boys Rex Cain

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Steve and Denise Helgemo David and Mary Kay Herr David H. Hofstad Bruce and Coleen Hoium Marie Hoium Rick and Sandra Hoium Donald and Beverly Husby Cynthia Huse Cynthia Huse - In Honor of: Susan Lee Amira Norland Arwilda Taylor Eugene and Marilyn Isfeld Marilyn Isfeld Nate and Linda Jackson - In Memory of Marvin Olmscheid Dianne Jerde Genevieve Jerke Dale and Arlette Johnson Marlene Johnson Leander J. Kallhoff Revoc. Trust John and Phyllis Kanstrup David Katzenmeyer - In Memory of Jay and Kay Katzenmeyer Betty Kellen KleinBank - Madison KleinBank Staff CARES Ron and Debi Koester Gene and Mary Koosman Todd and Kristi Kuechenmeister Judith A. Kuwata Lac qui Parle Broadcasting Co., Inc. - In Memory of Vivian Thies Lac qui Parle Study Club Carlyle Larsen Lori Larson Stanley W. and Marlene Larson Lonnie Lee Andrew and Andrea Lewis Dale Lien Alton and Janice Lindquist Lund Implement Co. Dennis and Char Lund Paul and Carol Lund Virginia Lundeen Reynold and Lillian Lyng Madison Bottling Company Madison Area Chamber of Commerce Madison Chiropractic Center -Clint and Chris Bonn Madison Community Foundation **Fundraising Proceeds** Madison Lutheran Home Madison Study Club Susan Maleck Kirk and Debora Meseck Maynard and Deb Meyer Richard and Delores Michaelson Steven and Janell Moburg Brian and Karin Moen Minerva Moen Clair and Doris Monson Greg and Kris Monson Matt Monson

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Charles Wright III Richard Zahnow and Sherry L. Bryant - In Memory of: Leslie Bryant Rudy Zahnow Zahrboch Funeral Chapel, Inc. Paul and Kelly Zahrbock Lyle and Sharon Zupan Tami (Josephson) Zurbay

# Awarded grants totaling \$155,944

City of Madison for: Baseball field improvements Grand Theater Project Swimming pool renovation ISD #2853 - Lac qui Parle Valley for Strengthening the Family Child Guide Program Lac qui Parle County Historical Society for youth education - Share the History of Lac qui Parle County The Sons of Norway of Madison for the Norwegian Day Camp VFW Post #1656 - Lac qui Parle County for facility update

#### MADISON MARIETTA NASSAU ELEMENTARY SCHOOL FUND

- A related non-endowed fund of the Madison Community Foundation that benefits the Madison Marietta Nassau Elementary School in Madison.

Richard and Renee Ehlenz - In Memory of Mavis Ehlenz

#### Awarded grants totaling \$1,164

ISD #2853 - Lac qui Parle Valley for a trip to the Minnesota Zoo

#### MADISON PUBLIC LIBRARY FOUNDATION FUND - A

related endowment and nonendowed fund of the Madison Community Foundation that benfits the Madison Public Library.

Kory and Pam Kottke - In Memory of Carlos Quezada

### Funds that benefit people and organizations in the Lincoln County area

#### In Lake Benton...

LAKE BENTON AREA FOUNDATION - A permanent resource that benefits the Lake Benton area through grantmaking and community projects.

One Anonymous Gift One Anonymous Gift - In Honor of Carol Men Eugene Anderson Audrey Christensen Joyce Dass - In Memory of Larry Johnson James and Marlys DePietro Don and Helen Drietz ISD #404 - Lake Benton - Lake Benton Dollars for Scholars Mark Johnson Nathan Kinner Kuehl Trucking - Robert Kuehl Bryan and Janet Kuhn - In Memory of: **Rick Fehl** Madeline Huska Steve Johnson Ruth Westall Lea Lory Richard and Jody Nomeland

Kevin and Tonia Nordsiden Jim Roggenbuck Lisa Schardin James and Pamela Veire - In Memory of: Alvera Sik Ruth Westall Margo Sik Roger and Sandra Sik Bernice Trautman

#### Awarded grants totaling \$4,369

ISD #404 - Lake Benton for Dollars for Scholars Chapter

#### In Ivanhoe...

#### LINCOLN HI HIGH SCHOOL FOUNDATION FUND - An

endowment and non-endowed fund that provides perpetual and immediate support to Lincoln HI - the Ivanhoe Public School District #403.

One Anonymous Gift Janet Adolphson Janet Adolphson - In Memory of Malcolm Faulds Lyle Banta - In Memory of Malcolm Faulds Darlene Burdick-Cherland - In Memory of Malcolm Faulds Archie and Connie Critterman Divine Providence Auxiliary - In Memory of Bette Koopman B.D. Dombek Warren and RaNaye Dunlap - In Memory of Malcolm Faulds David and Ann Faulds - In Memory of Dale Faulds Joan Faulds Smith - In Memory of Malcolm Faulds Gene and Alice Faulds - In Memory of: MarLein Bartz Malcolm Faulds Brian Fleahman Bill Gropel Shirley Halvorson Bette Koopman Aletta Krog Ron Rogge Irene Rost Malcolm Faulds Family - In Memory of Malcolm Faulds Adam and Heather Gillund John Gilson - In Memory of Bill Gropel

Reed and Nancy Kaping Reed and Nancy Kaping - In Honor of Mr. and Mrs. Alan Panka Brian and Bonnie Olson - In Memory of Bill Gropel Susan Schlueter - In Memory of Bill Gropel Delano Halde Mark and Sharon Hanson Jeanette Hauschild Marjorie Jenkins Knights of Knowledge Study Club Kelly and Nancy Krog Beverly J. Kucera Lincoln HI Ivanhoe School Fund Fundraising Proceeds Allan Lundberg Virginia Oberpriller - In Memory of Malcolm Faulds Gene and Diane Panka Chris and Sharon Rasmussen Dale and Karen Richmond Duane and Barb Schalek Robert Seefeldt Allen and Colleen Sheik Milan Sik Patrick and Marilyn Smith - In Memory of Malcolm Faulds

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Dwayne and Rita Strand Ken and Margaret Swanson - In Memory of: Bill Gropel Shirley Halvorson Norbert Kusnierek Elowine Leibfried Henry and Ruth Torres - In Memory of Malcolm Faulds Larry and Paige Waalkens - In Memory of Malcolm Faulds Harriet Weeks - In Memory of: Brian Fleahman Charmaine Lundberg Ron Rogge **Roy Steffes** Lilas Widmark

#### Awarded grants totaling \$14,524

ISD #403 - Ivanhoe for: CLEP tests Foss science kits Learn Pads

#### JOHN AND MARGARET BORNHOFT FAMILY ADVISED

FUND - A related nonendowed fund of the Tyler Area Community Foundation that benefits Tyler and beyond.

John and Margaret Bornhoft

Awarded grants totaling \$5,000

Lyon-Lincoln Electric Trust for youth golf sponsorship

#### In Tyler...

TYLER AREA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION - A permanent resource that benefits the Tyler area through grantmaking and community projects.

Curtis and Tracy Baune Donald Beck **Rickie Bly** Dean Boeve John and Margaret Bornhoft Rich and Diane Borresen Travis and Rochelle Borresen Donald and Susan Buhl Christianson Crop Insurance - Terry and Shawna Christianson Christianson Farm Machinery, Inc. Mark and Catherine Christensen Joyce Dass - In Memory of: Evelyn Carr Marion Duus Bill Kahler Development Services, Inc. - In Honor of Kristie Johnson

Drake's Chimney Service & Construction - Clair and Deanna Drake Elizabeth Duncan Alva Enemark Mark and Sandy Enemark Paul Enemark Dennis and Jolean Faaborg Charles and Gloria Gackstetter Rick and Julie Gemeinhardt Jason Good Terry and Sherry Good Axel and Judy Hansen Larry and Elizabeth Hansen Lyle and Dona Hanson **Beverly Hess** Craig Hess Craig and Tifanie Hess Trent and Jackie Hess Henry and Sharon Jacobsen Sharon Jacobsen Jerry and Joan Jagt Scott and Teresa Johansen Kyle and Kristie Johnson Louvaine and Barbara Johnson Johnson's Flower Box - Jane Johnson Erik and Julie Jorgensen Leroy and Deanna Knudsen James and Carol Kopel Byrl and Karen Koster Angela Lovre Darwin and Carolyn Lutterman Curtis and Darla Madsen Darla Madsen

Brandon and Karie Novak Enrico Ocampo Tim O'Leary Kris Peters Petersen Law Office - Glen and Lottie Petersen Dennis and Linda Petersen Lynn and Marlene Pistorius Gordon and Virginia Rasmussen Jon and Jennifer Schreurs Eleanor Schwanebeck James and April Thomas James and April Thomas - In Memory of Roger McHarg Tyler Area Community Foundation Fundraising Proceeds John and Nancy Utoft Bill and Jenifer Vollmer Bert and Alvina Welgraven Rich and Mary Jo Wiering Neil and Angela Witte

#### Awarded grants totaling \$12,810

City of Tyler for: Swimming Pool projects Tyler Food Shelf ISD #2902 - RTR Public Schools for RTR Choir Robes Lyon-Lincoln Electric Trust for: Junior Achievement New Roof - Museum Depot Building Tyler Area Food Shelf for the Building Remodel

# Funds that benefit people and organizations in the Lyon County area

#### In Balaton...

BALATON AREA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION - A permanent resource that benefits the Balaton area through grantmaking and community projects.

One Anonymous Gift Balaton Area Community Foundation Fundraising Proceeds **Constance Edwards** Robert and Lou Galbraith Craig and Ann Gifford - In Memory of LeRoy Domagala Tabor and Denise Hoek Lora Johnson David and Gayle Kaup - In Memory of: Myrna Anderson LeRoy Domagala David Leversedge Gayle Kaup

Wayne M. Kirkpatrick - In Honor of Kirkpatrick Hardware in Balaton, 1946-1957 Bruce and Sara Larson - In Memory of: Doris L. Miller Jason Steffes Glenn and Karen Larson Stanley and Jean Larson - In Memory of: LeRoy Domagala David Leversedge Lee's Janitorial Service/Wee's Furnace Air Duct Cleaning -Grant and Tami Wee Roger and Carolyn Lind - In Memory of Clifford and Esther Lind Mildred Miller Family - In Memory of Mildred Miller Del and Pat Rutz - In Memory of: Robert N. Dayland Mildred Miller Steven and Karie Rutz

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#### Awarded grants totaling \$3,217

Balaton Area Historical Society for computer and software upgrade for the museum City of Balaton for: Balaton Fire Department truck upgrade Colonial Manor Nursing Home Library improvement Newspapers at the library

#### In Marshall...

#### D.C. "PAT" MCFARLAND JR. ENDOWMENT FUND FOR FRIENDS OF THE ORCHESTRA, LTD. - A fund created in memory of D.C. "Pat" McFarland Jr. to benefit Friends of the Orchestra, Ltd. in Marshall.

David C. "Pat" McFarland Jr. Estate

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#### Awarded grants totaling \$3,905

Friends of the Orchestra for operating support

#### D.C. "PAT" MCFARLAND JR. ENDOWMENT FUND FOR PRAIRIE HOME HOSPICE,

**INC.** - A fund created in memory of D.C. "Pat" McFarland Jr. to benefit Prairie Home Hospice, Inc. in Marshall.

David C. "Pat" McFarland Jr. Estate

#### Awarded grants totaling \$7,630 Prairie Home Hospice for operating support

#### D.C. "PAT" MCFARLAND JR. ENDOWMENT FUND FOR ST. JAMES CHURCH - A fund

created in memory of D.C. "Pat" McFarland Jr. to benefit St. James Church in Marshall.

David C. "Pat" McFarland Jr. Estate

Awarded grants totaling \$9,447 St. James Church for operating support

#### MARSHALL COMMUNITY

FOUNDATION - A permanent resource that benefits the Marshall area through grantmaking and community projects.

Dan and Linda Baun William A. Curwick Mark Goodenow Kory and Amy Grant G. R. and Phyllis Moberg Ken and Gwen Mukomela Lee and Norma Raske Gary and Wendy St. Aubin Mark and Claudia Stenson Paul and Joanne Stoneberg Neil and Jenny Sullivan Joel and Colette Tubbs United Petroleum Equipment Co. Tom and Janet Vandendriessche

Awarded grants totaling

 \$19,098
 Advance Opportunities for Project SEARCH
 Avera Hospital Foundation for the Avera Cancer Institute Marshall
 House of Hope Minnesota, Inc.

Looking Forward, Giving Back

for technology update Living Word Lutheran Church for Marshall Food₄Kids Lutheran Social Service - Senior Nutrition Program for shelfstable meals Marshall Area Stage Company for Marshall Area Christian Home dramatic production Marshall Area YMCA for: "Born to Move" Kid's gym mats Youth Room update New Horizons Crisis Center for staff training for crisis intervention Prairie Home Hospice for chronic disease selfmanagement Western Mental Health Center

#### MARSHALL-LYON COUNTY LIBRARY FOUNDATION

for social wellness

**FUND** - A non-endowed fund that benefits the Marshall-Lyon County Library, located in Marshall and serving Lyon County.

#### Awarded grants totaling \$116,701

Marshall Lyon County Library Foundation for the building project phase I and II

#### In Tracy...

#### TRACY AREA EDUCATION FOUNDATION FUND - An

endowment fund created to provide ongoing support to the Tracy Area Public School District.

Chad and Darci Anderson - In Memory of: Bernie Fultz Margaret Peterson Tracy Board of Education - In Memory of Bernie Fultz Col. Robert and Virginia Anderson - In Memory of Margaret Peterson Bernie Fultz Friends and Family - In Memory of Bernie Fultz William and Sandra Bolin Robert and Linda Brockmann - In Memory of Margaret Peterson Brockway - Brown Veterinary Clinic Darci Brush - In Memory of Margaret Peterson C & B Operations LLC - In

Memory of Bernie Fultz

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Deb Magnussen

Doug and Sue Nackerud - In Memory of Margaret Peterson John and Janice Nelson - In Memory of: Bernie Fultz Margaret Peterson James and Lynn Nicks Dave and Kathryn Peterson - In Memory of Margaret Peterson Jane Peterson - In Memory of Margaret Peterson Michael Peterson Roy E. Abbott Futures, Inc. - In Memory of Bernie Fultz Robert and Shirley Sandbo - In Memory of Margaret Peterson Robert and Cozette Sanderson -In Memory of Bernie Fultz Thomas and Lisa Schaeffer - In Memory of Margaret Peterson Carol Chirhart Schjei - In Memory of Marge Robinson Diane Schnelli - In Memory of Elaine Bicek Eleanor Sellman - In Memory of Margaret Peterson Daniel and Mary Snobl - In Memory of: Arnie McDaniel Margaret Peterson C. Russell and Sandra Stobb - In Memory of Margaret Peterson Stephen Schiffman and Theresa Teal Schiffman - In Memory of Margaret Peterson Tracy Area Schools, Class of 1961 Tracy Area Public School - THS 1-Act Play Activity Fund Tracy Public Schools Staff - In Memory of: Howard Enderson Bernie Fultz Margaret Peterson Tracy Lions Club TruStone Financial Federal Credit Union - In Memory of Bernard Fultz Stephen and Caroline Vopatek - In Memory of Margaret Peterson Dean and Alice Vroman - In Memory of Bernie Fultz Richard and Trudy Williams - In Memory of Bernie Fultz

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The Music Mart, Inc. - In

Bernie Fultz

Memory of Bernie Fultz

Ronald McDaniel - In Memory of

Memory of Margaret Peterson

Memory of Margaret Peterson

## Funds that benefit people and organizations in the McLeod County area

#### In Hutchinson... HUTCHINSON AREA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

One Anonymous Gift

- A permanent resource that benefits the Hutchinson area through grantmaking and community projects.

3M Foundation AEM Mechanical Services, Inc. Ag Systems, Inc. AKI American Legion Auxiliary Diana and John Anderson Mary Anderson Eugene Baasen **Babes Giving Back** Roger & Diana Bakken Kenneth and Jovce Beck - In Honor of Marc and Michelle Max Family John and Brenda Beckman John and Brenda Beckman -In Honor of Officer Mark Hanneman Janice Beytien Jonathon Block **Bruce Broderius** Rev. Brian Brosz Dwane and Marjorie Bucklin Michael and Amber Cannon William Carlson and Mary Guggemos Carlson Matt and Liz Cheney Walt and Lynne Clay Crow River Glass, Inc. Dobratz Hantage Chapel Cheryl Dooley Eagle Legal Services Mark and Theresa Eischens Beniamin and Janna Erlandson David and Kristine Erlandson Thomas and Lynn Gifferson John and Gail Gillard Michael Glubka Karen Grasmon John and Cindy Gregor Sandra Haasl Anthony and Kristi Hanson **Robert Hantge** Daniel and Joleen Hatten Mary Henke Herbert and Marjorie Hoff Timothy and Sandra Hogan Hometown Realty, Inc. Dan and Theresa Honsey Hutchinson Family Dentistry, PA Jensen Law Office Jeremiah and Dorie Jessen Greg and Betty Jodzio Gary and Joyce Johnson Leonard and Doris Johnson Charles and Michelle Jones

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#### Awarded grants totaling \$37,105 City of Hutchinson for

Hutchinson Law Enforcement Memorial Park **Crow River Drumline** Association for equipment upgrade Crow River Habitat for Humanity for 'A Brush with Kindness' Hutchinson Center for the Arts for RiverSong Music Festival Hutchinson Chamber of Commerce for community organizing Hutchinson Community Foundation for: Law Enforcement Park **Operational support** Police Reunion/Fundraiser Event ISD #423 - Hutchinson Park Elementary for choral risers and acoustic shells for the auditorium Junior Achievement of the Upper Midwest to continuing Jr. Achievement in Hutchinson Schools McLeod Alliance for Victims of Domestic Violence for client outreach McLeod County Veterans Memorial Park for the static helicopter memorial display

#### JUUL NURSING FUND - An

endowment fund created to provide scholarships to longterm care nursing assistants in McLeod and Meeker counties in need of financial aid to pursue training required to become a licensed nurse.

#### Awarded grants totaling \$4,000

Ridgewater College for the Juul Nursing Scholarships

#### HUTCHINSON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT #423 FOUNDATION FUND - A

related endowment and nonendowed fund of the Hutchinson Area Community Foundation that provides perpetual and immediate support to the Hutchinson Independent School District #423.

Brad and Linda Bonniwell - In Memory of Gordon Tapper David and Anne Broderius Kristine Dobratz Jason Durheim

Val Elder Gregory Ewing Nancy Gapp Darcy Harlander Gloriann Heikes Fern Hoff Kristi Hoffman Rhoda Hubbard-Anderson ISD #423 - Hutchinson Fundraising Proceeds Ralph and Geri Johnson - In Memory of David Mooney Glen and Ginny Kegley Jeanette Krommenhoek - In Memory of Amy Rostberg Jeanette Krommenhoek and Family - In Memory of Keith Krommenhoek Donna Luhring Sherry Murphy Sarah Nelson Andrew Twardy and Amy Onell Cassie Padrnos Mark and Bernice Reinke Naomi Shadis Chris Sones Spooky Sprint Roger and Rachel Stearns - In Memory of Keith Krommenhoek Becky Stromley Ann M. Thompson Daron VanderHeiden Lori VanderHeiden Tina Vorlicek

#### CAROL M. ULRICH HAUKOS ENDOWMENT FUND - A

related fund of the Hutchinson Area Community Foundation created in memory of Carol M. Ulrich Haukos to benefit McLeod County.

Jan and Gretchen Haukos

#### Awarded grants totaling \$1,177

Hutchinson Area Dollars for Scholars for the Carol Ulrich Haukos Memorial Scholarship

## Funds that benefit people and organizations in the Meeker County area

#### In Grove City...

**GROVE CITY AREA C.A.R.E. ENDOWMENT FUND** - A fund that benefits Grove City Area C.A.R.E. in Grove City.

Michael D. Field Stanley W. and Edith Holmquist Fund Idella Moe

#### Awarded grants totaling \$956

Grove City Area Living at Home/Block Nursing Program for operational support

#### In Litchfield...

#### LITCHFIELD AREA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

- A permanent resource that benefits the Litchfield area through grantmaking and community projects.

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#### Awarded grants totaling \$40,446

City of Litchfield for the Litchfield Community Built Playground Grove City Area Living at Home/Block Nursing Program for home safety equipment Litchfield Area Mentorship Program - Kinship for LAMP -Kinship group activities Meeker County Agricultural Society for Barn Again ProWorks, Inc. for Again & Again Too Thrift Store

#### LITCHFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOL FOUNDATION ENDOWMENT

**FUND** - A related fund of the Litchfield Area Community Foundation that benefits the Litchfield Public School District.

Three Anonymous Gifts Martin and Emily Allen Nicholas and Elizabeth Alsleben Anderson Chemical Company Leif and Kathryn Anderson Marlys Bjur Brian and Rebecca Boll **Troy Bruning** John and Jo Carlson Mike and Deb Cziok and Dave and Amber Cziok Davis Motors. Inc. Steven and Julie Dengerud Dr. David and Sharon Detert Chuck and Sue Fenton Robert and Arlene Groskreutz Bruce and Linda Hamm Michael and Connie Hamm James D. Haugo, DDS and

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#### Awarded grants totaling \$4,845

ISD #465 - Litchfield for: 5th Grade Chromebooks Celebrate Wagner Students Get Active with Wii! Physics 103 Basic Electricity Lab

## Funds that benefit people and organizations in the Murray County area

#### MURRAY COUNTY CENTRAL REBEL FOUNDATION FUND

- An endowment and nonendowed fund that provides perpetual and immediate support to the Murray County Central Public School District.

Tina Bengtson Tarry M. Boelter Nancy Boerboom Trish Grieme Paul Haberman Sharon Henderson Janet Herrig Ken and Marlys Knuth Christine Larson Sherry Robinson Mark Schleisman Brenda Whitehead

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MURRAY COUNTY EARLY CHILDHOOD FUND - A nonendowed fund that benefits children ages birth to 5 in Murray County.

49 Anonymous Gifts Dave G. and Carol J. Ackerman Michael and Linda Ahlschlager Dennis and Marjorie Anderson Richard and Ardis Andert Tom and Judy Andrews Avoca Spray Service B & L Rentals Eleanor Balster Randy Barrett Raymond and Jacqueline Barrett Aaron and Marcy Barritt Duane and Elizabeth Barton Timothy and Jodi Bass Randy and Karen Beers Ryan Beers Terry Beers Bradley Bergerson CPA Bradley and Diane Bergerson Dalton and Joanne Bergman Amanda Berreau Frederic and Fran Berreau Bryan and Lauren Biegler Joe and Louise Biegler Ronald and Betty Biegler Bill's Backhoe Service LLC Leroy and JoAnn Biren Dan and Kristie Blankenship Paul Bliss and Sarah Kunze Bliss Frederick and Darla Bloch Fredric and Phyllis Bloemendaal Michael and Megan Bonnstetter Todd and Penny Boock Annette Bose Daniel and Audrey Braun Gary and Helen Brinks John and Marlene Brown Darrel and Donna Bruns Bill and Janette Bryan Buffalo Ridge Concrete, Inc. Todd and Mary Burlingame Char Busse Douglas and Dorothy Byers Laddie and Doris Carda Ben and Kari Carlson Darwin and Sandy Carlson - In Memory of Jane Streff Eric and Elizabeth Carlson Gary and Marilyn Carlson Joe and Denise Carlson Keith Carlson

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# Awarded grants totaling \$20,700

ISD #2169 - Murray County Central for Murray County Early Childhood Coalition Local Coordinator, Year 10 Southwest Regional Development Commission for: ECI projects Monogram Foods Love Kids Foundation

# Funds that benefit people and organizations in the Nobles County area

#### NOBLES COUNTY AREA DISASTER RELIEF FUND - A

non-endowed fund that provides disaster relief to aid victims of the April 2013 ice storm in the Nobles County area.

#### Awarded grants totaling \$2,750

City of Worthington for disaster relief in the Worthington Area Manna Food Pantry, Inc. for disaster relief in the Worthington Area Rock County Emergency Food Shelf for disaster relief

#### NOBLES COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY ENDOWMENT FUND - A

related endowment fund of the Worthington Area Foundation that benefits the Nobles County Historical Society.

Nobles County Historical Society, Inc.

#### In Lismore...

LISMORE AREA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION - A permanent

resource that benefits the Lismore area through grantmaking and community projects.

American Legion Post 636 Church of St. Anthony Lismore Cooperative Telephone Co. Veryl and Avis Stoffel

# Awarded grants totaling \$10,000

Church of St. Anthony for church improvements

#### In Worthington...

ELLEN BAKER-MERRIGAN ADVISED ENDOWMENT FUND - A related fund of the Worthington Area Foundation that benefits the Worthington area, as well as other charitable organizations and causes in Minnesota.

#### Awarded grants totaling \$4,500

Atlas of Osceola for general fund operations

ISD #518 - Worthington for Trojan Shield Banner for the marching band Worthington Community Education - ISD# 518 for St. Olaf High School Choral Festival

#### HOSPICE COTTAGE, INC. OF WORTHINGTON ENDOWMENT FUND - A

related fund of the Worthington Area Foundation that benefits Hospice Cottage, Inc. in Worthington.

Ron and Renee Ubl - In Memory of Spenser A. Yeske

#### Awarded grants totaling \$5,571

Hospice Cottage, Inc. for operational support

#### ROBERT J. AND BETTY DEMUTH FAMILY ENDOWMENT FUND FOR ST. MARY'S SCHOOL - A related

fund of the Worthington Area Foundation that benefits St. Mary's School in Worthington.

#### Awarded grants totaling \$629

St. Mary's School for operational support

#### ROY AND DOROTHY NASERS FAMILY ENDOWMENT FUND FOR MANNA FOOD PANTRY,

INC. - A related endowment fund of the Worthington Area Foundation that benefits Manna Food Pantry, Inc. in Worthington.

#### Awarded grants totaling \$391

Manna Food Pantry for operational support

ROY AND DOROTHY NASERS FAMILY ENDOWMENT FUND FOR THE YMCA OF WORTHINGTON - A related endowment fund of the Worthington Area Foundation

that benefits the YMCA of Worthington.

#### Awarded grants totaling \$1,827 Worthington YMCA for

operational support

#### ROBERT AND FLORENCE WOLFF MEMORIAL ADVISED ENDOWMENT FUND - A

related fund of the Worthington Area Foundation that benefits youth in the Worthington area.

# Awarded grants totaling \$4,300

Nobles County Library for technology enhancement Southwest Crisis Center for "Project for Safe & Healthy Children" YMCA of Worthington for youth physical activity programs

#### WORTHINGTON AREA

FOUNDATION - A permanent resource that benefits the Worthington area through grantmaking and community projects.

Six Anonymous Gifts Gary and Diane Anderson Doug and Marcia Anton Cheryl Avenel-Navara Galen and Sherry Benton Delphine Burns Ray Crippen The Cows Outside/Buffalo Billfold Co. Steven and Lori Dudley First State Bank Southwest First State Bank Southwest - In Honor of Beve Vajgt, Spirit of Community Pride Award First State Bank Southwest - On Behalf of Greg Raymo Jesse Flynn Jesse and Heather Flynn Dr. Wayne and Karen Freese Diane Graber Daniel and Lisa Greve Bryan and Susan Hagen Chad and Kristin Jaycox Jason and Marie Johnson Jeffrey and Sharon Johnson Sharon Johnson Brian and Rhonda Larsen Rhoda Mains Frank and Marilyn McDowell Kenton and Peggy Meier Marlene Miller Ken and Robyn Moser Nickel & Associates Insurance Agency - Jim Nickel James Nickel James and Deborah Nickel Nobles Cooperative Electric

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#### Awarded grants totaling \$9,426

Cultural Awareness Organization for the International Festival Friends of the Auditorium, Inc. for Technology upgrade OnBoard Timpani Cart for Worthington Area Symphony Orchestra Historic Worthington, Inc. for dishwasher replacement Love INC of Worthington for transformation ministry Lutheran Social Services, Senior Nutrition for Senior Dining Nobles County Historical Society, Inc. for threedimensional artifact cataloging Worthington Chamber of Commerce for Junior Achievement Worthington Hockey Association for the Legend Hockey Program

# Funds that benefit people and organizations in the Pipestone County area

In Edgerton...

EDGERTON PUBLIC SCHOOL ADVISED ENDOWMENT FUND

- An endowment fund that provides ongoing support to the Edgerton Public School District.

Paul and Elizabeth Fellows

#### In Pipestone...

#### PIPESTONE AREA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

- A permanent resource that benefits the Pipestone area through grantmaking and community projects.

All About Smiles Wayne and Karen Amdahl Wayne and Karen Amdahl - In Memory of: Harold Carrow Ada Schroeder Gilbert Backlund Banner Associates, Inc. Buffalo Ridge Concrete, Inc. C & B Operations LLC -Pipestone County Implement Mary J. Crockenberg Pipestone High School, Class of 1951 Dairy King Dar's Pizza of Pipestone Douty Mfg. Co. First Farmers & Merchants National Bank Fishback Financial Corporation Ed and Judy Hansen - In Memory of: Amy Redenius Joyce Rodman Virginia Spicer Hartquist Funeral Chapel, Inc. George and Mary Dee Hicks Gordon Hunstad Trust Norman A. Hunstad JB's Foodmart, Inc. Steve and Peg Lange - In Memory of: Carol Amdahl Lois Benson Paul Bloomendaal Dan Christensen Wayne Ebsen Marjorie Erickson Howard Hagedorn Leo Hess Dale Huebner Jeff Kruse Paul Pinkert Everett Skjei Virginia Spicer Ernest Sundemeyer Arlis Werner Jerry Whipple

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#### Awarded grants totaling \$12,989

City of Pipestone for: AED Unit Pipestone Active Living Pipestone Chamber of Commerce for: Community promotion Pipestone's Blandin Community Leadership Pipestone County Food Shelf for Feed the People Pipestone Senior Citizens Center for the Senior Center Dances Progress, Inc. for the "Independent Wheel"

#### TAUBERT FAMILY ADVISED

**FUND** - A non-endowed fund that benefits the southwest Minnesota area.

Bob and Tami Taubert

#### Awarded Grants totaling \$1,500

ISD #2689 - Pipestone for the lunch program at Pipestone Area Schools

# Funds that benefit people and organizations in the Redwood County area

#### In Walnut Grove...

WALNUT GROVE AREA FOUNDATION - A permanent resource that benefits the Walnut Grove area through grantmaking and community projects.

14 Anonymous Gifts Two Anonymous Gifts - In Memory of Doris Hoyt One Anonymous Gift - In Memory of Don Anderson One Anonymous Gift - In Memory of Alice Hanson One Anonymous Gift - In Memory of Wilbur Oberg Bruce and Nancy Baker Bernard and Marianne Boerboom Robert and Bonnie Boerboom Bubai Food Store - Harris and Terry Yang Dorothy De Smith

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# Awarded grants totaling \$13,200

City of Walnut Grove for the Walnut Grove Family Festival ISD #2898 - Westbrook-Walnut Grove for: Post-secondary scholarships Summer Reading Program and the Children's Museum Laura Ingalls Wilder Museum for "Little House Cast Reunion" Redwood County 4-H Federation MN for benches and scarves Walnut Grove Ambulance Service for communication enhancement Walnut Grove Fire Department for fire equipment

### Funds that benefit people and organizations in the Renville County area

#### **BIO LEGACY FOUNDATION**

- A permanent resource that benefits the Bird Island and Olivia areas through grantmaking and community projects.

Three Anonymous Gifts Buboltz Acres. Inc. George Paur Insurance Agency, Inc. Mark F. Glesener Patricia Hoiles - In Memory of Charles and Mary Glesener Family Dick and Gladie Hagen **Roger Heller** Allen Kubesh Susan Lang Vern Prokosch George and Ruth Rauenhorst Family - In Memory of George and Ruth Rauenhorst Robert and Renae Saunders Robert and Renae Saunders - In Memory of Rabi Peterson Paul and Carol Setzepfandt SKL - Page Family Foundation **Rob Thurston** Robert L. and Joanne Thurston Ryan and Sene Zupke

#### Awarded grants totaling \$500

City of Olivia for the Bird Island-Olivia Regional Trail

#### BIRD ISLAND, OLIVIA, LAKE LILLIAN (BOLD) EARLY

CHILDHOOD FUND - A nonendowed fund that benefits children ages birth to 5 in the BOLD School District.

Two Anonymous Gifts Citizens Alliance Bank - Lake l illian Liza Davis John Domeier F&M Bank Minnesota-Clarkfield Frandsen Bank & Trust George Paur Insurance Agency, Inc. Karen Grasmon Lorraine Hammer HomeTown Bank - Redwood Falls Susan Jungclaus Jackie Kaufenberg Brad Kramer Tammy Park Laura Posl **Renae Saunders** Mary Schroeder

#### Rob Thurston

DR. PAUL THOMPSON LEGACY FUND - A related endowment fund of the BIO Legacy Foundation that benefits the Bird Island and Olivia area.

#### Awarded grants totaling \$505

Renville County Hospital Foundation for continuing education

#### BUFFALO LAKE-HECTOR-STEWART PUBLIC SCHOOL FOUNDATION FUND - An endowment and non-endowed fund that provides perpetual and immediate support to the

and immediate support to the Buffalo Lake-Hector-Stewart Public School District.

One Anonymous Gift - In Honor of Chris Schmidt Cathleen Aho - In Memory of Donna Person All-School Reunion/Hector School District - In Honor and Memory of All Hector High School Graduates Kenneth Anderson - In Honor of: Kathryn Anderson's Birthday Linda Balk Migdalia Baumgardt Becky Boll Blake Broderius, 2013 BLHS Graduate Lloyd Broderius Family Valoris Buboltz' 80th Birthday Buffalo Lake Fire Department Buffalo Lake-Hector-Stewart School FFA and Members Buffalo Lake High School, Class of 1963 Buffalo Lake High School, Class of 1964 Julius Evenson Henslin Auction Service Kayla Hernandez BLHS FFA Sprout Hubin Publishing, Inc. Lorie Kirtz, Ameriprise **Financial Advisor** Gena Maria Koeberl's Ordination into ELCA Ministry Kolt Krumrey 2014 BLHS Graduate Katherine Maiers 2014 BLHS Graduate Amber and Andrew Matter's

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Kermit and Mary Schmalz - In Memory of Donna Person Warren and Mabel Schmalz - In Honor of Ken Anderson Warren and Mabel Schmalz - In Memory of Donna Person Fredric Schoenig Family Edwin and Sandra Sheperd - In Memory of Lea Dobberstein Celia Smykalski - In Memory of Donna Person Allen and Marie Walter Charley Mathiowetz, Mick Wendel and Amy Brandel - In Memory of Lorraine Mathiowetz Michael and Joann Werner - In Honor of Ken Anderson Dean and Kimberly Winter - In Memory of Lea Dobberstein Deb Wiprud - In Memory of Donna Person

#### Awarded grants totaling \$9,651

ISD #2159 - Buffalo Lake-Hector-Stewart to enhance learning and extra-curricular activities

#### In Morton...

#### MORTON AREA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION - A permanent

resource that benefits the Morton area through grantmaking and community projects.

One Anonymous Gift Dan and Linda Baun Bob and Joan Brown, Margaret Lussenhop and John and Sandy Seehausen - In Memory of Patricia "Pat" Jacobson Joan Brown, Dorothy Caven, Cathy Crain, Harriet Deinken, Joan Frank, Margaret Lussenhop, Sandy Seehausen, Jackie Simmons, Mary Teed and Marilyn Vogl - In Memory of David Reitter Joan Brown, Cathy Crain, Harriet Deinken, Joan Frank, Jean Hillesheim, Margaret Lussenhop, JoAnn Neudecker, Dorothy Rebstock, Sandy Seehausen, Jackie Simmons, Mary Teed and Marilyn Vogl - In Memory of Marie "Mary" Hennen Carl and Angie Colwell Gary and Harriett Cornwell - In Memory of: Mary Hennen Pat Jacobson Jack Mahlum Jerome and Harriet Deinken - In Memory of: Darlene Boddy Jack Mahlum Jerome Prescott William Gaasch - In Memory of Mary Gallery Rev. LeRoy Lothert - In Memory of Pat Jacobson Terry and Linda Marguth - In Memory of: Judy Greenslit Mary Hennen Pat Jacobson Morton Area Chamber of Commerce Morton High School, Class of

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# Awarded grants totaling \$8,000

City of Morton for the park basketball court renovation

#### In Renville... RENVILLE COUNTY

#### WEST PUBLIC SCHOOL FOUNDATION FUND - An

endowment and non-endowed fund that was created to provide ongoing support to the Renville County West Public School District.

Gene and Carnita Allex - In Memory of Marsh Thorstad James and Carol Carter - In Memory of Loretta Krueger Robert and Berdelle Enestvedt - In Honor of 2014 RCW Retirees Robert and Berdelle Enestvedt -In Memory of: Peter Adamski John Feldman Doris Holm's 80th Birthday **Florence Jacobs** Loretta Krueger Marsh Thorstad Darrell Tufto Paul and Brenda Holm - In Honor of 2014 RCW Retirees Paul and Liz Lanning - In Honor of 2014 RCW Retirees: Kevin Anderson Vicky Bratsch Anita Filzen Kav Howard JoAnne Molenaar Annette Sportel Greg and Robin Mulder - In Memory of: Catharine Mulder Mary Lou Smith Phil and Mary Kay Sinner

#### Awarded grants totaling \$2,033

ISD #2890 - Renville County West for Science Anywhere

## Funds that benefit people and organizations in the Rock County area

#### In Luverne...

LUVERNE CHILD GUIDE ENDOWMENT FUND - A fund that benefits the Child Guide Program in the Luverne Area.

#### Awarded grants totaling \$2,250

ISD #2184 - Luverne Public Schools for Luverne Child Guide

### Funds that benefit people and organizations in the Swift County area

Nesbitt Massee

In Appleton...

APPLETON COMMUNITY

FOUNDATION - A permanent resource that benefits the Appleton area through grantmaking and community projects.

Aero Spray, Inc. AmVets Post #151 **Appleton Community** Foundation Fundraising Proceeds Appleton Elementary Junior Achievement Appleton High School, Class of 1983 Appleton Ridge Runners Daniel and Lynette Arnold Joshua and Kristin Benson Bill and Jeanette Bergstad Michael and Josephine Bjerke Culligan Water Treatment of Appleton, Inc. Leslie Ehrenberg Steve and Leslie Ehrenberg Tim and April Ehrenberg R.A. Fidler David and Alyce Fust Jason Giese Jason and Heather Giese Edward and Phyllis Hegland Lee Heinecke Clayton and Karen Houff - In Memory of Gary Kurrasch Elaine Jahnke Thomas K. Johnson Barbara Kerr Erling Kolke Nancy Larson Liebe Drug Stores Terry Makepeace Martinson Foundation Tom and Saundra Moe Scott Moen James Massee and Sydney

Gary and Carol Nygard Connie Olson Louise Olson Jon E. Panzer John and Jeanette Pfaff **Piotter Construction** Jason and Sara Piotter Jeff and Heather Piotter Thomas Rice Jay Ronning Lowell Schmidt Wade and Cheryl Schmidt Dr. Kevin and Kathleen Skjei Dr. Kevin and Kathleen Skjei - In Honor of Marian Beveridge Virgil and Clarice Stock Cheryl Strand Ronald and Nancy Streed Charles and Sandra Tatge Trinity Lutheran Church **Missions** Team Randy and Julie Anne Twitchell Ritchie and Mary Sue Voorhees Walmart Rick and Brenda Wilson Family -In Memory of Anngee Rutland Norma Wojtalewicz

#### Awarded grants totaling \$54,855

'52 Wing Restoration Committee for bandstand improvements Appleton Area Health Services for a wheelchair scale and standing scale

City of Appleton for: Fire department equipment Community cinema The Appleton Swimming Pool ISD #2853 - Lac qui Parle Valley for:

The Strengthening the Family Child Guide Program Camp Buckskin Junior Achievement of The Upper Midwest for the Appleton/Milan Elementary and LQPV Middle Schools program Lac qui Parle County Economic Devlopment Authority for Junior Achievement of Lac qui Parle County Lac qui Parle Daybreak Committee for the Lac qui Parle Valley High School after prom party Lac qui Parle Valley Dollars for Scholars for scholarships Lac qui Parle Valley Community Education for: Summer recreation scholarships and equipment Traveling baseball Little Sioux League Preserve Appleton's Heritage, Inc. for: The Appleton A's Baseball Lights Facility Improvements Russell Johnson American Legion Post #72 for operations of the Senior Nutrition Center

#### In Benson... BENSON AREA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION - A permanent

resource that benefits the Benson area through grantmaking and community projects.

One Anonymous Gift Don and Helen Berheim Dan and Donna Enderson Michael and Julie Holte Chuck Koenigs Chuck and Marie Koenigs - In Memory of Orville Tatge Frank and Pam Lawatsch - In Memory of Arnold Olson Jan Lundebrek Jan Lundebrek - In Memory of DeAnn Johnson

#### Awarded grants totaling \$7,180

City of Benson for the Benson Golf Club patio project ISD #777 - Benson for: School foundation start-up Technology and the at-risk student population Pilgrim Congregational United Church of Christ for summer feeding program

#### GALEN HANSON MEMORIAL EDUCATION ENDOWMENT

**FUND** - A related endowment fund of the Benson Area Community Foundation that provides educational opportunities in the Benson area.

#### Awarded grants totaling \$5,000

Northside Elementary for Benson ECFE/School readiness program Safe Avenues for Swift county

outreach marketing campaign

# Funds that benefit people and organizations in the Yellow Medicine County area

#### In Canby...

#### BLUE AND GOLD

FOUNDATION FUND - An endowment and non-endowed fund that benefits students of the Canby area.

Two Anonymous Gifts Diana and John Anderson - In Memory of Irene Madsen Frances Beecher, Donald Budahl, Gerry and Marcia Gingles, Jodi Olson and Dean and Jane Stoks - In Memory of Millard Hayek Canby Area Retired Educators Assn. Canby Firemen's Relief Association Canby High School Letter Club Canby High School, Class of 1960 - In Memory of Nick Bertamus Jim and Cynthia Cleveland - In Memory of: Jeff Ailts Randy DeVos Jacob "Jake" Hanson Irene Madsen Mavis Qualley Larry West Dakota Wind LLC - In Memory of Ben Thovson Esther Harms Trust Lois Hanson Jeff and Kari Harding - In Memory of Jake Hanson Haugen Insurance Agency, Inc. Helena Chemical Company Jerold and Janet Jeremiason - In Memory of Pat O'Reilly David and Jodi Mercer - In Memory of: Bertie Full **Ralph Hentges** Orlin Kompelien Duane and Barbara Schalek - In Memory of: Ray and Bertie Full Jason Jerzak Mildred Koch Diane Schlapkohl Wendell and Marion Snortum State Bank of Taunton

# Awarded grants totaling \$37,750

Blue and Gold Educational Foundation - ISD #891 for Canby High School Scholarship Awards

#### CANBY COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIP ENDOWMENT

**FUND** - A related fund of the Blue and Gold Foundation that benefits students of the Canby area.

One Anonymous Gift Sig and Joan Armitage Canby Lions Club Wicklace Financial - Ron Wicklace Ralph and Norma Dovre Lyle and Joey Gorder Orval and Muriel Gubrud Beth Hanson Jeff and Kari Harding Hayek Family Endowment Fund of the Sioux Falls Area Community Foundation Mike and Lori Kollar David and Angela Leppke Diana Lindeman - In Memory of Joseph DeMeyer Harold P. Madsen Estate Brian and Carmon Mamer Cheryl Melby John and Karen Miller Chuck and Bonnie Moberg Bjorn and Margot Monson Corey and Allison Nelson Scott and Natalie Oellien Otter Tail Power Company - In Honor of Greg Pederson Greg and Julie Pederson Alan and Julie Saltee Shirley Saum Dale and Barb Schoberg George Sorensen Jr. Richard and Deb Van Derostyne Virginia Van Derostyne Mark and Kari Whittier Bruce and Julie Wornson Terry and Laurie Yackley Thrivent Financial of YMC

#### In Clarkfield... CLARKFIELD AREA

#### COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

 A permanent resource that benefits the Clarkfield area through grantmaking and community projects.

One Anonymous Gift - In Memory of Leo Flattum Charles Anderson - In Memory of Gussie and Ruth Anderson Erling and Norma Anderson Merald and Eileen Borg Barbara Bruflat - In Memory of: Tim Bruflat Jill Doty

Jim Hanson Ann Lynne Debra Bruflat Rodney and Barbara Bruflat - In Memory of: Telford Berg **DeLight Brookins** Leo Flattum Thea Kraakaas Kay Larson Erland Moe Leo Toft Ida Vien Bruce W. Christopherson Bruce W. Christopherson - In Memory of: Omar Tongen Leo Toft Clarkfield Enterprises, Inc. Clarkfield Garden Club Clarkfield Lions Club F&M Bank Minnesota-Clarkfield Jan Falkum Gary and Susan Fritz Gniffke Agency, Inc. K&J Velde, Inc. Wendy Kimmer Steve and Mary Jane Lindholm -In Memory of Leo Toft Neil Linscheid Jim B Lynner - In Memory of Leo Flattum Gene and Lilly Miller - In Memory of: Ray and Mabel Miller Henry and Marie Wisdorf Dr. Pat and Annette Patel - In Memory of Leo Flattum Enola Rolla Schlenner Agency, Inc. Berdette Schoep Blanche Simpson Harold Smith Curtis and Rosie Sorum Larry Stensrud Larry and Ann Stensrud Larry and Ann Stensrud - In Honor of Johnny and Ruth Sturgeon's 70th Anniversary Larry and Ann Stensrud - In Memory of: Leo Toft Comfort Quesnell Thea Kraakaas Leo Flattum Ardine Berkvam Phil Sturlaugson Leo Toft Family - In Memory of Leo Toft

Dean and Gail Toft - In Memory of Leo Toft Hazel Tongen - In Memory of Omar Tongen of Ida Vien Gene and Jacqueline Wenstrom Joyce Ann Winson - In Memory of: Hartford and Eleanor Anderson Jim Hanson Howard Peterson Cys and Darlene Westre L. Sherman and Joyce Ann Winson - In Memory of Leo Flattum

Friends and Family - In Memory

#### Awarded grants totaling \$5,207

Augustana Lutheran Church for the sound system upgrade City of Clarkfield for: North Park Renovation Summer Rec program Clarkfield Care Center for the Care Center Bus Clarkfield Community Library for book purchases for junior readers Clarkfield Fire Relief Association for the Reserve Truck Upgrade Clarkfield Lions Club for: Garden Club renovation of Lion's Park The Improvements to Lions Park ISD #4172 - Clarkfield Area Charter School for folding chairs Minnesota 4-H Foundation for **Cloverbud Robotics** 

#### In Granite Falls...

DAVID AND ELIZABETH REIMER FAMILY ADVISED ENDOWMENT FUND - A related fund of the Granite Falls Area Community Foundation that benefits the Granite Falls area.

David and Elizabeth Reimer

#### Awarded grants totaling \$1,000

City of Granite Falls for Granite Falls Kilowatts Baseball Granite Area Arts Council for the 'Boys Next Door' production

#### Southwest Initiative Foundation Donor and Grant List 2014

#### GRANITE FALLS AREA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

- A permanent resource that benefits the Granite Falls area through grantmaking and community projects.

Three Anonymous Gifts Three Anonymous Gifts - In Memory of Col. Horace Freitag Brett and Danielle Almich Barry and Kathleen Anderson Joyce Anderson - In Memory of Col. Horace Freitag Marie Anspach Marie Anspach - In Memory of Eugene Huth Chauncy and Linnea Balfany Carol Jean Beck - In Memory of Gen Betzen Paul and Barbara Benson Paul and Barbara Benson - In Memory of: David Marr Shirley Thom Leslie and Susan Bergquist Donald Betzen Scott and Karla Bjorndal Alice Bottcher Mike and Kathy Brunner Merald and Barbara Buchholz Nita Burgeson - In Memory of: Vernon Cobb Christine Neiman Jaclyn Smith Bursch Travel - Fred and Terri Bursch - In Memory of Barbara Carlson Darrell and Hazel Carter Earl and Rita Christianson Rose Dahl - In Memory of Ozzie Dahl Gale and Lois Dahlager Howard and Linda Dahlager Robert Danielowski, P.A. Duininck Incorporated Tom and Tammy Edman Tom and Tammy Edman - In Memory of: Gen Betzen Col. Horace Freitag Melvin Gillespie **Eldoris Hustad** Terry Smogard Shirley Thom Eternal Monuments - Everett H. Bain Barry Evenstad Ron and Diane Fagen Joseph and Jean Fagnano Family Dentistry P.A. Bill and Kristin Flaten James and Coleen Ford Boyd and Patricia Forest - In Memory of Art and Shirley Paulson

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Arvis E. Johnson and Lee Ann Smith - In Memory of Bob and Pat Jenson Wayne and Janice Karels - In Memory of Col. Horace Freitag Gordon and Monica Kasel - In Memory of: Gordon Formo LeRoy Hieb Shirley Thom Phil and Mary Kelly - In Memory of: Shirley Thom David Marr Bob and Rita Knutson Bob and Rita Knutson - In Memory of Col. Horace Freitag DuWayne and LaVonne Koenen DuWayne and LaVonne Koenen - In Memory of: Fern Avoles Gen Betzen Col. Horace Freitag Eileen Henderson William Henderson LeRoy Hieb Marlene Jensen Connie Markgraf Kara Monson Belen Rillo Dr. Antonio "Tony" Rillo Shirley Thom Andrew and Janet Kubly - In Memory of Gary Kubly Matthew Kubly - In Memory of Gary Kubly Pat Kubly Pat Kubly - In Memory of: Gen Betzen Col. Horace Freitag Eileen Henderson William Henderson Gary Kubly Marilyn Schafer Spencer and Peggy Kvam - In Memory of: Col. Horace Freitag William Henderson Diane Ladner Diane Ladner - In Memory of Col. Horace Freitag Mavis Lewis Richard and Marjorie Loewe Carl and Joan Lundell Carl and Joan Lundell - In Memory of Col. Horace Freitag Doug and Karen McCoss - In Memory of Terrie McCoss Paul and Elaine Moe Jason and Teresa Peterson LeRoy and Janet Peterson Picht's Body Shop, Inc.

David and Elizabeth Reimer

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#### Awarded grants totaling \$3,844

City of Hanley Falls for the equipment van for the Hanley Falls Fire Department Friends of Music for sound system upgrades Granite Area Arts Council for KK Berge building purchase Granite River Front Revitalization for the visual donor recognition piece ISD #2190 - Yellow Medicine East for: Advisory Reads Chair storage cart Let's Continue to Green-up YME! Prairie restoration

# Impact of Giving: Fiscal Year 2014 Highlights



Grant recipient Dakota Wicohan youth program near Morton



Hutchinson fund volunteer Betty Nielsen assisted by staff member Jenelle Stiras

# **Community Impact**

- Awarded **371 grants** totaling more than **\$1.3 million** to benefit the people and communities of southwest Minnesota.
- Awarded two Regional Impact Grants including \$50,000 to Project Turnabout's capital campaign to expand the addiction recovery center and \$25,000 to Southwest Minnesota State University for the agricultural educator curriculum development.
- Partnered with the Valspar Corporation to support **three** community projects through the Minnesota Beautiful "Picture it Painted" program, which provides paint and coatings for restoration and beautification.
- Awarded nearly \$25,000 to YES! teams to support energy projects in their communities in which teams collected and recycled over 2,000 pounds of holiday lights, 80,000 pop tabs, seven tons of paper, 10,000 plastic bags, 500 pairs of tennis shows, and 900 ink cartridges and cell phones.
- Hosted our first Leadership in Philanthropy conference, with more than
  70 nonprofit leaders and volunteers becoming equipped and inspired to improve their fundraising skills.
- Raised \$317,142 for the Southwest Initiative Foundation General Endowment, supporting work throughout the entire region.
- Received the **first** gift of life insurance when a donor named us as beneficiary of their current policy.
- Hosted **five** professional advisor luncheon discussions around the region on gift planning topics.
- Five community foundation affiliates Bird Island-Olivia, Clarkfield, Granite Falls, Pipestone and Worthington - secured and began working toward endowment fund challenge grants provided by local donors, totaling \$170,000.
- Accepted two new gifts of farmland totaling 191 acres and valued at more than \$1.6 million to our Keep It Growing<sup>SM</sup> program, keeping the land in production and supporting regional work.
- Through our partnership with the Linder Farm Network, presented our Keep It Growing<sup>SM</sup> farmland giving program to over **500** farmers and ag professionals at the annual Ag Outlook Meetings.
- Helped start the first Creating Entrepreneurial Opportunities class in the state of Minnesota for high school students in Kandiyohi County. The program is supported through a partnership with the Willmar Area Community Foundation and 50 area businesses.



Business Finance Program client Midwest Fire in Luverne with owners Dean and Sarah Atchison and financing partners Southwest Initiative Foundation, Prairieland EDC, Southwest Regional Development Commission and The First National Bank



Microloan client Summit Grain Construction of Stewart with owners Russell Schlueter and Dustin Nelson

# **Economic Impact**

- Identified Lac qui Parle, Big Stone, Chippewa, and Swift counties to participate in the Greater Than MN (>MN) project, a partnership with First Children's Finance to improve access to quality childcare in rural communities.
- Distributed **8,000** new children's books purchased through the Pearson Foundation throughout our region.
- Made 52 loans totaling nearly \$3.2 million through our Business Finance and microloan programs. These business loans created or retained 253 jobs and leveraged over \$20 million in private and public investment into our region.
- Sponsored the Regional Bioscience Conference, Animal Science Venture Forum, Leadercast and Minnesota Inventors Congress to promote economic and regional opportunities.
- Approved the largest loan in our history, which involved recruiting a company from Kentucky to expand in Lac qui Parle County, filling a large, vacant building and creating new jobs.
- SBA Encore Entrepreneur of the Year award was presented to microloan clients Ron and Kim Wothe, owners of Glacial Ridge Winery in Spicer.
- Asked to provide administration for MOVE, LLC, a private training program to provide 14 Winsted area manufacturers with trained welders and machinists through a partnership with Dunwoody Institute.
- Provided grants to support the Minnesota Agriculture and Rural Leadership (MARL) program—a partnership of the U of M Extension and Southwest Minnesota State University.





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