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## Leave Your Legacy in the

# For good. Forever. Valkway

The Mt. Pleasant Area Community Foundation was excited this year to announce the installation of the first section of the "For Good. For Ever. Walkway" at the entrance to its new home at 306 S. University Avenue in downtown Mt. Pleasant. The new walkway is made of bricks sponsored by members of the community in support of the Community Foundation, and will remain for visitors to see for many generations to come.

As its name implies, the walkway symbolizes the lasting impact of endowment support within our community. Each brick represents an individual, family or business legacy. More than 50 bricks were sponsored, each engraved with names or messages which hold a special meaning to those who sponsored the bricks.





The new walkway was installed about a year after the Community Foundation first moved into the Hersee House, a generous donation from the Hersee family. While the house visibly represents the lasting influence the Hersees will have within our community, the new walkway offers community members and other supporters of the Foundation an opportunity to do the same.

"I think community members will really enjoy reading the names," said Janet Maar Strickler, MPACF Vice President. "We hope this installment will be just the first of many."

There is still room left for future additions to the walkway, and orders for bricks will be accepted as long as space is available. If you would like to honor an individual or show your organization's or family's enduring support for the Mt. Pleasant please contact the Community Foundation at 989-773-7322 to have a brick engraved with a customized message and added to our "For good. For ever. Walkway."

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### President's Greeting



It has been almost a year since the Mt. Pleasant Area Community Foundation moved into our offices at the Hersee House. Our new location has made it markedly easier for donors and grant seekers to find us, and our conference rooms have become a gathering place for community groups to meet. For this remarkable gift, we thank the Hersee Family as well as the community members who offered such generous financial support as we renovated and moved in. This permanent location will allow us to continue to meet our mission in many new and creative ways, and serves as an inspiring example to all of what it means to be building legacies in our community.

On behalf of the Community Foundation Board, I encourage you to review this annual report of our community's accomplishments over the past year. There are so many stories to tell regarding the impact of philanthropy in mid-Michigan over the 21 years the Foundation has been in existence. This report depicts just a few of these stories.

We have seen great levels of involvement in the Mt. Pleasant area in the past, and in the last year especially, but our community's work is not done. We continue to receive grant requests for which funding is not available. This highlights our continuing need for unrestricted funds, which allow us the most flexibility to address ever-changing requests from nonprofit organizations, schools and municipalities in our community. Please take a moment to learn more about our Community Foundation and the avenues it offers you to address the diverse needs in Isabella County. Working together over time we can collectively make such an impact! For good. For ever.

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VOLUNTEERS

Donate Time and Talent



For years, the Mt. Pleasant Area Community Foundation has been working to encourage a spirit of philanthropy in the community by allowing individuals, families and organizations the opportunity to give back. While this is typically done through a financial contribution to one of many funds available, this year a few community members were able to help out by donating their time and talent as well.

These individuals are part of the new Volunteer Receptionist Program at the Foundation, started by Samantha Todd, an administrative intern during the 2010-2011 school year. She said the program "allows members of the community to help the Foundation with daily operating tasks."

The Mt. Pleasant Area Community Foundation operates on a lean administrative budget, and has two paid staff. Having the help of a volunteer available throughout the day, however, lends an extra pair of hands to keep the Foundation operating efficiently.

There is no typical day for the volunteers as they work on a variety of tasks, usually aligning with the talents and interests of those involved. They do everything from answering the phone and making copies to researching and proofreading documents. For most of them, though, volunteering typically feel like work at all.

One of the volunteers, Al Kaufmann, said he sees the program as a great way to stay connected. "I've always looked at what I do in the world of work and in volunteering as just a part of my lifestyle," he said.

Volunteer Linda Morey said volunteering at the Foundation is also "a great way to get involved in the community and to see other community members as they come and go."

Another volunteer, Sandy Wood, grew up in Mt. Pleasant and has been highly involved with the Community Foundation in the past. "Living here all my life I know we have a lot of people in this community who are very generous with their time," she said. "It's nice to be a part of it and see the positive results."

And so far the results have been nothing but positive.

"It's been great having the extra help from people who truly care about our mission," said Executive Director, Amanda Schafer. "No single day at the Community Foundation is the same and everything the volunteers do here, from large projects to clerical tasks, really does make a huge difference in allowing us to accomplish as much as possible on a daily basis."

In its first year, the Volunteer Receptionist program was a huge success for everyone involved, and it promises to be an integral part of operations at the Community Foundation for a long time to come.





## G. Charles & Janice L. Hubscher Fund

The G. Charles and Janice L. Hubscher Fund is an unrestricted fund started in 2000 by Mr. and Mrs. Hubscher as a way to provide the Foundation with funds that could be used to address the changing needs of Isabella County residents.

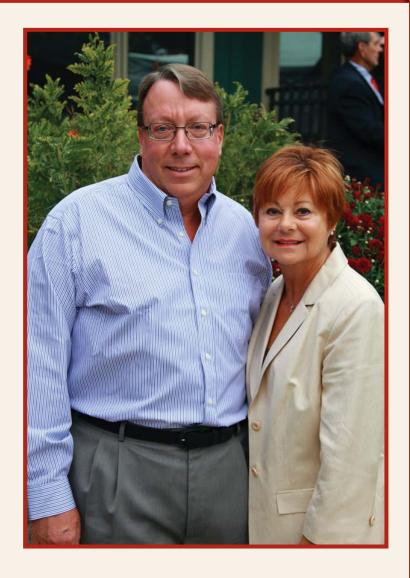
While there are many funds within the Foundation set up to be put to use for specific causes, unrestricted funds are a good way to give to a wide array of community needs every year. The term 'unrestricted' simply means the fund is not limited to a field of interest or designated to a particular organization.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Hubscher have been highly involved within the Mt. Pleasant community and the Community Foundation for several years, but it was the time Mr. Hubscher spent on the Foundation's Grant Review Committee which piqued his interest in starting an unrestricted fund. He observed that over the years they were presented with a number of grants that were worthwhile, but were not able to be matched with a particular donor advised or field of interest fund.

"That's why there's a need in the Foundation for more unrestricted funds," Mr. Hubscher said. "Unrestricted funds give the Foundation the flexibility to support grant requests which may otherwise be difficult to fund."

According to Mr. Hubscher, "You don't need everything in unrestricted, but you do need a core group of unrestricted funds available at the Community Foundation."

As more unrestricted endowment funds like the Hubschers' are started, the Community Foundation will be able to increase its support to a gamut of causes in mid-Michigan.



"Unrestricted funds give the Foundation the flexibility to support grant requests which may otherwise be difficult to fund." - G. Charles Hubscher

# The G. Charles and Janice L. Hubscher Fund has been able to help many different causes over the years; here are just a few:

- American Red Cross Central Michigan Chapter Equipment for Disaster Volunteers
- Listening Ear Treatment for Women Sexually Abused as Children
- City of Mt. Pleasant Main Street Live
- Art Reach of Mid Michigan Festival of Banners
- Isabella County Commission on Aging Fitness and Walking Trail

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### Central Michigan Community Hospital Fund

Our community has given its full support to Central Michigan Community Hospital for more than 60 years, and has seen the benefits of that support continue to grow over time. In 1940, residents of Isabella County came together to raise more than \$65,000 which then led to a \$225,000 grant secured by the Reverend Charles MacKenzie to fund the opening of the new hospital. The hospital officially opened in 1943, and has since seen the spirit of philanthropy among residents grow even more over the years.

In 1997, the governing board for CMCH approved the creation of the Central Michigan Community Hospital Endowed Fund. This fund provides an additional opportunity for the community to support the mission of the hospital in perpetuity. CMCH has experienced extraordinary local involvement in the past and knows the Fund will allow the hospital to experience continued growth and will help CMCH better serve the community that gave it life.

# Amy Otteman Nursing Education Fund



The Amy Otteman Nursing Education Fund was created in honor of a beloved daughter, sister, and friend to many. Amy was a high school scholar athlete, and achieved her lifelong goal of becoming a registered nurse. Amy was an oncology nurse and

cared deeply for her patients and their family members. This fund was created to support the educational endeavors of patient care givers like her.

Amy unexpectedly left this life in 1995 as the result of a massive cerebral hemorrhage. She was 24 years old. When her family made the decision to donate her organs through the Gift of Life in Michigan, they also discussed doing something else in Amy's memory to benefit others. Just months later, the inaugural Amy Ottemen Memorial Classic (AOMC) charity golf outing was hosted.

"We knew this was what Amy would have wanted," said Suzi Tengen, Amy's Mom. "Her brothers Jim and Tim, along with my brother David, came up with the golf classic idea. The event has been a healing vehicle for our family. Amy was a giver and the golf outing has been the right way to honor her memory."

The first year, the family raised \$5,000 which was donated to Bronson Memorial Hospital (where Amy had worked) and Central Michigan Community

Hospital (CMCH). The family decided to continue the outing with a goal of raising \$50,000 for charity purposes. In a few short years the Ottemans met that goal and the memorial classic continued. Other milestone years and charity events came and went. "We had many opportunities to draw the event to a close," said Amy's brother and Tournament Director Tim Otteman. "But the community just wouldn't let us quit!"

"This event has truly been a labor of love for our family," Tim says. "More importantly, for something that was born out of a terrible family loss, the Amy Otteman Memorial Classic has developed into an event which involves the entire mid-Michigan community, including golfers, sponsors and volunteers."

Monies donated to CMCH over the years created the Amy Otteman Nursing Education Fund, which benefits the on-going education requirements of patient care givers. In 14 years, the AOMC has gifted \$100,000 to the community hospital, which has been used for reference textbooks, computer software, educational conference registration fees and other related expenses. When the Otteman family announced the final event would be hosted in 2009, they also chose to endow the Amy Otteman Nursing Education Fund to ensure the benefit remains for years to come.

### What is the Mt. Pleasant Area Community Foundation?

The Mt. Pleasant Area Community Foundation (MPACF) is a tax-exempt public charity that serves as the center of philanthropy in Isabella County. The Foundation gives people and businesses in the community the opportunity to make contributions to various funds and causes. Those considering charitable giving may establish their own charitable fund or contribute to an existing fund. These professionally managed funds are permanently endowed, which means the contributions are never spent. The assets of the Foundation's more than 200 funds are combined for investment purposes, and the earnings from investments are used to award grants and scholarships. Annually earnings benefit various humanitarian, educational, recreational, environmental, and cultural organizations that provide services to Isabella County residents. Currently, MPACF is overseen by exceptional community leaders that make up the 24 member Board of Trustees.

### Why choose the MPACF?

### Flexibility

The Mt. Pleasant Area Community Foundation allows you to target your gift to support any of our community's charitable organizations or causes. Your gift will be permanently endowed and will continue to support your chosen organization or cause forever.

### Superior tax benefits

Your contributions are eligible for the highest combination of Federal and State tax incentives. The state of Michigan encourages contributions to permanently endowed funds of community foundations by offering a Michigan Community Foundation Tax Credit.

### How May I Give?

Manage your charitable giving through the Mt. Pleasant Area Community Foundation and support the organizations and issues that mean the most to you. Your impact will be immediate and long lasting.

### Contribute to an existing fund

Browse our existing funds at www.mpacf.org to find a charitable cause or organization that reflects your charitable interests. By making a gift to one or more of our existing funds:

- You can benefit the entire spectrum of charitable services that enrich our community with an unrestricted fund.
- You can support a field of interest fund by donating to a specific area of community life such as children and youth, the elderly, literacy, recreation, the arts, or emergency needs.
- You can support a favorite charitable organization in our community, including schools and units of government. Benefit organizations include Commission on Aging, Central Michigan Chapter of the American Red Cross, Art Reach, Hospice, Central Michigan Community Hospital, Isabella Community Soup Kitchen, Community Cancer Services, Mt. Pleasant Public Schools and many more.
- You can help the students of our community pursue their educational goals through a scholarship fund.

### Choose to create your own fund

A personalized fund may be created in memory or honor of a loved one, in your family's name, or in the name of your organization or business. Your own fund may be established to support the cause or organization of your choice in the community. When establishing a fund, you may specify that your fund be "Donor Advised", so that you and your family can stay involved in the process of awarding grants.

### What May I Give?

The Mt. Pleasant Area Community Foundation accepts a variety of giving instruments tailored to your unique situation.

### **Outright Gift**

You may make a gift of cash, stocks, bonds, real estate, or other assets.

### **Bequest by Will**

You may designate a gift or portion of your estate to be placed in a charitable fund you have selected or created in the Mt. Pleasant Area Community Foundation and, in some cases, receive a substantial reduction in federal gift and estate taxes.

### **Charitable Remainder Trust**

Placing cash or property in a Charitable Remainder Trust will pay an annual income to you (or another named beneficiary) for life. You can arrange, after your death to have the remainder of your trust transferred to the Foundation and placed in a charitable fund you have selected or created.

#### **Charitable Lead Trust**

A "Lead" trust is the opposite of a "Remainder" trust. Placing cash or property in a Charitable Lead Trust will pay an annual income to a charitable fund you have selected or established with the Foundation. After your death, or a set period of time, the remainder of your trust will be transferred to you or another named beneficiary.

### **Charitable Gift Annuity**

A charitable gift annuity is a way to make a generous gift to your community while providing yourself with a new income source you can count on for the rest of your life.

### How Much is Required to Give?

### Contributing to an Existing Fund

Gifts in any amount are accepted for the Foundation's existing funds, and are eligible to receive federal and state tax benefits. Contributions made to endowed funds are never spent, but combined with other donations to provide grants by using the return on the investments.

### **Creating Your Own Fund**

Creating your own personalized fund requires a minimum starting contribution of \$500, with a plan to reach \$10,000 within ten years. When your fund matures to \$10,000, it will then be eligible to make grants and scholarships.

### **How Do I Get Started?**

Contact MPACF for help with creating a fund or deciding which grant making program fits your needs and carries out your charitable wishes.

### **Learn More**

Visit our website at www.mpacf.org for a complete list of charitable funds, grant and scholarship seeking information, special initiatives, and much more. Scan the QR code below and visit us on your smartphone.

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# Dave and Sue Keilitz Family CMCH Fund

The Dave and Sue Keilitz Family CMCH Fund is a designated fund established in 2010 by the Keilitz family. The fund is intended to support the betterment of Central Michigan Community Hospital (CMCH) at the direction of the hospital's administration.

The Keilitz family has been highly involved with the Community Foundation for many years. In 1999, they established the David B.

and Susan K. Keilitz Family Fund, an unrestricted fund that will support the ever-changing needs in our community, now and forever. This year, however, Dave and Sue decided to start a second fund to allow mid-Michigan residents the opportunity to extend their support to the hospital which has done so much for its community in the past.



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Lots of love Tim Pletcher

Jennifer Olsen

Welcome Max!



Bob and Nancy Wheeler have been involved with the Mt. Pleasant Area Community Foundation since it began in 1990. They love that the Foundation gives individuals an opportunity to achieve their charitable goals by establishing funds to benefit the community. This year, the Wheelers decided it was time to start a fund of their own, so they created one to benefit another organization in which they have been actively involved for many years: the Boy Scouts of America.

Their two sons went through Cub Scouting, Boy Scouting, Varsity Scouting and Venturing, and are now both Eagle Scouts. Throughout her boys' time in the Scouts, Nancy served as a Den Leader and later as a committee member. Bob is an Eagle Scout as well, and

has served as a Scoutmaster, Cubmaster and a committee member for the Boy Scouts. His first job out of college was District Executive for the Scouts. He now serves as Chair of the Tall Pine District, covering five counties along US-127.

The Wheelers' passion for the Boy Scouts is so deep that Bob even proposed to Nancy wearing his scout uniform after a meeting one day. Even though Bob says it took walking from the corner of Fancher and Gaylord Streets to Fancher and May for her to come to a decision, Nancy said "It's hard to say no to a man in uniform."

Bob and Nancy Wheeler have witnessed first-hand the benefits of building a relationship and raising children inspired by the values of the Boy Scouts of America, and would like to make sure future generations have the same opportunities. "We need to provide meaningful activities for youth in Isabella County," Bob said. "Scouting provides an option for youth that is values-based. Camping, hiking, and other outdoor programs are used as a method of teaching values to our youth."

Bob said the Wheeler Fund for Scouting will "help fill a gap in the local units' funding and support." The Wheelers hope the fund will provide money for scout camperships, Eagle Scout Service Projects and to provide much needed equipment for local packs and troops.

# Zitzelsberger Family Fund

Terrie and Mark Zitzelsberger, owners of Total Investment Planners Inc. in downtown Mt. Pleasant, have always believed in the importance of 'investing' in your community and raised their children to think the same. While their three children Chad, Lisa, and Troy attended Sacred Heart Academy, Terrie and Mark developed an appreciation for the values and faculty of the school.

As an aid to Sacred Heart Academy's tuition scholarship program, the Zitzelsberger Family Fund was created within the Mt. Pleasant Area Community Foundation. It is the Zitzelsbergers' hope that these funds will assist families seeking to send their children to the Academy so they, too, can experience all it has to offer.

In an effort to include the whole family in the creation of the fund, Mark and Terrie encouraged their



children to attend meetings and to be involved in the process. Their middle child, Chad, named the new family fund as recipient of \$1,000 in prize money after finishing second in a large charity race both in 2010 and 2011. Chad hopes that the fund will leave a family legacy while making the community a better place.

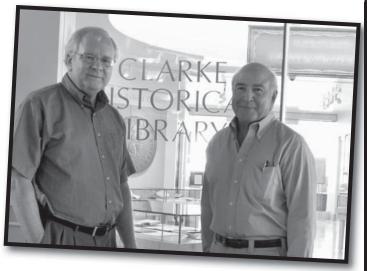
### William J. Strickler

# Clarke Historical Library Fund

William Strickler was raised in Mt. Pleasant, attended Mt. Pleasant High School and graduated from Central Michigan University. So this year, when he started the William J. Strickler Clarke Historical Library Fund, he was excited to give back to the community that had given him so much in the past.

The Clarke Library exists to document and promote public awareness in three main areas: the Michigan Territory, the Old Northwest Territory, and the state of Michigan in the nineteenth century or before. Mr. Strickler set up this fund to support these three areas of focus by helping the library attain more items and artifacts from Michigan's rich history.





"I hope to help the library acquire additional materials and to make people aware that this fund is available as a venue for donating to and supporting the Clarke Historical Library," Mr. Strickler said.

Having served on the Board of Directors for the Clarke Historical Library for 25 years, Mr. Strickler has strong ties to the organization, and has a passion for the history of the "Old Northwest." It was this history and passion for the Clarke Historical Library which ultimately motivated Strickler to establish the Fund.

"Over the years, Bill has been a devoted friend of the library," said Clarke Historical Library Director, Frank Boles. "Creating this endowment is just another example of his longstanding commitment to helping document the local and state history of Michigan through the Clarke."

Barberi Family Family

# Phyllis H. Heinze

The Phyllis A. Heinze Mathematics Education Scholarship Fund was started by Phyllis' husband, Dyke, to honor her lifetime devotion to teaching mathematics at various levels.

As a military wife, Phyllis followed Dyke's career around the country for 23 years, and as Phyllis put it, "Wherever we were, I taught math."

After settling down in Mt. Pleasant in 1990, Phyllis continued teaching math for the next 17 years at West Intermediate, Mt. Pleasant High School, and Central Michigan University. In 2009, she retired from a long, successful career, after touching many lives and influencing countless minds along the way.

This year's scholarship winner, Ryan Heeke, had Mrs. Heinze as a math teacher when he was a

### **Mathematics Education** Scholarship Fund

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freshman at Mt. Pleasant High School and said she inspired him to continue pursuing mathematics.

> "She made sure you knew all the basics before you moved on to advanced material," he said. Ryan is now attending CMU, planning to major in mathematics.

Dyke started the fund as a way to honor the work Phyllis had done over the past 40 years, from the college level all the way down to the middle school level. As the fund continues to grow, the Heinzes hope to award many more scholarships and to inspire young people in the area to gain an interest in math education.

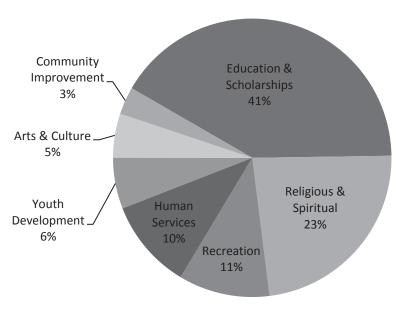
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## 2010 Financial Report

Assets:	12/31/2009	12/31/2010
Cash	\$740,779	\$786,625
Beneficial interest in charitable lead annuity trust and unitrust	\$828,425	\$821,249
Investments	\$6,463,133	\$8,343,754
Pledges Receivable	\$104,988	\$75,480
Student Loans Receivable	\$95,934	\$100,037
Deferred Gifts	\$15,120	\$11,803
Land, buildings, and equipment	\$197,039	\$638,120
Total Assets	\$8,445,418	\$10,777,068
Liabilities:		
Accrued Expenses	\$0	\$3,502
Grants Payable	\$12,984	\$4,008
Organization Endowments	\$1,483,933	\$1,765,041
Total Liabilities	\$1,496,917	\$1,772,551
Net Assets:		
Unrestricted	\$6,015,088	\$8,107,788
Temporarily Restricted	\$933,413	\$896,729
Total Net Assets	\$6,948,501	\$9,004,517
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$8,445,418	\$10,777,068
In memory of daughter Becky	O'llik	Catherine Beebe
Virgil Davis  In honor of the Howard and Florence Schafer family  In honor of the Howard and Florence Schafer family	Bob, Jeanne, Sarah and Mat	John & Ann Jensen

### **Foundation Grantmaking in 2010**

### **Foundation Investment Results**



15.2%	2006
6.9%	2007
-29.3%	2008
28.2%	2009
12.4%	2010

# **Grants Awarded through Endowed Funds**August 2010 – July 2011

American Red Cross, Central Michigan Chapter - \$1,338.46 for the "Food Pantry" from the Mt. Pleasant Oil Industry Red Cross Food Pantry Fund.

American Red Cross, Central Michigan Chapter - \$108.00 for "Major Disaster Food Tables" from the Kellogg Youth Fund.

**Art Reach of Mid Michigan -** \$1,314.96 for the "Wellspring Literary Series" from the **Russ Herron Poetry Fund**.

**Beal City Public Schools -** \$620.00 for "Educational Foundation Projects" from the **Beal City Public Schools Education Fund**.

**Beal City Rocket Football -** \$1,000.00 for "Beal City Rocket Football" from the **Rocket Football Operating Fund**.

**Big Brothers Big Sisters -** \$7,000.00 for a "West Intermediate Middle School Mentoring Program" from the **Kellogg Youth Fund and Women's Initiative Fund**.

Bluejays for Excellence Club - \$500.00 for "Shepherd Rocket Football" from the Rocket Football Operating Fund.

Central Michigan District Health Department - \$1,542.00 for the "Freedom from Smoking - Smoking Cessation Program" from the Healthy Youth/Healthy Seniors Fund.

Central Michigan Pregnancy Services - \$1,947.95 for "Educational Modules for Earn While You Learn" from the Bandit Industries Community Fund.

**Central Michigan University -** \$2,000.00 for "Assessing Cardiovascular Disease Risk Factors in Children" from the **Kellogg Youth Fund**.

**Central Michigan University -** \$1,500.00 for the "Collegiate Middle Level Association's Transitions Camp" from the Kellogg Youth Fund.

Child & Family Enrichment Council - \$1,042.00 for the "Isabella County System of Care Team" from the Barbara L. and George W. Dunn Family Fund and Theunissen Family Fund.

Chippewa River District Library System - \$2,500.00 for "Coe Library Renovations" from the Kellogg Youth Fund.

**City of Mt. Pleasant -** \$7,530.00 "Island Park/ Pickens Field Update" from the **Kellogg Youth Fund**.

Cultural & Recreational Commission of Isabella County - \$855.81 for a "Fall 2010 After School Program" from the Youth Health and Fitness Fund.

Cultural & Recreational Commission of Isabella County - \$593.73 for a "Spring After School Fitness Program at Morey Courts" from the Youth Health and Fitness Fund.













Friends of the Broadway - \$500.00 for the "Broadway Theatre Poetry Contest 2012" from the Robert and Geraldine Krapohl Literacy Fund.

**Friends of the Broadway -** \$300.00 for "Greg Lester's Puppet Adventures" from the **Kellogg Youth Fund**.

**Hospice of Central Michigan -** \$9,069.00 for "Support to Woodland Hospice" from the **Hospice of Central Michigan Fund**.

Hospice of Central Michigan - \$1,000.00 for a "Woodland Hospice Economic Development Project" from the Bovee Family Fund and David D. and Susan K. Keilitz Family Fund.

**Isabella County -** \$3,030.00 for the "Coldwater Park Basketball Court Project" from the **Kellogg Youth Fund**.

Isabella County Commission on Aging - \$6,000.00 for a "Fitness and Walking Trail" from the Brewster Family Access to Recreation Fund, Healthy Youth/Healthy Seniors Fund, G. Charles and Janice L. Hubscher Fund, and Theunissen Family Fund.

Isabella County Commission on Aging -\$5,000.00 for "Good Dental Health Leads to Good Health" from the Healthy Youth/Healthy Seniors Fund and Hersee Family Fund.

Isabella County Trial Court - \$1,508.00 for a "Community Service Youth Garden Rototiller" from the Optimist Club of Mt. Pleasant Fund.

Listening Ear Crisis Center - \$80.00 for a "Consumer College Dream" from the Listening Ear's Consumer Needs and Dreams Fund.

Listening Ear Crisis Center - \$201.00 for "Consumer Dental Work" from the Listening Ear's Consumer Needs and Dreams Fund.

**Listening Ear Crisis Center -** \$677.00 for a "Transitional Living Program Laptop" from the **Kellogg Youth Fund.** 

Mt. Pleasant Department of Public Safety - \$1,050.00 for "Youth Services Unit Police Academy Uniforms" from the Kellogg Youth Fund.

Mt. Pleasant Discovery Museum - \$5,109.58 for a "Traveling Hive Exhibit" from the Kellogg Youth Fund.

Mt. Pleasant Oilers Athletic Boosters - \$600.00 for "Volleyball Camp" from the Gail E. Gorton Women in Sports Fund.

Mt. Pleasant Public Schools - \$300.00 for a "2011 Safe Prom" from the Kellogg Youth Fund.

Mt. Pleasant Public Schools - \$746.00 for the "Mt. Pleasant High School Wrestling Program" from the Chris Maniteau Memorial Wrestling Fund.

Mt. Pleasant Public Schools - \$842.69 for a "Peacemaking Ceremony" from the Mt. Pleasant Public Schools Esther A. Kraus Peacemaking Fund.

Mt. Pleasant Rocket Football - \$1,500.00 for "Mt. Pleasant Rocket Football" from the Rocket Football Operating Fund.









**New Hope Youth and Family Services -** \$1,534.60 for the "Esteem Fitness Program" from the **Kellogg Youth Fund**.

**Sacred Heart Academy -** \$300.00 for the "SHA Post Prom Party" from the **Kellogg Youth Fund**.

**The Salvation Army -** \$1,766.00 for "After School Youth Activities and Beginner's Band" from the **Kellogg Youth Fund and Darlene Bond Memorial Fund**.

**Shepherd Public Schools -** \$300.00 for a "Shepherd High School After Prom Party" from the **Kellogg Youth Fund**.

**Village of Shepherd -** \$596.23 for "Community Policing" from the **Shepherd Community Fund**.

**Village of Shepherd** - \$750.00 for "Wright Avenue American Flags" from the **Shepherd Community Fund**.

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# Youth Advisory Committee: Youth Philanthropy

The Youth Advisory Committee (YAC) is a group of students representing school districts in Isabella County. These students are focused on learning and progressing as young leaders in the community by volunteering their time, talents and treasures.

### Volunteering

This year YAC helped give back to the community by volunteering their time to a number of service projects. They packaged food at the Lions Club annual BBQ, helped package items for families in need through the Christmas Outreach program and they helped staff the work crew for the Morbark Family Picnic.

"It's cool to see our new YACers come out of their shells and really start to make a difference." - Katherine Janes

### **Fundraising**

Each year YAC works to raise money for the permanently endowed Kellogg Youth Fund in the Foundation. The Kellogg Youth Fund is set up to grow each year and continue to provide funds for youth-related causes in the community. This year, through events like bowling in the Optimist Bowling Challenge, organizing a Halloween spook house, and Flamingo Flocking, the YAC was able to help this fund grow even more to continue meeting the needs of kids in Isabella County.

Flamingo Flocking is consistently one of the YAC's favorite fundraisers, but this activity gives community members a chance to have a little fun as well. For a \$50 donation to the Kellogg Youth Fund, anyone in the community has the chance to surprise a friend or neighbor with a flock of 30 pink flamingos in their front lawn first thing in the morning.

The person or family who gets "flocked" can then make another donation to have the flock moved to another yard, and the fun continues.

"It gets pretty heated sometimes between friends and neighbors, but flocking is always a good time." – Collin Ridley

### Grantmaking

One of the most critical roles the YAC plays is as a grantmaking committee. Members meet to discuss and recommend grants from the Kellogg Youth Fund for programs that benefit youth.

The YAC was excited to support the Mt. Pleasant Discovery Museum with a grant this year because its completion will bring fun and learning to kids of all ages.













# YAC Youth Advisory Committee

### Meeting the Needs of Local Youth

Every three years, students from the YAC administer a survey to all 8th and 10th grade students at their schools to determine which issues local youth are most concerned about. This survey helps the YAC make informed decisions about grant proposals to ensure that their funding is addressing relevant needs. This fall, the YAC is conducting its survey for the first time online, streamlining the process and tabulation of results.





YAC members present a grant to Jennifer Fields of the Mt. Pleasant Discovery Museum.





# YAC Youth Advisory Committee

Matt Blackburn (MPPS)
Jake Christensen (BSPS)\*\*
Erica Davis (MPPS)\*
Jared Defrain (MPPS)\*\*
Riley Edwards (MPPS)
Cristina Guytingco (SHA)\*
Kara Heugel (SPS)

Katherine Janes (SHA)
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Julia Wagner (SHA)\*\*
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Sarah Gilbert (Adult)
Dyke Heinze (Advisor)
Betty Wagner (Adult)

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Initiative Speaker Series Women'

Who: Colonel Kriste Kibbey Etue

What: Annual Speaker Series Luncheon

Where: The Comfort Inn

Conference Center, Mt. Pleasant

When: Wednesday, November 9, 2011

11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

**Why:** To support the Women's Initiative, an endowed Mt. Pleasant Area Community Foundation fund benefitting Isabella County women and children in need.

Tickets: \$35 each

Colonel Kriste Kibbey Etue was appointed Director of the Michigan State Police in January 2011; the department's first female Director in its 94 year history.

Colonel Etue began her career with the Michigan State Police in 1987 as a member of the 101st Trooper Recruit School. She holds an associate's degree from Kalamazoo Valley College and is a graduate of the 206th Ses-

sion of the FBI National Academy.

During her tenure with the Michigan State Police, Colonel Etue has held several executive positions. As a Captain, Etue served as commander of the Emergency Management and Homeland Security Division where she was responsible for the

management and administration of statewide emergency management and homeland security programs.



COLONEL KRISTE KIBBEY ETUE

Colonel Etue chairs the Michigan Homeland Protection Board. Michigan Public Safety Interoperability Board, Auto Theft Prevention Authority, and Michigan Intelligence Operations Center Advisory Board. She is also a member of the Michigan Commission Enforcement Law Standards and serves State Director of Emergency Management and Homeland Security.

The Michigan State Police is a full-service law enforcement organization, with approximately 2,400 employees and includes the Field Services Bureau, the Support Services Bureau and the Science, Technology and Training Bureau.

Keynote speaker generously sponsored by



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# The Denison Legacy Society

The Denison Legacy Society was established in honor of Rollie and Olga Denison, who gave so bountifully of their time and resources to our community. The Society recognizes individuals and couples who have named the Mt. Pleasant Area Community Foundation as the beneficiary of any type of planned or deferred gift. The purpose of the Society is to acknowledge and thank those who have made these gifts and to encourage and inspire others to do the same. Gifts to the Legacy Society are endowed and leave a permanent legacy in our community. A planned gift will do exactly what you want it to do -

Jack and Connie\* Harkins

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### As of September 1, 2011, members of this generous group include:

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To join this esteemed group, simply arrange for a planned or deferred gift to benefit the Foundation, and then inform the Foundation by submitting a Denison Legacy Society form. It is not necessary to provide the amount of a planned or deferred gift. You are, however, encouraged to discuss your plans with the Foundation so that we may make certain to comply with your wishes upon receipt of your gift. **Dyke and Phyllis Heinze** 

Conservation Fund

Dyke and Phyllis Heinze moved to Mt. Pleasant in 1990 and quickly fell in love with the beautiful landscape of Isabella County. In 2001, the Heinzes decided to create a fund to preserve this beauty. Dyke grew up in a similar county in southeast Michigan with small towns, open spaces, farms, and plenty of woodlands, but as the years passed he saw it slowly turn to urban sprawl.

"I would hate to see that happen to Isabella County," he said. "There aren't many organizations that focus on conservation in our county, and the Conservation Fund is an avenue we can use to try to preserve the environment in Isabella County."

Mr. and Mrs. Heinze hope the fund will be able to contribute to local grants for land preservation initiatives and create an increased awareness of the need for conservation in Central Michigan.

"This is something we couldn't perhaps do on our own," Phyllis said. "But under the umbrella of the Community Foundation, we've been able to receive the support we need to get the fund established and get it going in the right direction."



# Richard and Mary Barz FAMILY FUND

Richard and Mary Barz both grew up in Isabella County and have always enjoyed giving back to the community they know and love. "We love living here, and we love the people we know," Mary said.

Rick and Mary have been highly involved with several volunteer organizations as well as the local school district for many years. It was out of this sense of philanthropy that they decided to leave a legacy in Mt. Pleasant by starting the Richard and Mary Barz Family Fund. The fund is donor-advised, meaning Rick and Mary can make funding recommendations to support their choice of local causes.

Regular donors to the Mt. Pleasant Area Community Foundation, Rick and Mary learned more about the organization and the lasting impact of endowed funds when two of their children became involved in the Youth Advisory Committee (YAC). "YAC was a catalyst for a deeper understanding of what an endowed fund could do for the community," Rick said.

Rick and Mary found that their children's involvement with YAC gave them more than just a great learning experience, but also a chance to do something positive in the community. Through the establishment of the Richard and Mary Barz Family Fund, they hope to support local residents and groups having a positive, lasting influence on the community, and to encourage future generations to do the same.

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# FRIENDS OF THE Broadway Fund

The Friends of the Broadway Fund was established on December 26, 2001 by Sam Staples, with the purpose of providing support to the non-profit group Friends of the Broadway. The Friends of the Broadway's mission is to renovate and preserve the historic Broadway Theatre as a community venue for performances and activities which entertain, educate, and culturally enrich our community.







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# The Kiwanis Club of Mt. Pleasant Fund



The Kiwanis Club of Mt. Pleasant has been active in mid-Michigan since 1935 and currently has 37 members, helping to make our community a better place to live.

Above all, the Kiwanis Club of Mt.Pleasant is a service club focused on building a stronger community by helping the youth who live here. Kiwanis actively supports many local youth programs and organizations, from Junior Achievement to Central Michigan University's Circle K Service Club.

The Kiwanis Club of Mt. Pleasant Fund was established at the Mt. Pleasant Area Community Foundation in 1994, with the help of long-time MPACF supporter and Kiwanis Club member, Rollie Denison. This fund gives the club another resource to be able to better serve and help meet the needs of youth in Isabella County. Grants from the fund are used to support programs that can make a positive impact in the lives of our youth.



# Nomen's Hid Service Fund

Women's Aid Service is a local group which provides emergency shelter and crisis intervention services for domestic violence

victims in the area. Women's Aid Service was created in the '70s, in response to domestic violence, and has since grown to serve all local victims of domestic violence and sexual assault.

"Because of your help I'm growing, and I couldn't have done it alone."

WAS currently offers several basic services such as transitional housing, legal advocacy, counseling and support groups, child care, food, and medical attention. The Fund was established in 2001 to give the program what Director John Haycook referred to as "a nest egg" to allow them to offer further services in the future.

"With the help I've received from this organization you've given me strength and hope for today and tomorrow. If I can do it, I will give what I can to someone who needs it most."

"This fund is set up to help us bridge the gap between the cost of the services we currently offer and the cost of the services we should and would like to offer victims in our area," Haycook said.

"I would be sleeping in my car if I did not have the help from all the women at the shelter. I have my self-esteem back, positive attitude, and am now in control of my own life."

Women's Aid Service also hopes to see the Fund used to educate the public about domestic violence and sexual assault. Although Haycook said most of these crimes still go unreported, Women's Aid Service has been working hard with Listening Ear, Central Michigan University's Sexual Aggression Peer Advocates, and Native Shelter to increase awareness and to empower all victims in mid-Michigan.

# ART REACH

of Mid Michigan Fund

Since 1981 Art Reach of Mid Michigan has been promoting an appreciation for and understanding of the arts in the Mt. Pleasant area. Art Reach provides classes, exhibits, concerts and many other events for everyone in the community to enjoy throughout the year.

The Art Reach of Mid Michigan Fund was established in 2003 to ensure the longevity of the organization, giving Art Reach the chance to provide informative and entertaining programs for years to come.

Current Education Chair and long-time Art Reach board member, Nedra Fisher said "it's a part of [Art Reach's] commitment to the community to not only give an opportunity to artists to share their work, but also to help community members become more aware of it."

"What we're trying to do is keep art as part of the component of the quality of life here in Mt. Pleasant," said Executive Director Kathy Hill.

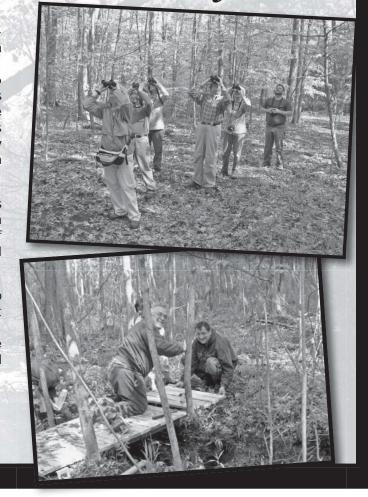


Chippewa Watershed Conservancy Fund

The Chippewa Watershed Conservancy is a non-profit organization with the mission of preserving open space and wildlife in Isabella, Clare, Gratiot, Macomb, and Mecosta counties. Currently they protect 3,456 areas in 26 easements and 14 preserves. These areas may be wetlands, have historic or scenic value, have critical endangered species present, or other things along those lines. The Chippewa Watershed Conservancy helps families preserve these conservation values on their properties.

Community members grant conservation easements because they want to protect their property from unwanted development while retaining ownership of their land. An easement assures that the property will be protected forever.

The Chippewa Watershed Conservancy also works to educate community members about conservation as it pertains to recreation and economic value. Field trips, bird walks, and butterfly walks help in this effort. The goal is to preserve our natural resources, for now and for future generations.



# Volunteer Center of Isabella County Fund



The Volunteer Center of Isabella County Fund was started in 1998 as a program of the United Way, with the goal of furthering volunteerism and increasing access to volunteer opportunities in the area. In its early stages, the fund received a matching gift from the Volunteer Investment Grant to get off to a strong start.

Amy Town, Community Impact Coordinator for the United Way of Isabella County, said opportunities generated by the fund will allow volunteers to find experiences they enjoy and to develop mutually beneficial relationships with the organizations they get involved with.

"The more volunteers we have engaged in the community, the more stable the community is as a whole," Town said. "Because the volunteers then have a vested interest in the success of community programs and organizations."

The United Way of Isabella County has been in the commu-

nity for more than 55 years, and part of its mission is to establish security for community programs which are essential to the residents here. The volunteer center was set up in 1994 to provide volunteers for these programs, and the Fund was put in place to help support this cause.

Town said the goal is to continue growing the fund so Isabella County can continue to have "more volunteers in more places doing things they enjoy."

### Permanently Endowed

# Funds of the Foundation

Gifts to the following funds will be invested, and the return on investments will be used to award grants and scholarships that benefit the residents of Isabella County...now and forever!

### **Unrestricted Funds:**

The following endowed funds were established to make annual grants to charitable programs, services or projects that help address the everchanging needs of Isabella County residents.

Mt. Pleasant Area Community Foundation **Unrestricted Fund** 

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### Donor Advised Funds:

The following endowed funds were established to make grants according to the charitable interests of their founders.

Angel Wings Fund Richard and Mary Barz Family Fund Boge Family Fund Darlene Bond Memorial Youth Fund Tim and Teresa Coscarelly Family Fund Joe and Jeanne Epple Family Fund James Dale Ervin Memorial Fund Foster Lifson Undiscovered Artists Fund Gail E. Gorton Women in Sports Fund

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The following funds were established to target support at specific areas of community life as defined by their founders.

Access to Recreation Fund John and Sue Bradac Family Emergency Repair Fund Mary Ellen Brandell Access to Recreation Fund Brewster Family Access to Recreation Fund Rollie Denison Leadership Institute

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Kiwanis Club of Mt. Pleasant Youth Fund Robert and Geraldine Krapohl Literacy Fund

McCarthy Family Fund

Mt. Pleasant Rotary Club Access to Recreation Fund Rush Family Community Emergency Fund

Shepherd Community Fund

Janet Maar Strickler Access to Recreation Fund

Swimming Pool Fund

Women's Initiative Fund

### Agency/Designated Funds:

The following funds were established by an organization, individual or family to support the operational, administrative and programming costs of their designated organizations.

Central Michigan Chapter of the American Red Cross Fund Charles E. Anthony Leadership Fund Art Reach of Mid Michigan Fund

Beal City Public Schools Education Foundation Fund Richard Brandell and Joseph Sweeney

Recreation Fund

Breast and Cervical Cancer Fund Friends of the Broadway Fund William Ellis Brockman Infant Assistance Fund Central Michigan Community Hospital Fund Central Michigan Pregnancy Services

 Earn While You Learn Fund Chippewa Watershed Conservancy Fund

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Isabella Citizens for Health Fund Isabella Community Soup Kitchen Fund Isabella County Commission on Aging Fund Isabella County Fire Chiefs Association Fund

Friends of the Library Fund

Listening Ear Child Sexual Abuse Treatment Fund Listening Ear Consumer Needs and Dreams Fund

Listening Ear Crisis Center Fund Dave and Sue Keilitz CMCH Fund

Chris Maniteau Memorial Wrestling Fund Ray and Georgia Martin Leadership Fund

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Scholarship Funds:

The following funds were established to provide scholarships and educational stipends in accordance with the guidelines set by the donors who established them.

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Learning Scholarship Fund Matthew J. Boles Memorial Scholarship Fund Nancy Carey Memorial Scholarship Fund Joyce and Gerry Carter Scholarship Fund Dr. Joyce Ann Carter Memorial Scholarship Fund Class of 2001 Scholarship Fund

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# Martineau CRC Operating Fund

The Cultural and Recreational Commission of Isabella County (CRC) was created in 1995 with the goal of benefiting area youth by developing recreational facilities. The CRC now owns The Isabella County Event (I.C.E.) Arena and the attached Morey Courts. These facilities offer a wide range of recreational activities year-round.





Steven and Deborah Martineau started the Martineau CRC Operating Fund in December, 1999, in order to help ensure these facilities will continue to offer quality recreational opportunities for all members of our community.

Steve Martineau has been involved with the Mt. Pleasant Area Community Foundation for twenty years, so he understands the importance of planting a seed in the community and allowing it to grow over time. Having watched the growth of the I.C.E. Arena and Morey Courts over the years, he also understands the significance of these facilities for community members. "These recreational assets are there for our community," Martineau said. "We need to protect them forever."

### The Mt. Pleasant Business Professionals of

America Chapter Fund

Business Professionals of America is a national career and technical student organization consisting of 23 state associations and more than 54,000 members. BPA is a co-curricular activity which is part of an education program designed to develop leadership abilities, competency in business occupations and interest in the American business system.

The Mt. Pleasant Area Technical Center (MPATC) Business Professionals of America (BPA) Chapter has had 27 years of success, with more than 300 national qualifiers, more than 700 state qualifiers and 35 national champions at the BPA National Leadership Conference, held each May. Many local young men and women have developed the business skills necessary for success through their involvement in this chapter.

Along with the countless opportunities and experiences BPA offers students, however, come significant annual expenses. These expenses include transportation, equipment, lodging, and registration. Therefore, knowing the great influence BPA has had on local students in the past, the Morey Foundation made a donation recently to help the program start an endowed fund at the Mt. Pleasant Area Community Foundation.



Starting the Mt. Pleasant Business Professionals of America Fund is the chapter's way of looking ahead to financially support its future students. Donations from local community members, along with the chapter's annual fundraising efforts, will go toward this fund to guarantee the chapter's continued success even through tough economic times.

# Mid-Michigan Industries

# Endowment Fund

The Mid-Michigan Industries Endowment Fund was established in 2001 to help MMI continue providing employment and training programs for individuals with barriers to employment. For the past 37 years, MMI has helped over 2,000 people a year achieve greater independence, better work skills and a higher quality of life.

MMI President, Alan Schilling, said the agency has received great support from the community in the past. With the uncertainty of state and federal funding, however, he said the fund is a resource MMI would like to use to support programming and special projects in the future.

"We would like to encourage those who have benefitted from the program in the past, to consider giving to the Mt. Pleasant Area Community Foundation, in the name of Mid-Michigan Industries, to help us provide quality services." Schilling said.



# Mt. Pleasant Area Community Foundation 2011 Scholarship Reception

The Mt. Pleasant Area Community Foundation awarded more than \$52,000 to 62 local students at its May 18, 2011 scholarship reception this year. The event was held, for the first time, at the Comfort Inn Conference Center, with more than 300 guests in attendance both to honor those for whom many of the scholarship funds are named and to celebrate the aspirations of the students receiving scholarships.

This year, MPACF scholarships were awarded for the first time from the Carolynn Cosan Memorial Scholarship Fund, the Ganiard History Project Scholarship Fund, the Jim Hartman Study Abroad Scholarship Fund, the Phyllis A. Heinze Mathematics Education Scholarship Fund, and the Mt. Pleasant High School Class of 1965 Scholarship Fund.

# New This Gear The Art Scholarship

The Art Scholarship is a new scholarship this year, established by an anonymous donor to support local graduating seniors pursuing a degree in Art or Art History. The scholarship aims to reward local students who have displayed a love and passion for art in the past and who plan to follow their passion as a career path after high school.



### 2011 Mt. Pleasant Area Community Foundation Scholarship Recipients

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Kendra Flaugher — Isabella Bank Scholarship	. \$750
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Chippewa Hills High School	
Brittany Simon — Isabella Community Credit	
Union Members' Scholarship	\$500
Heather Wauldron — Isabella Bank Scholarship	\$750
Clare High School	
Micah Ringelberg —	
Isabella Bank Scholarship	\$750
Alexandria Schunk —	
Firstbank Scholarship	\$750
Farwell High School	
Kalyn Bazuin —	
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Isabella Bank Scholarship	\$750
Lakeview High School	
Bailey Colon-Waite — Isabella Bank Scholarship	\$750
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Mt. Pleasant High School	
Bethany Andrews — Class of 1965 Mt. Pleasant	
High School Scholarship	\$750
Lorrin Bambach — Robert F. Murray & Co.	
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Chelsea Davis — James R. Hodgins	
Memorial Scholarship – English	\$1,000
Jared DeFrain — Isabella Bank Scholarship	
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Jalen Gilbert-Hogan — Heydenburg Family	
Scholarship	\$500
Ellyn Goncer — Carolynn Cosan Memorial	
Scholarship	\$500
Dillon Harke — Matthew J. Boles Memorial	
Scholarship – Arts	\$500
Ryan Heeke — Phyllis A. Heinze Mathematics	
Education Scholarship	\$1,000
Christopher Hinebaugh — Bruce William Wood	
Memorial Scholarship	\$500
Rebecca Kahn — James R. Hodgins Memorial	
Scholarship - Foreign Language	\$1,000
Emily Lindsay — Christopher John Andera Memo	rial
Scholarship	
Molly MacGillivray — Firstbank Scholarship	
Mariah Martinez — Rotary Scholarship	\$700
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	Jeremy Quick — Ganiard History Project	
	Scholarship	\$500
	Kelly Rocheleau — Class of 1965 Mt. Pleasant	
	High School Scholarship	\$750
	Kaitlyn Stout — Matthew J. Boles Memorial	
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