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## **Funds Established between July 1, 2007 and June 30, 2008.**

**Barber-Colman Artifacts Fund** - this fund will provide the resources necessary to retrieve, restore, preserve and display Barber-Colman artifacts at Midway Village and Museum Center in Rockford, IL.

**Sean Considine Foundation Fund** - this fund will provide resources to enable and enhance Sean Considine's charitable giving in Northern Illinois.

**East High School, Class of 1947 Fund** - this fund will provide resources for the projects of East High School Class of 1947.

**Ethnic Heritage Museum Endowment Fund** - this endowment fund will provide permanent funds to support the mission of the Ethnic Heritage Museum.

**Ethnic Heritage Museum Operating Fund** - this fund will provide resources to further the mission of the Ethnic Heritage Museum which promotes, preserves, and maintains the historic integrities of all nationalities in Rockford.

**Keeling Endowment for First Presbyterian Church** - this permanent fund will provide resources for the programs, projects and operations of First Presbyterian Church, Rockford.

**Lincoln Chapel Endowment Fund** - this fund's resources will permanently provide for the care of the Lincoln Chapel

**Lincoln Chapel Historic Restoration Fund** - this fund will provide resources for the restoration of the historic Lincoln Chapel.

**Mike Lindberg Memorial Scholarship Fund** - this permanent fund will provide scholarships for graduates of North Boone High School.

**Gloria T. Lundin Environmental Fund** - the resources from this fund will advance care and protection of the environment.

**MCCPA Endowment Fund** - this fund will provide resources for the on-going operations of the Midway Theater.

**Midway Theater Capital Campaign** - this fund will provide for the renovation and restoration of the Midway Theater.

**Maureen and John J. Morrissey Fund** - this fund will provide resources for the charitable work of the Morrissey family.

**Rockford Promise Endowment Fund** - this fund will permanently provide scholarships for students graduating from the Rockford Public School District.

**Sandquist Family Fund** - this fund will further the charitable intentions of the Sandquist Family.

**Swedish Hosting and Hospitality Fund** - this fund will provide resources for the hosting of Swedish dignitaries, delegations, and other groups or individuals important to the continued development of relationships between Rockford and Scandinavia.

**Ernest and Charlene Stachowiak Memorial Fund** - this scholarship fund will provide scholarships to students in Northern Illinois.

*For a complete list of funds at the Community Foundation, please see our website.*

## **Discretionary Grant Funds**

### **Community Needs Fund**

Community Needs is the largest grant-making fund in the endowment of the Community Foundation of Northern Illinois. It supports a broad range of charitable purposes. Each year a committee of community representatives and Foundation trustees carefully reviews proposals and selects programs to receive grants.

**Foundation Trustees:** David Thompson (Chair), Bob Hammes, Nancy Hyzer, John Morrissey

**Community Advisors:** John Armstrong, Holly Holm, Roger Reithmeier, Trudy Reynolds, Mike White

#### **Community Needs**

Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Miss. Valley	\$5,000.00
City of Gardens	\$5,000.00
Community Foundation of Northern Illinois	\$15,000.00
Easter Seals of Metropolitan Chicago	\$20,230.00
Keep Northern Illinois Beautiful	\$5,000.00
Northern Illinois Community Health Foundation	\$25,000.00
Rock River Valley Pantry, Inc.	\$15,000.00
Rockford Area Arts Council	\$1,000.00
Rockford Mass Transit District	\$25,300.00
Rockford Sexual Assault Counseling, Inc.	\$15,000.00
<b><i>Community Needs Fund Grants</i></b>	<b>\$131,530.00</b>

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**Additional Community Needs Funds of the Community Foundation**

**Armer F. Ahlstrand**

The Literacy Council	\$7,750.00
<b><i>Total Armer F. Ahlstrand Fund Grants</i></b>	<b>\$7,750.00</b>

**Norris A. & Margaret K. Aldeen**

Crusader Community Health	\$5,000.00
Illinois Growth Enterprises	\$9,944.00
<b><i>Total Norris A. &amp; Margaret K. Aldeen Fund Grants</i></b>	<b>\$14,944.00</b>

**Barber-Colman Management**

Abilities Center	\$8,915.00
Boys & Girls Club Association of Rockford	\$3,500.00
Neighborhood Housing Services of Freeport	\$21,500.00
Northern Illinois Center for Nonprofit Excellence	\$7,500.00
Northern Illinois Food Bank - Rockford Branch	\$7,500.00
The Arc of Winnebago, Boone & Ogle Counties	\$7,500.00
<b><i>Total Barber-Colman Management Fund Grants</i></b>	<b>\$56,415.00</b>

**Dr. Courtney J. and Margaret Hutchins Hamlin Family**

Hoo Haven Wildlife Rehabilitation & Education Center	\$8,000.00
Janet Wattles Center	\$8,000.00
<b><i>Total Dr. Courtney J. and Margaret Hutchins Hamlin Family Fund Grants</i></b>	<b>\$16,000.00</b>

**Ralph E. and Mildred Johnson**

Booker Washington Association, Inc.	\$24,639.00
<b><i>Total Ralph E. and Mildred Johnson Fund Grants</i></b>	<b>\$24,639.00</b>

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## **Bengt and Mary Kuller Endowment**

Blackhawk Area Council, Boy Scouts of America	\$9,500.00
Northern Illinois Hospice Association and Grief Counseling Center	\$7,879.00
<b><i>Total Bengt and Mary Kuller Endowment Fund Grants</i></b>	<b>\$17,379.00</b>

## **Dr. Louis and Violet Rubin Fund**

Angelic Organics Learning Center	\$25,000.00
Barbara Olson Center of Hope	\$8,200.00
No Idle Zone	\$7,500.00
Rockford Rescue Mission	\$4,813.00
University of Illinois College of Medicine at Rockford	\$20,000.00
<b><i>Total Dr. Louis and Violet Rubin Fund Grants</i></b>	<b>\$65,513.00</b>

## **Meryle A. Stockhus**

Access Services of Northern Illinois	\$4,000.00
Children's Home and Aid Society	\$20,000.00
Discovery Center Museum of Rockford Inc.	\$26,000.00
Winnebago County CASA	\$5,000.00
<b><i>Total Meryle A. Stockhus Fund Grants</i></b>	<b>\$55,000.00</b>

***Total Community Needs Fund Grants*** **\$389,170.00**

## **Howard D. Colman Memorial Fund**

The Howard D. Colman Memorial Fund provides resources for broad, general purpose programs in the community. Grants are determined by a committee of employee volunteers at TAC.

## **Howard D. Colman Memorial**

City of Rockford - Police Department	\$3,000.00
Early Learning Council of the Rockford Area	\$13,200.00
Midway Village and Museum Center	\$3,300.00
Milestone, Inc.	\$4,921.40
Patriots' Gateway Community Center	\$1,620.00
Rockford Area Habitat for Humanity, Inc.	\$2,000.00
The Arc of Winnebago, Boone & Ogle Counties	\$10,000.00
YMCA of Rock River Valley	\$4,668.00
<b><i>Total Howard D. Colman Memorial Fund Grants</i></b>	<b>\$42,709.40</b>

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## **TAC, LLC Charitable Contribution Fund**

This fund is a pass-through account held at the Community Foundation on behalf of TAC employees who oversee the allocation of all its grants.

### **TAC, LLC Charitable Contribution**

Angelic Organics Learning Center	\$7,500.00
Community Foundation of Northern Illinois	\$4,000.00
Community Foundation of Northern Illinois	\$15,000.00
Easter Seals Children's Development Center	\$6,000.00
Goldie B. Floberg Center	\$4,000.00
Natural Land Institute	\$4,000.00
Northwest Community Center	\$5,000.00
<b><i>Total TAC, LLC Charitable Contribution Fund Grants</i></b>	<b>\$45,500.00</b>

## **President's Discretionary Fund**

The President's Fund allows the chief executive officer of the Community Foundation of Northern Illinois to use discretionary dollars to support our region's youth.

### **President's Discretionary**

Auburn Freshman Campus	\$500.00
City of Gardens	\$500.00
Community Foundation of Northern Illinois	\$514.07
Community Foundation of Northern Illinois	\$500.00
In Youth We Trust	\$500.00
National Council of Negro Women, Rockford Chapter	\$500.00
PAWS Humane Society	\$175.00
Rock Valley College ALAS Club	\$100.00
Rockford Public Schools	\$500.00
Rockford Regional Chamber of Commerce	\$500.00
Rockford Symphony Orchestra	\$360.00
TLN TV 51	\$500.00
<b><i>Total President's Discretionary Fund Grants</i></b>	<b>\$5,149.07</b>

## Field of Interest Grant Funds

### Family Crisis Fund

The Family Crisis Fund provides financial assistance to individuals and families who have experienced profound human crisis. Referrals are made by a network of social service agencies, which includes Janet Wattles Center, Love, Inc., Northern Illinois Area Agency on Aging, Regional Access and Mobilization Project, Inc. (RAMP), Shelter Care Ministries, The Salvation Army, Working Against Violent Environments (WAVE), and Youth Services Network. A Foundation committee evaluates all referrals.

**Foundation Trustees:** Mike Abate (Chair), Pat Derry, Terrie Hall, Ralph Kreissler

**Community Advisors:** Jennifer Jaeger, Nancy Jenkins, Margaret Paddock

***Total Family Crisis Fund Grants*** **\$37,979.45**

### Crone's Coin Fund

The Crone's Coin Fund is dedicated to filling a need in Winnebago, Ogle, Stephenson and Boone Counties by providing for the housing, medical or subsistence needs of women 62 years or older.

***Total Crone's Coin Fund Grants*** **\$12,291.18**

### Natural Disaster Immediate Needs

Inspired by the opportunity for neighbors to take care of neighbors, and being sensitive to the hardship suffered by victims of the *100 Year Flood* which occurred twice in a twelve month period, the Community Foundation of Northern Illinois, in partnership with the Rockford Register Star and WREX TV, challenged the Rockford community to raise \$100,000 to aid the August 2007 flood victims and subsequently to aid future victims of natural disasters in Winnebago County.

With an initial commitment of \$15,000 from the Community Foundation's Community Needs Fund, and other lead gifts totaling \$20,000, the Rockford community generously responded with a total of \$90,207.86 in pledges and contributions for the Natural Disaster Assistance Fund. An additional \$15,000 was received by the Foundation designated for a Natural Disaster Endowment Fund.

**Total Natural Disaster Immediate Needs Fund Grants** **\$23,053.61**

### **In Youth We Trust Fund**

In Youth We Trust began in 1994 with a grant from the Ford Foundation of New York City. Its purpose is to encourage philanthropy and leadership development in young people. In 2007 - 2008 the program brought together over 25 high-school-aged students from the Northern Illinois region. These young people reviewed and awarded grants to applicants proposing youth initiated community service projects. In addition, In Youth We Trust Council members benefit from meetings with community leaders, and they carry out their own community service projects.

#### **Council members in 2007-2008:**

**Officers:** Anju Goyal - President, Ben Lantz - Vice President, Joanna Bares - Secretary, Jim Bauer - Executive Member, Daniel Rohrer - Membership Chair, Attali Clauson - Volunteer Chair

**Members:** Stuart Baits, Amy Gargenera, Marissa Giannangeli, Tommy Patterson, Jay Pirages, Chase Prieve, Emily Puckett, Kelly Sandquist, Kelsey Schroeder, Erin Schutt, Josh Sorenson, Jessica Sporman, Diana Stockwell, Sarah Weatherford, Tiffany Williams, Hayden Wilsey

**Foundation Trustees:** John Morrissey, Jean Vitale

**Community Advisor:** Barbara Berman

Boy Scout Troop 14	\$1,500.00
Boy Scouts of America - Troop 121	\$815.00
Eisenhower Middle School Environmental Club	\$2,500.00
Hononegah High School Library Advisory Group	\$1,790.00
Keith School Interact Club	\$1,000.00
Miller Magic Productions	\$2,269.00
Owen Blue Bonnets 4-H Club	\$1,946.00
Roots & Wings	\$1,570.00
Tenotchtitlan	\$2,500.00
The nFACTOR	\$2,335.50
Winnebago County health Department	\$2,500.00
Winnovation Robotics Team	\$2,500.00
Youth Enriching Lives through Love (YELL)	\$540.00
<b>Total In Youth We Trust Fund Grants</b>	<b>\$23,765.00</b>

## Neighborhood Grants Program

Since its formation in 1995, this program has awarded over \$440,000 to neighborhood-based groups and organizations working to improve the quality of life in their neighborhoods. A committee of community representatives and Foundation trustees carefully reviews proposals and selects programs to receive grants.

**Foundation Trustees:** Terrie Hall (Chair), Gary Ecklund

**Community Advisors:** Gary Anderson, Sarah Bell, Don Bissell, Pastor Ken Board, Jody Derry, Co Leber, Vicki Manson, Ruth Miller, Barbara Pittman

Avon Group	\$1,000.00
CEGNW Chestnut Elm Green Neighborhood Watch	\$1,000.00
Central Park Home Association	\$357.17
City of Gardens	\$2,500.00
Coronado Haskell Neighborhood Association	\$81.27
Ethnic Heritage Museum	\$1,200.00
Forest Avenue Neighborhood Group	\$752.00
Haight Village National Register Historic District	\$2,000.00
JASSY Neighborhood Watch Group	\$2,200.00
North End Square Neighborhood Association	\$2,500.00
North Highland Square Neighborhood Association	\$2,200.00
ORCHID -Third Union College Neighborhood Watch	\$2,000.00
Promise of Life Kishwaukee Corridor Neighborhood Association	\$500.00
River District Association	\$500.00
Rockford Neighborhood Network	\$1,000.00
Serenity Neighborhood	\$700.00
SWIFTT	\$1,500.00
West End Do'ers	\$1,400.00
<b>Total Neighborhood Fund Grants</b>	<b>\$23,390.44</b>

### Margaret K. Aldeen Christian Ministry Fund

The Margaret K. Aldeen Fund was established through a generous bequest from Margaret K. Aldeen to provide resources for projects that meet the food, housing and medical needs of the poor, primarily through organizations with a Christian emphasis. Each year a committee of community members and Foundation trustees carefully reviews proposals and selects programs to receive grants.

**Foundation Trustees:** Sue Bernardi (Chair), Nate Martin

**Community Advisors:** Carrole Banks, Father David Beauvais, Jeff Huber, Larry Jacobs, Glen Kirschman, Susan Meyers, Kristine Zibell

Centennial United Methodist Church	\$1,101.58
Habitat for Humanity of Boone County	\$2,000.00
Rockford Area Habitat for Humanity, Inc.	\$2,000.00
Rockford Area Lutheran Ministries	\$9,500.00
The Jericho Project, NFP	\$7,300.00
The Jericho Project, NFP	\$2,500.00
TLN TV 51	\$1,783.50
Zion Development Corporation	\$5,000.00

**Total Margaret K. Aldeen Christian  
Ministry Fund Grants** **\$31,185.08**

### Community Arts & Humanities Fund

The Community Arts & Humanities Fund of the Community Foundation of Northern Illinois enhances the quality of life in the region by providing funding for arts programming. Each year a committee of community representatives and Foundation trustees carefully reviews proposals and selects programs to receive grants.

**Foundation Trustees:** Judy Graff (Chair), Terrie Hall

**Community Advisors:** Erica Carroll, Anne Hagney, Jeff Layng, TJ Leake, Anne O'Keefe, Dorothy Paige-Turner, Mary Ann Smith, Paula Turner

Artists' Ensemble Theater	\$1,800.00
Barbara Olson Center of Hope	\$2,500.00
Dakota School District #201	\$2,500.00
Girl Scouts - Rock River Valley Council	\$5,000.00
Haskell Academy	\$4,000.00
Lincoln-Douglas Society of Freeport	\$1,000.00
Lincoln-Douglas Society of Freeport	\$9,000.00
Mendelssohn Performing Arts Center	\$4,000.00
Music Academy Foundation	\$4,000.00
Rockford Symphony Orchestra	\$5,000.00

**Total Community Arts & Humanities Fund Grants** **\$38,800.00**

### Donald V. and Britta A. Peterson Memorial Fund

The Donald V. and Britta A. Peterson Memorial Fund was established to support the arts and humanities. Distributions from the fund are determined as part of the Community Arts and Humanities allocation process.

Dolan Education Center	\$2,000.00
Festival of Fantasy	\$2,000.00
Rockford Art Museum	\$2,700.00
<b><i>Total Donald V. and Britta A. Peterson Memorial Fund Grants</i></b>	<b>\$6,700.00</b>

### United Cerebral Palsy of Blackhawk Region Endowment Fund

The United Cerebral Palsy of Blackhawk Region Endowment Fund supports services and activities that enhance the lives of individuals with developmental disabilities and their families. Each year a committee of community representatives and Foundation trustees carefully reviews proposals and selects programs to receive grants.

**Foundation Trustees:** Howard Sorenson (Chair), Bill Brenner, Jim Lee

**Community Advisors:** Karen Adell, Julie Anderson, Sibyl Kobza, Brendan Maher, Lisa Seger

Access Services of Northern Illinois	\$4,000.00
Epilepsy Foundation North/Central Illinois, Iowa, Nebraska	\$1,600.00
Milestone, Inc.	\$3,995.85
<b><i>Total United Cerebral Palsy of Blackhawk Region Fund Grants</i></b>	<b>\$9,595.85</b>

## Scholarship Funds

### **Charles Lee Anderson Memorial Scholarship**

This scholarship honors Charles Lee Anderson, Ph.D., valedictorian of the Sycamore High School class of 1951 and a professor of psychology at Rock Valley College for more than 25 years. As a teacher, community leader and believer in the oneness of humankind, he had little patience for those who made excuses for their failures or failed to try again. The fund provides two scholarships annually – one to a Rock Valley graduate who will be entering a university to pursue an education degree, and one to a graduate of Sycamore High School who will pursue an education degree.

*No Recipient this year.*

### **Richard L. Bernardi Memorial Scholarship**

This scholarship was created in memory of former Rock Valley College Dean of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Faculty President, and Director of Admissions and Records, Richard Bernardi. An avid tennis player, he coached RVC's women's tennis team for more than a decade and served as a regional tournament director, referee and association president. The scholarship is available to RVC students committed to completing a four-year degree and demonstrating enthusiasm, leadership and active participation in sports.

*Recipient: Michelle Regan*

### **Beta Gamma Recruitment Grant**

The Beta Gamma Chapter of Rockford, affiliated with the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, an organization of women educators, sponsors this scholarship for graduating female seniors in Boone and Winnebago counties who are planning to enter the teaching profession.

*No Recipient this year.*

### **Chief David G. Bailey Fire Science Scholarship**

This scholarship fund was established in 2004 in loving memory of David G. Bailey. Chief Bailey had a passion for fire service and believed strongly in teaching others who choose to serve their community as fire fighters. Awards are made to help fire fighters receive training.

*Recipients: Craig Burmeister and Sarah Sester*

### **Annie and Oscar Blackwell Scholarship**

Annie Blackwell established this fund to honor her late husband Oscar, a Rockford native and West High School graduate. He was a teacher at Auburn High School, the first Director of Integration for District 205, Director of Attendance and Transportation and a Personnel Hearing Officer. He worked as an insurance agent for Metropolitan and Prudential Insurance Co. and served as Director of Concord Recreation Center and Booker Washington Community Center. He is remembered for his devotion to children and justice. This scholarship is designated for the winner of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Pi Gamma Omega Chapter's Miss Fashionetta Contest.

*No Recipient this year.*

### **Randall A. Blank Memorial Scholarship**

This fund was established in memory of Randall A. Blank, a Rockford Police Officer who was shot and mortally wounded in the line of duty in 1980. Established by Mr. Blank's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Koltz, and the Police Benevolent and Protective Association – Unit 6, the fund provides scholarships to graduates of schools within the Rockford area who plan to pursue a major in Police Science.

*Recipients:*

**Benjamin Johnson**

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## **Joe Carnes Scholarship**

Colleagues of Joe Carnes established this scholarship in memory of Joe's community spirit and generosity. Joe is remembered as an active community volunteer in Crystal Lake, Illinois where he participated in Special Olympics, youth football, baseball and hockey, and was a member of the Jaycees. A pilot for United Airlines for 31 years, Joe encouraged people to actively help others. This scholarship is available to graduates of Crystal Lake South High School who are pursuing a degree in an aviation related field, public service or in education.

*Recipient:* **Stephanie Krausen**

## **Harry H. & Floy B. Chapin Scholarship**

Floy B. Chapin created this scholarship in gratitude to Durand and the surrounding communities for their support of her family's furniture store and funeral home. Following her husband's death in 1947, Mrs. Chapin became a business leader, playing an instrumental role in the establishment of Durand State Bank, Medina Nursing Home and other businesses. The Chapin Scholarship is available to Durand, Pecatonica, and Dakota high school graduates who patronize Durand businesses.

*Recipients:*

**Nikolas Blascoe  
Brenda Christy  
Aleczander Johnson  
Jessica Shere**

## **Community Foundation of Northern Illinois Scholarship**

Funded by a generous anonymous gift, the Community Foundation of Northern Illinois provides four-year scholarships each year to Winnebago County residents. The scholarship provides funding throughout a student's undergraduate education.

*Recipients:*

**Tzuruany Almonaci  
Catherine Anderson  
Lindsay Chandler  
Kelsey Cratty  
Melinda Hagaman  
Nathan Hallgren  
Samuel Lyons  
Kyle Ramirez  
Sharretta Young**

## **Margaret T. Craig Community Service Scholarship**

Margaret Craig believed fervently in supporting her community through personal involvement. This scholarship, created through a bequest of her estate, is available to high school graduates from Winnebago County who have demonstrated a commitment to community service.

*Recipients:*

**Catherine Anderson  
Tyler Bartz  
Elizabeth Buzzard  
Katherine Castree  
Kelsey Cratty  
Sierra Goldberg  
Chaz Hernandez  
Kevin Homann  
Gregory Klazura  
Kevin Lindenberg  
Brittany McCauley  
Emily Meyer  
Joline Morris  
Anna Olsen  
Michael Prosser  
Michelle Regan  
Daniel Rohrer  
Kiley Sheets  
Kristi Sims  
Kristina Stevens  
Katie Thomas**

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## **William R. Durham Drama/Theater Scholarship**

This scholarship is awarded to a high school graduate or graduating senior who lives in Winnebago or Boone counties with a GPA of at least 3.0 and plans on attending a four year college or university to obtain a M.A. or B.A. The recipient must intend to teach theater or work professionally as a theater performer or technician.

*Recipient:* **Cassandra Rose**

## **Roger L. Ekstrom Memorial Scholarship**

This scholarship was established in loving memory of Roger L. Ekstrom by his family. The scholarship is awarded annually to a Guilford High School graduating senior, who was a member of the high school boys or girls golf team, and has actively participated in other school and/or community volunteer projects.

*No Recipient this year.*

## **Helen R. Finley-Loescher Scholarship**

Dan G. Loescher established this scholarship in 1992 in memory of his mother Helen. Helen was a lifelong resident of Freeport, Illinois and graduated from Freeport High School in 1933. There she shared her notable artistic abilities by illustrating school yearbooks and other publications. This scholarship is available to Freeport High School graduates who have participated in fine arts studies in high school and plan to further their fine arts educations.

*Recipient:* **Katrin Regan**

## **John Flynn Memorial Scholarship**

This scholarship was established in loving memory of John Flynn who passed away in March 2006. A resident of Pecatonica, Illinois, John graduated from Pecatonica High School in 1965, and received a B.S. degree in Economics from the University of Wisconsin – Madison in 1970. He was a dedicated member of the Pecatonica School Board for 18 years, serving as President for the last five years. John co-founded the Pecatonica Education Foundation, was past-president of the Pecatonica Fans Club, and participated as a member of Pecatonica football's "chain-gang" for over 20 years. He served on the Winnebago County Special Education Co-Operative, the Wisconsin Alumni Club of Rockford's scholarship committee, and the Pecatonica Improvement Association. John was a lector at St. Patrick Irish Grove Catholic Church for 25 years, volunteered at Provena St. Anne's Nursing Center in Rockford and was a long-time emcee for the Pecatonica Memorial Day Parade.

In honor of John, the Flynn family would like to congratulate and recognize a Pecatonica High School senior who has given back to the community through his/her community service and volunteerism. Special consideration may be given to a candidate with an agricultural background.

*Recipient:* **Rachel Klinger**

## **Louis J. Franchini Rockford Police Department Scholarship**

The Rockford Police Department received a generous gift from the estate of Louis J. Franchini in 2003 and established this fund to provide scholarships to high school graduates in Winnebago County who plan to pursue a career in law enforcement.

*Recipients:*

**Michael Adams**

**Andrew Davis**

**Benjamin Johnson**

**Bradley Kuczynski**

## **L.H. Geddes Memorial Fund**

Leslie Geddes is remembered for his passion for quality community law enforcement. Mr. Geddes died in 1981. He was the President of Greenlee Brothers and Co., Chair of the Winnebago County Police Merit Commission, served on the Illinois State Police Merit Commission and was a marksmanship instructor. This scholarship is awarded to officers of the Rockford Police Department, Winnebago County Sheriff's Department and Illinois State Police for continuing law enforcement education.

*Recipients:*

**Michael Ahrens**

**Benjamin Boeke**

**Eric Bruno**

**Carl Heintz**

**Vince Kelly**

**Eric McLain**

**Gregory Ross**

### **Nettie and Jesse Gorov Scholarship**

The purpose of this scholarship is to provide a full-year's tuition to a full-time student attending or planning to attend a qualified two-year or four-year college or university. The recipient must be a student currently enrolled in or accepted for enrollment as a full-time student at a qualified two-year or four-year college or university and must demonstrate character, scholastic attainment and financial need.

*Recipients:*

**Abbie Bradford**  
**Heather Christy**  
**Kelly Goldthorpe**  
**Katherine Krause**  
**Eduardo Mujica**  
**Ricardo Recendez**  
**Amy Sherlock**  
**Serena Womac**

### **Amber Huber Memorial Scholarship**

Cathy and Jeff Huber established this scholarship in memory of their exuberant and determined daughter, Amber, who died of cancer in 2003 at the age of 20. She graduated from Byron High School and was a sophomore at the University of Iowa majoring in communications. This scholarship is available to female graduates of Byron High School who are active in cheerleading or track and field.

*Recipients:*

**Leah Conroy**  
**Andrea Maines**

### **International Management Council (IMC) Scholarship**

Since 1970 the International Management Council has provided quality leadership and management development for supervisors and managers to enhance professional growth, community roles and individual personal development. IMC members throughout the Northern Illinois region are provided with monthly seminars, networking opportunities, and education focusing on personal, professional and community leadership skills.

This scholarship provides resources to a Winnebago County high school senior who has been accepted into an accredited college and will major in a business-related field.

*Recipient:* **Robert Westfall**

### **In Youth We Trust College Award**

In Youth We Trust is a youth philanthropy program of the Community Foundation of Northern Illinois. This award recognizes graduating seniors of the In Youth We Trust Council who have demonstrated outstanding commitment to community service.

*Recipients:*

**Attali Clauson**  
**Amy Garganera**  
**Anju Goyal**  
**Ben Lantz**  
**Daniel Rohrer**  
**Jessica Sporman**

### **Ashley E. Ketcher Memorial Scholarship**

Sarah Ketcher and family friends established this scholarship in memory of Sarah's 16 year old daughter Ashley, an Auburn High School student who died in a car accident in 2003. This scholarship is available to Auburn graduates of the CAPA program who plan to study the performing arts.

*Recipient:* **Brittany Roberts**

### **La Voz Latina Scholarship**

Created by an anonymous donor, this scholarship honors high school graduates of Hispanic origin who reside in Winnebago County and are pursuing higher education.

*Recipients:*

**Isaura Flores**  
**Mario Rutiaga**  
**Soledad Sandoval**

### **Leopold Education Project Scholarship Fund**

This fund provides scholarships for students who are seeking a four year degree at an accredited college or university which will lead to a career in the natural resources field.

*Recipients:*

**Patrick Killian**  
**Eric Zagorski**

### **Buster Lindsay Memorial Scholarship**

Established in memory of beloved teacher, multi-sport coach and athletics director Kenneth D. "Buster" Lindsay, this scholarship provides financial aid to student athletes from Jefferson High School who pursue undergraduate studies and who demonstrate Lindsay's work ethic, determination and ability to surmount life's challenges.

*Recipient:* **Brianna Kuhn**

### **Kari Lotko Memorial Scholarship**

Joanne and Andy Lotko have established this scholarship in memory of their 14-year-old daughter Kari Ann, who was a Boylan Catholic High School freshman when she died in February 2004 after a automobile accident. The scholarship is available to female high school graduates who are members of the Boylan High School soccer team and/or the Sirens soccer team, are community-service minded and active in their religious faith.

*Recipient:* **Nicole Carlson**

### **May - Cassioppi Scholarship**

This fund was established to honor the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the coaching careers of Don May and Gene Cassioppi. The award, available to Guilford High School graduates, honors the character traits of strength, discipline and loyalty which the two Guilford coaches have worked to instill in their swimmers and divers.

*Recipient:* **Stephanie Kramer**

### **Keith Maffioli Scholarship**

Flora June Fredine established this scholarship in memory of her son, a member of the 28<sup>th</sup> Division in Europe during World War II, who died in 1945. The scholarship is available to high school graduates in Boone, Ogle, Stephenson and Winnebago counties who excel academically and demonstrate financial need.

*Recipients:*

**Isaura Flores**  
**Chandra Smith**

### **Dr. George A. Muck Scholarship**

In memory of Dr. George A. Muck, this scholarship is awarded to a member of First United Methodist Church, Belvidere, Illinois. Dr. Muck received his Ph.D. in Dairy Science in 1962 from the University of Illinois. His entire career was spent at Dean Foods Company, serving as Vice President of Research and Quality Assurance for 32 years. Dr. Muck nurtured young people, helping them fully realize their potential, and mentoring them to become all that they could be. George Muck was an avid St. Louis Cardinal and University of Illinois Illini fan and enjoyed showing shorthorn cattle with his children and grandchildren.

*Recipient:* **Jane Abernathy**

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## **Susan Kay Munson Gilmore Memorial Scholarship**

A Mendota Township High School graduate and a faculty member at Guilford High School, Susan was fatally wounded in a 1995 carjacking incident. In her honor, Guilford High School established the Gilmore Career Guidance Center and students planted a tree in her memory. This scholarship is awarded each year to a Guilford High School graduate and a Mendota Township High School graduate who plan vocational careers.

*Recipients:*

**Allison Henning  
Coleman Mauch**

## **Paul and Ruth Neidhold Business Scholarship**

Paul and Ruth Neidhold were well-known business owners in the Harvard community. They were both involved with their community, and specifically supported Harvard High School. This scholarship honors the Neidholds by granting funds to graduates of Harvard High School who plan to major in business.

*Recipient:* **Robert Dion**

## **Northwest Community Center Scholarship**

Created through an anonymous gift, this fund enables Northwest Community Center to award a scholarship to a graduate of a Rockford High School, living in Northwest Rockford.

*Recipients:*

**Lindsey Chandler  
Kelsey Cratty**

## **William Pigott Memorial Scholarship**

Friends, family and business associates established this fund in memory of the ingenuity and energy of William Pigott, founder and owner of A-1 Wire Tech, Inc., who died in a farming accident in 2000. The scholarship is available to residents of Boone, Ogle and Winnebago counties who plan to major in engineering.

*Recipient:* **Kevin Lindenberg**

## **RAMI Music Scholarship**

Family and friends of Gary S. Wilmer established this fund to memorialize his contributions to the region's modern music scene as founder and publisher of RAM Magazine, an early organizer of On The Waterfront and one of the founders of the Rockford Area Music Industry (RAMI) annual awards. The scholarship is available to Boone and Winnebago County residents who are active in music performance and who plan to pursue a music degree.

*Recipient:* **Wesley Mouri**

## **Mark A. Reid Memorial Scholarship**

R. James and Jane Reid established this fund in 1985 in memory of their son Mark's enthusiastic and optimistic spirit. This scholarship is awarded to graduates of Oregon High School.

*Recipient:* **Daniel Gilmour**

## **Rockford Area Habitat for Humanity College Scholarship**

This scholarship provides financial resources for residents of Rockford Habitat for Humanity homes who wish to begin or continue their college education.

*No Recipient this year.*

## **Dr. Loomis/Rockton Lions Club Scholarship**

A service club committed to the betterment of the Rockton community, the Rockton Lions award scholarships each year to two graduating Hononegah High School seniors. Students are chosen for their academic excellence and community involvement.

*Only One Recipient:* **Molly Stiffler**

### **Rockton Lions Club Scholarship**

A service club committed to the betterment of the Rockton community, the Rockton Lions award scholarships each year to two graduating Hononegah High School seniors. Students are chosen for their academic excellence and community involvement.

*Only One Recipient:* **Kevin Homann**

### **Deborah Jean Rydberg Memorial Scholarship**

This scholarship honors Deb Rydberg, a Guilford High School graduate who returned to her alma mater as varsity girls' volleyball coach and softball coach from 1984 to 1998. This scholarship is available to female athletes at Guilford High School.

*Recipient:* **Courtney Traser**

### **Richard J. Schnell Memorial Scholarship**

This scholarship, established in memory of Dr. Richard Schnell of Pecatonica, provides financial aid to students who have been accepted or enrolled into a dental hygiene or post-doctoral program accredited by the American Dental Association.

*Recipients:*

**Raquia Denson**

**Brock Droll**

**Natacha Herard-Exorphe**

**Anna Refai**

### **John Schumaker Scholarship**

Awarded to a rising senior student who has attended Rockford College for at least two years and has a GPA of at least 3.6, this scholarship honors a student's coursework that reflects breadth of learning and exemplifies campus citizenship.

*Recipient:* **Leann Burmeister**

### **Senior Memorial Scholarship**

This scholarship was established in 1921 to encourage seniors at Rockford High School, then Rockford's only high school, to pursue higher education. Today the principals from all four Rockford high schools nominate students to receive this scholarship and one student is chosen as the recipient.

*Recipient:* **Ashley Bailey**

### **Bonnie Sorenson Scudder Scholarship**

This scholarship was established by Howard Sorenson in memory of his sister, Bonnie, a dedicated Physical Education teacher at Harvard High School from 1968—1987. The scholarship is available to Harvard High School students with an interest in women's physical education.

*Recipient:* **Megan Keiber**

### **Ernest and Charlene Stachowiak Memorial Scholarship**

This scholarship was lovingly created in memory of Ernest (Ernie) and Charlene (Char) Stachowiak who lived in Rockford, Illinois for 50 years. They are remembered for the amazing people they were and the lives they touched. This scholarship is available to a graduating senior in Boone, Ogle, Stephenson or Winnebago counties.

*Recipient:* **Lindsay Chandler**

### **Dr. Gussie M. Ware Memorial Scholarship**

Dr. Gussie M. Ware was born in Kingston, La., and graduated from Tuskegee University, the University of Chicago and Northern Illinois University, where she earned a doctorate in early childhood education. She was an elementary school teacher, and retired as an Assistant Professor in the Department of Early Childhood Education at Northeastern Illinois University. She was deeply involved in Chicago civic and arts endeavors. Her family created this scholarship to honor Gussie's life. The scholarship is available to African-American females who have been accepted at a two or four year college or university.

*Recipients:*

**Ashley Blake**  
**Camille Blake**  
**Sierra Chandler**  
**Erica Cullens**  
**Angela Holliday**  
**Bianca Knight**  
**Diana Ogbevire**  
**Brittney Paschal**  
**Domanique Price**  
**Brittany Roberts**  
**Beonka Robinson**  
**Shantrese Zackery**

### **Diane Thompson-Wells Scholarship**

Established in loving memory of Diane Thompson-Wells, this scholarship provides funds for marching members of the Phantom Regiment who are attending a college or university.

*Recipient:* **Parker Doelling**

### **Women of Today's Manufacturing**

This scholarship was established by an association of professional women in Northern Illinois and Southern Wisconsin to promote the study and development of manufacturing technology. Scholarships are available to residents of Boone, Ogle, Stephenson and Winnebago counties in Illinois and to residents of Rock county in Wisconsin.

*Recipient:* **Elizabeth Buzzard**

### **Margaret Wyeth Scholarship**

This scholarship was established by the League of Women Voters of Greater Rockford in memory of Margaret Wyeth, a Winnebago County Board and League of Women Voters member. Margaret's husband John Wyeth, was a Rockford School District 205 Associate Superintendent and Auburn High School Principal. This scholarship honors a graduating senior who is active in social and community service.

*Recipient:* **Joline Morris**

## **Delta Kappa Gamma Zeta Chapter Scholarships**

### **Zeta Chapter Memorial Award**

This scholarship is awarded to senior female students from Boone and Winnebago counties who are planning to pursue a degree in teaching. Recipients must be academically qualified and have participated in a number of high school activities.

*Recipients:*

**Lindsay Chandler**  
**Adrienne Woolbright**

### **Karen Harter Recruitment Grant**

This scholarship will benefit a Rockford College and/or Northern Illinois University woman of sophomore or junior standing pursuing a career in secondary math or science education.

*Recipient:* **Amy Rich**

**Katharine H. Obye Award**

This award will benefit a senior female student, from a public high school in Boone or Winnebago counties, who plans to teach and who has been active in high school journalism.

*Recipient:* **Marquea McClenathan**

**Elisabeth Seegmiller Recruitment Grant**

This scholarship will be awarded to a Rockford College junior or senior woman pursuing her degree in education.

*Recipient:* **Jenna Neff**

**Carolyn Wones Recruitment Grant**

This grant will be awarded to a senior female student from one of the public high schools in Boone and Winnebago Counties who plans to pursue a degree in secondary teaching. She must be academically qualified and have participated in a number of high school activities.

*Recipient:* **Kristen Patterson**

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**Community Foundation Scholarship Committee**

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# Community Foundation of Northern Illinois Financial Highlights

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## Statement of Activities

For the Year Ended June 30, 2008

	UNRESTRICTED	TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED	PERMANENTLY RESTRICTED	TOTAL
<i>Revenue &amp; Support</i>				
Contributions	\$ 190,130	\$ 1,411,229	\$ 1,952,569	\$ 3,553,928
Liability Funds Management Fees	135,175	0	0	135,175
Investment Income	1,192,129	2,830,239	0	4,022,368
Net Assets Released From Restrictions	2,604,025	(2,604,025)	0	0
<b>Total Revenue &amp; Support</b>	<b>\$ 4,121,459</b>	<b>\$ 1,637,443</b>	<b>\$ 1,952,569</b>	<b>\$ 7,711,471</b>
<i>Grants &amp; Expenses</i>				
Grants to Third Parties	\$ 2,886,709	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 2,886,709
Program Specific Expenses	269,979	0	0	269,979
Administrative Expenses	731,795	0	0	731,795
<b>Total Grants &amp; Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 3,888,483</b>	<b>\$ 0</b>	<b>\$ 0</b>	<b>\$ 3,888,483</b>
<i>Net Realized/Unrealized Gains (Losses)</i> <i>on Investments</i>	\$ (1,429,862)	\$ (4,654,248)	\$ -	\$ (6,084,110)
<b>Total Investment Gains (Losses)</b>	<b>\$ (1,429,862)</b>	<b>\$ (4,654,248)</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ (6,084,110)</b>
<b>TOTAL CHANGE IN NET ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ (1,196,886)</b>	<b>\$ (3,016,805)</b>	<b>\$ 1,952,569</b>	<b>\$ (2,261,122)</b>
NET ASSETS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	\$ 10,358,984	\$ 22,964,325	\$ 18,187,985	\$ 51,511,294
Contributions	190,130	1,411,229	1,952,569	3,553,928
Investment Income & Gains (Losses)	(102,558)	(1,824,009)	0	(1,926,567)
Net of Management Fees				
Internal Transfer of Assets				
Released from Restrictions	2,604,025	(2,604,025)	0	0
Grants and Expenses	(3,888,483)	0	0	(3,888,483)
<b>NET ASSETS, END OF YEAR</b>	<b>\$ 9,162,098</b>	<b>\$ 19,947,520</b>	<b>\$ 20,140,554</b>	<b>\$ 49,250,172</b>

The 2008 Audit for the Community Foundation of Northern Illinois was performed by Sikich, LLC and approved by the Community Foundation of Northern Illinois Board of Trustees. These summarized financial statements are condensed from the audited financial statements which are available from the Foundation upon request.

**SUMMARIZED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

*Statements of Financial Position*

JUNE 30, 2008 and 2007

**ASSETS**

	<u>June 30, 2008</u>	<u>June 30, 2007</u>
Cash, CDs, & Cash Equivalents	\$ 1,431,612	\$ 1,267,429
Investment Securities, at Market	52,627,075	55,945,628
Receivables	5,553,971	5,681,611
Prepaid Expenses & Other Assets	64,545	88,974
Property & Equipment, Net	937,819	987,671
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<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 60,615,022</b>	<b>\$ 63,971,313</b>

**LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS**

<i>Liabilities</i>		
Grants & Accounts Payable	\$ 66,283	\$ 234,923
Custodial Funds Managed for Others	8,764,724	9,266,811
Life Interests Payable	2,201,183	2,667,803
Liabilities Under Unitrust Agreements	332,660	290,482
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<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>\$ 11,364,850</b>	<b>\$ 12,460,019</b>

<i>Net Assets</i>		
Unrestricted	\$ 9,162,098	\$ 10,358,984
Temporarily Restricted	19,947,520	22,964,325
Permanently Restricted	20,140,554	18,187,985
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<b>Total Net Assets</b>	<b>\$ 49,250,172</b>	<b>\$ 51,511,294</b>

<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; NET ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 60,615,022</b>	<b>\$ 63,971,313</b>
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## Types of Funds

**An unrestricted fund** is a good option for donors who want to be assured that their gift will always be used to meet vital needs and improve the quality of life in the Northern Illinois region. The Community Foundation staff, trustees and community advisors can help identify community needs and the most strategic way to address them.

**A donor-advised fund** is by legal definition an unrestricted fund. The Foundation welcomes donor's recommendations as to which organizations they would like to receive grants from the fund. Although the Foundation cannot, by law, be bound by these recommendations, we take them very seriously, and approve grants to recommended nonprofits governed by the highest charitable standards.

**A field-of-interest fund** is focused on issues of concern to the donor, such as child and family welfare, youth, education, human justice, environment, or preservation. The Foundation makes grants that meet current needs within the chosen category of interest.

**A designated fund** is for those who wish to support a specific organization but recognize that needs might change. Donors can establish a designated fund at the Community Foundation instead of giving directly to the charity. This ensures that the gift remains intact over time and will continue to benefit a similar cause should the needs or purpose of the charity change.

### Setting up a Fund

Any donor, large or small, may establish a fund at the Community Foundation. Donors first identify their philanthropic objectives, then the Foundation's staff helps clarify those goals and identify the means to achieve them. The fund is then named by the donor, using their own name or the name of someone to be honored or memorialized, or the fund may remain anonymous.

You can give to a fund in many ways:

**Give Now** – You can set up a fund to achieve your charitable goals now and endow it to continue your philanthropy into the future. Many donors regularly add to their fund over their lifetime.

**Deferred Gifts** – Donors can set up funds through deferred giving arrangements. The commitment to charitable giving through estate planning ensures many immediate tax benefits for the donor. Charitable Remainder Trusts, and gifts of life insurance or IRAs can be used.

**Wills** – After providing for personal bequests, a donor may include provisions for setting up a new fund with the Community Foundation or adding to an existing fund. Estate taxes are reduced, and a donor's legacy of charitable giving lives on.