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A Word From Our Presidents

I would like to thank the entire council and the executive board. You have made this year a wonderful and exciting experience. You have made a significant impact on the community through careful review of grant applications and through your participation in many new volunteer projects. I am extremely proud that we have upheld the In Youth We Trust tradition of youth philanthropy and community involvement. *-Joanna Bares, IYWT President*

Please enjoy this inaugural edition of the In Youth We Trust newsletter. The Foundation is extremely proud of our young people and their work through this unique grant making program. *-Gloria Lundin, President*



In Youth We Trust makes grants to other youth in the community who are implementing community service projects. (From left: IYWT members Jim Bauer and Emily Puckett and Winnovation members Megan Cote and Arthur Siebel)

In Youth We Trust is a program of the Community Foundation that promotes youth philanthropy, community service and leadership development. If you would like to support the In Youth We Trust permanent endowment, please send a check made payable to the Community Foundation of Northern Illinois with "IYWT" on the memo line.

In Youth We Trust

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Membership Recruitment

We had great success in recruiting new members this year! As a group we recruited 12 new members from many different schools including: Boylan, Christian Life, Jefferson, Hononegah, East, Harvest Time Christian Academy, Auburn, Lutheran, and Winnebago! If you know someone that you think would be interested in joining In Youth We Trust contact James Patterson at (815) 962-2110 ext. 11.

written by Diana Stockwell



In Youth We Trust engages a diverse group of youth from most area high schools in grant making and leadership development. (From left: IYWT members Carly Goelz, Tiffany Williams, and Carlee Bane)

Volunteer Update

One of the great things about In Youth We Trust is that we serve our community in a variety of ways. This year In Youth We Trust began volunteering at the Light the Night walk for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. We also helped at the Sara Ingrassia Dictionary sorting event as well as at a pancake breakfast that benefitted the Children's Home & Aid Society. For our Christmas project, In Youth We Trust volunteered to ring bells for the Salvation Army at Wal-Mart and after our shift we made Christmas cards that were donated to Loyaltown of Rockford. Also fun was stuffing eggs for the Undertaker's 100,000 Egg Hunt for the Rockford Park District. We stuffed 1,967 eggs in about 2 hours! In Youth We Trust continued to volunteer this year at Red Shoe Run, the Magnolia Festival and Carpenter's Place.

written by Emily Puckett

Announcing Our 2008-2009 Grantees!

Brookview Elementary School
Delta - Heartland Community Church
Ezekiel's Bread Youth Ministry
HUGS - Winnebago County Health Dept.
K-Kids and Builder's Club - Washington Gifted Academy
MELD Young Moms
Miller Magic Productions
Northern Illinois Red Ribbon Program
Oregon High School RoboHawks
Winnovation Robotics Team - Winnebago High School