

Merrick Foundation, Inc.

ANNUAL REPORT

2019



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Leave your lasting legacy in Merrick County, call us today 308-946-3707.

Merrick County Activity Center



Chuck Griffith, Executive Director

Chuck has served as Executive Director of Merrick Foundation since 2006. Previously, Chuck served as an elementary teacher, principal, curriculum director, school planner and superintendent in Nebraska, Kansas and Louisiana and served as the Director of Academic Affairs at MTTI in Kansas City. He received a bachelors, masters and educational specialist certificate from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln and obtained a Ph.D. in 1999. Chuck serves as treasurer of the Heartland Council of Foundations and on the board of the Nebraska Partnership for Philanthropic Planning. Chuck enjoys fishing, hunting, home renovation and Husker football. His wife, Kathleen, substitute teaches in Merrick County. They have two grown children, Cliff and Casey, both graduates of the University of Nebraska.

Vision Statement

The Merrick Foundation will strive to be a leader in attracting, mobilizing and focusing philanthropic resources to meet Merrick County's needs for generations to come.

Thank you to our retiring Board Members



Barry Marsh: Barry served one year on the Scholarship Committee and three years on the Grant Committee during his term on the board. He served as Board President in 2018.

Jared Wetovick: Jared served five years on the Investment/Farm Committee. He served as Board Secretary in 2017 and Board Vice President in 2018.

Welcome Newly Elected Board Members

At our annual meeting in November, Crissy Bader, Kristen Hermansen-Ryan, and Dan Poppe assumed their duties as board members. We extend a warm welcome to them.

A Message from the Board President:

In its earliest form, the word 'philanthropy', from the Greek philanthropia, simply meant love of mankind. The meaning of the word has evolved over time, but from the earliest days, human civilization has depended upon kindness directed towards strangers to improve the quality of life for all. The Merrick Foundation was formed in 1960 with this purpose in mind, to contribute to the growth of the quality of life in Merrick County by directing charitable funds to achieve the maximum benefits for the residents of Merrick County.

Now in its 59th year, the Merrick Foundation serves as a vehicle through which individuals, families, corporations, civic associations, non-profit organizations, and private foundations can make gifts to benefit the Merrick County area. Earnings from the investment of these gifts are used to address a broad range of community needs. Individual gifts and bequests are managed as a related family of funds, resulting in significant economy of scale in both investment management and administration. Through the tireless efforts of its capable staff, which includes Chuck Griffith-Executive Director, Courtney Retzlaff-Chief Financial Officer and Andrea Green- Communications & Operations, the Foundation has provided the highest quality service to donors from all walks of life.

The list of projects the Merrick Foundation has provided support for has truly been transformative. From health and safety initiatives to supporting the arts and a variety of youth programs, the Foundation has a long history of investing in Merrick County. Recent major projects include: the complete renovation and opening of the Merrick County Activities Center, support for the new Merrick Medical Center and the Merrick County Child Development Center capital campaign, the continued maintenance and enhancement of recreational activities such as the Dark Island Trail, Bader Park, and the Archer Memorial Park. The Foundation has also supported entrepreneurship and exploration camps for younger students, Leading Locally leadership training for high school students and adults, farm and business succession training for older adults. In addition, the Foundation in 2018 awarded over \$1.3 million in community grants and \$155,840 in scholarships to the county's 88 graduating High School seniors and 105 current college students.

It is an honor and privilege for me to serve the residents of Merrick County as the Merrick Foundation Board President for 2019. I would like to take this opportunity to repeat outgoing President Barry Marsh's challenge to support Foundation efforts with donations of time and/or financial resources. Every donation counts, regardless of size! The Merrick Foundation has been able to support local communities and residents in the past because of the incredible generosity and concern of its residents. Today, the need for charitable giving has never been greater. There continues to be many opportunities for the Foundation to support county residents and their activities. Your gifts enable the Foundation's Board of Directors to work in partnership with the county's seven communities to respond to varied, urgent, and changing needs. The Merrick Foundation continues to operate under its motto: "Connecting People Who Care With Causes That Matter". We appreciate and thank all who have supported and given to the Foundation. Your generous contributions will continue to improve the lives of Merrick County residents for generations to come.



Doug Van Pelt, Board President

Doug is a graduate of Central City High School and has a B.S. in Agriculture Economics from the University of Nebraska - Lincoln, a B.A. in Secondary Education from the University of Nebraska - Kearney and a M.A. in Educational Leadership from Doane College. Doug farmed in the Archer/ Central City area for 20 years before returning to school to earn his teaching degree. He has been employed by the Central City Public School district for 13 years as a Secondary Social Studies teacher. Doug and his wife, Donnette, have 7 children: Josh (wife Stacey) of Grand Island, NE. and Jake (wife Jenna) of Lincoln; Logan, Micah and Noah Carlson in college or beginning their careers; along with Kaden (age 11) and Karsyn (age 9) Van Pelt at home. Doug is also a proud grandparent of Ryan, Madison, and McKenzie Van Pelt. Doug is a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Central City, and enjoys traveling, landscaping, coaching, Husker football, and Pittsburgh Pirates baseball.

Staff



Courtney Retzlaff, Chief Financial Officer

Courtney is a graduate of Palmer High School. She received a bachelor's degree in accounting in 2012 and a master's degree in accounting in 2013, both from the University of Nebraska at Lincoln. Courtney and her husband, Clay, live northeast of Palmer where they farm and ranch. They have one daughter, Blair. Courtney attends Palmer United Methodist Church. Courtney enjoys spending time with her family and friends.



Andrea Green, Communications/ Publications

Andrea is a graduate from Central City High School. She received her Associate Degree in Business from Lincoln School of Commerce. Andrea also received her EMT/EMS Education from Central Community College and received her NREMT License in 2013. Andrea is a member of the First Christian Church. Andrea has two children, Jesse and Jordan. Andrea enjoys outdoor activities, sports, reading, making crafts and spending time with family and friends.

**Merrick Foundation Board of Directors had the privilege this past year to approve
\$337,270
in Grants to Merrick County projects.**

Merrick Foundation Grantees – Fiscal Year 2018

| | | | |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|
| American Legion Baseball | Program Support | Merrick County Youth Council..... | Dark Island Trail Clean-Up |
| Archer (Zion) Evangelical Community Cemetery | Annual Support | Merrick County Youth Council..... | After School Program |
| Burke Cemetery | Annual Support | Merrick Medical Center Foundation..... | Physician Loan Repayments & Education Programs |
| Central City Bloodmobile | Program Support | Merrymakers Association..... | Entertainment for Seniors |
| Central City Children's Theater | Missoula Children's Theater | Nebraska Christian Schools..... | 2017 & 2018 Festival of Lessons & Carols |
| Central City High School..... | Young Americans | Nebraska Christian Schools..... | Senior Trip to DC |
| Central City High School | Band & Choir Trip to Chicago | North Blue Cemetery | Annual Support |
| Central City Parent Teacher Organization | Improvements to Middle School Playground | Palmer American Legion..... | Annual Support |
| Central City Senior Center | Program Support | Palmer Child Care LLC..... | Development of Palmer Child Care Facility |
| Central Nebraska Community Action Partnership | Program Support | Palmer Commercial Club | Annual Support |
| Chapman Volunteer Fire Department..... | Bunker Gear | Palmer Public School..... | Junior/Senior Trip to DC |
| Clarks Public Library | Lego Club & After School Program | Palmer Senior Center..... | Senior Meals & Services |
| Covenant Cedars Bible Camp | Trees for Tree Identification Class | Palmer Volunteer Fire Department..... | Fireworks & Gear |
| Central City Cub Scouts Pack 102 | Annual Re-charter Fees | Palmer Wrestling Club | New Mat for Wrestling Club |
| Fellowship of Christian Athletes..... | Leadership Camp in MO | Platte PEER Group | Annual Support |
| Grand Island Northwest High School FFA | Program Support | Platte PEER Group | New Walking Bridge Honoring Pat & the late Dale Carlson |
| Heartland United Way | Go Big Give Sponsorship | Prairie Plains Resource Institute | SOAR & Youth Naturalist Camp |
| High Plains Community Schools | Band & Choir Trip to TN | Rosehill Cemetery-Roy Dinsdale..... | Annual Support |
| High Plains Community Schools | Missoula Children's Theatre | Royal Family Kid's Camp II..... | Summer Camp Support |
| High Plains Community TeamMates..... | Picnic Table & Bench (matching funds) | Silver Creek American Legion Post 263..... | Legion Baseball Field Improvements |
| Lone Tree Literary Society..... | Annual Support | Silver Creek Ball Association | Program Support |
| Maplewood Corners/Palmer Housing Authority | Sidewalk Repairs | Silver Creek Cemetery Association | Annual Support |
| Merrick Arts Council..... | Program Support | Special Olympics Nebraska | State Equestrian Competition & Support |
| Merrick County Child Development Center | Program Support | TeamMates of Central City | Four Scholarships to Seniors |
| Merrick County Historical Museum..... | Annual Support | Twin River FBLA | National Competition |
| Merrick County Historical Museum..... | Historical Marker for Heber Hord House | Twin River FCCLA..... | National Competition |
| Merrick County Home Delivered Meals Project | Home Delivered Meals for Seniors in Clarks Area | Twin River FFA..... | National Convention |
| Merrick County Sheriff's Office | Police Service Dog Program for Merrick County | Twin River Legion Baseball Program..... | Program Support |
| | | Twin River Public School..... | Student Trip to DC & NY |
| | | Twin River Youth Sports Foundation | New Mat for Wrestling Club |

Grant Application Procedures

1. The Community Grant deadline has been moved from the first of the month to the 10th of each month (following Monday if the 10th is on a weekend). Merrick Foundation meets on the 4th Monday of each month. No meeting is held in December. April's meeting is on the 4th Sunday in April (Scholarship Tea).
2. Grants are approved on the condition that grantees attend the Annual Meeting on the 4th Monday of November AND present a poster board (provided) display describing their grant.
3. Grant applications over \$10,000 may require representatives to attend a board meeting. They will be notified by the Grant Committee.
4. Grant requests over \$15,000 will be reviewed in January and June. Applicants shall be required to attend a board meeting.
5. Only one grant application form needs to be mailed to Merrick Foundation.
6. A separate (shorter) form is now available for student educational trips. It is listed separately on the Merrick Foundation web site. Schools are encouraged to apply as soon as possible for student trip funding. Grants for school trips are not to exceed the average class size in one year or twice the average class size in two years.

Application forms and grant guidelines are available on our website at merrick-foundation.org, or you may request one by phone (308) 946-3707.



Board Members

New Board Members

Crissy Bader

grew up by Ericson, Nebraska. She is a graduate of Wheeler Central High School. Crissy graduated from the University of Kearney and earned a degree in Park



and Recreation Management. Crissy and her husband, Kirk, farm and ranch near Palmer. They have three children, Regan (23), Wyatt (22), and Concey (17). Crissy enjoys volunteering for Special Olympics, fishing, snow skiing and boating. Crissy is a member of St. Peter & Paul Catholic Church in St. Paul.

Kristen Hermansen-Ryan D.D.S.

is a graduate of Central City High School. Kristen attended University



Nebraska Lincoln and UNMC College of Dentistry for D.D.S. Kristen and her husband, Nick, have three children, Charlee, Truman, and Juno. Kristen is a member of the Fairview United Methodist Church. Kristen enjoys her work, traveling, backpacking and reading.

Dan Poppe

and his wife, Diane, live in Central City and have four children; Amy and husband Chris, Kyle, Dana and Joel. Dan is a graduate of Scribner High School and University of Nebraska Lincoln earning his Bachelor



of Science and is also a graduate of School of Banking. Dan has worked in the banking business for 36 years. Dan is a member of the Heartland E-Free Church and serves as a Youth Group Leader. Dan is also part of the Merrick County Economic Development Corp., Nebraska Credit Union League Legislative Sub-committee, board member of the Litzenberg Long Term Care, member of Nebraska Christian Advisory Council, annual presenter at ESI Youth Camp, and is active in various areas of Fellowship of Christian Athletes. Dan enjoys sports and reading.

Leah Brown

graduated from Central City High School and the University of Nebraska at Kearney



with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration. She and her husband, Darrin, farm near Archer and attend Fairview United Methodist Church. Leah has four children: Aaron (24), Ashton (22), Gwyneth (13) and Gretchen (12). She enjoys volunteering with youth at her church and Palmer Public School. Leah's favorite hobby (her family might say "obsession") is travel planning.

Nicole Greving

and her husband, Shane, live in Chapman. Nicole is a graduate from Central City High School and attended Northeast Community College. She is



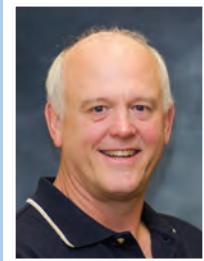
a stay at home mom of two kids, a daughter Bailey (13) and a son Braiden (10). Nicole served as the President of Central City Elementary PTO for the last four years. Nicole has finished a partial term on the foundation board and has now decided to join us for a five year, full term position. She currently is serving on the board as Secretary. Nicole enjoys spending time with family and friends.

Rodney Lee

and his wife, Sara, live in Central City and have two children, Jessica and Andrew. Rodney is a graduate of Holdrege High School and

Lisa Kershaw

is a graduate of Silver Creek Public High School and received her



Associate of Applied Science Degree in Ag Business from SCC in Beatrice. Lisa and fiance, Travis, have 2 sons, Ty and Gavin Vanek. Lisa is employed at Whitetail and is a member of the Methodist Church. Lisa enjoys spending time with family and friends.

University of NE at Kearney earning his Bachelor of Arts in Secondary Education. Rodney is employed at the Central City Mall. Rodney is a member of the Heartland Evangelical Free Church. Rodney enjoys spending time with family, golfing, Husker football and traveling.

Lori Parachini
is a graduate of Zion Lutheran Grade School in Worms, NE and Central City High School. Lori is employed at Hornady Mfg. Co. in the Sales Department in



Grand Island, NE. Lori was married to the late, Joseph Parachini for 27 years and is the daughter of the late, Otto and Georgena Frauen. Lori is a member of Zion Lutheran Church in Worms and is Clerk of Prairie Creek Township. She enjoys gardening, air boating, spending time with family and friends.

Monica Simonson

grew up and continues to make her home in Palmer. She is a graduate of the University of NE Kearney earning her Bachelor of Arts degree and Masters in Curriculum and Instruction from Doane College.



Monica and husband, Randy, have two children. Logan (26) and his wife Karly make their home South of Worms. They both work for Grand Island Physical Therapy. Bailey (22) will graduate in May with a teaching degree. Monica is employed with the Grand Island Public Schools, where she has taught for 34 years. She is a member of the St. John's Lutheran Church and a variety of educational organizations. Monica enjoys reading, Husker volleyball, traveling and air-boating.

Tara Urkoski

is a graduate of Monroe High School and Central Community College and has a degree in Nursing. Tara is employed with the Genoa Medical Facilities as Twin River Public School



Nurse. Tara and her husband, Jason, have three children, Jamison, Korbe and Tate. Tara is a member of the St. Peter & Paul Catholic Church Krakow. Tara is on the Alter Society at Krakow and is a member of the Twin River PTO and Booster Club. Tara enjoys camping, watching her children play sports and family time.

Sheri Wruble

is a graduate from Ravenna High School and received her Associate Degree in Accounting from Central Community College-Hastings. She and her husband, Jerry, farm in Clarks and have three children, Brendan, Kenzie and Evan.



Sheri is employed with Myers Insurance Inc. in Clarks, NE as a part-time licensed insurance agent. Sheri is a member of St. Peter Catholic Church in Clarks, NE, and is Treasurer for Altar Society, is the CCD Coordinator and a Teacher. Sheri is on the Board of Directors for the Storm Youth Sports program and Tri-Community Foundation, Inc. and is the treasurer for both organizations. Sheri enjoys reading, spending time with family and friends and loves watching her kids' sports activities.

Deb Beck

is a graduate from Central City High School and attended Kearney State College. After college, Deb began her employment with Pinnacle Bank.



She is currently a Mortgage, Consumer, Ag and Commercial Loan Officer. Deb is married to Dean Beck and resides in Clarks, NE. They have one son, Ryan. Ryan and his wife, Nicole have 2 children, Blake and Callaway and they live in Lincoln, NE. Deb enjoys family and friend time, gardening, landscaping, flowers, traveling, reading and as much time golfing as she can get in.

Diane Schoch

is a graduate from Fullerton High School and attended Methodist School of Nursing in Omaha, NE graduating in 1985. In 2009 she completed her Bachelor's Degree in Healthcare Administration. Diane was Chief Nursing Officer at Merrick Medical Center for the past 30 years. She is currently a Trauma



Nurse Specialist for the State of Nebraska. Diane and her husband, Roger, own and operate R&D Sprinkler Service, Inc. in the Merrick County area. The Schoch's have 3 grown children and one son-in-law, Abby and Tanner live in Clarks, Abby teaches 3rd grade at Central City Elementary and Tanner is employed at High Plains where he is a coach while attending UNK to complete his teaching degree. Amy, Central City Chamber of Commerce Executive Director and Brad, who attends UNK studying pre-med. Diane is also a member of the Presbyterian Church. Diane enjoys spending time with family especially during the summer months along the Loup River.

Tom Wagner
is a graduate of Central City High School and received a B.A. in Education from Wayne State College. Tom and his wife, Nancy, farm in Merrick County and are members of the



Episcopal Church in Central City. They have 2 grown sons, Sean and Trent. Tom is a member of the Platte Peer Group/ Bader Park. Tom enjoys working for early childhood education, volunteering and following his grandkids' activities.

Merrick Foundation Staff & Board of Directors enjoy supporting our community



Agricultural Services, Inc.
2018 Community Service Award



Merrick County Historical Museum Ground Breaking



Board Members Serving
2018 Scholarship Tea



Karen Benner
2018
Person
of the Year



Merrick County Fair



CCHS Community Clean-up



2018 Annual Meeting
Board Members Greeting Guests

GO BIG GIVE



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merrick-foundation.org

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Accumulated gifts of \$10 or more received in memory of a loved one are entered in the BOOK OF MEMORY at the Merrick Foundation office. These gifts are permanently invested and the income used for community purposes throughout the county. Memorial gifts were received this year for the following and any names not previously listed in the Book of Memory were added.

Book of Memory

| | |
|------------------------------------|-------------|
| Robert "Bob" Beck | 1936 - 2017 |
| Charles Benner..... | 1929 - 1997 |
| LaVonne Brown | 1922 - 2017 |
| Margaret Campbell | 1897 - 1967 |
| Robert V. Campbell | 1893 - 1977 |
| Dale A. Carlson | 1945 - 2018 |
| Donna Carpenter..... | 1939 - 2017 |
| Paul John Clayton | 1947 - 2017 |
| Scott A. Cotner..... | 1971 - 2005 |
| Bill E. Dexter | 1929 - 2018 |
| Elvira Dexter | 1916 - 2018 |
| Lorraine Dexter..... | 1932 - 2017 |
| Donald "Doc" Dockweiler | 1939 - 2018 |
| Donna Ferris..... | 1915 - 2003 |
| Rexford Ferris | 1913 - 1998 |
| Burr B. Glasgow | 1956 - 2018 |
| Barbara Gorgen | 1922 - 2000 |
| Floyd Gorgen | 1922 - 2006 |
| Irene Hahn..... | 1933 - 2017 |
| Norma Haith | 1922 - 1997 |
| Mr. & Mrs. Herman Harry | |
| Charles P. Hays..... | 1924 - 2017 |
| Lea R. Hays..... | 1925 - 2018 |
| Thelma M. Herman..... | 1927 - 2018 |
| John Douglas Hruza..... | 1942 - 2018 |
| Robert Husmann | 1930 - 2018 |
| Roger E. Jensen..... | 1938 - 2018 |
| James Justice | 1931 - 2018 |
| Harold Kanter..... | |
| LeRoy Kleve | 1931 - 2018 |
| Dorothy Knight | 1926 - 2018 |
| Thomas D. Kuhn | 1941 - 2004 |
| Marvin Kyes..... | 1937 - 2018 |
| Harvey "Dick" Lippincott, Jr. | 1922 - 2009 |
| Virginia Marsh | 1913 - 2008 |
| Warren Marsh..... | 1903 - 1997 |
| Wanda Maxey..... | 1934 - 2017 |
| Tom McMahon..... | 1939 - 2012 |
| Harold Parker | 1904 - 1977 |
| Lois Parker | 1923 - 2009 |
| Andrew Pollard | |
| Martha Pullen..... | 1919 - 2008 |
| Scott Pullen | 1962 - 1977 |
| Thomas D. Pullen..... | 1947 - 2018 |
| Stephen L. Sack | 1946 - 2018 |
| Robert "Bob" Schlendorf | 1932 - 2017 |
| Charles "Charlie" Scott..... | 1910 - 1999 |
| Ramona M. Senkbile..... | 1933 - 2018 |
| Audrey Smith | 1921 - 2018 |
| Effie Torpin | 1914 - 2010 |
| R. Stanley Torpin | 1916 - 2003 |
| Mary Cathryn Truesdell..... | 1941 - 2018 |
| Lucile Tyler | 1922 - 2000 |
| Wayne Tyler..... | 1921 - 1998 |
| Dennis Waggoner | 1937 - 2012 |
| Wilhelmina Wasik | 1932 - 2018 |
| Alice Duffy Wilson | 1908 - 1998 |
| Olan "Bus" K. Wilson | 1907 - 1990 |

Special Memorials

Accumulated gifts of \$100 or more creates a Special Memorial in the name of a loved one. The names are also entered in the Book of Memory if they had not previously been added. Special Memorials were received for:

Charles Benner
Margaret & Robert V. Campbell
Scott A. Cotner
Lorraine Dexter
Donna & Rexford Ferris
Burr Glasgow
Irene Hahn
Norma Haith
John "Doug" Hruza
Dorothy Knight
Thomas D. Kuhn
Harvey "Dick" Lippincott, Jr.

Virginia & Warren Marsh
Wanda Maxey
Tom McMahon
Andrew Pollard
Martha Pullen
Scott Pullen
Thomas D. Pullen
Robert Schlendorf
Charles "Charlie" Scott
Lucile & Wayne Tyler
Dennis Waggoner
Olan "Buss" & Alice Duffy Wilson

SOAR CAMP & Youth Naturalist Program

Merrick Foundation awarded SCHOLARSHIPS to Merrick County youth to attend SOAR and the Youth Naturalist Program. Sixteen Merrick County youth participated in one-of-a-kind summer camps where they explored the Platte River and surrounding environments. They learned about the natural history of the area and why the area they are from is unique and interesting. These camps get youth outdoors and help them develop naturalist skills and a love of the outdoors that last a lifetime. These youth also make new friends while attending these camps and they also benefit from interacting with guest presenters and professionals in the natural sciences, agriculture and the arts.

What is SOAR?

SOAR (Summer Orientation About Rivers) is a nature day camp where kids explore the Platte River and other outdoor environments in the area. By taking part in the many hands-on activities about science, language arts, history, agriculture and art, SOAR campers learn while having fun. The camp is for grades 3-6.

What is Youth Naturalist Program?

Campers will gain many skills, such as identifying plants and animals on the prairie, learning to grow your own food in a small garden and feeling confident about going on a camping or kayaking trip in the wilderness.

You will have the chance to meet those who work in the fields of conservation, natural resources and habitat/wildlife management.



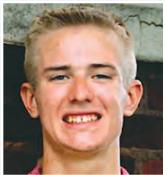
Merrick Foundation's Summer Intern, Maddie Moser shuttled the campers to and from camp



2019 SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS



Caitlyn Anderson
Austin & Cleo
Vanderford



Ian Anderson
Myrtle & Jim
Clarke



Noah Anderson
Austin & Cleo
Vanderford



Concey Bader
Barney Bockerman
Memorial;
Clinton M. Wegner



Christina Bailey
Myrtle & Jim
Clarke



Curtis Bailey
Austin & Cleo
Vanderford



Macy Baldwin
Gary Monter
Memorial



Emily Beaver
Raymond, Leonard &
Lois Steger Memorial



Douglas Beck
Austin & Cleo
Vanderford



Alyssa Belitz
Austin & Cleo
Vanderford



Trystan W. Bennett
Clinton M.
Wegner



Haylee Bernt
Clinton M. Wegner;
William & Emma
Steffen Nursing



Trinity Blase
Donald Nouzovsky
Memorial;
William & Emma
Steffen Nursing



Noah Boersen
Austin & Cleo
Vanderford



Kennedy Bogatz
Austin & Cleo
Vanderford



Stacy Bohlken
Clinton M. Wegner



Ashley Borowiak
Silver Creek Alumni;
William & Emma
Steffen Nursing



Kaley Brandenburg
Austin & Cleo
Vanderford;
Raymond, Leonard &
Lois Steger Memorial



Koby Brandenburg
Austin & Cleo
Vanderford



Madison Brandenburg
Austin & Cleo
Vanderford



Brooke Bruland
Clinton M. Wegner



Isabella Budzinski
Clinton M. Wegner



Brook Bushhousen
Dinsdale Sophomore



Donevan Callahan
Clinton M. Wegner



Laura Carlson
Albert E. &
Dorothy E. Emgarten
Memorial



Mitchell Carlson
Virgil & Nora
Lindner



Delaney Carlstrom
Myrtle & Jim
Clarke



Clay Church
Myrtle & Jim Clarke



Logan Cuba
Warren & Virginia
Marsh Memorial



Seth Czarnick
Austin & Cleo
Vanderford



Jonathan Dockweiler
Austin & Cleo Vanderford;
Dylan Van Pelt Memorial;
Ralph Stanley & Ella
Halstead Severance
Memorial



Quinton Dominick
Clinton M. Wegner



Shayla Douthit
Rogene Ecker Memorial



Reilly Dvorak
Austin & Cleo
Vanderford



Kaylee Eberle
Jack & Dorothy
Burger



Betsy Eckstrom
Clinton M. Wegner;
Mary Chochon
Memorial



Chloe Engel
Glen D. & Doris E.
Neel Memorial



Adrienne Falk
William & Emma
Steffen Nursing



Corryn Falk
Raymond, Leonard &
Lois Steger Memorial



Madison Felt
Austin & Cleo
Vanderford



Tyler Ferris
Richard Mattson
Memorial



Valerie Fousek
Warren & Virginia
Marsh Memorial



Jared Gallion
Alice Klingenberg
Memorial



Amy Gathje
Austin & Cleo
Vanderford

Scholarship Awards



Kathryn Gathje
William & Emma
Steffen Nursing



Dalton Gembica
Silver Creek
Alumni



Madison Glause
Clinton M. Wegner;
Gary Monter Memorial



Michaela Glause
Donald Nouzovsky
Memorial;
Hohnroth Family



Alexandria Gragg
Austin & Cleo
Vanderford



Isabell Green
Austin & Cleo
Vanderford;
Eugene Fishburn



Benjamin Griess
Ralph Stanley
& Ella Halstead
Severance Memorial



Cody Griess
Ray & Mildred
Miller Memorial



Bailey Hamer
Donald Nouzovsky
Memorial



Kordell Hamer
Donald Nouzovsky
Memorial



Craig Hebd
Austin & Cleo
Vanderford



Lana Hebd
Donald Nouzovsky
Memorial;
Les Johnson Memorial



Julie Hedlin
Karen & Danielle
Bannister Memorial;
Lindner-Van Pelt
Heritage



Whitney Heuermann
Albert E. &
Dorothy E. Emgarten
Memorial



Taylor Hickey
Gary Monter
Memorial



Abbie Hillmer
Raymond, Leonard &
Lois Steger Memorial



Jaxson Hinkle
Austin & Cleo
Vanderford



Timothy Hofmann
Austin & Cleo
Vanderford



Gabriella Homolka
Central City Scale;
Ernest & Peggy Nabity
Memorial; Matthew
Fishburn Memorial



Manisa Hongdilokkul
Donald Nouzovsky
Memorial



Kaylee Hostler
Elwin & Lucile Ferris;
Raymond W. Starostka
Memorial



**Yuting (Michelle)
Huang**
Donald Nouzovsky
Memorial



Benjamin Janssen
Albert E. & Dorothy E.
Emgarten Memorial



Zachary Jarecki
Austin & Cleo
Vanderford;
Industrious Student



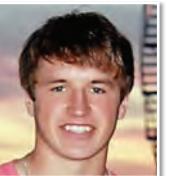
Dillon Kohl
Barry & Alta Marsh;
Edna I. Widman
Memorial



Anslei Krance
William & Emma
Steffen Nursing



Jacob Kruckenber
Austin & Cleo
Vanderford;
Myrtle & Jim Clarke



Drake Kunze
Clinton M. Wegner



Lydia Langemeier
Austin & Cleo
Vanderford



Dylan Lee
Austin & Cleo
Vanderford



Dylan Loewe
Emil & Dorothy
Czarnick



Adrian Longoria-Hanson
Austin & Cleo
Vanderford;
Elton & Nancy Erickson



Jacob Mack
Donald R. & Jackie
Sampson; Merrick
Foundation Founders



Amanda Macke
Austin & Cleo
Vanderford



McKenzie Makowski
Austin & Cleo
Vanderford



Rinrada Masatit
Austin & Cleo
Vanderford



Kylee McClellan
Clinton M. Wegner



Emilie McGinnis
Donald Nouzovsky
Memorial



Jada McHargue
Vernie L. Lock



Cole McReynolds
Austin & Cleo
Vanderford



Cora Menke
Dinsdale Sophomore



Morgan Meyer
Donald R. & Jackie
Sampson



Nicholas Meyer
Clinton M. Wegner



Madeline Moser
Rogene Ecker
Memorial



Tara Murphy
Raymond, Leonard &
Lois Steger Memorial



Anna Musgrave
Austin & Cleo
Vanderford



Linh Nguyen
Austin & Cleo
Vanderford



Carl Nielson
Clinton M. Wegner

Scholarship Awards



Emily Niemeier
Austin & Cleo
Vanderford



Sarah Niemeier
Eugene Fishburn



Bradley Nietfeld
Clinton M. Wegner



Brennan Nokelby
Donald Nouzovsky
Memorial



Emma Nowell
Verne L. Lock;
Joel Holbrook Memorial



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William & Emma
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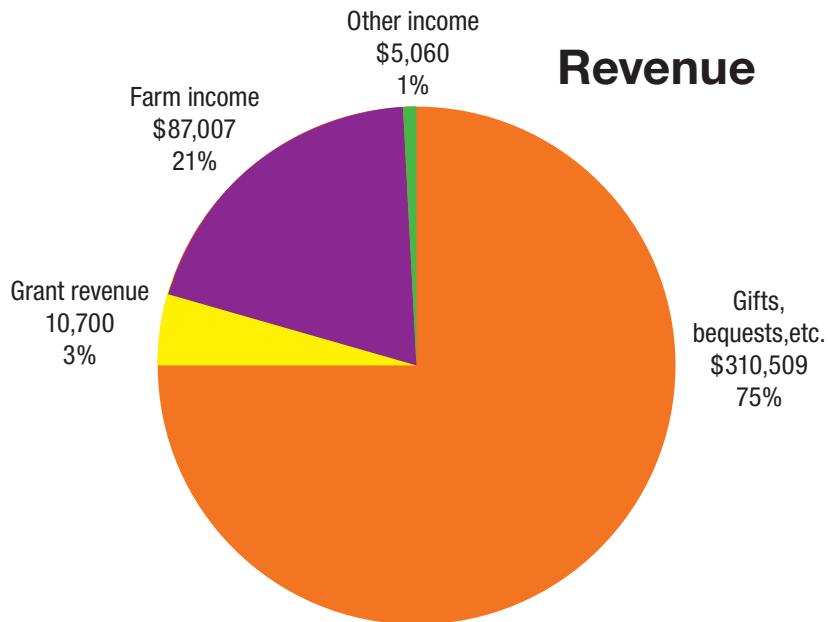
ABOVE: Front row L to R: Lacy Lemburg, Makenna Mottl, Savannah Glause, Sierra Schneider, Kassidy Shuda. Back row L to R: Chuck Griffith, Clay Brandenburger, Garrett Alexander, Kirk Hebda, Logan Kershaw, Lydia Ziomba and Andrea Green.

Merrick Foundation sponsors ESI Camp

held at the Merrick County Fairgrounds – Youth & Ag Education Building. ESI Instructor, Doris Lux, CCC Columbus Campus, Tammy Stuhr, 4-H Extension Educator, Chuck Griffith, Executive Director, Andrea Green, ESI Coordinator, and Maddie Moser, Summer Intern, all from Merrick Foundation, welcomed ten Merrick County middle school students that came together for the annual week-long summer camp in July to learn the necessary skills to start and run a successful business. The camp concluded with students selling their products during the day at the Merrick County Fair. Students may also choose to sell their products at the state fair. Students take daily trips to visit a variety of businesses and hear how they began and what is entailed in running a business. Guest speakers also talk with the students about business topics such as marketing, business legal status, social networking, assessing risks, business loans, grants and other topics. Part of the ESI curriculum teaches the students how to decide on the product they will market and sell. Local Entrepreneurs who spoke to ESI campers were: Courtney Root and Michelle Gulbrandson owners of Magnolias Salon Spa & Boutique, Miles McGinnis with Merrick County Economic Development Corp., Amy Schoch with Central City Chamber of Commerce, Cody Lawson owner of Cody's Computer Repair Service, Dan Poppe with Archer Credit Union in Central City, and Ann Heinen with Cornerstone Insurance. Local Entrepreneurs who spoke and provided lunch to ESI campers were: Aaron Kunz owner of Dairy Queen and Taco Johns, and Rodney Lee, part-owner of CC Mall.



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\$870,652 68%

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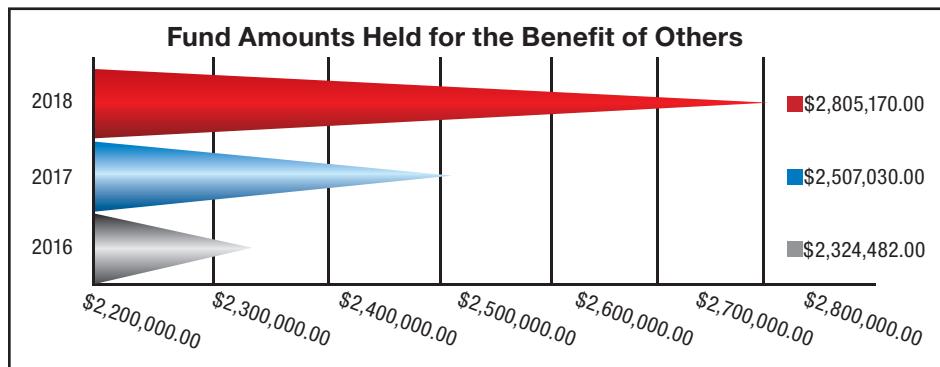
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\$8,345 1%

Total
\$1,272,880 100%

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A Bomb cyclone ripped through the state of Nebraska in the middle of the week in the month of March. Who would have ever guessed the devastation it would leave behind...

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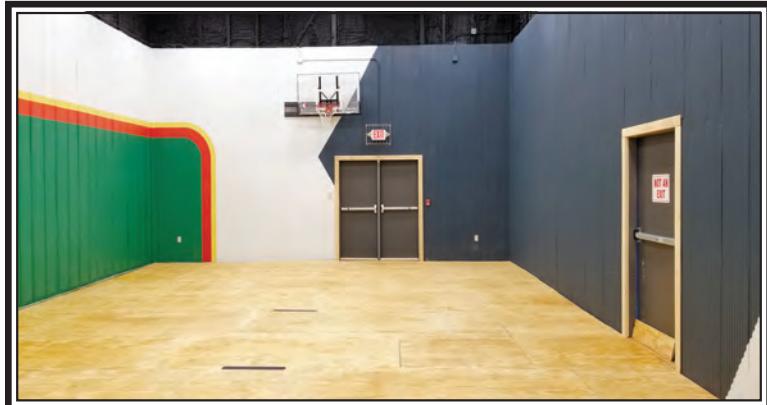
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