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MARY B. NIELSEN PRESIDENT

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

SEIZE THE OPPORTUNITY!

It's great for you and our communities!!

Every year it seems that we are bombarded earlier and earlier with advertisements for the widely recognized shopping event of Black Friday. And the "deals" begin even earlier now too! Traditionally Black Friday was held the Friday after Thanksgiving, but now those 'special deals' have begun to appear even before Halloween! Advertisers spend millions trying to entice us to buy early before that special item is no longer available, or only available at a

much greater cost. Don't get me wrong, I like to take advantage of those specials too. We all want to get more for our money; and the now famous buy one, get one free deals help us to stretch our dollars further.

On Tuesday, November 27, 2018 we'll be joining in with others from around the world for one common purpose: **to celebrate and encourage giving.** Celebrated annually on the Tuesday following Thanksgiving, #GivingTuesday kicks off the charitable season, when many focus on their holiday and end-of-year giving.

With this #GivingTuesday, we have an amazing opportunity for all of us to seize! Because of a generous donor, the Crown Point Community Foundation has a \$2 for \$1 MATCHING GRANT OPPORTUNITY to build Unrestricted Community Endowment Funds.

These Community Funds provide grants to support community needs, projects and programs three times each year through the grant process at the Foundation. Gifts made to the CPCF Unrestricted Community Endowment Fund, or to any of the named Unrestricted Endowment Funds held at the Foundation, will receive this amazing match!

What does this mean to you? For every dollar you give, two more dollars will be added. For example, if you gift \$100 to the CPCF Unrestricted Community Endowment Fund, \$200 will be added, for a total gift of \$300!

It's the perfect opportunity to get involved in improving our local communities and to give back in a very meaningful and impactful way to causes in our own backyard!

Anyone can get involved and help to enrich the lives of those in our communities. I encourage you to JOIN US in this fundraising effort and GIVE to the CPCF Unrestricted Community Endowment Fund, or to any of the named Unrestricted Endowment Funds held at the Foundation. EVERY dollar makes a difference.

Together we can continue to create a better future in South Lake County!

Thank you for your continued support and partnership,

Mary Bhiefen

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Every effort is made to accurately list our contributors. If a name has been inadvertently omitted from the newsletter, we apologize.

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ACQUIRING THIS VEHICLE HAS TRULY BEEN A BLESSING. WE HAVE BENEFITED BY PROVIDING OUR CLIENTS GREATER PROFICIENCY TO AND FROM MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS.

> JOAN WARMICK REGISTERED NURSE TRADEWINDS SERVICES, INC.







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CPCF GRANTS AT WORK

TradeWinds Services, Inc.



photos clockwise from top left: lisa previs, director of programs; garnett colman, tradewinds consumer and joan warmick, registered nurse / jon gold, ceo tradewinds services inc. / garnett colman / joan warmick, lisa previs, jon gold, garnett colman and tradewinds consumer thomas hanthorn.

Thanks to your generosity, health care was made more available to disabled adults.

A \$2,500 grant from the Crown Point Community Foundation helped TradeWinds Services purchase a specially-equipped SUV. TradeWinds Residential Group Homes allow adults with intellectual and physical disabilities to have a 24/7 residential living experience with full-time supervision, including access to a nursing staff. In addition to providing health care, the TradeWinds nurses transport residents to doctor appointments and tests.

The SUV that the CPCF helped purchase made it easier to do so. It reduced scheduling conflicts with the fleet of TradeWinds buses, lowered operating costs, and decreased the burden on nurses, who often used their own vehicles to transport residents. It is also handicap accessible.

"This vehicle has improved our internal efficiencies in transporting clients to and from medical appointments," said Terry Weaver of TradeWinds Services. "We have found the wheelchair ramp is safer and easier to use than our larger buses with lifts."

"Acquiring this vehicle has truly been a blessing," said Joan Warmick, Registered Nurse at TradeWinds Services. "We have benefited by providing our clients greater proficiency to and from medical appointments. This vehicle allows us the freedom to do spontaneous appointments and not have to struggle with transportation issues."

IT IS BECAUSE OF YOUR GENEROSITY THAT TRADEWINDS CAN CONTINUE TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE FOR PEOPLE WITH SPECIAL NEEDS BY EMPOWERING THEM TO REALIZE THEIR FULL POTENTIAL.

JON GOLD CEO TRADEWINDS SERVICES, INC.

UNRESTRICTED COMMUNITY GRANTS

THE CPCF AWARDED \$66,793.00 IN COMMUNITY GRANTS IN THE SEPTEMBER CYCLE.

Arts, Culture - \$3,300.00

Indiana Ballet Theatre NW, Inc. - \$3,300

Fund a special needs dance program as therapy for enjoying life, movement and holding down a job.

Education - \$10,000.00

Crown Point RoboDogs Sponsors, Inc. - \$2,500 Help fund robot parts for the 2019 season.

CPCSC/CPHS Vex Robotics-Underdogs 1233 - \$2,500 Provide funds to CPHS students for parts & hardware in Vex Robotics, a competitive robotics program.

Taft Middle School PTSA - \$5,000 Provide funding to purchase a mural and artwork services for the school, kicking off a "Stand up to Bullying" program.

Community Improvement - \$21,693.00

Crown Point Community Library - \$3,000 Provide Tumblebooks database access to elementary students in the Crown Point school system.

Lake Court House Foundation - \$10,000 Assist in paying for emergency repairs to the roof of the building.

Town of Winfield - \$5,693 Provide shade structures at the town's new park.

Winfield Township Trustee - \$3,000 Add landscaping and fencing at a new park in Leroy.

Food, Nutrition, Agriculture - \$4,000.00

First United Methodist Church/Buddy Bag Project - \$4,000 Provide supplemental nutrition over weekends and school breaks for students on free lunch program at MacArthur and Timothy Ball Elementary Schools.

Health - \$3,300.00

Crown Family Services, Inc - \$3,300 Provide office & program supplies for therapeutic services to at risk females.

Housing, Shelter - \$2,500.00

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Gary - \$2,500 Help fund a Lifeline Utility Assistance program to low income residents of South Lake County.

Human Services - \$7,500.00

Dunes Dog Training Club Inc/Pets N Vets program - \$3,000 Help with expenses for the Pets N Vets program.

Hair for All Foundation - up to \$2,500 match Seed money to launch a wig reimbursement for needy clients.

Knights of Columbus St. Elizabeth Seton Council - \$2,000 Help with costs for rehabbing and purchasing used bikes for needy families.

Youth Development - \$14,500.00

Best Buddies IN - \$1,000 Support the Best Buddies program at CPHS & Jerry Ross Elementary.

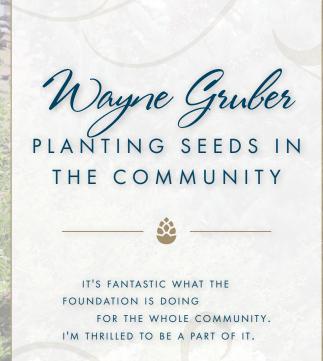
Cub Scout Pack 48 - \$3,500 Help fund a STEM program for the Cub Scout Pack.

Girls on the Run of NWI - \$2,500 Offset financial assistance for participants in South Lake County.

Lake Region Christian Academy - \$7,500 Expand the educational and character building experiences that day campers and area students have access to in South Lake County.

THE FLEXIBILITY ALLOWED BY THE UNRESTRICTED FUNDS ENABLES THE FOUNDATION TO RESPOND TO UNEXPECTED OPPORTUNITIES, CREATIVE PROPOSALS AND UNFORESEEN EMERGENCIES WITHIN OUR SOUTH LAKE COUNTY SERVICE AREA OF CROWN POINT, CEDAR LAKE, LOWELL AND WINFIELD.

> MARY B. NIELSEN CPCF PRESIDENT



WAYNE GRUBER DONOR ADVISED FUND HOLDER



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Wayne Gruber in his backyard.
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Wayne Gruber has been planting seeds since he was 10 years old. "I grew up on Hermit Lake in Crown Point," Wayne said. "Both my grandfathers grew vegetable gardens. My father had a plot and would teach me about gardening. Then my father gave me my own separate vegetable garden. I took that to another level. I would pull a little red wagon behind me and go door to door selling vegetables," Wayne said. "It was Peapod before its time! Neighbors would call my mom and place special orders like a couple of tomatoes."

The young entrepreneur then branched out into landscaping.

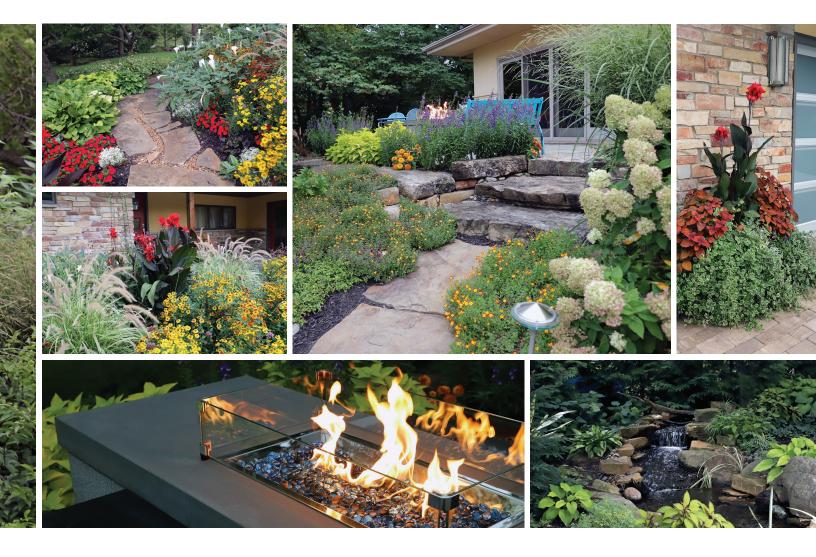
"We had a neighbor across the lake that was quite a gardener," Wayne said. "She would grow a lot of perennials and also stuff from seed. She would have me come over to her yard to show me different things and share some of her plants and seeds. First she taught me, then she hired me, which was fantastic. I was kind of the neighborhood landscaper."

Despite his green thumb, Wayne originally planned on studying psychology in college.

"The first day on campus was orientation day," Wayne said. "I asked my parents if they minded if we stopped by the horitculture department so I could pick up a book and take a look at it. I was leafing through the book and saw a major called Landscape Management Design. I said, 'this is what I would really love to do for the rest of my life.'" Four years later that was Wayne's degree.

"I worked for the Skokie Park District for one year in Skokie, Illinois. Then I worked for Hubinger Landscaping in Crown Point for fifteen and a half years. At the age of 38, I decided to start my own business." He opened Gardens On the Prairie in Lowell. Six months later was 9/11. Wayne was happy to offer his clients something healing after that tragic event.

"Horticulture therapy has always interested me," Wayne said. "Using plants to help heal people. I believe it really helps the



human spirit and mental state. Plants are part of our lives. We interact with them. We're all part of this ecosystem."

About five years ago, Niemeyer's Landscape Supply approached him about working for them. Subsequently, Mr. Niemeyer bought out Wayne's business. Working for Niemeyer's, Wayne has turned his own backyard into a horitcultural playground. "When we get plants, I bring them out to my yard to see how they will do. I like to sell what I grow."

For many years, Wayne also opened his garden to Lowell's garden walks. Wayne had a last minute inspiration for a special garden walk of his own. He approached the Crown Point Community Foundation. "I said, 'I don't know if this is going to work or not because it's only one home and people are used to a garden walk that has five to six or seven homes." But he thought he would give it a shot.

So Wayne went about setting up his very own garden walk, with the purpose of donating any proceeds to the Wayne A. Gruber Horticulture Endowment Fund, which he had previously established at the Crown Point Community Foundation. Now he wanted to watch it grow.

PLANNING AN EVENT

A GIVING PARTY IS A WONDERFUL WAY TO SHARE YOUR CELEBRATION WITH A CAUSE OR ORGANIZATION THAT YOU CARE ABOUT.

You can request that guests donate to a fund of your choice held at the CPCF. From birthdays to anniversaries to holidays and seasonal occasions, this is an increasingly popular idea for those who give back.

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Visit us at www.thecpcf.org to learn more.

"What I'm trying to do is to build this fund so that I can do beautification projects within the community. That's the idea of the fund. I know that some of the money from the Foundation goes toward those projects but this is actually designed to only go towards horticulture, educational programs or horticulture beautification in Northwest Indiana."





PHOTOS CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT: SALLY NALBOR, JERI SCHWEITZER, KATHY LISS AND JANINE FITZGERALD / HELEN SAUERMAN AND NANCY FORSYTHE / BARB LUCAS AND CAREY YUKICH / KAREN KUHN AND MARILYN KAPER / CHARLOTTE LISS AND DENISE KUIPER.

This year's annual Women's Giving Circle dinner continued its tradition of community and charity.

The Women's Giving Circle is a collective giving effort of the Crown Point Community Foundation. The WGC invites all women from the area to gain membership with a \$100 or larger annual donation which can be made throughout the year.

On the second Tuesday in September of each year, they gather to decide the local charities that will benefit from part of their giving.

This year, the ladies donated an astonishing \$20,000! They distributed \$10,000 at the dinner in \$1,000 grants and another \$10,000 was placed in the CPCF Community Endowment Fund.

This fund provides grants to support community needs and programs three times each year through the grant process at the Foundation.

"The Cedar Lake Historical Association is so excited to receive a Women's Giving Circle grant to take our programs into the community," said Julie Zasada, Executive Director of the Cedar Lake Historical Association. "We are sincerely thankful for the Crown Point Community Foundation's support of nonprofit development and growth."

The dinner, held at Youche Country Club in Crown Point, was sponsored by Kathy Roeser from Morgan Stanley Wealth Management and Megan Doherty of Nuveen Investments.

For more information about becoming a member visit www.thecpcf.org.

2018 GRANT RECIPIENTS

GRANT AMOUNT: \$1,000 EACH



CPCF PRESIDENT MARY NIELSEN, FAR RIGHT, WITH WOMEN'S GIVING CIRCLE GRANT RECIPIENTS JULIE ZASADA, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE CEDAR LAKE HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION; JULIE WENDORF, DIRECTOR OF THE CROWN POINT COMMUNITY LIBRARY; AND SUSAN MORENO, FOUNDER AND PRESIDENT OF AUTISM SPECTRUM COALITION (MAAP SERVICES).

- 1. AUTISM SPECTRUM COALITION (MAAP SERVICES)
- 2. BOYS AND GIRLS CLUBS OF GREATER NORTHWEST INDIANA CEDAR LAKE
- 3. CEDAR LAKE HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION
- 4. DOWN SYNDROME ASSOCIATION OF NORTHWEST INDIANA
- 5. FRIENDS OF CROWN POINT LEARNING CENTER
- 6. FRIENDS OF THE CROWN POINT LIBRARY
- 7. GIRLS ON THE RUN NORTHWEST INDIANA
- 8. MEALS ON WHEELS OF NORTHWEST INDIANA
- 9. MOMMY'S HAVEN
- 10. WOMEN'S GIVING CIRCLE SCHOLARSHIP FUND

THE LIBRARY DEEPLY APPRECIATES RECEIVING THE \$1,000 WOMEN'S GIVING CIRCLE GRANT TO EXPAND THE CURRENT HISTORIC HOMES TOUR PROGRAM THAT THE CROWN POINT LIBRARY PROVIDES AT NO CHARGE TO THE COMMUNITY.

> JULIE WENDORF DIRECTOR OF THE CROWN POINT COMMUNITY LIBRARY



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WHY WE GIVE: We aim to serve at the Heart of the Community in every community we serve. At Centier, through the bank and through our associates, we are investing our time, talents, and treasure to serve nonprofits and community initiatives through sponsorship, volunteerism, financial literacy programs, and making it a point to ensure that our communities are growing as we grow.

MISSION: Our mission is to provide "WOW" banking and investment experiences in Indiana through our servant heart culture. Centier Bank stands testament that no matter how large a business has grown; it is still possible to provide warm, personalized service. This comes easy to Centier associates because every effort is taken to provide a friendly working environment based on values of Caring, Loyalty, Integrity, Friendship and Fun.



JDRF Indiana One Walk:

> Centier associates had a great group of walkers and volunteers at the JDRF Indiana One Walk in September.

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COMMUNITY partners

NIPSCO

WHY WE GIVE: At NIPSCO, giving back to the communities we serve is a fundamental part of our culture. Every year, our employees volunteer and donate to a wide range of organizations that are making a difference across our service area with a focus on basic human needs, economic development, education, environmental stewardship and public safety.

MISSION: NIPSCO has served the energy needs of northern Indiana for more than 100 years. Community support and involvement has always been at the foundation of our history. We're also making significant investments to improve service, including nearly \$30 billion in identified long-term system modernization and growth programs spanning the next 20+ years.



Girl Scouts:

The Girl Scouts of Greater Chicago & Northwest Indiana learn about electrical safety at our Introduce a Girl to Engineering Day, which promotes STEM education, at the NiSource headquarters in Merrillville

Our employees and their families volunteering at the Community Harvest Food Bank (Fort Wayne) and Pax Center (LaPorte) www.nipsco.com

Dollars for Doers:

MEMORIALS

JULY 11, 2018 - OCTOBER 16, 2018

Bernice Anderson's Birthday Paul & Amy Anderson

Gordon Bate's Birthday Shirley Forney-Bates

Steven J. Bazin

Kevin & Sharon Bailey Bradley & Ann Bazin Grandchildren of Steven J. Bazin: Katherine (Ryan) Holbig Alyssa Johnson Steven M. Bazin Bridgette Bazin Jeff, Joanne & Megan Bazin Kay Bazin John & JoAnn Birdzell Paul & Donna Bremer William & Barbara Brophy Glenn & Margot Clark Kenneth & Nancy Claus Dominic & Sherri Dimarco Thomas Elder & Susan Driscoll Elder James J. Flora Jr. Joe & Delores Fodemski Friedman & Associates P.C. Linda Garcia Joseph & Donna Heuer David Holtz BJ & Kay Hubbard Barbara Ann Hugare Lloyd & Elsie Johnson Laura Joseph & Jacob Sopcak James & Barbara Kozak Emina Kustrich Hillary Laborde James & Nancy Langbehn Thomas & Rosalyn Lashenik Christine Lyons Rendell Donald & Barbara Markle Employees of Michigan City Tool & Dye James & Alice Jean Pappenheim George & Gloria Pyle Gerald & Loretta Ruschak Peggy Shaffer Paul & Linda Watland Kay Wuchner

Helen Brown

BJ & Kay Hubbard

Harold Busse James & Joanne Haag Wilbert E. & Betty Jane Buth Eugene & Linda Matzat

John Cicco Keith & Mary Nielsen

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Sally Jeanne Eibel Daniel & Jennifer Vinovich

Don Emery Marge Kerr

William & Margarete Fifield James & Patricia Fifield

Thomas Elder & Susan Driscoll Elder

Alexander Fraser Gerald & April Schaefer

Charles & Leona Garsen Patricia Williams

Larry Gradek Matthew & Sandra Bapple

James Greiner Ralph & Dottie Bosetti

Eric C. Hoffman Don & Kris Hoffman

Patsy "Pat" Hultz BJ & Kay Hubbard

Florette Kaiser George & Sharon Letz

George Kaminsky Family Richard & Roberta Kaminsky

Jim Keller Joseph & Donna Heuer Kathy Keller Joseph & Donna Heuer

Russ Keller Joseph & Donna Heuer

Frank A. Klassen Barbara Klassen

Mary Evelyn Kraft

Steven Butera Michael & Mary Certa Carl Govert Marilyn & Francis Joyce Laura Stephens James Vanderplough

Eli R. Kvachkoff Jr.

Joseph & Lori Amodeo Bernice Balicki Matthew & Sandra Bapple Gerald Caravana BJ & Kay Hubbard Jeffrey & Diane Reimer Anna Weilbaker Rich & Kathy Zondor

Ryan William Lepak

David & Deborah Barlow William Lepak Charles & Cheri Warnke

Jay Lewis

Bud & Kathy Adams Trish Alt David & Helen Batusic Joseph & Cindy Beckman Ralph & Dottie Bosetti Jack & Judy Chidsey Robert & Kathleen Conard Crown Point Bridge Club John & Louise Diederich Rosemarie Dubrovich Robert & Reba Eich James & Patricia Fifield Hank & Edie Filkowski Elsie Frame Larry & Kim Geisen Mary Ann Greiner Jon & Cindy Harts Grace Jean Henderson Thomas & Sue Honsa Michael & Mary Ann Jones James Kennedy James & Lyra Kennedy Marge Kerr

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Karen Pruzin Robert & Rosemarie Dado

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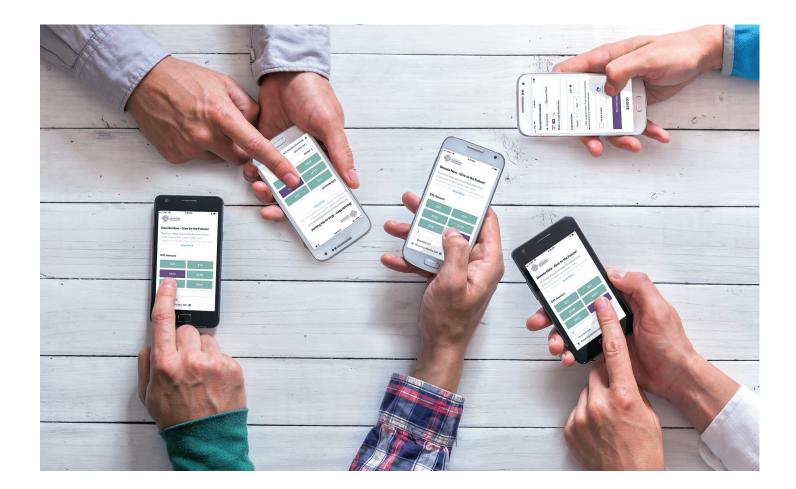
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John Wendt Jr. Ralph & Dottie Bosetti

Barbara White's Birthday Craig White

Mary Williams Rich & Kathy Zondor

Joseph & Elsie Zloza Marlene Zloza



Recurring Gifts Are a Great Way to Support Your Favorite Causes

Donations to the Crown Point Community Foundation come in all sorts of shapes and sizes. You can give gifts of cash, stock or IRA charitable distributions. You can start your own fund or contribute to an existing one. You can choose which cause you want your donation to go to or let us choose for you. And now, you can conveniently give by making a recurring monthly gift.

A recurring monthly gift is a donation that is automatically deducted from your debit or credit card or via electronic check every month. You can choose to make a monthly donation of \$25 and up. Recurring donations inspire thoughtful, planned giving. Monthly donations also increase the value of existing funds, which enables the fund to make larger grants.

"Making a recurring monthly gift to the CPCF is great for you and the community," said Mary Nielsen, the President of the Crown Point Community Foundation. "There are no checks to mail, no reminders needed, and spreads your gift over time. Your contribution helps our existing funds grow to give more to the community."

To set up a recurring monthly gift, please visit www.thecpcf.org. Click on the Donate Now link at the top of the home page. Select the gift amount and fund you'd like to support.

Choose Recurring Monthly Gift as your gift frequency to enroll as a monthly giver. It makes being generous easy. You will receive an email acknowledging your gift.

HONORARIUMS

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Lawrence & Helen Hagerman's 50th Anniversary BJ & Kay Hubbard

BJ & Kay Hubbard Steven Sutton

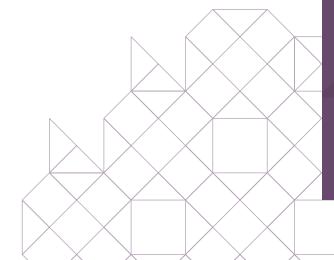
Dave & Deb Huber's 40th Anniversary John Dockus Beverly Huber Patricia Huber Jeffrey & Diane Reimer

Paula Krost Tilton's 85th Birthday Jean Ann Johnston

Jeanne VanSlyke-Huddleston's Birthday Jason Bordui & Penny Huddleston

> WE MAKE A LIVING BY WHAT WE GET, BUT WE MAKE A LIFE BY WHAT WE GIVE.

WINSTON CHURCHILL





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Franciscan HEALTH Crown Point

WHY WE GIVE: We give because our Mission and ministry go far beyond the patient in the bed. We extend the healing hands of Jesus to all who come to us needing physical, emotional or spiritual care—and those who just need to be loved. Our Mission of "Continuing Christ's Ministry in our Franciscan Tradition," in addition to our Values, are our guiding lights in meeting Jesus in every person we come in contact with. Franciscan Health is honored to be part of this community, and we pledge to do our best in making Crown Point a healthier, happier and fantastic community in which to live and raise your families.

MISSION: Since the first Franciscan Health Hospital in the United States was established in 1875, we have stayed true to our founding Mission of "Continuing Christ's Ministry in our Franciscan Tradition" by caring for everyone who comes through our doors. We treat our patients with kindness and grace by following the guiding ethical values embodied by our founding congregation, the Sisters of St. Francis of Perpetual Adoration. Those values are: Respect for Life, Fidelity to our Mission, Compassionate Concern, Joyful Service and Christian Stewardship.



Franciscan Health Crown Point hospital nurses have the honor of caring for thousands of patients

each year. They greet babies as they enter the world, provide a respectful departure for individuals as they leave this world and treat everyone in between. Nurses serve on the front lines of patient care and without them, hospitals simply cannot function.

www.franciscanhealth.org

CPCF GRANTS AT WORK

Urban Students of America, Inc.



Thanks to your support, students in different communities came together to show that we are one.

A grant for \$1,500 was awarded to Urban Students of America, Inc. (USofA). The grant funded the #WeAreOne peace wall project, which brought together students from Gary, Portage, Hobart and Merrillville to create a collaborative wall mural at Union Station in Gary.

"This is a peace wall aimed to bring together our students in the urban and underserved communities with our students in the wealthier communities and school districts to showcase that regardless of where we live at or go to school at, #WeAreOne!" said Tiana S. Johnson, President/CEO of Urban Students of America, Inc. "The #WeAreOne peace wall came about because the owners of Urban Students of America noticed the need to get our underserved students off the streets and into a controlled environment where they could be praised for something they were doing for their city." paint, brushes and T-shirts for the event.

"I really had fun doing this event," said Josiah Weathersby, a student from Gary. "I felt like I was a part of something today, and it made me feel good to know that I was a part of something beautiful."

"We are truly blessed to have encouraged the youth to complete this beautiful piece of art and have inspired them to become additional support for USofA as well as a part of our growing family," Johnson said. "Giving them an outlet and hearing them say they want to do more things to get involved proves that we have successfully appealed to them in the way we need to to keep them involved in something meaningful."

ME AND THE ENTIRE USofA TEAM COULDN'T BE MORE GRATEFUL FOR BEING ABLE TO DELIVER ON JUST WHAT WE SAID WE WERE GOING TO DO WITH THE SUPPORT OF THE CPCF.

> TIANA S. JOHNSON PRESIDENT/CEO URBAN STUDENTS OF AMERICA, INC.

The Crown Point Community Foundation grant helped to buy

WAYNE GRUBER, CONTINUED

Wayne was shocked, surprised, and felt very blessed when around 150 people showed up for his garden walk.

"I brought a bunch of plants from work," Wayne said. "I had a nice display in my garage with 15-20 new plants that were going to be coming up in 2019. It was like a fashion show for plants." Through the generosity of his friends, Wayne was able to raise over \$1,700 for his horticulture fund held by the CPCF.

The garden walk's success has Wayne wanting to plant more seeds.

"It's nice to be able to work in my community and still have some of the first people who shopped with me still come to me and ask their questions," Wayne said. "It's really neat to be in the community, work in the community, have people who I've had as my customers show up at my house. Some of them have walkers and canes but they are still gardening. Some young people came to the event. They wanted to see what's going on and get some ideas and that's perfect. That's what I designed it for."

Now Wayne wants to host more events and to add to his CPCF funds. He even recruited his mother. In lieu of gifts for her 80th birthday, Wayne asked for donations to the fund they established in his father's name. This resulted in donations of just over two thousand dollars to the Alfred J. Gruber Senior Social Studies Honorarium Fund.

"I literally want to do a spring plant fashion show to raise money for some kind of cause," Wayne said. "I want to bring in local celebrities and local people that are well known in the community. I want this to expand beyond my lifetime. I want people to always have some sort of interest and joy out of horticulture, way beyond when I'm gone. That's the reason for starting my fund."

"It's fantastic what the Foundation is doing for the whole community," Wayne said. "I'm thrilled to be a part of it."



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Five Questions for Marilyn Kaper

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Who are your heroes?

My grandfather is my hero. He loved unconditionally, he always put everyone before himself and he gave of himself in everything he did. He always said, "Find the good in everything and everyone, always give more than you receive and live your life according to God." My mission is to inspire those I interact with, carry out random acts of kindness, take nothing for granted and never forget where I came from.

What is your greatest fear?

My biggest fear is that I'll get old without having achieved all the things that I wanted. I want to make a difference.

What three character traits would your friends use to describe you?

My friends would answer confident, resourceful, faithful and devoted.

When were you most satisfied in your job?

Flowers have an emotional impact. They are usually about love and romance, but they can also be about tragedy, illness, being in the dog house, or just because. Flowers have an immediate impact on happiness no matter what the occasion. Flowers have evolved to elicit positive emotional responses from people. That's powerful! And that is when I am most satisfied in my "job". I cannot think of anything besides fresh flowers that evokes positive feelings for both the giver and the recipient. Flowers make beautiful stories.

Marilyn Kaper was born on Scott Air Force Base in Illinois. She moved to Crown Point when her father was transferred to Lake County. Marilyn has been married to Lester "Charlie" Kaper for 40 years. They have two daughters, LesLee and Lauren. Besides serving on the CPCF, Marilyn has been involved with the Hanover Central School Board of Trustees, the Indiana state legislature, Cedar Lake United Methodist Church and the Cedar Lake Chamber of Commerce. Marilyn was attracted to the CPCF because of their remarkable generosity. "They are passionate and dedicated to the needs of the communities they serve, including Cedar Lake," Marilyn said.

What are you most proud of?

I am most proud of my husband in the life we have chosen, owning our own business and having two beautiful daughters, LesLee and Lauren, who have successful careers of their own. We raised them to be very successful and strong women.



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