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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

With Thanksgiving just over, I cannot help but reflect on all the good things I am thankful for, one of them being technology. Even though this Thanksgiving looked very different than in years past due to the coronavirus, technology like Zoom, FaceTime and Google Duo, that provide video chat capabilities, came to the rescue so that we were able to share some special family time virtually, bringing a taste of 'normalcy' to our holiday celebration.

MARY B. NIELSEN
PRESIDENT

Technological advances like these have been changing the world and how we live in it. Because of them, new approaches to staying connected and solving challenges in our communities are well underway. Nonprofits and public services have pivoted to various online platforms to support their outreach efforts to assist those in need. On page 10, you'll learn how the Crown Point Fire-Rescue is continuing its important fire and life safety education programming through a new online platform initiative.

Today's pandemic has made many of us appreciate technology even more. Websites and social media have been around for some time now, but their importance in being able to provide key information and resources quickly without leaving your home or office, has brought increasing value. On page 11, our collaborative initiative to bring a one-stop-shop online hub providing a multitude of resources for small business owners and entrepreneurs is now a reality! The NWI BizHub website has officially launched and can be found at nwibizhub.com. You can follow NWI BizHub too on your favorite social media platform.

These initiatives and many more throughout our thirty years of service could not happen without you, our loyal and trusted fundholders, donors and community partners. Its because of your generosity that we exist and can continue our mission of enriching the quality of life in the communities we call home.

We ask you to remember the Foundation in your year-end giving plans. As a special incentive, you can now **Double Your Impact** with our recently announced **\$2.5 million-dollar \$1 for \$1 Matching Challenge** made available by the generosity of the Dean & Barbara White Family Foundation. See pages 6-7 to learn how your donation can be doubled, making this the perfect time of year to help those in need and to support the efforts of the Crown Point Community Foundation.

Whether it be in the form of cash or check, online donation by credit card, an IRA distribution, or appreciated stocks or securities, your gift will support the work of the Foundation today and for generations to come.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership! We wish you and yours a wonderful and safe holiday season!

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BEING ABLE TO SEE THIS DREAM OF AN ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP IN ALEC MATALIN'S NAME BECOME A REALITY HAS BEEN A LABOR OF LOVE. STARTING IN THE FALL OF 2017 AND COMPLETING IT IN SEPTEMBER OF 2020 DURING A PANDEMIC HAS JUST BEEN UNREAL!

HEIDI BIANCO
LOVE TRIBE MEMBER



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GIVE TODAY...
GREATER IMPACT
TOMORROW
MATCHING CHALLENGE

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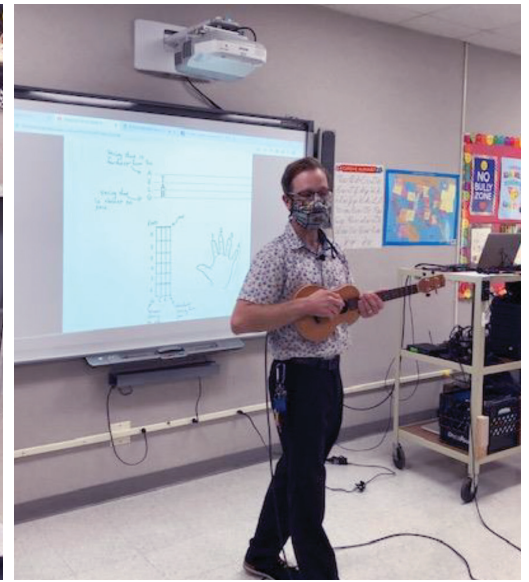
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ST. MARY CATHOLIC COMMUNITY SCHOOL STUDENTS LEARN HOW TO PLAY THE UKULELE.

With your help, students at St. Mary's School have been making some beautiful music.

A \$3,278 grant from the Crown Point Community Foundation was used to purchase ukuleles for the fifth grade music class. The ukuleles gave the students the opportunity to have hands-on experience with a stringed instrument. Ukuleles are lightweight and less expensive than guitars, and have fewer strings that are made of plastic instead of steel, making them easier to play for young learners.

The ukuleles also serve as a transition from the recorder, a wind instrument, that the students learned in third and fourth grade. The original intention was for St. Mary's to purchase a keyboard instrument called the melodica, but since melodicas are also partially wind instruments, the decision was made to purchase ukuleles instead due to concerns over COVID-19.

"Due to the circumstances, wind instruments are not in concert with COVID-19 best practices," said St. Mary Principal Tom Ruiz.

"I applaud Mr. Rossi for not being discouraged in his efforts to teach our students how to play an introductory instrument."

Learning the ukuleles will serve as a bridge between the traditional instruments and written music taught in earlier grades to the modern songwriting techniques using computers and nontraditional music that is taught to students in sixth through eighth grades. "We also have the benefit of being able to teach about chords, harmony, and how those elements of music work together with sung or played melody," said Tony Rossi, St. Mary's music teacher.

For more information about St. Mary Catholic Community School, visit www.stmarycp.org/school.

WE'RE VERY GRATEFUL FOR THE SUPPORT OF
THE CROWN POINT COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
FOR MAKING THIS HAPPEN.

TOM RUIZ
ST. MARY CATHOLIC COMMUNITY SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

COMMUNITY GRANTS

THE CPCF AWARDED \$71,810.00 IN UNRESTRICTED COMMUNITY GRANTS IN THE SEPTEMBER CYCLE.

Animal Related - \$5,770.00

Humane Indiana - \$4,470

Increase efficiency and safety of the vet surgical center that benefits the clients and volunteers.

Lake County Fairgrounds - \$1,300

Purchase pet waste bags for Lake County Fairgrounds.

Arts, Culture - \$1,000.00

Indiana Ballet Theatre Northwest - \$1,000

Renovation of the Arts Center entryway.

Economic Development - \$2,150.00

Indiana Plan for Equal Employment, Inc. - \$2,150

Receive monetary support to meet efforts in bringing more awareness to a free construction awareness program through ads and increasing participation from South Lake region residents.

Community Improvement - \$6,990.00

American Legion Post 101 - \$2,600

Replace entry doors, providing updated building security, asphalt and ladies restroom improvements for patrons' safety.

Crown Point Community Library - \$4,390

Purchase a unique book bike to increase outreach.

Food, Nutrition, Agriculture - \$8,000.00

Community Help Network, Inc. - \$7,000

Support for the "Buddy Bags" Program through newly established nonprofit.

Winfield Township Trustee - \$1,000

Improve nutritional needs for senior clients that use the Winfield Township Food Pantry.

Health - \$3,500.00

Phil's Friends - \$2,500

Increasing the amount of care packages for the Hope Center in Crown Point.

TeleHealth Access for Seniors - \$1,000

Connect seniors to their physicians and doctors for telehealth sessions.

Housing, Shelter - \$10,800.00

Mommy's Haven - \$8,800

Assist pregnant women seeking parenting options by providing physical, emotional and spiritual support during and after pregnancy.

St. Michael Church Wheelchair Ramp Ministry - \$2,000

Purchase used metal wheelchair ramps for South Lake County residents.

Human Services - \$11,600.00

Dunes Dog Club Pets N Vets Program - \$4,500

Support Pets N Vets program for vets in South Lake County.

Knights of Columbus Bike Project - \$2,000

Cover the cost of bike parts to refurbish used bikes for needy families.

Tradewinds Services - \$5,100

Upgrade property landscaping at group home located in Crown Point.

Public Safety - \$6,500.00

100 Club of Lake & Porter Counties - \$1,500

Support to families of fallen police and fire fighters.

Lake of the Four Seasons Volunteer Fire Department - \$5,000

Fund a new LUCAS CPR machine.

Youth Development - \$15,500.00

Best Buddies - \$2,000

Support Best Buddies school friendship chapters in Crown Point and open one new chapter at Eisenhower Elementary.

Crown Point Swim Club - \$3,000

Equipment for swimmers to improve performance.

Girls on the Run of NWI - \$2,500

Support the Girls on the Run program in South Lake County.

Lake Region Christian Assembly - \$8,000

Support for maintenance of pool and other activities used by campers.

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ENDOWMENT FUNDS PROVIDE GRANTS TO NONPROFIT
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NEEDS WITHIN OUR SOUTH LAKE COUNTY
SERVICE AREA OF CROWN POINT,
CEDAR LAKE, LOWELL AND WINFIELD.

MARY B. NIELSEN
CPCF PRESIDENT



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MATCHING CHALLENGE



DOUBLE YOUR IMPACT!*

Now your donation can go even further during our Matching Challenge. Every dollar you donate will be doubled, making this the perfect time of year to help those in need and to support the efforts of the Crown Point Community Foundation.

The Crown Point Community Foundation (CPCF) is excited to announce a generous **\$2.5 million dollar MATCHING CHALLENGE** made possible by the Dean & Barbara White Family Foundation. *"This \$1 for \$1 matching gift challenge will greatly assist the CPCF in its vision of becoming operationally self-sufficient and increase grantmaking that supports a broad range of community needs,"* said Mary Nielsen, CPCF President. The matching challenge provides donors the opportunity to grow endowed funds of their choice and to increase operating endowment funds to cover the operating costs of the Crown Point Community Foundation.

Consider Making A Gift Today

Every dollar raised will double your impact in supporting our

mission of enriching the quality of life in South Lake County, now and for generations to come!

Choose to Give to an Existing Fund or Establish a New Fund.

Eligible gifts include: Cash, Checks, Credit Cards, Stock Transfers, and Retirement Assets. Any questions, contact **Mary Nielsen, CPCF President**, at marynielsen@thecpcf.org or call **219-662-7252**.

To make gifts online go to: thecpcf.org/donate.html.

This Matching Challenge is available until the funding has been exhausted.

\$1 FOR \$1 MATCHING OPPORTUNITIES

OPTION A

BUILD OPERATING

For Gifts to Any Operating Fund

100% of Match - to Endowed Operating Funds



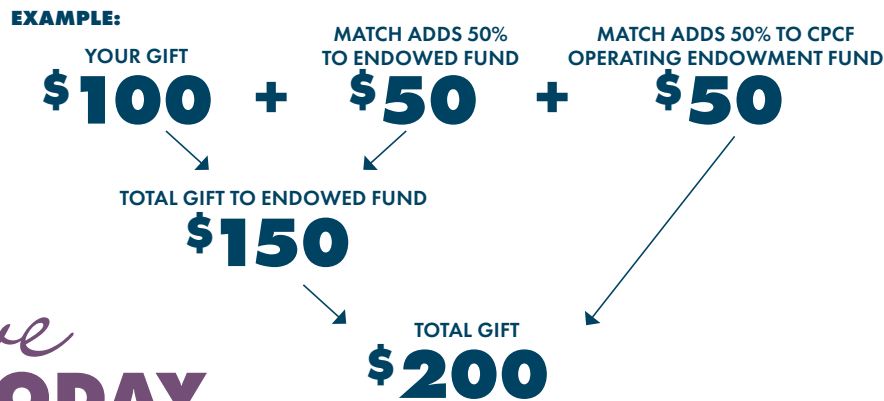
OPTION B

BUILD OTHER FUNDS + OPERATING

For Gifts to other Endowment Fund Types – including: Unrestricted, Designated, Donor Advised, Scholarship, Field of Interest, and Agency Funds.

50% of Match – to other Endowment Fund

50% of Match – to CPCF Operating Endowment Fund



WAYS TO GIVE...FOR TODAY AND TOMORROW

- 1. Cash** - Cash donations can be made by mail, dropping off at our office, or online.
- 2. Stocks or Securities** - The Foundation has the ability to accept gifts of publicly traded stocks.
- 3. IRA Distributions** - Qualified Charitable Distributions can be made directly to the Foundation from your IRA custodian, reducing taxable income regardless of whether you qualify to itemize (Distributions cannot be directed to a Donor Advised Fund).
- 4. Wills and Bequests** - Talk with your attorney and name the Crown Point Community Foundation as a beneficiary of all or a portion of your estate. Please use the following wording - "I give or bequeath to the Crown Point Community Foundation, 115 S. Court St., Crown Point, Indiana % or the sum of \$ of my residuary estate."
- 5. Life Insurance** - You can designate all or a portion of your life insurance policies, potentially saving Indiana inheritance tax and federal estate taxes.

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Neal Tyler

Barbara White on her Birthday

Craig White



ALEC MATALIN



LYNN VANHOUTEN AND THE "LOVE TRIBE"



PHOTOS FROM LEFT TO RIGHT: ALEC MATALIN / THE "LOVE TRIBE" AT THE "LOVE 2 ALEC" FUNDRAISER. BACK ROW (FROM LEFT TO RIGHT): VALERIE KRUTZ, HEIDI BIANCO, SUE TUCKER, SUMER EVANS, JENNIFER SUSLOWICZ, TIFFANY ANDERSON, DANA SPOOLSTRA, LYNN VANHOUTEN, KAREN OSTROWSKI AND ALISA MANZO. FRONT ROW (FROM LEFT TO RIGHT): PAULA FENDER AND LYNETTE GILMACK / GOLF OUTING ATTENDEES, NICK GEISEN AND LIAM OCHI

UNITED FOR ALEC

Through their fundraising and vision, Lynn VanHouten and her "Love Tribe" are keeping Alec Matalin's memory alive with the Alec Matalin Memorial "Dope" Endowed Scholarship Fund.

Alec Matalin, who passed away at 17 in 2017, was beloved by his family, friends and teammates.

An avid baseball player, Alec was fond of using the word "dope." So when his mother Lynn VanHouten founded a scholarship fund in his honor, she named it the Alec Matalin Memorial "Dope" Scholarship Fund, a pass-through Fund, with the goal of permanently endowing it. After three years of fundraising, the Fund is fully endowed. To date, the scholarship has awarded \$ 11,000.

A key to this achievement has been the constant support of what Lynn calls the "Love Tribe," a group of women that first came together when Alec and his team won the Cal Ripken World Series as twelve year olds.

"Being able to see this dream of an endowed scholarship in Alec's name become a reality has been a labor of love," said Love Tribe member Heidi Bianco. "Starting in the fall of 2017 and completing it in September of 2020 during a pandemic has just been unreal!"

"Lynn's Love Tribe consisted of many moms that put baseball as a priority for almost eight years," Heidi continued. "Like the hard work our boys put forth on the field and the many victories we saw, our fundraisers were victories. The community and families of Crown Point and even their friends and families that came aboard to help was just unbelievable. We relied on so many individuals and businesses to donate money, food, baskets, event tickets, and their time to make the events successful, and every event they were there to help! All of the events were sold out! People had fun and

always left with a smile on their face. They knew that every penny was going to that goal of an endowed scholarship. Now his memory will always be alive by giving a senior some money to reach their goals. Alec was a great kid, always the guy with a smile or goofy face. Cheering on the team and his friends with kind words. Now every year the CPCF can read his name and someone will learn about him and hopefully make him proud."

In addition to the scholarship fund, Lynn founded the Alec Matalin Memorial Endowment Fund, a Donor Advised Fund. This year, the Fund granted to Trinity Lutheran's preschool program to aid with purchasing books and party supplies in memory of Alec. Both this fund and the scholarship fund are open to new donations. For more information, visit <https://www.facebook.com/AlecMatalinMSF>.

"Alec was amazing!," Lynn said. " My hope was to create a way to share the joy he bought to all of our lives with others. Since Alec should be in college now, the scholarship was a way to do that and now that it's endowed we will be able to share his joy with a peer heading off to college forever. To have his legacy live on long after we're all gone means a lot to us especially since his time here was too short. I am so grateful to my tribe, our families, and the community for realizing how special Alec was and for pulling together to prove it. What we were able to accomplish in such a short time is incredible. We love and miss you so much Alec and I hope your smiling down from heaven with that goofy grin and thinking, 'Wow, that's Dope!'"



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DONOR ADVISED FUNDHOLDERS ANSWER THE CALL TO SUPPORT CROWN POINT FIRE-RESCUE

With the help of five fundholders, Crown Point Fire-Rescue was able to continue its educational efforts during the COVID-19 crisis.

Almost \$5,000 in grants were distributed from five donor advised funds to the Crown Point Fire-Rescue to help them develop and implement an online safety awareness and training program.

Statistically, children and elderly individuals are at a higher risk of injury or death, as well as traumatic injury or death. This risk is lessened with the presence of strong fire and fire safety education.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, all in-home fire and life safety education programs through Crown Point Fire-Rescue needed to be canceled. In order to continue this program, Crown Point Fire-Rescue needed to temporarily move their public education programs to an online platform but needed funding assistance to do so.

"When I learned of this need for funding, I knew just who to call," said Mary Nielsen, CPCF President. She called five long-time donors who had established Donor Advised Funds at the Foundation. A Donor Advised Fund provides the donor the opportunity to make grant recommendations to charities of their choice from their available annual distribution amount. "When I called these fundholders and explained the purpose of the needed funding, it was an instant yes for them to recommend a grant," Nielsen continued. Grants totaling \$4,854.39 from the following donor advised funds went towards this effort:

- Bill and Norma Rosenbower Endowment Fund**
- Cuculich Family Endowment Fund**
- Eksten Family Endowment Fund**
- Larry and Kimberly Geisen Endowment Fund**
- Robert and Peggy Ligda Endowment Fund**

"I am thankful for each of these fundholders who answered the call to support our local Fire-Rescue department. This is what community is all about; helping each other to benefit all," said Nielsen.

THROUGH AN INCREASE IN EDUCATION
AND DECREASE IN RISK, THIS PROJECT
WILL CREATE A SAFER COMMUNITY FOR
OUR FAMILIES TO LIVE, GROW AND WORK.

ANTHONY FLYNN
FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY EDUCATOR
CROWN POINT FIRE-RESCUE



A ONE-STOP-SHOP FOR SMALL BUSINESS NEEDS

NWI BIZHUB, A NEW ONLINE NETWORK, LAUNCHES TO SUPPORT NORTHWEST INDIANA ENTREPRENEURS

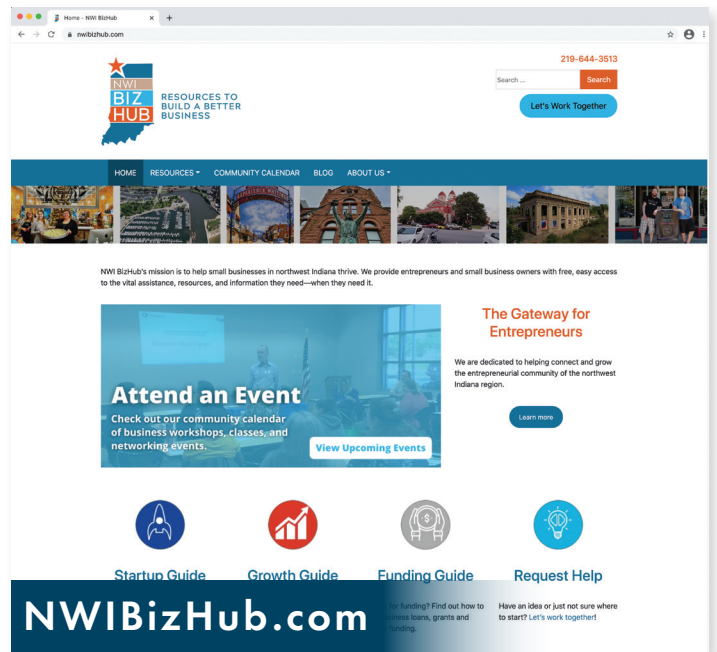


RESOURCES TO
BUILD A BETTER
BUSINESS

A collaboration among Crown Point Community Foundation, Legacy Foundation, Unity Foundation of La Porte County, Northwest Indiana Small Business Development Center and the Center of Workforce Innovations, NWI BizHub provides Northwest Indiana entrepreneurs and small business owners the tools and resources needed to start and grow their business through an easy, cost-free online referral network.

Finding a resource on NWIBizHub.com is easy. Anyone can access the network by visiting the website and clicking "Find a Resource" in the resource section of the menu bar. Alternatively, if you are unsure what resources you need for your business, you can submit a "Let's work together" form, and a personalized list of local resources will be emailed to you.

For entrepreneurs and small business owners looking to participate in an upcoming event or webinar, the website has a Community Calendar, bringing events across the region together in one place.



The program aims to foster small business growth across the region. "Providing entrepreneurs access to the resources they need creates the conditions for them to be successful, which is fundamental for healthy economic growth and prosperity," said Mary Nielsen, Crown Point Community Foundation President.

For more information on NWI BizHub, email Donna Catalano at dcatalano@legacyfdn.org.



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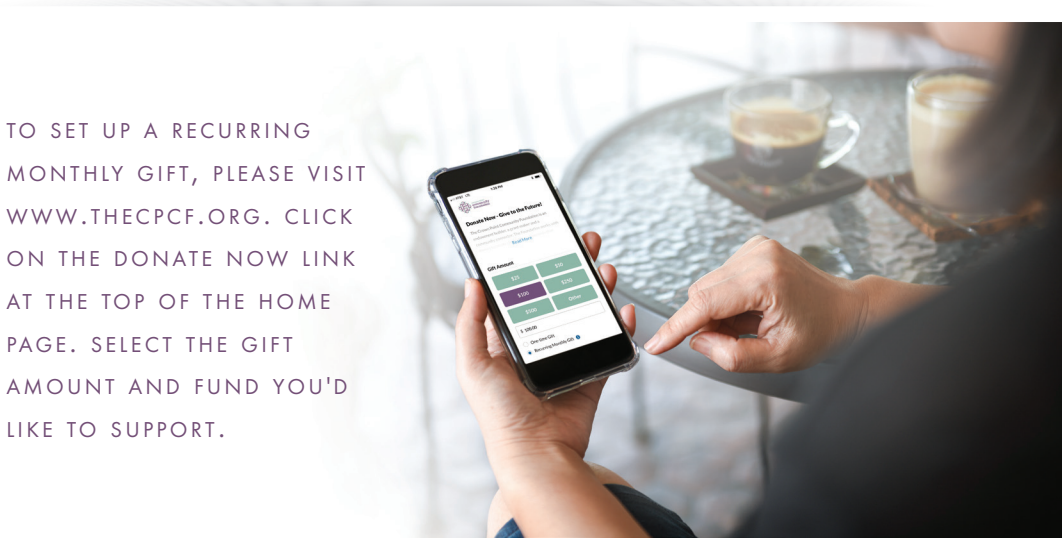
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Women's Giving CIRCLE



WOMEN'S GIVING CIRCLE GIVES TO THE **CARE-EMERGENCY AID & RELIEF FUND** RESPONDING TO THE IMPACT OF CORONAVIRUS ON SOUTH LAKE COUNTY

In lieu of selecting nonprofits to award grants to at their annual event, canceled due to the pandemic, the Women's Giving Circle provided COVID-19 relief this year to help strengthen our communities in their time of need.

The Women's Giving Circle (WGC) is a group of women who believe in collective giving. This year, the WGC raised a total of \$11,371 from its members. From that, over \$5,225 was granted to the CARE - Emergency Aid & Relief Fund to provide grants to nonprofit organizations providing goods and services to those affected by COVID-19 in our service area of Crown Point, Cedar Lake, Lowell, and Winfield. Also, \$1,000 will be used for a 2021 WGC scholarship next spring, and \$5,685 went to the Unrestricted Community Grantmaking Fund.

We sincerely thank the WGC members for their kind heart and continued support of our community! To learn more about the Women's Giving Circle, please visit www.thecpcf.org.

THE WOMEN'S GIVING CIRCLE HAS BEEN MAKING A PROFOUND IMPACT IN OUR COMMUNITY FOR YEARS, AND THIS YEAR WAS NO DIFFERENT. WE ARE GRATEFUL TO THE WGC'S MEMBERS FOR THEIR CONTINUED GENEROSITY AND SUPPORT, ESPECIALLY DURING SUCH A DIFFICULT TIME.

MARY B. NIELSEN
CPCF PRESIDENT



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WHY WE GIVE: At View Outdoor, our goal is to follow the path our founder, Mr. Dean White, paved decades ago by giving back to Northwest Indiana. We have always and will continue to work with the municipalities and service organizations that build the great foundation of this community.

We are a local company that prides itself on supporting these local communities where we, our employees and their families live. By use of outdoor advertising, we are pleased to help our local businesses and organizations bring new opportunities to this ever-growing community we call home.

Crown Point Community Foundation:

View Outdoor Advertising donated billboard space for the Crown Point Community Foundation's 11th Annual Volunteer Fair this year.



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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS OPEN JANUARY 2021

Scholarship Applications Open January 8, 2021 for Graduating High School Students and Adult Learners.

Apply online beginning January 8, 2021 by following the link on our website, www.theccpcf.org. Deadline for applications will be Friday, February 19, 2021.



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Five Questions for Lisa Grady

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Lisa Grady is a lifelong resident of Northwest Indiana and has lived in Crown Point for nearly thirty years. She and her husband Troy grew up in Griffith and attended IU Bloomington. They have three children, all of whom went to CPHS and IU Bloomington.

Lisa earned a teaching degree but transitioned into real estate, which also led her to the Crown Point Community Foundation. "I work for McColly Real Estate with my own hardworking team comprised of nine members," Lisa said. "Being out in the community, meeting people from all over the United States as they migrate to our wonderful city, I wanted to be able to give back to our community and show my gratitude for all they have done for me. I hope to combine all my passions and help foster new relationships to grow the CPCF in the upcoming years!"

1. What is your greatest accomplishment?

My greatest accomplishment/achievement has been raising our three children. To see all of them grow into respectful, productive and genuine adults has been incredibly rewarding. My husband and I value family above all else.

2. When were you most satisfied in your job?

I have been most satisfied with my career over the past three years. Over time, I have built a successful team and I'm very proud and humbled by all we have accomplished. We have the City of Crown Point to thank for much of our success! Many residents not only sell and purchase homes through us but they refer us to their extended family and friends. I have a sincere gratitude for Crown Point and all it stands for.

3. What is your personal mission statement?

Treat others as you wish to be treated. It's simple, yet I feel it speaks volumes in the way we live our lives.

4. What are your lifelong dreams?

My life long dreams have been fulfilled. I always wanted a home where I could feel safe and find peace, a family with loving children that would give me a lifetime of memories and a soul mate to share it all with. My husband Troy and I have been married for almost thirty years. I'm hoping the next thirty are filled with the same wonderful moments we have always had. And I'm hoping for grandchildren one day!

5. What do you work toward in your free time?

I love to garden and decorate my home. Both are strong passions of mine and help me to relax. Working in my yard and watching all the flowers come to life every season gives me a lot of gratification. I am also over the top with holiday decorations! The change of seasons always inspire me to make our home as warm and inviting as I can. I love to entertain and share our home with friends and family.



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The Crown Point Community Foundation is a public charity. Small donations are just as important as large donations to make sure that we serve the public's best interests.

OUR SUPPORT FOR THE COMMUNITY DOES NOT COME FROM JUST ONE PERSON, ONE FAMILY, OR ONE COMPANY BUT A STEADY STREAM OF CONTRIBUTIONS FROM A BROAD CROSS-SECTION OF THE GENERAL PUBLIC.

If you have a cause you care about in the community, we have a fund to support your interest. It's easy to make a donation. Mail your check today in the enclosed envelope provided or simply donate online at: thecpcf.org/donate.html. We invite you to be a part of your public Foundation so that together we can do more good things in our community!

Upcoming Crown Point Community Foundation Events:

Scholarship Applications for Graduating High School Students and Adult Learners Open | Friday, January 8, 2021



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