

CULTIVATING COMMUNITY



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dear COMMUNITY

Thornapple Area Enrichment Foundation had a wonderful year! We held our first ever TAEF Trivia Night to raise funds for community granting. This fun and successful event raised over \$2,000.00 that will be awarded to community and educational grants this year in addition to the \$10,000.00 that we award annually.

We also honored Scott and Deb McKeown as our 2018 Hometown Heroes. During the award ceremony Scott and Debbie graciously pledged \$5,000.00 in matching funds to be utilized for the immediate needs of our community.

TAEF is proud to host 53 funds. This year we welcomed the Village Players' Scholarship Fund! We look forward to awarding this scholarship to the 1st recipient in the spring of 2019!

We would not be where we are today without the support of our generous community. TAEF has accomplished so much in our 26 year history. With your help we can continue to cultivate a strong community, now and forever.

Kristen R Cove

Kristen Cove, TAEF President

board of TRUSTEES

Left to right: Rob Blitchek (Superintendent – TK Schools), Emily Welker, Shelley Erb, Becky Zellmer, Annie Halle (BCF/TAEF Liaison), Kristen Cove (Board President), Janis Fitzgerald, Mike Bremer (Board Vice President), and Jeff Wolverton (Board Treasurer). Not pictured Kyle McKeown, Matt Palmer, Craig Stolsonburg (Board Secretary), Brady Zellmer (YAC Representative), and Beth Hannapel.



SCOTT & DEB MCKEOWN 2018 HOMETOWN HEROES

Deb and Scott McKeown have touched many lives in the Barry County area by giving of their time, talents and treasures. They are role models for community service, are passionate about Barry County, and look for ways to make a difference.

The couple started their accounting business, McKeown Kraii Professional CPAs, in Middleville in 1985. They worked together in the accounting business and have been able to provide training and opportunities for many young professionals. In addition to having their own accounting firm, the McKeowns have been active in many community organizations. Deb was one of the first board members of the Thornapple Area Enrichment Foundation and also sat on the BCF Board of Directors. Deb currently sits on the marketing committee for the Barry Community Foundation. Deb was also a founding member of the Women's Giving Circle and served as the finance director at the Middleville United Methodist Church.

Scott serves on the Barry Community Foundation Board of Directors, the Hastings City Bank Board and the BCF Investment Committee. He participated on a national committee called "REDPIN" (Rural Economic

Development & Philanthropy Innovative Network) along with several other community members to create a community wide focus on workforce and talent development. Scott also served on the Spectrum Health Pennock Foundation Board. The couple also assisted in estate planning for Scott's Uncle, Samuel McKeown, creating a very robust and well-funded scholarship program for TK students.

Deb and Scott value what the community and the schools have given their family. They believe that TK and the Middleville community have been a true partner in raising their 4 boys all of whom returned home to Middleville to start their own successful careers. Kyle and Michael are working in the accounting business, Brian has an established dental practice, and Patrick is an emergency room physician at Spectrum Pennock Hospital.

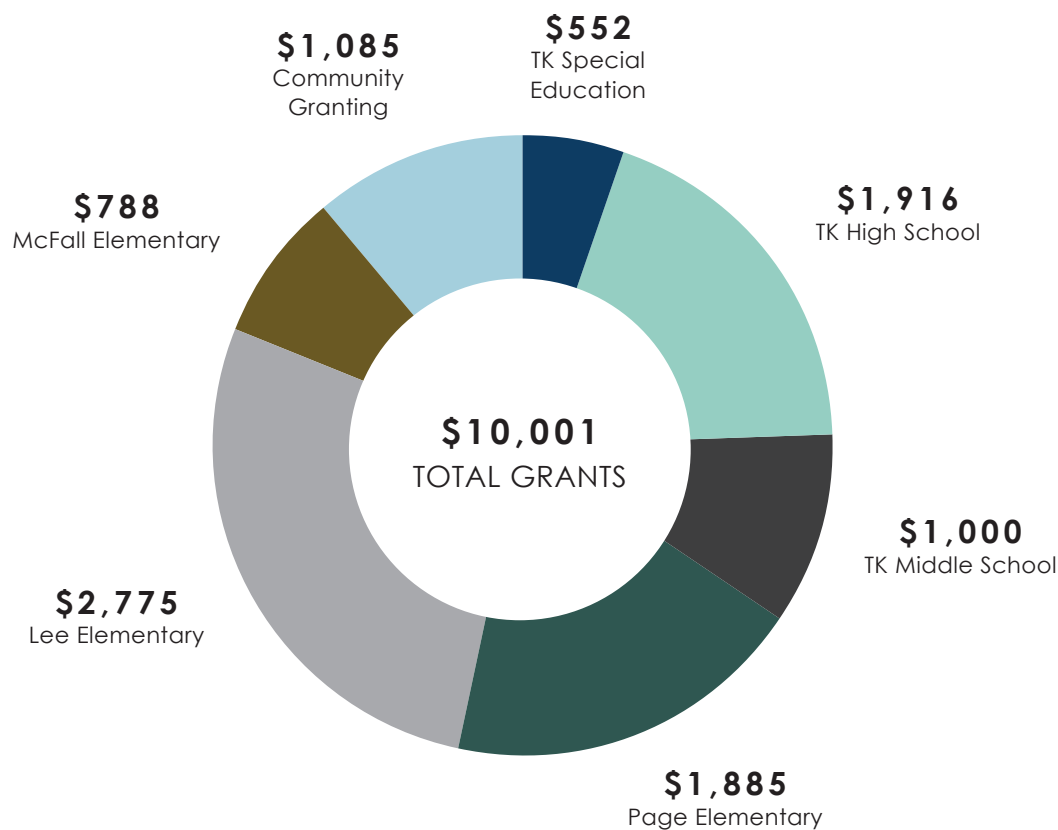
By example Scott and Deb have taught their boys the value of faith, family, hard work, dedication, education and community service. Each of their children are now living out those same values and are teaching them to their own children, creating a legacy that will impact our community for generations to come.



Left to right the McKeown Family: Patrick, Kathy, Amber, Brian, Scott, Deb, Kyle, Alex, Megan, and Michael

TAEF GRANTING

+ THE BREAK DOWN



+ THE PHILOSOPHY

The Thornapple Area Enrichment Foundation's (TAEF) granting philosophy is to support the needs of both the Thornapple Kellogg School District and the community of Middleville. TAEF is both excited about the opportunity to engage a wider range of community supporters and to assist a more diverse group of grant applicants.



educational GRANTING

+ \$552 GRANTED TO THE TK MODERATE COGNITIVE IMPAIRMENT CLASSROOM for Therapeutic Horseback Riding sessions at the YMCA. Forty students have benefited from the program and have gained many skills and empowerment.

+ \$250 GRANTED TO THE TK HIGH SCHOOLS ODYSSEY OF THE MIND TEAM to offset expenses associated with World Finals which allowed all team members the option to compete.

+ \$780 AWARDED TO PAGE ELEMENTARY to purchase ukuleles to start its new ukulele music program. The program will raise the interest, performance level and music theory levels of TK music students.

+ \$1,000 GRANTED TO TK MIDDLE SCHOOL to support its True Success Program which is designed to reward and inspire good character in students.

+ \$380 GRANTED TO TK HIGH SCHOOL to provide transportation for TK juniors to visit four different colleges introducing college life and fostering a college bound identity.

+ \$1,500 AWARDED TO LEE ELEMENTARY to purchase Next Generation Science Standards to enhance its ability to offer all students interactive science instruction that promotes analysis, interpretation of data, critical thinking, problem solving and connection across science disciplines.

+ \$775 AWARDED TO LEE ELEMENTARY to update the playground by adding two 4 square courts and purchase new rubber balls for students.

+ \$786 AWARDED TO TK HIGH SCHOOL for Science in Real Life & Results Program, which gives students the opportunity to learn content in a more meaningful way.

+ \$500 GRANTED TO TK HIGH SCHOOL for a community service motivational speaker.

+ \$1,000 AWARDED TO LEE AND PAGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS for Technology Plus Arts Equals Masterpieces which allows students to use stylist brushes to build art-confidence and to share their art work through the Artsonia website.

+ \$604.67 GRANTED TO PAGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL for educational manipulative that support learning across content areas and learning styles.

+ \$788 AWARDED TO MCFALL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL for the Sensorimotor Moms and Dads Program. This program uses volunteer moms and dads to help students with motor skill development an important first step in a student's academic success.

+ \$300 AWARDED FROM THE FITZGERALD ODYSSEY OF THE MIND & ARTS FUND for a curtain for the high school musical, Cinderella.

community GRANTING

+ \$500 AWARDED TO THE YMCA B-BUS a new mobile library serving students throughout the entire county during the summer months when access to literature is so important. The B-Bus is a county-wide collaboration between the school districts, Barry County YMCA and the local public libraries.

+ \$285 GRANTED TO THE THORNAPPLE PARKS AND RECREATION for an Eagle Scout Project to build new benches at the Lee and McFall baseball fields.

+ \$300 AWARDED TO THE FREEPORT DISTRICT LIBRARY to host a Michigan author visit at the library for adult readers.

2018 SCHOLARSHIP recipients

Congratulations to the 2016 Thornapple Area Enrichment Foundation scholarship recipients. We are committed to providing support for our Thornapple Kellogg High School graduates by helping them achieve their postsecondary aspirations. This year almost \$42,500 was paid in scholarships to area students.



Adam Johanson

Adam Dipp
Samuel McKeown
Memorial



Alexandra Blair

McCullough Family
TK
Millicent Grace
Knox Teacher
Robert Evans
Memorial



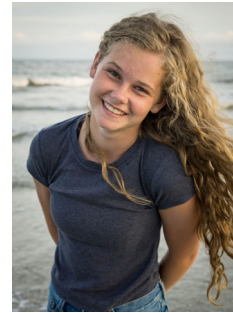
Alexis Hanchett

McCullough Family
DK (Delton Kellogg)



Austin Pillars

Travis Wenger 4-H



Eden Beyer

Terri Yoder
Memorial



Grace Brown

Dr. Wayne and
Marie Finkbeiner
Samuel McKeown
Memorial
Thomas Hamilton
Tennis Memorial
Gun Lake
Women's Club - TK



Justin Scholten

Adele & Arnold
Parker



Lia Miller

Lorraine Dahlgren
Memorial



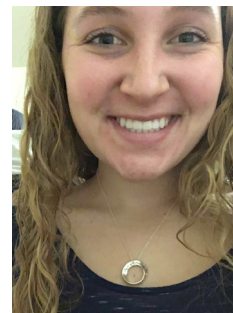
Logan Garbrecht

Thornapple
Kellogg Tradesman
Scholarship



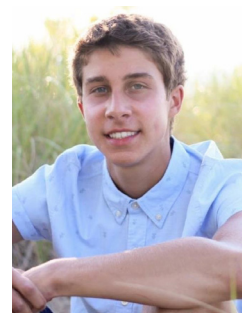
Maddisen Robirds

Rodney and Rena
Schad Memorial



Madeline Buehler

Beth Helrigel
Wester Memorial
Lois Ann Nagel
Seppanen
Memorial
Samuel McKeown
Memorial



Nic Comeau

Ray Page
Scholar-Athletic
Memorial



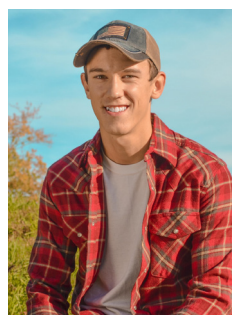
Hannah Wright
TAEF Class of 1957



Hope Archer
Mom's Scholarship



Jaymee Kars
Francisca C. Vrona
Memorial
Gerald L. Page
Education
Scholarship
Jane Morris 4-H



Jordan Postma
John and Maxine
Robertson Family



Josie DeHaan
Marshall Segar



Sabrina Pummill
Mom's Scholarship



Samuel Ogrodzinski
Tad Thatcher
Memorial



Tess Scheidel
Julie Bender
Women's Athletic
Scholarship
Samuel McKeown
Memorial



Tiffany McCloud
Mom's Scholarship



Trinity Palasek
Jon and Kay
Simpson
Matching - RKW
Working Student

SCHOLARSHIPS

FUNDS

Adam Dipp Scholarship Fund
Adele & Arnold Parker Family Fund
Alecia Lorraine Holst Scholarship Fund
Beacon Society, Friends of the School & Community Library Fund
Beth Helrigel Wester Memorial Scholarship Fund
Calvin C. Plummer Memorial Fund
Charles & Margery Williams Youth Activity Fund
Clay Hills Farm Fund
Donald & Catherine Williamson Visual and Performing Arts Scholarship Fund
Dr. Wayne and Marie Finkbeiner Scholarship Fund
Dykstra EMS Matching Fund
Eugene & Edna Hendrickson Memorial Scholarship Fund
Fitzgerald Odyssey of the Mind and Arts Fund
Francisca C. Vrona Memorial Scholarship Fund
Frank Tichvon Memorial Fund
Gerald & Ceta Williams Fund
Gerald L. Page Education Scholarship Fund

Jeffery Lehman Memorial Scholarship Fund
Jessica Coe Memorial Fund
JK Simpson Scholarship Fund
John & Maxine Robertson Scholarship Fund
Julie Bender Women's Athletic Scholarship
Katherine & Edward Wieringa Friendship & Community Scholarship Fund
Lois Ann Nagel-Seppanen Scholarship Fund
Lorraine Dahlgren Memorial Scholarship
Lynn Helrigel Summers Memorial Fund
McCullough Family Scholarship Fund
Middleville Rec Center Fund
Middleville Women's Club Scholarship Fund
Millicent Knox Teacher Scholarship Fund
Mom's Scholarship in memory of Virginia Hoover Harrison Root Fund
Ray Page Scholar-Athlete Memorial Fund
Richard & Eric Lee Reyff Memorial Fund
Robert Evans Memorial Scholarship
Rodney & Rena Schad Memorial Scholarship for Industrial Arts Fund

Samuel McKeown Memorial Scholarship Fund
Tad Thatcher Memorial Scholarship Fund
TAEF KickStart to Career Fund
TAEF Matching - RKW Working Student Scholarship Fund
Terrie Yoder Memorial Fund
Thomas R. Hamilton Memorial Scholarship Fund
Thornapple Area Enrichment Foundation Fund
Thornapple Kellogg Alumni Association Fund
Thornapple Kellogg Public Library Fund
Thornapple Kellogg Tradesman Scholarship
TK Class of '57 Scholarship Fund
Travis Wenger Memorial Scholarship Fund
Travis Wenger Memorial 4-H Scholarship Fund
Village Players of Middleville Scholarship
William McGee Memorial Scholarship Fund

VOLUNTEERS

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Beth Smith
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Becky Zellmer
Brady Zellmer
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Celeste Wolverton
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Deb Tomko

Diane Gaertner
Diane Weatherhead
Deb Dinkel
Debbie McKeown
Deb Weatherhead
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Lisa Finkbeiner
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Mike Bremer
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Patricia Thatcher
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Tammy Burbridge
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