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Foundation Welcomes New Trustee and Development Committee Member

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"For Good. For Ever."

The Foundation is pleased to announce the election of Frank C. Hudetz of Lisle to its Board of Trustees and Kathy J. Sedivy of Wheaton to its Development Committee at the March 13 Board meeting.

Frank Hudetz is chairman & CEO of Solar Communications, Inc., based in Naperville, IL. He has worked for the company in a variety of leadership roles since 1970 helping to grow it from a small family printing business into a multi-national direct marketing and production services company, now with five offices worldwide and three production facilities.

Commenting on his appointment to the board, Hudetz remarked, "I first became familiar with The DuPage Community Foundation in 1996 while serving as chairman of the East West Corporate Corridor Association (EWCCA) which at the time was the largest business networking organization in DuPage County. One of the Foundation's founding members, Charlie Thurston, was my mentor for the EWCCA and showed me that The DuPage Community Foundation was a good organization to be involved with."

"I believe it makes sense for me to get involved with the Foundation

at this time because I want to give back to the community that has done well for me, my family and my business. Hopefully I can help to perpetuate all the great things the Foundation is doing for DuPage residents," he added.

Hudetz received a Bachelor of Arts degree from North Central College in Naperville and is a United States Navy veteran. He is the past chairman of Price Waterhouse Illinois

Entrepreneur Association and a former director of the West Chicago-based Ball Horticultural Company.

Hudetz is presently a member of the Direct Marketing Association, the Printing Industry of America, and the North Central College President's Club. He also serves as a trustee of the Direct Marketing Educational Foundation and as a volunteer for the Naperville MS Society.

A life-long resident of DuPage County, Hudetz resides in Lisle with his wife, Carolyn. They have two grown children.

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Frank C. Hudetz

Our Mission

To develop and channel
philanthropy to meet the needs
of DuPage County residents.

Foundation Welcomes *(continued from p. 1)*

Kathy Sedivy is a financial advisor for Harris Investment



Kathy J. Sedivy

Services with offices in Glen Ellyn and Hinsdale. She specializes in providing financial advice and customized investment plans to clients and serves as a member of the team responsible for business development for the Harris Private Bank for wealth management services.

Sedivy joined Harris in 2001 and has nearly ten years of experience in the financial services industry. In addition, she possesses a strong

marketing and development background having worked for several years as a marketing manager for CSA Advertising in Wheaton and as a development officer for the YWCA of Metropolitan Chicago.

"Having spent many years growing up and raising my family in DuPage, I take pride in the quality of the people involved with and programs offered by the not-for-profit organizations throughout the county," said Sedivy. "Through its grantmaking efforts, The DuPage Community Foundation has the ability to serve as an advocate for many of these groups, bringing together the good intentions of donors and the needs of the community. I look forward to serving on the Development Committee to help raise funds for The DuPage Community Foundation and the many programs it supports."

Sedivy earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Benedictine University in Lisle, IL and an M.B.A. from Northern Illinois University. She is a member of the American Association of Individual Investors and an Accredited Asset Management Specialist. She is registered with the NASD and holds the series 6, 7, 8, 63, and 65 general securities and life insurance licenses. Some of her past volunteer activities include working with the DuPage Convalescent Center, DuPage Children's Museum and the YWCA of Metropolitan Chicago and serving as president of the Wheaton-Warrenville Preschool PTA.

A long-time resident of DuPage County, Sedivy lives in Wheaton with her husband, Mike, and two children, Christopher and Rachel.

Please join us in welcoming Frank and Kathy and wishing them much success in their new roles!

Itasca Community Library Launches Endowment Campaign

This past winter the Foundation partnered with representatives of the Itasca Community Library to help them launch an endowment-building campaign for their new fund. On December 2, the Library



Itasca Community Library Board President Maxine Swanson and Library Director Betsy Adamowski announce the establishment of the Itasca Community Library Endowment Fund of The DuPage Community Foundation during a special kick-off event held at the Library this past winter. To date the fund has grown to nearly \$15,000.

hosted a special celebration at its facilities to officially kick-off the start of its fundraising efforts. More than 30 guests attended the event including members of the Library's board and staff and several of its key benefactors and volunteers.

Following a brief reception, Library and Foundation representatives outlined their case for the need to establish a permanent endowment for the Library and informed attendees of how they could help the organization realize this goal. To further encourage interest, Jack Mensching, chairman of Itasca Bank & Trust Co. and The DuPage Community Foundation, announced that Itasca Bank



Speakers at Itasca Community Library's endowment fund kick-off celebration: (from left) Jack Mensching, chair of The DuPage Community Foundation and Itasca Bank & Trust Co.; Shirley Ketter, Maxine Swanson and Betsy Adamowski of Itasca Community Library; and Dave McGowan, president, The DuPage Community Foundation.

would match the first \$5,000 raised for the new endowment fund.

"We were incredibly pleased with the success of this event and remain encouraged by our progress thus far," commented

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Betsy Adamowski, Library director. "We are fortunate to have a number of community members and local businesses such as Jack and Itasca Bank & Trust Co. who recognize the important role the Library plays within our community. These friends remain dedicated to ensuring our long-term success, and we

are truly grateful for their support."

To date Itasca Community Library has raised nearly \$15,000 for its endowment fund and hopes to increase that amount beyond \$25,000 by the end of 2006. Earnings from the endowment fund will be used to provide ongoing support for the Library and to fund

special projects such as building and technology improvements and programs for children.

To learn more about Itasca Community Library or find out how you can support its new endowment fund, please contact Betsy Adamowski, Library director, at (630) 773-1699.

Board Spotlight: Trustees Bradshaw and Carney Honored at Annual Philanthropy Awards Lunch

Congratulations to Foundation Trustees Betty Bradshaw and Cleve Carney who were recently honored by the West Suburban Philanthropic Network (WSPN) as Humanitarian of the Year and Philanthropist of the Year respectively, during its 4th Annual Philanthropy Awards Luncheon held on May 24 at Abbington Distinctive Banquets in Glen Ellyn.

Attended by more than 300 people, the luncheon celebrated the outstanding efforts of individuals and organizations who have demonstrated an exceptional commitment to giving back to Chicago's west suburban community.

Upon being asked to comment on his selection as an honoree, Carney remarked, "It is an honor to receive this award. I feel very fortunate to live in such a wonderful community and am happy to make a difference where I can. Giving to our favorite charities not only makes us feel good, but has the effect of encouraging others to do the same."

Agreeing with Carney's statement, Betty Bradshaw added, "I too am grateful to be honored. There are many important causes here in our community, and I am glad to do what I can to support their efforts. Helping people is what motivates me."

Others recognized at the luncheon included Hossein Jamali of Naperville, Philanthropic Leadership Award; Joel G. Herter of Elmhurst, Non-Profit Volunteer of the Year; Susan E. Broad, executive

Philanthropic Award; William R. Conrad, Jr. of Downers Grove, WSPN Award; and more than twenty Outstanding Volunteers from several not-for-profit organizations throughout the western suburbs.



Foundation Trustees Betty Bradshaw and Cleve Carney celebrate with Foundation President Dave McGowan after being recognized at the West Suburban Philanthropic Network's 2006 Philanthropy Awards Luncheon on May 24.

Congratulations once again to each of this year's honorees, especially Betty and Cleve. Their tireless efforts to help raise the quality of life throughout our community are greatly appreciated and truly make a difference in the health and well-being of our not-for-profits and residents!

Founded in 1986, the mission of WSPN is to offer support to development professionals and to advance philanthropy. For more information please visit its web site,

www.wspnonline.com.

director of the Naperville-based DuPage Children's Museum, Non-Profit Executive of the Year; Mary Keating, administrator for the Community Development Division of DuPage County Department of Community Services, Professional Grant Maker of the Year; DuPage Medical Group of Glen Ellyn, Corporate Philanthropic Award; Topfer Family Foundation of Austin, Texas, Foundation

SAVE THE DATE!

Be sure to save the date for The DuPage Community Foundation's 14th Annual Benefit Dinner, already scheduled for Sunday, November 19, 2006, at the Morton Arboretum in Lisle, Illinois. Please mark your calendars now and watch your mailbox for invitations early this fall!

B.R. Ryall YMCA Endowment Fund Established

The Foundation is pleased to announce the establishment of the B.R. Ryall YMCA Endowment Fund. Created this past January with an initial deposit of \$25,000, the principal of the fund will be held in perpetuity by The DuPage Community Foundation and will generate annual income to help support special projects as determined by the YMCA's board of directors.

In March Foundation President Dave McGowan and Trustee Cleve Carney met with the YMCA's Marketing Committee and senior staff members to discuss potential strategies for helping the organization market its new endowment fund to stakeholders.

"We are very excited about our developing partnership with The DuPage Community Foundation," stated Ed Knapp, B.R. Ryall YMCA executive director. "By working together to enhance our endow-

ment programs, we advance the missions of both organizations, allowing for further impact in the communities we serve."

According to Knapp, the YMCA

place on May 16 and featured presentations by Robert T. C. Kay, a partner with the Wheaton-based law firm Peregrine, Stime, Newman, Ritzman & Bruckner, Ltd., and David M. McGowan, CFRE, president of The DuPage Community Foundation.

The B.R. Ryall YMCA has served the DuPage community since 1919 with programs that support its mission to put Christian principles into practice through programs that build healthy spirit, mind and body for all. The organization has enjoyed a strong partnership with the Foundation for the past several years receiving more than \$50,000 in grants since 1997.

For more information about the B.R. Ryall YMCA, its new endowment fund or future seminars, please contact Brad Warren, director of development, at 630-858-0100, ext. 245, or visit www.brlyall-lymca.org.



(From left) B.R. Ryall YMCA Board President Bob Clauss with DuPage Community Foundation President Dave McGowan, DuPage Community Foundation Trustee Cleve Carney and B. R. Ryall YMCA Executive Director Edward Knapp after a recent YMCA Marketing Committee meeting.

recently launched a series of seminars to educate its stakeholders about the various benefits of planned giving and to demonstrate how it can be used as a tool to maximize a donor's charitable impact. The first seminar, titled "Simplifying Your Estate Plan," took

Seminar Helps People To Discover Their Philanthropic Potential

This past April the Foundation welcomed Dr. William G. Enright, executive director of the Lake Family Institute on Faith and Giving at the Center on Philanthropy at Indiana University, to present a seminar titled "Unraveling the Soul of Generosity" for a group of Foundation stakeholders at the Morton Arboretum in Lisle.

Using a combination of theological history, current statistics on giving and volunteerism, and a handful of life stories of several major philanthropists, Dr. Enright engaged his audience in a fascinating exploration of some of the key factors he believes responsible

for motivating people's philanthropy. During the seminar he also highlighted a few of the more unique types of philanthropy taking place in today's world and imparted some valuable strategies to help participants discover and unlock their own philanthropic potential.

"Generosity begins at that crossroads in our individual stories where our deep joys, the world's deep needs and our personal passions intersect, freeing us to live our lives with gratitude, generosity and integrity," said Dr. Enright. "It is my hope that through these types of exercises, people will take the time

to discover the crossroads of philanthropic opportunity in their lives so that when all is said and done, they will have done more than simply visited this world."

More than 60 guests attended the seminar and rated it a 4.8 out of 5 overall. Special thanks to Foundation Trustees Norm Beles and George Gilkerson and donor-advisors Doug and Fran Mains for generously underwriting the cost of the seminar.

No stranger to DuPage County, Dr. Enright served as the senior pastor of First Presbyterian Church in Glen Ellyn from 1968 - 1981. He is

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Dr. William G. Enright, executive director of the Lake Family Institute on Faith and Giving at the Center on Philanthropy at Indiana University, addressed more than 60 guests during his April 25 seminar, "Unraveling the Soul of Generosity." The seminar took place at the Morton Arboretum in Lisle.

a graduate of Wheaton College; Fuller Theological Seminary in Pasadena, California; and McCormick Theological Seminary in Chicago. His Ph.D. is from the University of Edinburgh in Scotland.

In addition to his work with the Lake Family Institute, Dr. Enright presently serves as a director for the Lilly Endowment and The Wishard Memorial Foundation Board and as a trustee of Hanover

College. He is also the author of several books and lectures frequently at numerous colleges, universities, theological institutions and business associations throughout the country and abroad.

EXERCISE:

13 Questions To Help Begin the Process of Philanthropic Discernment

Part of the mission of the Lake Family Institute on Faith and Giving at the Center on Philanthropy at Indiana University is to encourage people to engage in the practice of philanthropic discernment. One of their resources, *A Portrait of Hope*, asks individuals to answer the following questions for themselves:

1. What is your earliest family memory of giving and volunteering?
2. What did you learn from your family about giving and volunteering?
3. Who are some of the people who modeled generosity for you?
4. Who have been some of the saints, heroes and role models in your life?
5. Are there specific institutions or organizations that touched you by opening for you doors of insight or new possibilities in living?
6. To what people and what places do you feel a sense of gratitude?
7. Where in your life were you blessed by acts of compassion and generosity?
8. What are the issues or causes that stir and move you? What are your passions?
9. What is precious to you?
10. Think about your "I wishes." What could you choose to do if you wanted to do it?
11. What is the legacy you would like to leave to your family and community?
12. Turn the calendar ahead five or ten years; how would you like to use your possessions to bless the world?
13. How do you wish to be remembered?

Excerpted from *A Portrait of Hope*, a resource of the Lake Family Institute on Faith and Giving at the Center on Philanthropy at Indiana University and used with permission.

To learn more about the Institute please visit its web site, www.philanthropy.iupui.edu/lake_institute.html.

Attention Grantseekers!

The Foundation is currently accepting applications for its next discretionary grant cycle in the areas of Arts and Culture, Civic Affairs and Historic Preservation, Education, and Environmental Affairs. Not-for-profit organizations serving DuPage County residents are eligible to apply and may obtain grant guidelines by accessing the Foundation's web site, www.dcfndn.org. The deadline to submit applications is 5:00 p.m. on Friday, August 4, 2006. Please be advised that applications received after the above mentioned deadline will not be considered. Additionally, applicants should note that only one application per organization may be submitted to the Foundation within a calendar year. For more information please contact Bonnie Heydorn, director of grants, at (630) 665-5556.

Foundation Welcomes New Legacy Society Members Alan and Jane Hoffmann

Ensuring a lasting legacy is important to Alan and Jane Hoffmann. That's why this past winter the couple made provision in their estate plan for a deferred gift to The DuPage Community Foundation to establish the Alan D. and Jane M. Hoffmann Fund.

The fund will be created through proceeds from the Hoffmanns' estate and generate permanent support for several causes about which they care including The Conservation Foundation (Naperville), Evangelical Free Church of Naperville, Friends for Therapeutic Equine Activities (Winfield), Hooved Animal Humane Society (Woodstock), and the Life Science Achievement Award Scholarship Fund of The DuPage Community Foundation which the couple established in 2001 to benefit graduates of Downers Grove North High School.

"Jane and I felt it was important to make this commitment because

we believe very strongly in the work of these causes and want to ensure that our support for them continues beyond our lifetimes,"

said Alan Hoffmann. "We both feel it's important to give back, and consider ourselves fortunate to have the means to do so."

Alan and Jane have been good friends of the Foundation since 2001 when Jane's brother, Robert J. Mesch, a

certified financial planner based in Oak Brook, introduced them to us. The couple frequently volunteers their time at our office to assist with mailings and other projects as needed.

In addition to their work with the Foundation, Alan and Jane lend their time to several other area organizations including The Conservation Foundation

(Naperville), DuPage P.A.D.S., Inc. (Wheaton) and Loaves and Fishes Community Pantry (Naperville), among others.

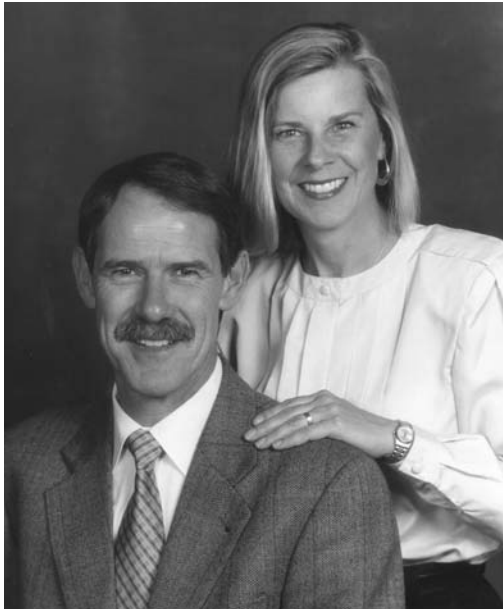
Alan is a retired Biology teacher from Downers Grove North High School where he taught for 32 years. He continues to remain actively involved with the school as a tutor and coach of the girl's basketball team.

Jane retired in 2003 after a 25-year career teaching students with physical disabilities at West Leyden High School in Northlake, IL. Apart from her volunteer activities, she enjoys riding her two Shire horses, Huey and Indy.

The couple has been married 27 years and currently resides in Naperville.

The Foundation thanks the Hoffmanns for making this important commitment and is proud to count them among our more than 50 known Legacy Society members who have generously included us in their estate plans.

For more information about the Legacy Society of The DuPage Community Foundation, or questions about how to include us in the charitable objectives of your estate plan, please refer to the next page or contact Dave McGowan, Foundation president, at (630) 665-5556.



Alan and Jane Hoffmann

Legacy Society

Individuals who have made arrangements to include The DuPage Community Foundation in their estate plans become members of the Legacy Society. They play a significant role in shaping the future for DuPage County residents by providing funds that will last forever through trusts, wills, and other vehicles.

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Robert Bauman to establish the Robert Bauman Fund

Jerry* and Betty Bradshaw for the Megan Bradshaw Scholarship Fund

Cleve E. Carney

Susanne S. Cassell for the Maple Street Chapel Endowment Fund

Hugh and Ruth* Christ for the Ruth and Hugh Christ Fund for disadvantaged children and youth

Donald T. Dennerlein to establish the Donald T. Dennerlein Fund

Burton E.* and Patricia A. Ericson to establish the Burton E. and Patricia A. Ericson Family Fund

James* and Susan Gates for the Health Fund

Leonard J.* and Barbara Giblin

George N. Gilkerson Jr.

Willis M. Gillett

Jane Henderson* to establish the Lombard Rotary Endowment Fund

Alan and Jane Hoffmann to establish the Alan D. and Jane M. Hoffmann Family Fund and for the Life Science Achievement Award Fund

Elizabeth "Lee" Jens* for the Mental Health Association of DuPage County Endowment Fund

Melvin E. and M. Joyce Johnson for the Melvin E. and M. Joyce Johnson Fund

Joseph F. and Bess Kindlon

Mary Kay Kluge for the Naperville United Way Endowment Fund

Arthur J. and Mary* Kolar for the John and Elsie, Mary and Arthur Kolar Endowed Fund

Paul and Coleen Lehman for the General Endowment Fund

Grace Lopatka*

N.P. "Bob" Luginbill for the League of Women Voters Mary J. Luginbill Educational Scholarship Fund

David M. and Mary A. McGowan

Jack E. and Kathleen Mensching for the General Endowment Fund

Bill Mitchell for the Naperville United Way Endowment Fund

Joseph and Joan Morrissey for the Morrissey Family Fund

Ramon A. Mulholland for the Mulholland Family Fund

Charlotte Mushow to establish the Mushow Fund for Human Services

Jean C. Neill to establish the Lewis E. and Jean C. Neill Fund

Albert and Mimi Rose

John W. "Bill" Squire* for the John W. Squire Fund

Stanley and Claudia Starrett for the Starrett Family Fund

Lenora J. Su, M.D.

Charlie A. Thurston

Theodore M. Utchen

Mary Eleanor and James M. Wall for the Mary Eleanor and James M. Wall Fund

Donald* and Dorothy White for the General Endowment

*deceased

If you have made a provision for the Foundation in your estate plan, please let us know so that we can include you in our Legacy Society. Thank you.

When making or updating your will, please consider a gift to The DuPage Community Foundation. Consult your estate planning attorney who can assist you in adding one of the following paragraphs to your will:

"I hereby give and bequeath \$_____ to The DuPage Community Foundation to be used (for its general purposes) (for (specific purpose))."
Or,

"I hereby give, devise and bequeath (the residue) (_____ % of the residue) of my estate to

The DuPage Community Foundation to be used (for its general purposes) (for (specific purpose))."

If you are leaving the proceeds of an insurance policy or IRA assets to The DuPage Community Foundation, be sure to indicate this on the insurance or IRA beneficiary forms and not in your will because the insurance proceeds or IRA assets will be disposed of by the terms of the insurance policy or IRA document and not by your will.

Foundation Funds

*Denotes new fund

Affiliate Funds

Giving DuPage
Healthy West Chicago

Agency Endowment and Designated Funds

Bensenville Community Foundation
*B. R. Ryall YMCA

Bridge Communities, Inc.

Canticle Ministries

Central DuPage Pastoral Counseling Center

Lucille Strubbar Enright Fund

Deicke Center for Visual Rehabilitation

Donka, Inc.

DuPage Children's Museum

DuPage Convalescent Center Foundation

DuPage Graue Mill and Museum

DuPage P.A.D.S., Inc.

DuPage Senior Citizens Council

Easter Seals DuPage

Elmhurst Art Museum

Elmhurst Symphony Orchestra

*Exchange Club of Naperville

Family Shelter Service

Forest Preserve District of DuPage County

Glen Ellyn Children's Chorus

Glen Ellyn Historical Society

Glen Ellyn Library Foundation

Health Research Institute & Pfeiffer Treatment Center

Illinois Independent Living Center

Edward Beaudoin Memorial Endowment Fund

Itasca Community Library

Kiwanis Club of Glen Ellyn

Maple Street Chapel

Mental Health Association of DuPage County

National Alliance on Mental Illness DuPage

Naperville Chorus

Naperville Heritage Society

Naperville United Way

NCO Youth & Family Services

People's Resource Center

Rotary Club of Central DuPage

Rotary Club of Lombard

Senior Home Sharing

Teen Parent Connection (formerly Greater DuPage MYM)

Trinity Episcopal Church

United Way of DuPage Area

Villa Park Public Library

Warrenville Library Foundation

Western DuPage Special Recreation Association Foundation

Willowbrook Wildlife Foundation

Donor-Advised Funds

Antonioni Family Fund

Beaman Family Fund

Beles Family Fund

Bell Family Foundation

Broman Family Foundation

Richard G. and Carole J. Cline Donor-Advised Fund

Collins Family Fund

Companions' Fund

Dawn Carol Foundation

Donor-Advised Fund for Needy Children

Franzen Family Fund for Depression Education

Freedman/Sindelar Family Fund

Gaston-Spiroff Fund

Gillett Family Fund

Joseph and Bess Kindlon Fund

LeFort-Martin Family Fund

Mains Family Donor-Advised Fund

Morrissey Family Fund

Mulbolland Family Fund

Naccarato Family Fund

Owen Schiff Foundation

Estber and Willis H. Scott Fund

Shebik Family Fund

Silver Heart Foundation

Smith Family Fund

Starrett Family Fund

Andi Stelzner Fund

Szymanski Family Fund

Richard and Charron Traut Fund

Mary Eleanor and James M. Wall Fund

Jeannee Yermakoff and Daniel Talsma Family Foundation

Field of Interest Funds

Arts Fund

Founding Donor: WPWR-TV Channel 50 Foundation, 1994

Artistic endeavors including, but not limited to, performing and visual arts, art exhibits, and arts education.

Basic Human Needs Fund

Founding Donors: First Annual Benefit Attendees, 1993

Agencies responding to emergency housing, food, clothing, and health-care needs of low-income residents.

The Alben F. Bates and Clara G. Bates Foundation Fund

Founding Donor: The Alben F. Bates and Clara G. Bates Foundation, 2005
To support the residents of Elmhurst.

Children and Youth Fund

Founding Donors: Richard and Carole Cline, 1988

Physical, emotional, educational, and intellectual needs of children and youth.

Ruth and Hugh Christ Fund

Founding Donors: Ruth and Hugh Christ, 2000

Disadvantaged children and youth.

Environmental Fund

Founding Donor: Molex Inc., 1991
Efforts to improve and/or preserve the quality of the natural environment including, but not limited to, air and water quality, public open space preservation, management of wastes, and environmental education.

Grand Victoria Foundation

Communityworks Endowment Fund
Founding Donor: Grand Victoria Foundation, 2003

Early childhood care and education, workforce development, and land use/protection.

Health Fund

Founding Donor: Central DuPage Health System, 1995

The broad health needs in the community.

Martha McCormick Hunt Fund

Founding Donor: Brooks and Hope B. McCormick Foundation, 1988

Conservation and protection of the environment.

John and Elsie, Mary and Arthur Kolar Endowed Fund

Founding Donors: Mary and Arthur Kolar, 1998

Environment and wildlife.

Wesley E. Luehring Foundation Fund

Founding Donor: Wesley E. Luehring Foundation, 1999

Charities located in the Itasca area.

Louise Ingalls MacArthur Fund

Founding Donor: Robert M. Cordova, 1998

Literacy and education.

Sindelar Family Fund

Founding Donor: Peg Sindelar, 2002
Education and Health

Unrestricted Funds

Cleve E. Carney and Kay Schmitt Fund

Lois L. and Edwin F. Deicke Endowment Fund

General Endowment Fund

Unrestricted. The General Endowment Fund provides maximum flexibility to respond in six major areas: arts and culture, civic affairs and historical preservation, education, environmental affairs, health, and human services.

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FairWyn Fund

Jack and Virginia Knuepfer Fund

John W. Squire Fund

Operating Funds

Administrative Endowment Fund

Permanent support for Foundation activities.

Grand Victoria Foundation

Communityworks Operating Fund
For capacity building, general operations and technical support of the Foundation.

Operating Fund

Supports general operations of the Foundation.

Scholarship Funds

American Institute of Architects, Northeast Illinois Chapter, Scholarship Fund

For students pursuing architecture degrees.

Bell Family Scholarship Fund

For graduates of Glenbard East High School in Lombard.

Megan Bradshaw Memorial Scholarship Fund

For graduates of Wheaton North High School and Wheaton Warrenville South High School.

Dorothy and Marvin Carney Scholarship Fund

For graduates of York High School in Elmhurst.

Raghu Chandran Memorial Scholarship Fund

For graduates of Naperville Central High School.

Chicago Golf Club Scholarship Fund

For employees of Chicago Golf Club in Wheaton and their families.

Daley Scholarship Fund

For graduates of Glenbard North High School in Carol Stream.

Dennis Knowles Memorial Scholarship Fund

For Graduates of Fenton High School in Bensenville.

League of Women Voters of Glen Ellyn Mary J. Luginbill Educational Scholarship Fund

For graduates of Glenbard West High School in Glen Ellyn.

Life Science Achievement Award Fund

For graduates of Downers Grove North High School.

Houston J. Pineda Memorial Scholarship Fund

For graduates of West Chicago High School.

George S. Samatas Educational Scholarship Fund

For Lexington Square and Health Care Centers employees and their families.

Susan Sauer Memorial Scholarship Fund

For graduates of Wheaton Warrenville South High School.

Brian Taylor Memorial Scholarship Fund

For graduates of Hinsdale South High School in Darien.

Orvin Wilkin Memorial Scholarship Fund

For graduates of Willowbrook High School in Villa Park.

To establish a fund, please contact the Foundation at (630) 665-5556. To contribute to an existing fund, please use the envelope provided.

Foundation Welcomes Julie Carlsen to Staff

The Foundation is pleased to welcome Julie Carlsen as its new associate grants coordinator effective April 17. In her position Carlsen will oversee the Foundation's donor-advised and scholarship grant programs, coordinate agency endowment distributions, manage its participation in the Grand Victoria Foundation's *Communityworks* initiative, and assist the president and board of trustees with special projects.



Julie Carlsen

"I am honored and thrilled to have the opportunity to work alongside such kind and caring people whose goal is to improve the many civic-minded not-for-profit organizations in DuPage County, my home for the last 30 years," said Carlsen. "After years of teach-

ing and mothering, my heart keeps urging me toward service—serving the community and a greater good. In addition to awarding scholarships to dedicated and deserving students, the Foundation's *Communityworks* initiative speaks directly to causes of personal interest to me because it aims to preserve our community history while simultaneously planning for its future by investing in our current workforce and educating young children to prepare them for civic responsibilities as adults."

Prior to starting at the Foundation, Carlsen taught English for five years at Glenbard East High School in Lombard before resigning to become a stay-at-home mom in 1999. In 2001 she returned

to the workforce as a part-time mentor and tutor for Joan Treland & Associates in Wheaton where she assesses students' abilities and devises personalized action plans to help them improve their academic skills. At that time she also took an active volunteer role with Community First, Inc. of Naperville, a grassroots initiative established by a group of concerned Naperville residents who came together to create advisory guidelines to ensure the successful and continuous improvement of homes throughout Naperville. The result is the award-winning *Workbook for Successful Redevelopment*. In addition to serving on several of Community First's committees, Carlsen served as the organization's board secretary from 2004 – 2005 and remains an active member.

Later this month Carlsen will begin another community service program through NCO Youth &

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Julie Carlsen (continued from p. 9)

Family Services in Naperville titled *Women Involved in Girls Success (WINGS)*. WINGS is a mentoring program that identifies at-risk adolescent females and connects them with professional women in the community who will provide positive experiences and activities

in the hopes of preventing future risk-taking behavior. Please visit www.ncoyouth.org/counseling.htm for additional information.

Carlsen holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in English Language and Literature from the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, Michigan

and a teaching certificate from Northern Illinois University in DeKalb. She lives in Naperville with her husband, Bobby, and their two children, Tommy and Eddie.

Please join us in welcoming Julie and wishing her well in her new role!

Foundation Launches Inaugural Discovery Tour in Naperville

This past May the Foundation launched its Inaugural Discovery Tour in Naperville. Attended by approximately 20 guests consisting of area professional advisors, current and former Foundation

trustees and committee members, donors, and other stakeholders, the tour provided participants with a first-hand look at three of the Foundation's past grant recipients from the Naperville area: The Conservation Foundation, Illinois Independent Living Center, (IILC) and Loaves & Fishes Community Pantry.

"We're extremely pleased to have been able to provide this unique educational opportunity for our stakeholders," said Foundation President Dave McGowan. "Over the past two years our board and staff have made an effort to expand the Foundation's services beyond grantmaking to include a greater number of activities that promote

philanthropy and volunteerism among area residents. We believe that doing so is critical to the long-term health and vitality of our community because such activities remind people that there are

look forward to hosting additional tours in the future."

Sponsored by Christopher B. Burke Engineering, Ltd. and Friends of The DuPage Community Foundation, the tour kicked off at



Naperville's own Mayor Pradel helped the Foundation kick off its Inaugural Discovery Tour by welcoming participants upon their arrival at The Conservation Foundation's McDonald Farm. Following Pradel's welcome, the group embarked on a morning of site visits via trolley to three of our Naperville-based grant recipient agencies: The Conservation Foundation, Illinois Independent Living Center (IILC), and Loaves & Fishes Community Pantry.

needs in our county which go unmet everyday and that each of us has the potential to get involved and make a difference."

"DuPage County is fortunate to have hundreds of not-for-profit agencies working on a daily basis to raise the quality of life for our residents. It's a pleasure for us to be able to highlight some of these groups and help raise awareness for them," McGowan added. "We



The Conservation Foundation's McDonald Farm with a welcome from Mayor George Pradel of Naperville. From there, participants were chauffeured via trolley to each of the agencies being showcased and were led on three 45-minute site visits which

included facility tours and presentations from members of each agency's board and staff.

Upon completion of each visit, each agency received a grant of \$750 in recognition of their participation on the tour. The grants were recommended by a Foundation donor-advisor wishing to remain anonymous.

"What an incredible event,"

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remarked Linda Cline, one of the tour's participants, after completing the morning of site visits. "I really appreciated being a part of the tour. It was so enlightening. Having the opportunity to see the needs of these agencies with your own



Guests enjoy a tour of Loaves & Fishes Community Pantry's newly expanded facilities from its executive director, Joanne Mitrenga (right).

eyes makes the desire to give that much more powerful. It was truly a moving experience and well worth the time!"

Special thanks to event sponsors Christopher B. Burke Engineering, Ltd., Foundation friends Alan and Jane Hoffmann, and Trustee Laurie McMahon for graciously underwriting the cost of this event, and also to Naperville's Mayor Pradel and Don Wehrli of Naperville Trolley and Tours for their assistance in helping make this inaugural event a success.

Established in 1972, The Conservation Foundation is a not-for-profit land and watershed protection organization located in Naperville, IL on a 60-acre working, organic farm. Its mission is to enhance the quality of life by pre-

serving open space, protecting natural lands, and improving rivers and watersheds. The Foundation maintains a membership of 3,500 members and 500 volunteers in DuPage, Kane, Kendall and Will counties. For more information please contact Brook McDonald, president & CEO, at 630-428-4500, or visit www.theconservationfoundation.org.

Established in 1978, Illinois Independent Living Center

(IILC), better known as Katharine Manor Apartments, advocates for the rights of individuals who are mobility impaired, but mentally alert. IILC promotes independence, freedom and quality of life by effectively managing affordable barrier-free housing and support services for individuals and families. As a not-for-profit, IILC collaborates with the private and public sectors to expand opportunities for people with disabilities in DuPage County. More than 275 persons have been served since its inception. For more information please contact Sharon Semmer, board president, at (630) 357-0077 or iilc@earthlink.net.

Established in 1984, Loaves & Fishes Community Pantry is a community-based, not-for-profit organization which



Illinois Independent Living Center Board President Sharon Semmer (left) and Katharine Manor resident Carrie Pinter (right) field questions from tour participants about the Center's services to residents.

provides food and personal care essentials to residents in need. Its vision is to provide food and connect clients with resources to improve their lives.

Annually the pantry supplies 1,500 families with 770,000

pounds of food to make nutritionally-balanced meals. Some unique pantry initiatives are the home delivery of groceries to seniors and disabled individuals, an extensive children's program including baby food and care items, and summer lunches for children who receive government - subsidized lunches only during the school year. For more information please contact Joanne Mitrenga, executive director, at (630) 355-3663 or visit

www.expage.com/loavesandfishes1.



Participants are led on a tour of the McDonald Farm grounds by Steve Tiwald (far right), founder of the not-for-profit Green Earth Institute. The Institute manages and operates approximately 50 acres of the Farm's land through a partnership agreement with The Conservation Foundation which allows it to grow organic produce for its Community Supported Agricultural Co-op.

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