

GCC Dollars for Scholars awards scholarships

The Griggs County Central Chapter of Dollars for Scholars once again this year provided several thousand dollars in scholarships to college-bound graduating seniors.

While the organization funds some of these scholarships itself, others are funded by private individuals, families or organizations.

The funding of "Pass-Through" scholarships, utilizing the Dollars for Scholars chapter, allows the donors a tax-deductible gift, as the local chapter is a 501(c)3 charitable entity.

The chapter uses a common application, a scoring system based upon the national format, and unbiased review, as no names are attached to applications. As a result more recipients benefit from the process. The scholarship donors also have a right to determine the criteria for their scholarships if they choose, without having to screen the applicants themselves.

Two years ago, the Cooperstown EMS squad members committed their organization to make scholarships available to GCC students who are currently active in their squad serving through their First Responder program. They dedicated a portion of their fundraising efforts to this cause and as a result, graduating seniors Emilee Johnson and Zach Woodbridge each received \$1000 Scholarships to further their educations. The squad members dedicate hundreds of hours annually to their mission of providing emergency services in the community. They felt there was a need to acknowledge the roles these high school volunteers provide to the organization and the

local community and to thank them for their service. Working with the local chapter of Dollars for Scholars, utilizing their Pass-Through Scholarships, these awards will assist the graduates with their first year college costs.

The Class of 1949 celebrated their 60th Class reunion in Cooperstown last summer. They had the opportunity to become reacquainted, reminisce, have fun, and also give back to their community. Betty (Fors) Maier, suggested that perhaps her class might want to help a 2010 GCC graduate with a college scholarship. The Class of 1949 stepped up and started to fund the scholarship during the reunion. Classmates who were unable to attend were contacted and they, too, responded with donations. The local Chapter of Dollars for Scholars assisted the class in making their scholarship a reality. Kayla Heinz is the recipient of a \$500 Scholarship made possible by the Class of 1949. Thanks to the combined efforts and giving nature of these 1949 graduates a current graduate, 60 years their junior, will receive financial help during her Freshman year of college.

For the fourth consecutive year. Bob Baker's daughters, Michelle Turnquist and Maureen Ferrel have honored their father's memory with a \$1000 scholarship to a GCC graduate. This year's recipient, Cody Rahlf, will be attending NDSU this fall with hopes of joining the Air Guard while attending school. Bob graduated from Cooperstown High School in 1931, served in the armed forces, and was always a positive promoter of his community and furthering education, whether it be in a trade

school or 4 year college. "Maureen and Michelle's commitment over the past four years to their alma mater, GCC graduates, and their dad's memory is truly amazing. It has been a honor to work with Bob's daughters as they have sought to make a difference in the lives of their recipients. Their generosity is an inspiration to all of us," said Rita Jungels, Chapter President.

Lorraine Brevik Johnson, Twin Valley, MN, continues to build the Robert Johnson and Lorraine Brevik Johnson Endowment Fund. This endowment, which was established by Lorraine in 2009 to honor her late husband, a graduate of Cooperstown High School, will continue to grow and provide scholarship dollars for years to come. Both Lorraine, who taught home economics and Robert, who served as a high school principal were educators their entire careers and understood the value of a good education. This year's recipient of the \$500 Endowed Scholarship is Josie Tafelmeyer. She has indicated an interest in becoming as educator as well.

The Cougar "C" Club Pass-Through Scholarships funded two \$500 scholarships for 2009 graduates and two more scholarships for 2010. The "C" Club provides concessions at the local ball games beginning with football and volleyball in the Fall and the Winter season basketball games. "Having worked in the concession area for some of those ball games, I can verify it take a tremendous volume of popcorn, candy, and pop to be able to fund these scholarships. With the number of needs that these concessions fund, we are

grateful for the support of the "C" club in making these scholarships possible!" said Rita Jungels. This years recipients of the \$500 "C" Club scholarships are Jesse Ott and Beth Jochim, who were outstanding athletes in all the sports in which they competed.

The Griggs County Farm Bureau allowed the local Chapter of Dollars for Scholars to assist them with their annual scholarship for the first time. This year's \$500 scholarship recipient is Graham Anderson. The State Chapter of Dollars for Scholars and the Bank of North Dakota have made Pass-Through scholarships available to local chapters who have attended State

meetings the last two years. This year's \$500 scholarship recipient is Aubrey Ellefson.

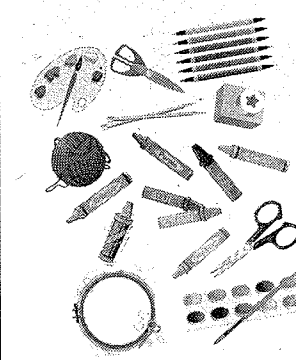
The local chapter, through its fundraising efforts, such as "Sponsor a Game for Education", memorials, and donations funded two additional scholarships this year Samantha Eversøn and Kali Hook each received \$500 scholarships to assist them with their first year's college costs at Concordia and Northern State respectively.

The hope of the local organizations is that all students interested in furthering their education beyond high school will apply and be granted scholarships, as was the case this year.

Selma Eggermont

90th Birthday Open House

Sat. June 26, 2010
2pm-4pm
 St. Lawrence Church Hall
 Jessie, ND



Griggs County Library Craft Day

with Lisa Frigaard
June 23 & 30
1:30 pm

All summer readers welcome!!

NOTICE OF INTENT TO AMEND ADMINISTRATIVE RULES
 relating to closing the metrology laboratory, determining corridor size, letters of intent, and requests for jurisdictional determinations in energy conversion and transmission facility siting cases, standardizing the content and format of annual reports tracking renewable electricity and recycled energy, implementing the requirement that the commission's wind farm decommissioning rules address present and future natural resource development, and repealing inconsistent language regarding practice before the Commission.

Public Service Commission
 will hold a public hearing to address proposed changes to the N.D. Admin. Code.

Commission Hearing Rm.
 12th Floor
 State Capitol
 Bismarck, ND
Wed., July 14, 2010
1:30 p.m.

A copy of the proposed rules may be obtained by writing the Public Service Commission, 600 E. Boulevard Ave., Dept. 408, Bismarck, ND 58505-0480 or by calling (701) 328-2400, toll free 1-877-245-6685 or Relay North Dakota TTY: 1-800-366-6888. This information is also available to view on our web site at www.psc.state.nd.us under Formal Actions/Case Search. Also, written comments may be submitted to the Public Service Commission at the above address, until July 26, 2010. If you plan to attend the public hearing and will need special facilities or assistance relating to a disability, please contact the Public Service Commission by telephone or by writing to the address above at least 24 hours prior to the public hearing.

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