CATTARAUGUS REGION COMMUNITY FOUNDATION Heart of Philanthropy 2022 Annual Report



The word philanthropy translates to "a *love (philos) of mankind (anthropos)."* It is in acting with heartfelt intention, truly centered on that meaning of philanthropy, that we have and will continue to support our community.

2022 in many ways felt like a re-emergence, a move towards normalcy after the turbulent years of the COVID-19 pandemic. We were able to hold in-person events, including a joyous return to our Friends of the Foundation and scholarship recognition luncheon.

But 2022 was not without its difficulties.

Economic uncertainty loomed large throughout the year. Inflation surged. Prices were up at the gas pump, in grocery stores, and most places central in our lives.

What role does philanthropy play in times like we faced and continue to face today?

At the Cattaraugus Region Community Foundation, philanthropy is a huge part of the answer to those problems.

We believe that philanthropy - our love of mankind, our love of our fellow neighbor, at its core, serves to make the world a better place by tackling head-on the issues *exercise requires prudence, a listening heart,* that a community faces and by supporting the projects and initiatives that improve the lives of our neighbors.

In 2022, CRCF funds made possible over \$2.3 million in grants to nonprofits that serve to improve the lives of those in our Cattaraugus County region through grants that address immediate needs such as support for food pantries that tackle the issue of rising food costs, support for nonprofits facing rising operating costs and tighter budgets, grants that provide financial support to those facing difficult medical diagnoses & extensive treatment and more.

CRCF also made possible over \$250,000 in scholarships to allow area students to pursue their educational and career aspirations. The hope is that many of those students will consider returning to the area to enrich the community with the knowledge and talents they are to discover.

In this report you will read more about the specifics of that "heart of philanthropy" ethos that guides the funding decisions our board makes.

Of that review process, fellow board member and grant allocations committee member Mary Freeman wrote:

"Hard decisions are made on allocating donor funds to deserving groups. This and sometimes tough conversations—on which projects will bring the greatest comfort, build the strongest resilience, and ensure the best quality of life for our community members.

Lucy Bensoi CRCF board president

The world today needs HOPE, and CRCF breathes that HOPE into the communities we serve and the lives of the people in our communities. Today, all of us-donors, staff, board and committee members—are instruments of delivering that HOPE, and there is no greater gift than knowing we have been a part of this endeavor."

We speak for our entire board and staff and the donors that make this work possible, when we say we believe that mandate of delivering hope is the heart of our philanthropic work.

We believe that every single grant is a step towards making a difference for those in need.

By funding organizations and projects in a wide-range of needs, whether it be cultural enrichment through our area's largest-ever public arts project, renovations of an obstetrics department at our area's primary hospital or supporting a massive capital project that will provide a space for Cattaraugus County youth to learn through play and physical activity, we believe our philanthropic work is a beacon of hope for many.

Nobel Peace Prize winner Desmond Tutu said "Do your little bit of good where you are; it's those little bits of good put together that overwhelm the world." It is the cumulation of all of those bits of good that becomes transformational for a community. That is Growing Good.

Karen Miemic Buchleit

Karen Niemic Buchheit CRCF Executive Director



GRANTS



GRANT BY PROGRAM AREA





The Cattaraugus Gives program hit a huge milestone in 2022, eclipsing over \$1 million raised for community nonprofits over the last four years. Cattaraugus Gives nonprofits together raised \$275,447 for their respective missions in 2022.

TOTAL INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO





Save the date for Cattaraugus Gives 2023, Tuesday, November 28!



The Heart of Olean Philanthropy brings culturally enriching public arts project to Olean

In many ways, a matter of the heart served as the spark for the Heart of Olean Mural Project, a 10,000 square foot, four-sided mural in the heart of downtown Olean.

Likewise, it was the impact that a public arts project of such scale can have on the heart of an entire community that inspired the CRCF board of directors to provide two grants totaling \$20,000 as lead contributions to the project.

For the project's leading artist, Meg Saligman, a world-renowned mural artist and Olean native, the Heart of Olean is the fulfillment of a promise she made to her father, attorney Don Fish – a promise to create a painting that would hang above the mantle of his home.

When Fish passed away in 2021, before that painting could be produced, that mantle painting took on a whole new life and now covers four sides of the Jamestown Community College's Library and Liberal Arts Center.

The mural is an ode to Olean, featuring past, present and imagined future scenes of the Olean area, but it also features elements of surrealism, inspired by Robert Lax's poem "The Circus in the Sun."

Saligman partnered with the Tri-County Arts Council and a number of other community volunteers (and friends) like Paula Fox Derwick of Fox Financial to begin fundraising and planning efforts.

From the beginning, the project has lived up to its name and has been squarely, both physically and figuratively, at the heart of the Olean community.



Meg Saligman at mural dedication ceremony (left); Olean-born artist Alex Derwick works on mural (center); Tri-County Arts Council staff and mural workers with Wendy Brand and Karen Niemic Buchheit (right)

- Listening and planning sessions at the early phase of the project brought members of the community together to share stories and Olean history – and many of those stories now color the mural wall.
- The project brought together the arts community, area businesses and nonprofits to not just fund, but collaborate in a way that made the project all the more meaningful and connecting.
- Over 1,300 community volunteer painters (equaling 10% of the Olean population) touched the wall with their own brush strokes. Businesses across the Olean community hosted paint days where their employees and community members worked together to paint mural paper that was later transferred onto the mural wall.
- In so many ways, the project embodied the most essential thing about the arts – the thing that goes deeper than general appreciation of a work of art – it fostered true connectivity between people from all different walks of life.
 - That connectivity is the healing aspect of art that encouraged the CRCF board of directors to make two grants of \$10,000, two of the year's largest grants, from the Olean Beautification Fund and Visual Arts Alliance Fund.
- "To support a project of this scale was an incredible opportunity for our board of directors," said Lucy Benson, board president. "We believe that the arts celebrate history and heritage in a way that can be transformational, and we believe that the Heart of Olean Mural project has done just that."







A career of heartfelt philanthropy Karen Niemic Buchheit

For the last 12+ years, Karen Niemic Buchheit has been the steady hand and friendly face guiding the work of the Cattaraugus Region Community Foundation.

Buchheit is set to retire September 1, 2023, but she leaves behind a blueprint for the Foundation to continue its work in being the community's supportive, responsive and trusted leader in philanthropy.

At the center of that blueprint is a principle that has guided "We are so fortunate as an organization and as a community Buchheit's tenure: to operate with a heart centered on the true to have had Karen's leadership over the last 12 years. Karen has been meaning of philanthropy and to steward giving and grantmaking an incredible asset to CRCF and to our community's nonprofits and that demonstrate love for mankind by working to make the donors," continued Wilday. "Her work with the Foundation has had world a better place for it. a tremendous positive impact across the Cattaraugus County region, and we are honored to have had Karen lead When Buchheit started as executive director in 2010, the the Foundation "

Foundation managed an asset base of about \$9 million and distributed \$420,000 in annual grants. Today, Foundation assets Buchheit's work has impacted the nonprofit community of the total more than \$27 million, composed of 300+ funds. In 2022 Cattaraugus County region in many more areas than as just a CRCF made possible over \$2.3 million in grants, its highest-ever funder. She has provided advice and support to many area annual grant total. nonprofits directly and helped make the Foundation an essential resource for nonprofit education and capacity building. Since 2010, the Foundation has supported over \$13.9 million in Buchheit started Nonprofit Networking Day, the area's first grants and has stewarded over \$23.89 million in gifts. Behind conference devoted to nonprofit education and collaboration, those numbers though is Buchheit's true legacy at CRCF. and has since implemented CRCF's Nonprofit Link and Learn Countless families have been able to preserve the memory of Seminar Series.

loved ones while giving back to causes important to them, including many scholarships that have allowed area students to According to Wilday, while Buchheit's leadership will be greatly pursue their dreams of higher education and meaningful careers. missed, her retirement comes at the right time. *"CRCF has never*

In other areas, CRCF has supported the expansion of the Olean Food Pantry that allowed the pantry to better provide food access for the community's needy. It has been the fiscal partner behind the construction of what will soon be two permanent skateparks in Cattaraugus County. It has supported the largest

Buchheit's legacy with the Foundation will last in more than a scale public arts project in Cattaraugus County. professional capacity, as she established two funds at the Foundation, the Roger S. Niemic Memorial Fund in memory of Perhaps most notably though, Buchheit spearheaded the local her brother who died in 2017, and the Pete and Karen Buchheit philanthropic response to the COVID-19 pandemic, mobilizing Family Fund following the passing of her beloved husband Pete Foundation resources to establish and fundraise for the Buchheit in 2022. COVID-19 Response Fund for Cattaraugus County.

She helped coordinate other area funders to create a centralized philanthropic response that met immediate community needs and supported the organizations on the front-line of the pandemic.

She also led efforts to secure funding from other Western New York funders, including the Western New York COVID-19 Response Fund, the BlueFund and Ralph C. Wilson Jr. Foundation, to ensure that resources were steered to organizations where they were needed most.

All told, CRCF helped distribute over \$238,000 in grants that supported COVID-19 relief efforts.

Carol Stitt, the Foundation's first executive director and board president during the beginning of Buchheit's tenure praised Buchheit's vision for CRCF.

"Karen was always forward thinking, constantly designing and devising new programs to help CRCF be an even better partner for the greater Olean area," said Stitt.

"Twelve years ago, I received a phone call from a friend that Karen may be available and interested in our executive director position, and it has turned out to be one of the best phone calls I, and CRCF, have ever received," said Skip Wilday, CRCF's immediate past president.

been stronger. We have an excellent and devoted board, a talented and capable staff and strong systems in place for Foundation operations," said Wilday. "A blueprint has been laid for the next person to come in and be able to take CRCF to the next level."

"We will certainly miss her leadership as she transitions to a welldeserved retirement, but CRCF and the greater Olean area are much better and stronger from her tenure here," Stitt concluded.



CRCF staff with Karen Niemic Buchheit after she is honored at Salute to Olean dinne

Laine Outdoor Center at the heart of the community

Erick Laine was a constant figure in the Olean community, always at the heart of so much impacting the region, whether it be through business, philanthropy, volunteering or just being a friendly figure.

In the same way, the Erick Laine Outdoor Center, a \$5 million capital project at the Olean Family YMCA, will be at the heart of the community through all four seasons and for many years.

Phase I of the outdoor center will include a multi-use airnasium, which can be utilized year-round for sports, group exercise, theater productions, family birthday parties, etc; the Cutco splash park, which will convert into a winter play park for ice skating, curling and other outdoor winter activities; a welcome center and bath house; fire pits for gathering and socializing; then in Phase II a modern playground will be added for children to enjoy in spring 2024.

The outdoor center will be open to the community year-round and will not require a YMCA membership for families to enjoy.

Because of the center's incredible scope and it memorializing such an influential person in the community, the CRCF board of directors approved a \$10,000 matching grant to the project in 2022 during Cattaraugus Gives. All told, the grant helped the YMCA raise \$20,400 for the project during Cattaraugus Gives.

"Olean truly would not be what it is today if it were not for the forward thinking and giving spirit of Erick Laine," said CRCF Board President Lucy Benson. "To see his legacy be honored by such a significant project really inspired our board to lend its support with this grant."

"Erick was a lover of this community, and he was a lover of the outdoors, actively enjoying sports and activities in all four seasons like tennis, skiing and sailing," continued Benson. "We can just imagine what it would mean to him to see all of the families enjoying such a special space throughout the year."

The grant is also a recognition of Laine's generous giving to CRCF over the years, with his beloved wife Marianne Laine.

Erick and Marianne, with their son Peter Laine, were honored as the Friends of the Foundation in 2013.

In 2014, Erick and Marianne together established the Olean Parks Beautification Fund, to support landscaping and beautification work in Olean parks, especially Oak Hill Park. Through that fund, Erick and Marianne supported a \$160,000+ restoration of the 4th Street entrance to the park.

Through his estate, Erick established the Erick Laine Lift Up Endowment Fund, which supported \$15,000 in renovations to St. Bonaventure University's Innovation Center, now known as "The Hub," and which will continue to provide grants that represent and honor Erick's values and his love for the Olean community by supporting increased educational opportunities for area residents and a vibrant Olean and Cattaraugus County business community.

Likewise, the Laine Outdoor Center capital project was inspired by a \$650,000 bequest from Laine.

"Through that gift from the Laine estate, a group of YMCA volunteers and staff was formed to ask the question; how can we honor Erick's legacy and respond to the needs of our community at the same time?" explained Jeff Townsend, YMCA CEO.

That dedicated group started exploring activities that Erick Laine loved and paired them with a recent community needsassessment that the Y had conducted; which expressed the need for secured and safe outdoor play spaces and more outdoor winter activities.

Within those discussions and planning sessions, the concept for the Erick Laine Outdoor Center came to life.

"Erick gave so generously to this community during his life and through his estate, that it is only right to do our part in honoring that generosity," added Benson.

Construction on the Erick Laine Outdoor Center began recently after a March 2 groundbreaking ceremony and will continue through the spring and summer months, including the building of the airnasium, splash pad, fire pits and bathhouse facilities. The second phase will include the completion of the playground, with the opening set for spring 2024.

For many years to come, the Laine Outdoor Center will demonstrate how a philanthropic heart can impact the heart of an entire community.



Local officials, donors and YMCA staff break ground at Laine Outdoor Center





Home is where the heart is Sandy and Connie Wolfinger

From humble beginnings to a successful career in forestry, Sar and Connie Wolfinger have developed philanthropic hearts hearts that have continued to grow since the couple establish the Wolfinger Family Fund and the Connie and Sandy Wolfinger Fund at the Cattaraugus Region Community Foundation.

Born and raised in rural New Jersey to loving parents in a fam of six, Sandy remembered having "all of the necessities but few of the luxuries."

Sandy attended Penn State Mont Alto campus, which was established in 1903 as a forest academy, in his first collegiate year and attended the Penn State main campus for his final three years.

He would go on to become the first in his family to graduate from college thanks to the love and support of his parents. In honor of the support he received, he started his philanthropi actions at Mont Alto in 1994 by establishing the first lifetime endowment at the school and later established an endowme

at the main campus as well. program that provides funding to four area schools from which the Wolfingers' grandchildren graduated as well as the "At the time I was there, I was married in my third year and had a Wolfinger/Wilhelm Grant Program which supports annual grants child, so it was pretty tight economically," he said. "I was working to Sandy's native Belvidere school district in New Jersey. and trying to pay for college while also trying to support a family.

We lived in a small (8' wide) used trailer at the time, and the heat didn't always work, and the pipes froze," he continued. "To look at that versus where we are today, it's quite a change."

The initial endowment fund led Sandy to discover the satisfaction of giving, knowing that his philanthropy in honor of his parents had an impact on Mont Alto and Penn State students when he received thank you notes and letters.

After graduating, Sandy began what would become a long and successful career in forest management and forestry consulting He started his career working for R.B. Shannon & Associates (a consulting, engineering, surveying and forest firm), then Hammermill Paper Company in Smethport, PA, managing 54,000 acres of timberland.

After a decade with Hammermill he joined Southwest Forest only grown. Industries' Mallery Sawmill division in Emporium, PA, where he advanced to vice president. Following a couple of decades in "[The relationship] has broadened the scope of our philanthropy," major forest industries, he started his own forestry consulting said Connie. "We are always thinking of things, but the Foundation business, Northern Forests – specializing in the purchasing and makes it simple for us." managing of timberlands. Northern Forests, LLC has been While the scope and size of their giving maybe has changed operating successfully for over 30 years with business partners since their early days of giving, the reason they continue to do and wife and son, Connie and Shawn Wolfinger. so remains the same.

Connie, a native of Humphrey, NY, and an Ellicottville Central School graduate first met Sandy during her 30+ years as a real estate broker.

"Sandy and his companies were my best customers," said Connie. "What was unique was that I started out selling houses, condos and chalets, but I really had an interest in land. Most agents didn't want to deal with land, so I developed that interest into a niche market."

ndy	That niche market led to Connie forming her company Field & Stream Real Estate, which retired only last year.
ned er nily	The two married, blending a family of three children and seven grandchildren. They first settled in Smethport, PA, and now live between Olean, Cuba and Portville, where the two love to entertain friends and family on the grounds of their Haskell manor
	Today, the Wolfingers use philanthropy to give back to an area and communities that they and their family love.
	The Wolfinger Family Donor Advised Fund and the Connie and Sandy Wolfinger Fund make possible annual grants to organizations chosen by the Wolfingers, spanning from HomeCare and Hospice and Olean General Hospital to special beautification projects in Cuba, and much more.
C	Since 2019, the funds have together made possible nearly \$90,4016 in grants to community organizations.
nt	The Wolfinger Family Donor Advised Fund also supports a grant



Ellicottville elementary students with STEM books purchased from Wolfinger Family Fund grant

For the Wolfingers, giving back to the communities and causes they love fills their hearts and since establishing their funds at CRCF, their philanthropy and their dedication to giving back has

"We thought that when most of our important needs were taken care of, we would try to find some worthwhile causes we could support. And we hope that others will do the same when they are able."

> Establish a Donor Advised Fund of your own and take your philanthropy to the next level:



Funds

Agency Funds

African American Center for Cultural Development Fund Allegany Area Historical Association Fund Allegany-Cattaraugus-Chautauqua Fund for Women Carroll and Dolores Anstaett Olean Community Theatre Endowment Fund Carroll and Dolores Anstaett Pfeiffer Nature Center Fund Blount Library Fund Canticle Farm Endowment Fund CASA-Trinity Agency Fund in Cattaraugus County Challenger Learning Center Fund Dream It. Do It. Cattaraugus County Fund Empire Animal Rescue Society (E.A.R.S.) Agency Fund Genesis House of Olean Fund Interfaith Caregivers Inc. Fund Lounsbury Adaptive Investment Account Fund Mount View Cemetery Maintenance Fund Olean Business Development Corporation Fund Olean Food Pantry Fund Olean Meditation Center Fund Operation Warm Hearts Inc. Fund Otto-Eldred Education Foundation Fund Kay Pfeiffer Gerkin Endowment Fund Portville Free Library Endowed Fund SPCA in Cattaraugus County Fund Tri-County Arts Council Agency Endowment Fund United Way of Cattaraugus County Inc. Fund YMCA of the Twin Tiers Fund

Donor Advised Funds

Pete and Karen Buchheit Family Fund Laine Family Fund Mahar Family Foundation Fund Stitt Family Fund Connie and Sandy Wolfinger Fund Wolfinger Family Donor Advised Fund

Donor Designated Funds

Carroll and Dolores Anstaett Gift Tree Fund Carroll Anstaett Olean Little League Fund Archbishop Walsh/Southern Tier Catholic Schools Endowment Fund in honor of Luella Potter Basilica of St. Mary of the Angels Future Fund James R. Bryant Fund BWB Food Drive Fund Mike and Laura Bysiek Memorial Fund Varma Childs Human Services Fund Gary D. Clements Fund Samuel Costa Endowment Fund Maureen Curry Olean Food Pantry Community Garden Fund Dan H. Daniels Memorial Fund The Rev. Leo J. Gallina Endowment Fund for St. Bernard of Clairvaux Church Paul and Betty Hanson Fund Paul and Mary Janowicz Memorial Fund Kothari Family Endowment Fund The McMullen Fund Mildred Milliman Fund



SPCA of Cattaraugus County



2022 Cattaraugus Gives prize winners



Pink Pumpkin Project Tree of Hope ceremony



Paul Brown Cares presents check to Leadership Cattaraugus supporting Leadership Cattaraugus Scholarship Fund

Roger S. Niemic Memorial Fund Jim & Gail Olson Mercy Flight Fund Redding Endowment Fund Lewis and Doris Reisner Endowment Fund Walt and Ruth Reisner Endowment Fund Doris Reisner Endowment Fund Barby Ried Social Fund St. John's Church Endowment Fund Carol and Jim Stitt Operations Fund Vergil Sutter Memorial Fund Kay and Oliver Williams/Rushford Endowment Fund Paul and Mary Lou Wood Foundation Fund Yehl Family Endowment

Field of Interest Funds

Allegany Nordic Fund Allegany Public Library Memorial Association Fund Allegany River Skate Park Inc. Allegany-Limestone Schools Foundation Fund Allegheny River Valley Trail Fund Beautification Fund for Olean Community Big 30 Athletic Fund Caneadea Dam at Rushford Lake Fund *Cattaraugus County/Gene and Charlotte Preston Fund for the Elderly* Cattaraugus County Law Enforcement Fund Cattaraugus County Law Enforcement Project Lifesaver Fund Cattaraugus County Suicide Prevention Coalition Fund Cattaraugus Gives Fund CCSO K9 Fund Christmas in Allegany Citizens Advocating Memorial Preservation (CAMP) Fund Continental 1 Corridor Fund Cuba Lake Area Young Sailors' Fund Ellicottville Great Valley Recreational Trail Fund Ellicottville Skate Park Fund Fox Derwick Family Supporting Children in the Arts Fund *Golf "Fore" Heroes Fund* Greater Olean Hospitality Sculpture/Monument Fund Higgins Memorial Golf Tournament Fund Horse Resource Fund Elisa B. Hughey Memorial Fund for the Arts Jamie's Fund F. Donald Kenney Fund Kids and Cancer Fund Kids and Cancer Endowment Fund Daniel "Tiger" Krick Junior Golf Program Fund Marianne Letro Laine Caregiver and Respite Fund Little Valley Fund The McMullen Fund for the Environment *Meals on Wheels/Friends of Aging Fund of Cattaraugus County* Mental Wellness in Cattaraugus County Fund Mountain Sports Fund Olean City School District Foundation Fund Olean Parks Beautification Fund Olean Rotary Club Community Improvement Fund Olean Veterans Wall of Honor Fund Rose Pappas Foundation Fund



Operation Warm Hearts



Mary Jo Stark and Mary Ellen Nelson of EARs receive Cattaraugus Gives prize

Ross A. Peters Memorial Fund The Pink Pumpkin Project Fund Pink Pumpkin Project Endowed Fund Frank Pitillo Memorial Fund RAM Fund of Cattaraugus County Jack Reading Memorial Fund Santa Claus Lane Fund Santa Sheriff Fund Southern Tier Military Support Group Fund Special Response Team Fund STAB It Foundation Fund Beth Todd Memorial Fund Veggie Wheels Fund Visual Arts Alliance Endowment Fund Wagner Family Fund Kaleigh Wilday Endowment Fund Wing Ski Club Endowment Fund Woodland in the City Fund

Scholarship Funds

Nancy Allen Scholarship Laurie Anzivine Memorial Scholarship Fred P. Baker Memorial Scholarship Nelson M. Beard Memorial Scholarship Albert A. Bennett Jr. Family Scholarship Big 30 Athletic Fund Tyler Bihler Memorial Scholarship Burt Scholarship



2022 CRCF scholarship recipients



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Scholarship recipients and donors gather at the Friends of the Foundation luncheon

Tim Bushnell Memorial Scholarship May C. Carroll Scholarship Cattaraugus County Trappers Memorial Scholarship Chautauqua Cattaraugus Board of Realtors Scholarship Chipmonk Community Hall Scholarship Thomas W. Conklin Sr. Scholarship Christine Conner Memorial Scholarship Maureen Curry Inspiration Scholarship Jen DeLong Memorial Scholarship Dresser-Rand Employees Scholarship Elias Eade Jr. Scholarship Louis W. Ensworth Charitable Foundation Trust Scholarship for Allegany-Limestone Central School Ernst Family Scholarship Jack and Muriel Fogarty Memorial Scholarship Sondra J. Fox Scholarship William D. and Catherine Griffin Fraser Scholarship The Good Samaritan Award Fred G. Grace Memorial Scholarship Phyllis Green Memorial Scholarship Hamburg Track Scholarship Paul and Betty Hanson Career/Technical Scholarship Alyn J. Heim Music Scholarship Patricia "Ann" Heister English/Journalism Memorial Scholarship Joseph and Cecily Higgins Scholarship Drs. Ahmad and Naheed Hilal Family Fund Mohammad and Sakeena Igbal Health Care/Education Award Hinsdale Alumni Association Memorial Scholarship Kristen Hintz Memorial Scholarship Award Don and Bern Holcomb Memorial Scholarship Vincent C. Horth Memorial Scholarship *Elisa B. Hughey Scholarship for the Arts* Hughey Family Award for Resilience Hughey Scholarship Robert E. Hull VMD Memorial Scholarship Anthony and Gayle Iacovino Legacy Scholarship JF20 Scholarship Signe H. Johnson Scholarship Signe, Svenborg, Agnes and Selma Johnson Scholarship Dennis Jones and Wayne Johnston Memorial Dice Run Scholarship Kathy Jowsey Spirit Memorial Scholarship Michele Krahe Peace O.H.S. Scholarship Deputy Wayne Krieger and Carol Krieger Scholarship Leadership Cattaraugus Scholarship Long/Vossler Family Scholarship Kathleen Loop Snyder Memorial Scholarship Louis A. "Louie" Magnano Scholarship James A. and Joan E. Maguire Family Scholarship Terrence and Judith Mark Scholarship Frank A. Martin III Memorial Scholarship Daniel McCarthy Scholarship Patricia McCarthy Memorial Scholarship Bob and Barbara McCord Scholarship Pat McGee Nursing Scholarship Arnold McHone Sr. Manufacturing Scholarship Maryetta's Mission Scholarship John J. Murphy Family Scholarship Dr. Brian O'Connell Sr. Memorial Scholarship



CRCF Vice President Mike Kasperski (right) greets guests at the Friends of the Foundation Luncheon

Olean City School District Scholarship Fund Russell F. Greenawalt and Elizabeth Page Greenawalt Scholarship Mary Elizabeth Smith Scholarship Thomas & Robert Smythe Scholarship OHS Class of 1961 Scholarship OHS Class of 1983 Scholarship OHS Class of 1995 Scholarship Olean High School Alumni Association Scholarship Otto-Eldred Alumni Scholarship George and Marcia Pancio Scholarship Betty Pappas Scholarship Nicolas G. Pendl Memorial Scholarship Eric Peters Memorial Scholarship Portville College Scholarships Fund Mark J. Prockton Memorial Scholarship Ratana Ratanawongsa Scholarship Marjorie and Robert Schaumleffel Rotary Scholarship *Ginger D. Schroder Legislative District 3 Scholarship* Ben & Rose Schwabenbauer Educational Scholarship Patrick Shinners Memorial Scholarship Southern Tier Military Support Group Scholarship Gregory D. Spring Perseverance Scholarship and Awards Elodine Swarts Baxter and Lena Conrad Swarts Memorial Scholarship Carroll Swanson Memorial Scholarship Fund for the Performing Arts Lee W. and Jeremie I. Swartz Pitt-Bradford Scholarship Eva M. Taggerty Memorial Scholarship Bernadette E. "Bernie" Taylor Memorial Scholarship Ten Broeck Academy and Franklinville Central School District Scholarship Fund Walter F. and Julia A. Dziekonski Scholarship Josephine S. Pepper Memorial Ag. Scholarship William H. Schwier Memorial Scholarship Jonathan Teuscher Scholarship

Two Joes Scholarship JoAnn Wehmeyer English Scholarship Paul and Mary Lou Wood Swim Scholarship Dr. Donald A. Wormer Family Scholarship

Unrestricted Funds

Anonymous II Fund Community Fund Erick Laine Lift Up Endowment Fund



Wendy Brand and Karen Niemic Buchheit present Drs. Yogini and Ashok Kothari with the 2022 Friends of the Foundation award



Tony Evans, CRCF scholarship committee chair recognizes 2022 scholarship recipients at Friends of the Foundation luncheon



CRCF board members Theresa Raftis and Wendy Brand (center) and CRCF Accounting and Finance Manager Susan Fiske engage in strategic planning

Grants

African American Center for Cultural Development	Fund
African American Center for Cultural Development, Inc.	\$8,00
Construction/renovations at African American Center for Cultural Development	\$110,60.
Allegany Public Library Memorial Association Fund Allegany Public Library	\$9,00
Allegany-Cattaraugus-Chautauqua Fund for Wome Financial support for women in the tri-county area to suppor self-sufficiency	
Carroll and Dolores Anstaett Gift Tree Fund Interfaith Caregivers Inc.	\$1,804
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Carroll and Dolores Anstaett Olean Community The Endowment Fund Olean Community Theatre	\$2,25
Carroll Anstaett Olean Little League Fund Olean Little League	\$6,40
Archbishop Walsh/Southern Tier Catholic Schools Endowment Fund in honor of Luella Potter Southern Tier Catholic School System and	
Archbishop Walsh Academy	\$2,26
Beautification Fund for Olean Community Tri-County Arts Council, Inc for Heart of Olean Mural project	\$10,00
Blount Library Fund Blount Library	\$920
Pete and Karen Buchheit Family Fund Pancreatic Cancer Action Network in memory of Pete Buchheit Penn Highlands Community Nurses in memory of Pete Buchheit	\$251 \$251
Mike and Laura Bysiek Memorial Fund	
Joyful Rescues	\$50
Canticle Farm	\$10
HomeCare & Hospice	\$10
Olean Food Pantry	\$10
Olean General Hospital Foundation	\$10
SPCA in Cattaraugus County	\$10
Cattaraugus County/Gene and Charlotte Preston Fund for the Elderly Support for elderly clients to help them remain safely in their home	¢11 0C
Cattaraugus County Suicide Prevention Coalition Fu Cattaraugus County Department of Community Services for books for those affected by suicide loss	und \$99
	\$99.
Cattaraugus Gives Fund	t > 55
Empire Animal Rescue Society - Cattaraugus Gives prizes	\$3,55
SPCA in Cattaraugus County Fund - Cattaraugus Gives prizes Literacy of Love Inc Cattaraugus Gives prizes	\$2,60 \$1,40
Olean Food Pantry Fund - Cattaraugus Gives prizes	\$1,25
Genesis House of Olean, Inc Cattaraugus Gives prizes	\$1,10
Olean City School District Foundation Fund - Cattaraugus Gives prize Citizens Advocating Memorial Preservation (CAMP) -	
Cattaraugus Gives prizes	\$1,00
Canticle Farm - Cattaraugus Gives prizes	\$85
Allegheny Highlands Council Boy Scouts of America - Cattaraugus Gives prizes	\$75
Tim Bushnell Memorial Scholarship - Cattaraugus Gives prize	\$60
African American Center for Cultural Development Fund -	
Cattaraugus Gives prize Chautauqua Blind Association - Cattaraugus Gives prize	\$50) \$50)



Interfaith Caregivers volunteers gather Christmas gifts for Gift Tree families



Bonnie Saunders and Cathy Mackay of the Cattaraugus Dept. of Aging (left) show technology for seniors purchased by Mental Wellness in Cattaraugus County Fund grant

Friends of the Library of Olean, NY - Cattaraugus Gives prize	\$500
Greater Olean Hospitality Sculpture/Monument Non-Endowed Pass-Through Fund - Cattaraugus Gives prize	
	\$500
Marjorie and Robert Schaumleffel Rotary Scholarship - Cattaraugus Gives prize	\$500
Southern Tier Health Care System, Inc - Cattaraugus Gives prize	\$500 \$500
Southern Tier Symphony - Cattaraugus Gives prize	\$500 \$500
Leadership Cattaraugus Scholarship Fund - Cattaraugus Gives prizes	,
Dream It. Do It. Non-Endowed Agency Fund - Cattaraugus Gives prizes	
	\$250 \$250
Caneadea Dam at Rushford Lake Fund - Cattaraugus Gives prize	<i>⊅</i> ∠50
Challenger Learning Center of the Twin Tiers Region - Cattaraugus Gives prize	\$250
Directions in Independent Living, Inc Cattaraugus Gives prize	\$250
Enchanted Mt. Garden Club of Allegany - Cattaraugus Gives prize	\$250
Frank Pitillo Memorial Fund - Cattaraugus Gives prize	\$250
Interfaith Caregivers Inc Cattaraugus Gives prize	\$250
Little Valley Fund - Cattaraugus Gives prize	\$250
Olean General Hospital Foundation - Cattaraugus Gives prize	\$250
Pay it Forward - Cattaraugus Gives prize	\$250
Portville Sports Boosters - Cattaraugus Gives prize	\$250
St. Elizabeth Mission Society - Cattaraugus Gives prize	\$250
Cats Knead TNVR - Cattaraugus Gives prize	\$100
OHS Class of 1983 Scholarship Fund - Cattaraugus Gives prize	\$100
Olean High School Sports Boosters - Cattaraugus Gives prize	\$100
Olean Theatre Workshop - Cattaraugus Gives prize	\$100
Shadow's Veterinarian Relief Trust - Cattaraugus Gives prize	\$100
Tri-County Arts Council, Inc Cattaraugus Gives prize	\$100
CCSO K9 Fund	t1 010
Dental care for police K9	\$1,910

Giving heart to emergency medical care

The Randolph Regional EMS Corporation received a \$2,500 grant from CRCF's Community Fund for emergency response bags that will make operations simpler and safer for EMS providers to provide potentially lifesaving care. The emergency response bags allow paramedics to have all of the equipment they need to quickly and effectively respond to a patient's needs in one place. This cuts down on the need for paramedics to make repeat trips to an ambulance, which can quickly become a crowded workspace when administering care to patient and also helps improve response time. The emergency bags help support an EMS service that serves the towns of Randolph, Coldspring, South Valley, Napoli, Red House and Conewango. In 2021, Randolph Regional responded to 861 calls.

"This grant will have a significant impact on our ability to provide care to those suffering from a medical or traumatic emergency. This equipment will allow our EMTs and Paramedics to have lifesaving equipment including defibrillators, tourniquets, and medications such as Epinephrine and Narcan immediately to the patient's side to begin treatment in an organized fashion. This will allow our crews to easily locate critical equipment thus avoiding delays looking for those items in bags not designed for EMS use or returning to the ambulance to obtain equipment that does not fit in our current bags. We would not have been able to make these potentially lifesaving improvements without the assistance of the Community Foundation grant."

-David Senn, Randolph Regional EMS Corporation



Randolph EMS providers with emergency bags purchased through Community Fund grant

Community Fund

YMCA of the Twin Tiers - Erick Laine Outdoor Center at Olean YMCA	\$10,000
Village of South Dayton - Movie Museum Depot project -	to 150
pass-through grant from WNY Foundation	\$3,150
Randolph Regional EMS Corp, - emergency response equipment	\$2,500
FeedMore WNY for Cattaraugus County food pantries	\$2,500
YMCA of the Twin Tiers - Olean Intermediate Middle School Y-Care	
Program for E-Gaming equipment	\$2,500
Canticle Farm - weed suppression and irrigation project	\$2,480
City of Olean Police Department towards purchase of drone	\$1,500
Kevin Guest House - supporting patients & families traveling from	
the Cattaraugus Co. region for medical care	\$1,500
Southern Tier Health Care System, Inc - purchase of	
oversized blood donor chair	\$1,441
Chautauqua-Cattaraugus Library System - Summer Reading program	\$1,300



Connie and Sandy Wolfinger (left) with Norther Potter students at white tail food plot supported by a Wolfinger Family Fund grant

Allegany Public Library - children's room flooring Village of South Dayton - Depot Movie and Railroad	\$1,000
Museum electrical update	\$340
Interfaith Caregivers Inc gas cards for Interfaith Caregivers volunte	ers \$250
Samuel Costa Endowment Fund	
St. Elizabeth of Hungary Church	\$1,876
Hamlin Memorial Library	\$938
St. Raphael's Roman Catholic Church	\$938
Dream It. Do It. Cattaraugus County Fund	
Dream it. Do it. Programming	\$133,913
Ellicottville Great Valley Recreational Trail Fund	
Design services for EVGV Trail	\$35,688
Ellicottville Skate Park Fund	
Skatepark design and construction	\$279,803
Engraving of bricks to become part of the skatepark sidewalk	\$1,181
The Rev. Leo J. Gallina Endowment Fund for St. Bernard of Clairvaux Church	
St. Bernard of Clairvaux Church	\$1,709
Gargoyle Park Public Disc Golf Course Fund	
Construction and installation of Franchot Park Youth Disc Golf Cours	e \$16,906
Franchot Park youth summer disc golf programming	\$16,492
Twin Tiers Disc Golf Association	\$541
support for Gargoyle Park-hosted Collegiate Qualifier Tournamen	t \$250
Golf "Fore" Heroes Non-endowed Fund	
Defenders of Freedom -Pittsburgh chapter	\$16,000

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Turn your heart to philanthropy with a fund of your own:

If your heart has been warmed by the stories of philanthropy in action in this report, you can establish a fund of your own to take your own philanthropy to the next level. Your gift will help support a stronger community.

Whether you want to support animal welfare, human services, arts and culture organizations, etc., we can help you design a fund that meets your goals. Just think of the organizations/causes you want to support and the Foundation will handle the administrative work to steward your giving so it can grow and expand your impact for many years to come.

CRCF endowment funds are designed for growth and income, so your gift today will have an even larger impact over time, allowing grantmaking from your fund to grow in perpetuity.

All contributions to a community foundation fund are tax-deductible to the fullest extent allowed by law. The Foundation provides gift receipts and all other necessary tax documentation.

Contact us at 716-301-2723 or email us at foundation@ cattfoundation.org. CRCF accepts gifts by cash, check and credit card, as well as gifts of stock, IRA rollovers, bequests and planned gifts.



Legacy Society Planned Giving

The Foundation's Legacy Society recognizes donors who have made or plan to make a gift through an estate plan or another planned giving

strategy such as a life income gift, life insurance policy or retirement plan. Donors and attorneys/financial planners are encouraged to contact the Foundation to discuss planned giving options.

> Learn more about how to establish a fund or make a major gift:





Cattaraugus County youth work in Dream it. Do it. Center in Cattaraugus County



Canticle Farm staff and volunteers plant crops at Canticle Farm



Cattaraugus County youth play at Franchot Park Youth Disc Golf Course



Olean High School students and staff at annual clean- up day at Oak Hill Park

Paul and Betty Hanson Fund

1ercy Flight Inc.	
Dlean General Hospital Foundation	
Dlean Public Library	
own of Olean Fire Department	

Higgins Memorial Golf Tournament Fund

Empire Animal Rescue Society	\$3,000
The Pink Pumpkin Project Fund	\$3,000
Olean General Hospital Foundation	\$1,500
Olean High School Sports Boosters for OHS boys and girls golf teams	\$600
Tri-County Arts Council, Inc. for Heart of Olean Mural Project	\$500
Mount View Cemetery, Inc.	\$200
St. Bonaventure University Athletics Dept.	\$200
American Cancer Society	\$150

Elisa B. Hughey Fund for the Arts

Tri-County Arts Council, Inc. for Heart of Olean Mural Project\$500Tri-County Arts Council, Inc. for art classes at Ellicottville library\$327

Interfaith Caregivers Inc. Fund

Purchase of wheelchairs for medical equipment loan center Interfaith Caregivers Inc.

Paul and Mary Janowicz Memorial Fund Great Valley Volunteer Fire Department Olean General Hospital Foundation for the Marie Lorenz Dialysis Center Fund Olean Public Library

F. Donald Kenney Fund *Tri-County Arts Council, Inc. for Southern Tier Biennial art exhibit* \$23,247

Kids and Cancer Endowment Fund *Financial support for families facing cancer treatment*

Kids and Cancer Fund Financial support for families facing cancer treatment Kids and Cancer Endowment Fund

\$40,572 \$8,000 \$1,000

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Kothari Family Endowment Fund Mental Wellness in Cattaraugus County Fund Olean Food Pantry Cattaraugus Gives prize sponsorship

CARE for Children

Laine Family Fund

MountainTrue

Daniel "Tiger" Krick Junior Golf Program Fund Bartlett junior membership for OHS golf team member Cameron Bartman

Erick Laine Entrepreneur Fund Olean Business Development Corporation

\$136,658

Erick Laine Lift Up Endowment Fund Olean Business Development Corporation for renovation of "The Hub" \$15,000

Leadership Cattaraugus Scholarship FundLeadership Cattaraugus scholarship for Gayle Patterson\$400Leadership Cattaraugus scholarship for Curtis Pierce\$400Leadership Cattaraugus scholarship for Kate Steirgerwald\$400

Marianne Letro Laine Caregiver and Respite FundCattaraugus County Department of Aging for technology and
supplies to assist the elderly\$5,000

Little Valley Fund *Prizes for Music in the Park cornhole tournament*

Mahar Family Foundation Fund Mercy Flight Inc. Wings Flights of Hope, Inc.

\$650 \$650

\$125



Pictured with the Mildred Milliman Radiation Medicine Center's new CT simulator are (from left to right) Dr. Gregory Hare, Joe Stallone, CRCF Board President Skip Wilday (back), Lisa Stallone, CRCF Executive Director Karen Niemic Buchheit, Christopher Koteras, Steve Jackson and Lucy Benson, CRCF board president.

Basilica of St. Mary of the Angels for annual community Christmas dinn	er \$300
Olean Food Pantry	\$300
SPCA in Cattaraugus County	\$300
SPCA serving Allegany County	\$300
St. John's Roman Catholic Church St. Vincent de Paul Society	\$300
Warming House	\$300
Dr. Lyle F. Renodin Foundation	\$200
Interfaith Caregivers Inc.	\$200
Olean First Baptist Church for annual community Easter dinner	\$200
Pfeiffer Nature Center	\$200
Salvation Army	\$200
St. Stephen's Episcopal Church for community Thanksgiving dinner	\$200
Genesis House of Olean, Inc.	\$100
Portville Community Food Pantry	\$100
Mental Wellness in Cattaraugus County Fund	
Cattaraugus County Department of Aging for caregiver technology	
devices to address social isolation and cognitive/physical disability	\$2,100
Connecting Communities in Action, Inc. for Trauma	
Informed Toolkit outreach	\$2,000
Meals on Wheels/Friends of Aging Fund	
of Cattaraugus County	
African American Center for Cultural Development in honor of	<i>t</i> 5 0 0
black history month	\$500
Cattaraugus County Department of Aging for caregiver technology devices to address social isolation and cognitive/physical disability	\$1,000
Mildred Milliman Fund	
Olean General Hospital Foundation for purchase of CT scanner at Mildred Milliman Radiation Center \$	
	195,985
SPCA in Cattaraugus County	\$5,517
Beautification Fund for Olean Community	\$3,691
Camp Good Days & Special Times	\$2,283
Roswell Park Alliance Foundation	\$2,283
St. Jude Children's Research Hospital	\$2,283
SPCA serving Allegany County	\$1,627
American SPCA	\$1,457
Best Friends Animal Society	\$1,457
Humane Society of U.S.	\$1,457
International Fund for Animal Welfare	\$1,457
National Anti-Vivisection Society	\$1,457
National Wildlife Federation	\$1,457
World Wildlife Fund	\$1,457
Blinded Veterans Association	\$1,141
Guiding Eyes for the Blind	\$1,141
American Cancer Society	\$971 ¢071
American Heart Association American Kidnev Fund	\$971 \$971
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American Lung Association in New York American Red Cross	\$971 \$971
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March of Dimes, WNY Division	\$971
Muscular Dystrophy Association, Western New York	\$971
National MS Society, Upstate NY Chapter	\$971
Paralyzed Veterans of America	\$971
Salvation Army	\$971
Alzheimer's Association, Western New York Chapter	\$899
American Foundation for the Blind	\$899
Cystic Fibrosis Foundation of WNY	\$899
Easter Seals	\$899
Epilepsy Foundation	\$899
Leukemia & Lymphoma Society	\$899
Town of Olean Fire Department	\$801
United Spinal Association	\$801
Roger S. Niemic Memorial Fund Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation, Western PA Chapter in memory of Roger Niemic	\$265
Olean Business Development Corporation Fund	
	\$100,000
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Olean City School District Foundation Fund	¢40.000
Olean High School Alumni Association Scholarship Fund	\$12,833
OIMS Washington Club 7th Grade Trip	\$4,700
Paw Patrol Community Outreach Program	\$3,890
Authors Everywhere program	\$1,357
Olean Community Theatre Building Project Fund	
Olean Community Theatre	\$1,745
Olean Meditation Center Fund <i>Olean Meditation Center for Windfall Gardens project</i>	\$1,850
Olean Parks Beautification Fund	
Oak Hill Park landcaping	\$1,425
Olean Professional Firefighters Fireworks Fund	
Olean fireworks show	\$27,500
	<i>\$27,300</i>
Olean Rotary Club Community Improvement Fund	
The Dictionary Project for dictionaries for third graders at area school	
Olean City School District Foundation Fund	\$300
Tri-County Arts Council, Inc. for Heart of Olean Mural Project	\$1,500
Gargoyle Park Public Disc Golf Course Fund for Franchot Park	¢200
Youth disc golf course	\$200
Olean Veterans Wall of Honor Fund	
Maintenance of Olean Veterans Wall of Honor	\$639
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Jim & Gail Olson Mercy Flight Fund	¢1 201
Mercy Flight Inc. for Olean Mercy Flight hangar	\$1,294
Otto-Eldred Education Foundation Fund	
Otto-Eldred Education Foundation for scholarships	\$10,500
Rose Pappas Foundation Fund	
Basilica of St. Mary of the Angels for annual community Christmas dir.	ner \$300
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Hinsdale Community Church for Thanksgiving and/or Easter dinners for the homebound	\$300
HomeCare & Hospice	\$350
Interfaith Caregivers Inc.	\$350
Olean First Baptist Church for annual community Easter dinner	\$300
Olean Senior Center	\$300
St. Stephen's Episcopal Church for annual community Thanksgiving dir	
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Ross A. Peters Memorial Fund	
World Central Kitchen Inc. for Chefs for Ukraine program	\$454
The Pink Pumpkin Project Fund	
Assistance for breast cancer fighters and survivors	\$40,968
Laurie Anzivine Memorial Scholarship	\$1,000
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Pleasant Valley Cemetery Fund	¢r opp
Town of Olean for future maintenance of Pleasant Valley Cemetery	\$5,033

Ratana Ratanawongsa Scholarship Scholarship for ALCS student Sughosh Kondur's research program \$100 **Redding Endowment Fund** \$430 Hinsdale Central School for use in third grade classroom Hinsdale Maplehurst & Pleasant Valley Volunteer Fire Department \$430 Olean City School District for use in 3rd grade classroom at East View Elementary \$430 Doris Reisner Endowment Fund \$1,240 American Cancer Society St. Stephen's Episcopal Church \$1,240 The ReHabilitation Foundation \$1,240 *Empire State Association for the Deaf* \$827 Genesis House of Olean, Inc. \$827 *HomeCare & Hospice* \$827 \$827 Interfaith Caregivers Inc. American Diabetes Association \$413 American Friends Service Committee \$413 \$413 SPCA in Cattaraugus County Lewis & Doris Reisner Endowment Fund Olean General Hospital Foundation remodel room for Obstetrics triage \$9,888 Walt and Ruth Reisner Endowment Fund Olean General Hospital Foundation for Emergency Medical Services or Obstetrics \$3,934 Southern Tier Health Care System, Inc for EMS training and education \$1,311 Santa Sheriff Fund Purchase of gifts for Santa Sheriff families \$4,819 Southern Tier Military Support Group Fund \$2,224 *Care package mailings for active duty military* Special Response Team Fund Special Response Team equipment \$15,295 Carol and Jim Stitt Operations Fund CRCF operational support \$17.710 Vergil Sutter Memorial Fund \$1,962 St. Bonaventure University Athletics Dept. St. Jude Children's Research Hospital \$1,962 Beth Todd Memorial Fund The Pink Pumpkin Project Fund \$821 Tri-County Arts Council Agency Endowment Fund Tri-County Arts Council, Inc. \$951 United Way of Cattaraugus County Inc. Fund United Way of Cattaraugus County \$1,651 Visual Arts Alliance Endowment Fund Tri-County Arts Council, Inc. for Heart of Olean Mural Project \$10,000 Kaleigh Wilday Endowment Fund YMCA of the Twin Tiers for Erick Laine Outdoor Project \$12,000 Allegany County Area Foundation for Cuba playground project \$1,000 Cattaraugus Gives Fund for prize for youth development organization \$1,000 CRCS Outdoors \$1,000 Cuba Circulating Library \$1,000 Cuba Rushford PTO \$1,000 Ellicottville Great Valley Recreational Trail Fund \$1,000 Frank Pitillo Memorial Fund \$1,000 The Bob McCarthy Foundation \$1,000 Ellicottville Memorial Library \$500 Joseph and Cecily Higgins Scholarship in memory of Cecily Higgins \$500 Nannen Arboretum Society \$500 Olean Food Pantry Fund Cattaraugus Gives donation \$500 Olean General Hospital Foundation in honor of Karen Fohl's retirement \$500 YMCA of the Twin Tiers for Swizzy's Cause program in honor \$500 of Barb Sweitzer



Dennis Redding reads to Hinsdale third graders from books purchased through support from Redding Endowment Fund

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Marianne Letro Laine Caregiver and Respite Fund	\$250
Dr. Brian O'Connell Sr. Memorial Scholarship	\$250
Kay & Oliver Williams/Rushford Endowment Fund	
First Baptist Church	\$1,158
Rushford Free Library	\$1,158
Rushford United Methodist Church	\$1,158
Northern KonXions United Methodist Church	\$1,158
Cuba-Rushford Outdoors/Conservation Camp Scholarship	\$783
Dlean Troop 621 for Boy Scouts Pack 708, scouts based in Cuba-Rushfod School district	\$783
Podonque Cemetery	\$783
Rushford Cemetery Association	\$783
Rushford Concert Band	\$783
Connie and Sandy Wolfinger Fund	
Believers Chapel	\$1,000
Believers Chapel Love Thy Neighbor Project	\$500
Interfaith Caregivers Inc.	\$500
Lounsbury Adaptive Ski Program	\$500
SPCA in Cattaraugus County	\$500
Great Valley United Methodist Church in honor of Lloyd and Joann Gerv	vitz \$300
Allegany County Area Foundation for Chamberlain Park Playground Project	\$250
Comfort House of Allegany County	\$250
Canticle Farm	\$200
Friends of the Library of Olean, NY	\$200
Hamlin Memorial Library	\$200
The ReHabilitation Foundation	\$200
Toys for Tots Olean, NY	\$200
Cuba Circulating Library in honor of the library's 150th anniversa	iry \$150
Cuba Fire Department	\$100
Weston's Mills Fire Department Kinney Hose Company	\$100
Wolfinger Family Donor Advised Fund	
Olean General Hospital Foundation for the Wolfinger Fund	\$10,000
Penn State University	\$5,000
Penn State University Mont Alto campus for the Harold "Sandy"	1
Wolfinger program fund for Forest Technology	\$5,000
American Red Cross for Ukrainian humanitarian relief	\$1,000
Genesis House of Olean, Inc.	\$1,000
Olean General Hospital Foundation for Heartbeat Society	\$1,000
Jnited Way of Cattaraugus County	\$1,000
Belvidere (NJ) School District for collaborative Learning Environment project at Belvidere H.S	\$950
St. Luke's Episcopal Church for Wolfinger Family Guardian Angel Fu	nd \$700
Coudersport Area School District for sixth grade trip to Challenger Learning Center	\$500
Coudersport Area School District for Virtual Reality project	\$500
Ellicottville Central School for Jared Campbell concert for students	\$500
Northern Potter School District for Whitetail Food Plot project	\$500



Ellicottville youth at groundbreaking for Ellicottville Skate Park



Cattaraugus County students at Dream it. Do it. Center in Cattaraugus County

Pennsylvania Forestry Association	\$500
Smethport Area School District for rowing machine at Smethport Area High School fitness center	\$500
HomeCare & Hospice	\$500
Olean Food Pantry	\$500
YMCA of the Twin Tiers	\$500
Cuba Friends of Architecture	\$300
Phyllis Green Memorial Scholarship Fund	\$250
Wreaths Across America	\$200
Ancient Order of Hibernians for restoration of Irish Famine Memori	
Citizens Advocating Memorial Preservation (CAMP) Fund	\$100
Coudersport Volunteer Fire Department	\$100
Smethport Fire Department	\$100
Paul and Mary Lou Wood Foundation Fund	
Franciscan Center for Social Concern, St. Bonaventure University	\$1,562
Basilica of St. Mary of the Angels	\$521
Olean General Hospital Foundation	\$521
St. Bonaventure University Office of Institutional Advancement	\$521
Paul and Mary Lou Wood Foundation Fund for the Franciscan Center for Social Concern	
Franciscan Center for Social Concern, St. Bonaventure University	\$915
Yehl Family Endowment	
Samaritan's Purse	\$4,612
World Vision Inc.	\$4,612
YMCA of the Twin Tiers Fund	
YMCA of the Twin Tiers	\$138,175

Scholarships

Allegany Public Library Memorial Association Scholarship Kelsey Riordan Nancy Allen Scholarship Delaney Pfeiffer Laurie Anzivine Memorial Scholarship Hailey Jones Jocelyn Wyatt Fred P. Baker Memorial Scholarship

Nelson M. Beard Memorial Scholarship Jared George

Albert A. Bennett Jr. Family Scholarship Kaylee Rhinehart

Big 30 Athletic Fund

Kaylee Rhinehart

Big 30 Athletic FundZazeric BellChesney BradybaughKaelee BresslinMason CoolJade EvensLogan FrankKyle MathesAbigail NuzzoJordan PavlockEion QuigleyClayton RowlandSarri SwansonSara ThomasJohn Visnesky	\$500 \$500 \$500 \$500 \$500 \$500 \$500 \$500
Tyler Bihler Memorial Scholarship Aaron Aiello Anna Mest	\$1,050 \$1,050
Burt Scholarship John Charles Parker Keenan Byron Ring Rachel Waddell	\$1,250 \$1,250 \$1,250 \$1,250
Tim Bushnell Memorial Scholarship Chloe Hirt	\$1,000
May C. Carroll Scholarship Kyra Frentz Kara Navarre John Visnesky	\$1,000 \$1,000 \$1,000
Cattaraugus County Trappers Memorial Scholarship Jacob Owen	\$500
Chautauqua Cattaraugus Board of Realtors Scholarship Madison Davenport Kelsey Riordan William Schlemmer Ruth Scordo	\$500 \$500 \$500 \$500
Chipmonk Community Hall Scholarship Bradley Walton	\$600
Thomas W. Conklin Sr. Scholarship Fund Joe Magro Delaynie Moore	\$500 \$500
Maureen Curry Inspiration Scholarship Chasnie Beers	\$300



Caroline DeRose (center) at DataFest competition

\$500

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Caroline DeRose

Caroline DeRose, a 2021 Olean High School Class of 1961 Scholarship recipient, is currently studying Civil Engineering at Northwestern University, with a minor in architectural engineering and design. DeRose, who excelled in math and science coursework in high school (the OHS Class of 1961 scholarship is for the male and female with the highest average in math and science) has continued to demonstrate her academic aptitude and is now a member of Northwestern University's Society of Women Engineers, Association for Women in Mathematics and American Society of Civil Engineers. She is also a member of the Kappa Alpha Theta fraternity, where she conducts volunteer work advocating for better outcomes for children placed in the foster care system. In the summer of her freshman year, she redesigned a campus walking path to meet Americans with Disability Act guidelines and aid her fellow classmates with and without disabilities. Additionally, she competed in DataFest, a national undergraduate data analysis case competition where teams of students analyze a complex dataset from a major company and mine it for insights, with her team placing first for its data insights. DeRose plans to graduate with an engineering degree and work in the engineering and construction management field. Her goal is to gain experience with urban systems and to help reform and rejuvenate rural and underprivileged areas through engineering.



aroline DeRose (center) at DataFest competition

Haley Reynolds	\$1,00
Dresser-Rand Employees Scholarship	
Kendall Artlip	\$2,50
Jacob Brink	\$2,50
Kaitlyn Buckvich	\$50
Kohl Carpenter	\$1,00
Nathaniel Cole	\$1,00
Gavin King	\$1,00
Samuel Korsa	\$50
Nya Martinelli	\$50
Chelsie Mehlenbacher	\$1,00
Christopher Stebbins	\$1,00
Sara Thomas	\$5,00
Walter F. and Julia A. Dziekonski Scholarship	
Cayden Hatch	\$2,50
Alexandria Ross	\$2,50
Elias Eade Jr. Scholarship	
Madison Davenport	\$50
Louis W. Ensworth Charitable Foundation Trust Scho	larship
for Allegany-Limestone Central School	
Matthew Volz	\$2,50
Anna Wolfgang	\$50
Louis W. Ensworth Charitable Foundation Trust Scho	larship
for Olean High School	
Stella Gonzalez	\$2,5
Anayah Parksbarker	\$50
Paxton Retchless	\$2,50
Ernst Family Scholarship Fund	
Mia Pavone	\$1,00
Jack and Muriel Fogarty Memorial Scholarship	
Lauren Kielar	\$50
Marina Miketish	\$50
Hannah Vanderhoef	\$50
William D. and Catherine Griffin Fraser Scholarship	
Aaron Aiello	\$1,4
The Good Samaritan Award Fund	
Makenna O'Connell	\$5
Fred G. Grace Memorial Scholarship	
Anna Wolfgang	\$1,00
Paul and Betty Hanson Career/Technical Scholarship Alana Beeson	
	\$1,50
Alyn J. Heim Music Scholarship	
Haley Reynolds	\$1,40
Patricia "Ann" Heister English/Journalism Memorial S	
Margaret McAuley	\$7.
Joseph and Cecily Higgins Scholarship	
Julia Brennan	\$2,5
Troy Brennan	\$2,5
Jacob Brink	\$2,5
Emmy Li	\$2,5
Hinsdale Alumni Association Memorial Scholarship	
Sarah Elsigan	\$1,5
Larissa Kirtz	\$1,5
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Kristen Hintz Memorial Scholarship Award	
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Don and Bern Holcomb Memorial Scholarship

Samuel Schwartz

\$2,000

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Hayly Fredrickson

Hayly Fredrickson, a 2021 Ellicottville Central School graduate and Paul and Mary Janowicz Memorial Scholarship recipient, is currently thriving in the classroom and in athletics at St. John Fisher University. Fredrickson is in her sophomore year of studies in biochemistry on a pre-veterinary track. She is an honors student and a student athlete on the track and field team. Last summer, she worked as an orientation leader, introducing incoming freshmen to campus life. Outside of school, Fredrickson volunteers for Empire Animal Rescue Society. She recently accepted a volunteer veterinary intern position at the SPCA Serving Erie County. After graduation, she plans to attend graduate school to study veterinary medicine.



Hayly Fredrickson (third from back left) celebrates an Empire 8 championship with her indoor track & field teammates.



Hayly Fredrickson (left) competes in an indoor track meet at St. John Fisher

Elisa B. Hughey Scholarship for the Arts	
Cecelia Carls Hughey Family Award for Resilience	\$750
Raina Barboza Jeffrey Brush	\$1,000 \$1,000
Hughey Scholarship Elsa Woodarek	\$1,000
Robert E. Hull VMD Memorial Scholarship Tanvi Patro	\$1,800
Anthony and Gayle lacovino Legacy Scholarship Aaron Aiello	\$1,000
Mohammad and Sakeena Iqbal Healthcare/Education Av Halley Glover Madeline Straub	vard \$700 \$700
Paul and Mary Janowicz Memorial Scholarship Antonia Epps	\$500
JF20 Scholarship Fund Kamdyn McClain	\$250
Signe H. Johnson Scholarship Allie DeFazio	\$1,100
Signe, Svenborg, Agnes and Selma Johnson Scholarship Safia Javed Hannah Nelson	\$1,150 \$1,150
Kathy Jowsey Spirit Memorial Scholarship Mikayla Tatlow	\$1,200
Kothari Family Fund Health Care Scholarship Alicia Fiske Brooke Pecorella	\$1,000 \$1,000
Michele Krahe Peace O.H.S. Scholarship Jayde Smith	\$500
Deputy Wayne Krieger and Carol Krieger Scholarship Fun Christopher Stebbins	d \$1,200
Long/Vossler Family Scholarship Anna Wolfgang	\$1,500
James A. and Joan E. Maguire Family Scholarship Calla Katcher	\$1,000
Frank A. Martin III Memorial Scholarship Fund Gianna DeRose	\$500
Chance LaCroix	\$500
Kelsey Riordan Madeline Straub	\$500 \$500
Daniel McCarthy Scholarship Jolyn Gibbons John Henzel Jessie Kerr Nathan Petryszak	\$1,000 \$1,000 \$800 \$800
Patricia McCarthy Memorial Scholarship Ellison Ash-West	\$500
Bob and Barbara McCord Scholarship Fund Zazeric Bell Kaylee Rhinehart Emmalee Sheeler	\$1,000 \$1,000 \$1,000
Bob and Barbara McCord and Jack Karl Scholarship Aaron Aiello Olivia Payne Brooke Pecorella Gabriella Rhodes Thomas Scanlon Bradley Walton	\$1,000 \$1,000 \$1,000 \$1,000 \$1,000 \$1,000

Caitlin Park Amara Williams	\$400 \$1,000
Arnold McHone Sr. Manufacturing Scholarship	, ,
Jared George	\$2,000
John J. Murphy Family Scholarship	, ,
Zazeric Bell	\$2,500
Jacob Brink	\$2,500
, Nathan-Michael Gabler	\$2,500
Tierney Hemphill	\$2,500
Lauren Kielar	\$2,500
Alice Li	\$2,500
Travis Maguire Christine Pagett	\$2,500 \$2,500
Christine Pagett	\$2,500
Logan Ruter	\$2,500
Averi Saulter	\$2,500
Thomas Scanlon	\$2,500
Leah Simon	\$2,500
Shilpa Thandla Sara Thomas	\$2,500 \$2,500
Laura Wilhelm	\$2,500
Shayla Wilhelm	\$2,500
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OHS Class of 1961 Scholarship Fund Maryam Mirza	\$1,500
Byron Ring	\$1,500
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OHS Class of 1983 Scholarship Rachel Waddell	\$500
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Olean High School Alumni Association Scholarship Fund Hannah Aiello	\$1,000
Matthew Antonioli	\$1,000
Destiny Custer	\$1,000
Chris Halsey	\$1,000
Calla Katcher	\$1,000
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Alicia and Emma Fiske

Sisters Alicia and Emma Fiske both received the Kothari Family Health Care Scholarship and have gone on to successful and enriching experiences at Nazareth College.

Emma Fiske, a 2020 graduate of Salamanca High School, began her graduate studies in communication sciences and disorders this spring semester, after completing her undergraduate work in just three years. She will earn her master's degree in speech-language pathology with an interdisciplinary specialty in Autism. At Nazareth she is also a member of the communication sciences and disorders club. She is the secretary of the Best Buddies Club, an inclusive club that pairs students with disabilities and students without disabilities in friendship pairings. She also is a group leader for a Christian life group on campus where she leads bible study discussions and a prayer group. She has also become deeply involved in a number of campus organizations that do important work in the Rochester community, including Work for Partners for Learning. Through the program, Emma works as a teacher's aid in Rochester City schools, leads enrichment activities and tutors students. She is now a part of the program's leadership and acts as a liaison between Nazareth and Rochester City schools. She plans to go on to work as a school speech language pathologist.

Alicia Fiske, a 2022 Salamanca graduate, is enrolled in Nazareth College's Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) program. The program is a three-plus-three program. Alicia will get her undergraduate degree in health science with a minor in psychology and will receive her DPT in graduate school. Alicia, too, is very involved on campus. She participates weekly in inclusive activities as part of the Best Buddies Club. She is a member of the InterProfessional Animal-Assisted Wellness Collaborative, where she walks a foster dog that is a guiding eye for the blind dog in training and works to reinforce his training. She also participated in Special Olympics. Like her sister, she too is a member of the Nazareth Christian Fellowship. She also works with the Student Success Center as a peer tutor. Over winter break, she completed observations with a physical therapist at the Salamanca Rehabilitation and Nursing Center. Upon completion of her degree, Alicia hopes to pursue a career in travel physical therapy or in-patient physical therapy.



Emma Fiske (right) with best buddy club participant



Emma Fiske with the Best Buddy Club



Alicia Fiske (right)

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Laura Wilhelm

Laura Wilhelm, a 2021 Portville Central School graduate and John J. Murphy Family Scholarship recipient, is now in her sophomore year at Nazareth College where she is studying physical therapy and psychology. This semester, Wilhelm has served as an anatomy tutor for fellow students. In her first semester of her sophomore year, she completed psychology research that she then presented at the Eastern Psychological Association conference in Boston. Outside of the classroom she is involved in Nazareth's club volleyball team and is an assistant to the school's athletic director. She plans to finish her bachelor's in psychology in 2024 and her Doctor of Physical Therapy by 2027. Her goal is to eventually work in women's health or outpatient orthopedics.

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