SAVE THE DATE!

BIG BASH

This event is cancelled for 2021.

Watch our Facebook page fore more information about a mid-winter online auction event.

ANNUAL GOLF OUTING FUNDRAISER

July 30, 2021

Watch Facebook for more information to come!



CENTRAL MONTCALM COMMUNITY FOUNDATION P.O. Box 128, Stanton, MI 48888 989.289.2312 cmcommunityfoundation.org

CENTRAL MONTCALM COMMUNITY FOUNDATION RESTRICTED FUNDS

- *Community Endowment* directing grants to areas of need in the community
- *Chemical Bank Fund* to support the mission of the CMCF by providing an additional source of funding to meet community needs
- *Crooks Farm Endowment* will provide funds each year for grants
- *Discretionary Fund* a quick response fund that can be used to meet unanticipated community needs
- *Education Endowment* supports programs that meet the needs of the community's youth
- Dr. Victor Beal Jr. Scholarship for graduating seniors attending MSU
- Ronald R. Burkholder Educational Scholarship for graduating seniors
- Leo Gurecki Educational Scholarship for graduating seniors
- *William McCarthy Scholarship* for students attending Criminal Justice or Law Enforcement programs
- Outreach Endowment long term funding mechanism for the Discretionary Fund
- *Penny's Way, Food & Clothing Fund* financial help to organizations that distribute food & clothing in Montcalm County
- Kevin Seymour Educational Scholarship for graduating seniors
- Bill Thwaites Educational Scholarship for graduating seniors
- Jackie Vander Steen Scholarship for graduating seniors attending WMU
- Doug and Nancy Chapin Scholarship for a graduating Central Montcalm senior
- *Youth and Senior Endowment* provides funding for health, wellness, and enrichment programs throughout our community
- *Administrative Endowment* funds the administrative functions of the foundation so it can continue on its mission to serve the community
- C. Homer and Charlotte L. Miel Endowment Fund for the purpose of providing discretionary educational grants to teachers or administrators of Central Montcalm Public Schools.
- *Mall Family Endowment* will provide funds each year for grants

- *Korson Endowment* annual scholarship for a CMHS student attending CMU's School of Business
- *MAISD Endowment* for students who have an IEP and attend school in Montcalm County will provide scholarships to students as they matriculate to post secondary and technical training.
- *Petersen Family Endowment* for a graduating Central Montcalm student who will be attending Grand Valley State University
- *Harold Springsteen Family Endowment* for a graduating Central Montcalm student who will be attending a 4 year Michigan college or Montcalm Community College
- *Eric Thomas Endowment* for a graduating Central Montcalm student who plans to attend Ferris State University in the golf management program
- *Brady Sexton Endowment* to provide funding for Central Montcalm youth athletics
- Ernest (Bud) and Nancy Rogers Family Endowment –for a graduating Central Montcalm senior who plans to attend a 4 year College/University, Community College or Trade School in Michigan
- *Lloyd and Judy Hansen/Hansen Family Endowment* to provide a scholarship for a student attending Michigan State University
- *Steve Strait Educational Fund* to provide funding for grants to improve teaching in order to impact learning
- *Christian Outreach Endowment* –provide funds for community programs sponsored by area ministers
- *Jan and Jack Pearl Endowment* provide a scholarship to a graduating Central Montcalm student
- Thomas Wittkopp Endowment provide a scholarship to a Central Montcalm student
- * Field of Interest donors may be able to designate a specific area of interest
- * Legacy setting up a fund in your name or in the name of a loved one or family as a living memorial

*Contact the CMCF as there is a minimum contribution required.



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Our Foundation!

The year 2020 has been a different, odd, hard and challenging time for everyone. The Central Montcalm Community Foundation has also seen all of these issues in relation to the work we do for and with the Central Montcalm community.

We started the year off with a bang with our Annual Big Bash. This year we moved this event to the Sheridan Community Center. It was a rousing success, with more people in attendance, more money made to support our causes and lots of fun for everyone in attendance.

Once we hit March, things changed. Due to COVID, our monthly meetings were cancelled for several months. Once we began meeting again, we met either by Zoom or in person at socially distanced meetings. We dispersed grants and scholarships to graduating seniors and organizations within our communities. We unfortunately had to cancel our July golf outing. This is a big fundraiser for us, so we hope to make next summer even better.

We added three new endowments to our list of restricted funds. We thank Gale and Marilyn Parr, Jan and Jack Pearl and Thomas Wittkopp for trusting us to manage their endowment funds. The Parr's endowment is the Christian Outreach Endowment and will provide funds for area ministers to use for community programs. The Jan and Jack Pearl Endowment and the Thomas Wittkopp Endowment will both provide scholarship money for graduating Central Montcalm seniors.

Our January 2021 Big Bash will not be held as an in person event this year. Watch our Facebook page for a mid-winter online auction. We hope this will draw in LOTS of people.

The 2021 Annual Golf Outing is scheduled for Friday, July 30.

Special thanks go out to Diane Mogdis, the Administrative Assistant of the Community Foundation. She puts in endless hours working on communication, mailings and meeting preparation and minutes.

Thank you to the entire Central Montcalm Community and our friends from far away for all of your support!



The CMCF is excited to announce that Tom and Cathy Mall,

(Tom was a founding member of CMCF), has challenged us to a donation match campaign.

Donations received between now and December 31, 2020 will be matched dollar for dollar, with a maximum match amount of \$30,000.

Your donation can be applied towards any of our endowments/scholarships to be eligible for this match.

To see a list of current endowments and scholarships, please visit http://cmcommunityfoundation.org/endowments/.

A donation form can also be found on the endowments page if you wish to mail your donation. Donations can be made by mail or by PayPal by visiting http://cmcommunityfoundation.org/donate/.

Please help us make the most of this generous matching challenge by sharing this post or by making a donation.

We thank you for your continued support!

Please take some time to visit our newly launched website:

cmcommunityfoundation.org.

It has been updated and is much more user friendly.

Follow us on our Facebook page

Central Montcalm Community Foundation

Letter from the President

Dear CMCF Supporters,

These last few months have been tough on our local communities, state, country and world. As for our small community foundation we have tried to conduct our foundation business as close to normal as possible. We awarded thousands of dollars in scholarships in May, set up three new endowments and granted a few community and educational grants in October. We have met by Zoom and in person with masks and social distancing practiced. Our July golf outing was cancelled and the Winter Big Bash 2021 is also cancelled.



Ginger Gurecki President

A quick recap of year 2020: The Central Montcalm Community Foundation had the biggest money producing Bash in foundation history. Of course that was thanks to all of you. Then Covid19 hit. We all know what happened from that date to present.

Losing two of our biggest fund raisers of the year limits the growth and giving potential for the foundation, so on October 1, Tom and Cathy Mall proposed a solution. The Malls will match up to \$30,000 from October 1- December 31 of funds donated in this time period. What a great opportunity this is for growing our foundation in this time of crisis.

Over these past several months I have watched the kindness and generosity from our local businesses, families and friends continue despite this pandemic. Small community, big hearts. I am so grateful to be a part of it.

Be kind and stay healthy.

DID YOU KNOW

AmazonSmile is a simple and automatic way for you to support your favorite charitable organization every time you shop, at no extra cost to you? When you shop at smile.amazon.com, you'll find the exact same low prices, vast selection and convenient shopping experience as amazon.com, with the added bonus that Amazon will donate 0.5% of the purchase price from your eligible AmazonSmile purchases.

This is all you need to do:

- go to smile.amazon.com (you can use your existing Amazon account if you have one or create a new account if you don't already have one),
- select Central Montcalm Community Foundation as your charitable organization of choice,
- shop away,
- the foundation will receive periodic checks from Amazon that reflect all purchases made toward their account.

Thank you to those of you who have shopped at Amazon. Smile during 2020 and selected the Central Montcalm Community Foundation as your charity of choice.































2020 Graduates Honored with Scholarships

THE CENTRAL MONTCALM COMMUNITY FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS ARE PLEASED TO RECOGNIZE THE FOLLOWING SPRING 2020 GRADUATES WITH SCHOLARSHIPS:

Bill Thwaites Scholarship – Tiia Chambers, Dillon Weston and Andrew Johnson Victor Beal Scholarship – Waylon DeJohn, McKenna Bowen and Taylor Collier (continuation of past scholarships)

Jackie VanderSteen Scholarship – Caitlin Miller Leo Gurecki Scholarship – Mia Morgan Harold Springsteen Scholarship – Camryn Peterman Ernest and Nancy Rogers Scholarship – Jessica Tanner Judith and Lloyd Hansen Scholarship – Aiden Train Kevin Seymour Scholarship – Asher Vissman Ronald Burkholder Scholarship – Mason Wellman Korson Family Scholarship – Anna Lake Doug and Nancy Chapin Scholarship – Dillon Weston Isabella Bank Scholarship – Trenton Shaffer CMCF Education Scholarship – Tiia Chambers, Kaitlynn Naert and Anna Loew

We wish much success to all of these students as they continue their education!

CONGRATULATIONS

TO ALL OF THE 2020 GRANT RECIPIENTS

Ronald McDonald House of West Michigan - Community Outreach

We Care For Kids Council - Family Fun Day Expo

New Beginnings - Job Coaching Services

White Pine District Library - Mini Libraries

Montcalm County Great Start Collaborative

- Dolly Parton İmagination Library

White Pine District Library - Grab and Go Take Home Book Pack Program

Central Montcalm Upper Elementary - Clothes Closet

Central Montcalm Elementary Classroom Alternatives

Central Montcalm Upper Elementary - Tier 1 Interventions

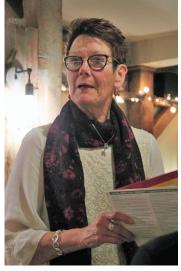
Michigan State University College Advising Corps

- College Decision Day Event

Central Montcalm High School Student Council Board

- Courtyard Classroom

Central Montcalm High School Band - Uniforms



Mary Ellen Clery, Executive
Director of the We Care for Kids
Council, discusses how the
Council's grant money was used
to benefit children and families in
Montcalm County.



Central Montcalm Upper Elementary 5th Grade
Cooking Club Students, Christian Bennett
and Kelsey Minikey thank the Foundation
for the grant money that made the Cooking
Club possible. They prepared dessert for the
Foundation Directors and quests.