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Community finds unique ways to support 3D Mammo Campaign

There's no doubt that Central Montana Medical Center's (CMMC) acquisition of a 3D Mammogram will save lives, and that's a message ringing loud and clear with donors to a capital campaign launched a few months ago.

The cost of a 3D Mammogram is \$350,000 and Central Montana Medical Center Foundation (MCF) has already raised more than \$225,000 in donations towards that goal.

"We're so very grateful for the support we've received so far and hope that continues so we're able to purchase the 3D Mammogram by next spring," said MCF Manager Ann Tuss. She noted that generous donations and pledges have come from a variety of sources, including some very unique fundraising efforts from local philanthropists!

One such unique effort was by a group of "birthday boys" who decided to celebrate their combined 130 years of life by throwing a "Cottonwoodstock" party in August to raise money for the 3D Mammogram equipment.

Brett Nienhuis (who was turning 50), Perry Johnston and Ryan d'Autremont (both turning 40), decided to hold a joint celebration and began calling it the 130th Birthday Party. They planned to hold it at the d'Autremont cabin on Cottonwood Creek and it was set for the same weekend as the original Woodstock, and thus "Cottonwoodstock" was born, according to Paula Nienhuis.

They didn't want people to bring gifts and about that time, heard about CMMC's 3D Mammogram project and decided to turn their party into a celebration for a great cause.

They canvased the town for prizes and silent auction items for guests to bid on in lieu of birthday gifts. Guests enjoyed Lawn Olympics, a 50/50 drawing and organizers sold a deck of cards to win a grand prize.

"The support of our community, family and friends helped make our event a huge success!"



These young philanthropists recently set up a lemonade and cookie stand to raise funds for CMMC's 3D Mammogram. They are (from left) Sydney Ferdinand, Alora Carroll, Tori Rindal, Britta Spark, Natalie Denton, Katie Rindal and Olivia d'Autremont.

Paula said, and they raised nearly \$3,000 for the 3D Mammogram.

The event inspired one of the youngsters whose parents were involved with Cottonwoodstock. Ryan and Amy d'Autremont's daughter, Olivia, loved helping with the planning and decided to implement her own fund-raiser.

Olivia, who is a fourth grader at Highland Park Elementary in Lewistown, recruited some of her friends to help. The girls strategized on the playground during recess and decided to set up a lemonade and cookie fund-raiser near the courthouse after school Sept. 5.

Olivia even drew a layout of their table setup so all the girls would have equal responsibility in the activity. Jennifer Saunders was one of their customers that day and said the group thanked patrons for "helping the hospital buy a new machine."

Olivia's desire to help has been influenced by her mother's career as an Oncology Certified Nurse and CMMC's Oncology Nurse Navigator. "Olivia hears me talk about cancer and how it affects everyone," Amy said, adding that her daughter wants to help others, "just like her mom does." Amy said the girls are already brainstorming for their next fundraising event: "Don't be surprised if you see a coffee and hot chocolate stand soon!"

The 3D Mammogram Capital Campaign received a \$100,000 matching pledge commitment early on from Norm Asbjornson, and Ann is pleased to report that match has been met. "Norm's contribution and encouragement launched this whole campaign. We can't thank him enough for his commitment to help CMMC offer the best in mammography equipment."

Other major donors thus far include the Box Elder Ranch, Central Montana Foundation's major grant award of \$20,000 and two anonymous gifts of \$25,000 and \$15,000.

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Thank you to Medical Center Foundation for color sponsorship!

Central Montana Medical Center Foundation (MCF) is the generous sponsor of this full-color edition of *The Roundup* newsletter, a joint publication of Central Montana Foundation (CMF) and MCF.

“We have a great newsletter and presenting the full-color edition is a gift to our readership,” said MCF Manager Ann Tuss.

MCF operates under the auspices of Central Montana Medical Center (CMMC) and its mission is to advocate confidence in and support of the health services, programs and practitioners of Central Montana. “CMMC’s Governing Board and MCF’s Advisory Board are all Central Montanans who are deeply committed to providing quality healthcare here in Central Montana,” Ann said.

MCF’s Advisory Board is made up of a talented group of Central Montanans who are quick to roll up their sleeves to help CMMC maintain its status as the finest award winning frontier critical access hospital in Montana.

MCF’s Advisory Board has spearheaded several successful capital campaigns through the years, and most recently launched a campaign for a 3D Mam-

mogram. (See related stories on Page 1 and Page 3.)

Besides helping with medical equipment, program services and building upgrades at CMMC, MCF also grants funding to projects off the CMMC campus. “We’ve helped rural ambulance services with equipment and training needs and frequently help other non-profit charities seeking health-related assistance,” Ann said.

“We’re able to assist Central Montana projects thanks to the generosity of our donors and all contributions to MCF stay in Central Montana,” stressed Ann. “We’re a Foundation that not only helps strengthen CMMC, but brings together people to make a positive impact for their hospital, town and communities.”

MCF Advisory Board members include chair Karen Kuhlmann, vice chair Nancy Weaver, Dr. Laura Bennett, Bob Bjelland, Debbie Bricker, Jerry Carpenter, Valerie Carr, Neysha Humphreys, Jeana Morrison-Noel, Deb Pratt, Laurie Ray, Carol Swanby and Jim Wier.

For more information about MCF and/or CMMC, contact Ann at 406.535.6309.



Central Montana Foundation has a new office space

Central Montana Foundation (CMF) has moved to Suite 316 in the First Bank of Montana Building in Lewistown.

CMF’s office has been located in the First Bank of Montana Building at 224 W. Main St., Lewistown, since late 2012 and formerly occupied an office on the second floor.

“First Bank of Montana has been extremely generous in providing office space at a reduced rental rate,” said CMF Executive Director Carrie Mantooh. “Having an office in the building is perfect for CMF since I work closely with our accountants at Huffine McMullan Arntzen & Ruckman, who are located on the sixth floor, and with CMF President Dean Comes, who is also president of First Bank of Montana.”

CMF’s monthly meetings are also held in the First Bank of Montana Conference Room located off the landing between the first and second floors.

The new suite is larger than the former office, providing more space to meet with CMF partners and those

who want to learn more about their community foundation. “I extend an open invitation to the public to stop by,” Carrie said.

For more information, call CMF at 406.538.6130 or email, cmtfoundation@midrivers.com.



CMF Partner Meeting set for Oct. 24

Central Montana Foundation (CMF) Partner Meeting and Brunch is set for Thursday, October 24, 9:30-11:30 a.m. at the Elks in Lewistown.

This annual event provides an opportunity to stay up-to-date on CMF policies and procedures, learn about planned giving opportunities and the Montana Endowment Tax Credit, changes to IRS’s charitable giving laws and other topics. Those with permanent endowment and pass through accounts with CMF are encouraged to attend. Time is allotted for sharing ideas and successes.

To register, contact CMF Executive Director Carrie Mantooh by October 21 at 406.538.6130.



Mammography Saves Lives

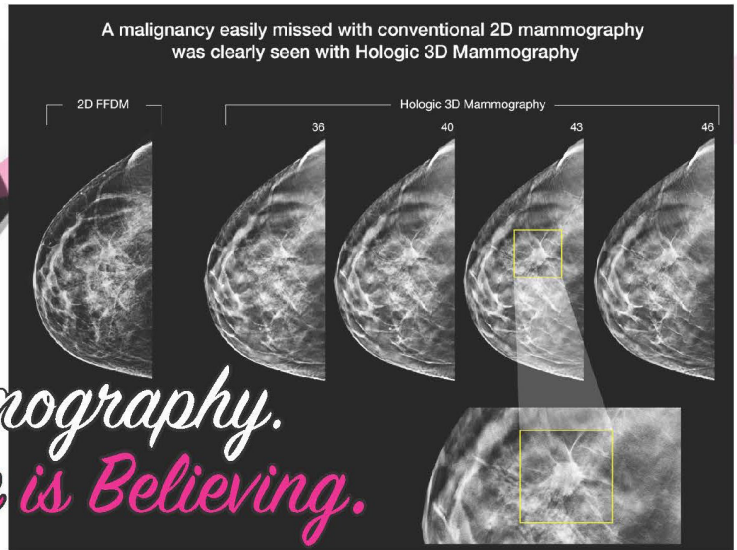
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- Rick Poss, CMMC Radiology Manager

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CMF Scholarship awards for academic year total nearly \$235,000

Central Montana Foundation (CMF) is pleased to announce the award of nearly \$235,000 in scholarships to 90 Central Montana students for the 2019-20 academic year.

The awards are from scholarship funds held with CMF that were established by individuals, families, civic groups and local alumni who believe in giving a boost to generations following in their footsteps. Scholarships include the following:

- **Norm Asbjornson Educational:** Jayda Wichman, Anna Slivka, Charlie Bristol and Fiona Rice, \$7,908 each.
- **Evelyn Beatty:** Heather Wiegert and Jonathan Chen, \$1,600 each and Tanner Trafton, \$1,200.
- **Hannah Bragg:** Brooke Rector, \$400.
- **Brooks Area:** Grady Gilpatrick, Amanda Sweeney and Megan Sweeney, \$1,650 each.
- **Leonard & Edith Brooks:** Kalla Schumacher, \$900.
- **Marion I. Burke:** Darylee Berg, \$500.
- **Central Montana Manufacturing:** Mathew Weeden, \$1,000.
- **Fergus County High School Class of 1935:** Mikayla Comes, Parker Errecart, Gregory Fulbright, Grady Gilpatrick, Mason Harrison, Megan Honeycutt, Wesley Jameson, Auriel Krumwiede, Madison Kucera, Emma Lakin, Byron Merker, Mitchell Norslien, Jayce Philipps, Brooke Rector, Caleb Russell, Amanda Sweeney, Megan Sweeney, Alyssa Tombarge, Mathew Weeden, Abigail Wentworth, \$1,500 each.
- **Central Montana Foundation Community Service:** Brooke Rector and Tanner Trafton, \$500 each.
- **Harold & Betty Coolidge Nursing:** Teale Danell, \$1,200.



Fergus High School 2019 graduate and scholarship recipient Becca Bawden gives her graduation address in May. Also pictured are (seated from left) FHS Principal Tim Majerus and Phil Koterba of Lewistown School Board.

- **Doug Delaney Memorial:** Carissa Workman, \$500.
- **Pat Descheemaeker Memorial:** Kai Krumwiede and Jaree Mane, \$500 each.
- **Dorothy Ileene Eklund:** Andrew Butcher, Samuel Butcher, Makenna Eickhoff, Abby Gremaux, Kara Hochhalter, Ade Lensing, Jaree Mane, Riley Slivka, Kita Weingart, Carissa Workman, Natily Koch, Brooklynn Wood, Rachael Simons and Taylor McCready, \$1,500 each.
- **Elmer Erickson:** Makenna Eickhoff, \$900.
- **FHS/St. Leo's Class of '64:** Kai Krumwiede, \$650.
- **Gail Fox Memorial:** Cassidy Bawden, \$500.
- **Garfield County Endowment:** Macy Fogle, Kaiden Thomas and Carson McWilliams, \$500 each.
- **Garfield County Endowment/Floyd & Sylvia Lilienthal Trust:** Macy Fogle, \$2,000, Kaiden Thomas, \$1,500; and Carson McWilliams, \$500.
- **Grass Range Foundation:** Makenna Eickhoff, \$500.
- **Audra Hegna:** Samantha DeMars, \$1,500.
- **Jay & Janette Henderson:** Jacob Clinton, \$1,000.
- **Horse Ranch Donor Advised Fund:** Irene Johnson and Rachael Simons,

\$1,000 each.

- **Helen Hruska-Schultz:** Mason Harrison, \$450.
- **Hughes Family-Winnett:** Sydney Browning, \$500.
- **Neils & Helen Kirke-minde:** Kaitlyn Weinheimer, Hayden Heilig, Alison Hanson, Jessica Horan, Hayden Patnode, C.J. Stevenson, Jordan Nees, Jacob McAllister, Brianna Bergum, Brandon Bergum, Katelyn Bacon, Sierra Durbin, Austin Grove, Ella Hanson, Mamie Hertel, Timothy Horan and Tucker Walter, \$3,470 each.
- **Kiwanis Club of Lewistown:** Megan Sweeney, Claire Stevenson and Sydney Stivers, \$500 each; Emma Lakin, Jayce Philipps, Caleb Russell and Amanda Sweeney, \$1,000 each; and Jacob Clinton, \$1,500.
- **Bruce Landru-Hobson:** Samielle Connerton and Kristen Vincent, \$600 each.
- **Bruce Landru-Roy:** Irene Johnson and Rachael Simons, \$600 each.
- **Lewistown Bowling Association:** Alyssa Tombarge and Tanner Trafton, \$750 each; Natily Koch (Triumph Scholarship), \$500.
- **Little Belt Snowmobile Club:** Kai Krumwiede, \$500.
- **Maiden School:** Jordan Grindheim and Jessica Horan, \$600 each.
- **Ray & Nikoline Marr:** Rebecca Bawden, Tanner Trafton and Jacob Clinton, \$2,000 each; Jordan Nees and Fiona Rice, \$900 each; Jaden Schultz, \$1,000; Emily Rooney and Ben Kolar, \$500 each; Rachael Simons, \$400; and Amanda Sweeney and Megan Sweeney, \$300 each.
- **Irene Miller:** Nora Weichel, \$500.
- **Tom & Ellen Moe:** Grady Gilpatrick, \$450.

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Mission accomplished at Veterans Memorial Park

There are events in history that are seared in the memories of most Americans, and September 11, 2001 is one of them. The 9/11 terrorist attacks killed nearly 3,000 people, and in the wake of the tragedies there was a surge of patriotism across the country.

The tragic events on 9/11 birthed a vision for a place to honor Central Montana veterans from the past, present and future. Nearly 18 years and many thousands of dollars and volunteer hours later, Veterans Memorial Park is complete with a capstone project honoring local veterans who fought in the Civil War, World War I, World War II, the Korean War and Vietnam War.

Bronzed war plaques recently installed at the park are the culmination of several years of work tracking down the names of the veterans - not an easy task because of privacy laws, according to Don Bost, who has spearheaded this final phase of the project.

"We hope this place means something to the people of Central Montana," said Don, as it means more than words can express to the men and women who understand the park's motto prominently displayed at the site, "Freedom is not free."

Frank Koncilya's name is on the World War II plaque and he was filled with emotion as he stood with Don at the memorial. "To remember veterans this way...it's just a tremendous job." Frank served in the U.S. Army and fought in the Battle of the Bulge which began in late 1944 and was the largest battle fought on the Western Front during World War II. He is also a 66-year member of American Legion Post No. 16.

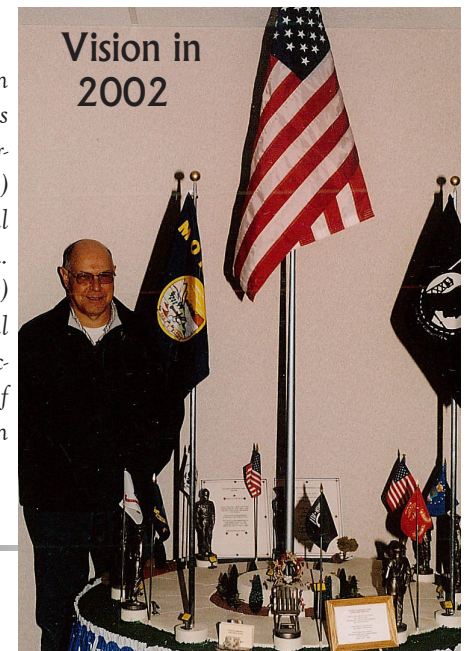
The bronzed plaques were paid for by major donors including First Bank of Montana, Fergus Federal Credit Union, Son of the American Legion Post 16, Lewistown Eagles Club, Tom Longshore, Dick Brumley, and the Gale and Bret Birdwell families, along with other individuals and businesses.

Veterans Memorial Park set up an account with Central Montana Foundation (CMF) in 2002 and the first major contribution was a \$12,000 gift from Margie Wilkins. This was the first of many gifts from this generous benefactor who died in 2011. Other estate gifts, individual and business donations followed, which have helped pay for bronzed statues honoring each branch of the service and a POW/MIA chair which encircle the American, Montana and POW/MIA flags on top of the hill at Veterans Memorial Park. Lighting, landscaping, sidewalks, a handicapped accessible parking lot and picnic area were other projects completed thanks to the generosity of many donors through the years.

Don is a Vietnam veteran and 50-year member and former commander of the American Legion Post No. 16 and



World War II Veteran Frank Koncilya stands with Vietnam Veteran Don Bost (above) at Veterans Memorial Park in Lewistown. Tom Killham (right) was one of the original visionaries and was pictured with a model of the park displayed in 2002.



has worked tirelessly on behalf of Veterans Memorial Park nearly since its inception. He said was recruited early on by the original visionaries of the park; Tom Killham, Frank Hanzel and Larry Vanek. Unfortunately, Tom and Frank didn't live to see this final phase of the project, but without a doubt, they would be proud to see their dream become a reality.

Though all phases of Veterans Memorial Park are completed, the financial needs to maintain this beautiful place are ongoing. Don said they are thankful for the many memorials and gifts to their permanent endowment held with CMF. "We appreciate every single gift, large or small, to honor our veterans."

To give to Veterans Memorial Park's fund with CMF, see the giving form on Page 14. ❖

CMF Board approves two new pass through accounts

Central Montana Foundation (CMF) Board of Directors approved two new pass through account applications over the summer for organizations that are working to improve rural communities.

Garfield Ambulance Service, Inc.

Garfield Ambulance Service is launching an effort to raise funds to build the Garfield County Emergency Response Center in Jordan. The new center will house Garfield Ambulance Service, Jordan Volunteer Fire Department, Garfield County Rural Fire Department and Garfield County Search and Rescue.

Rex Phipps is one of the project organizers and said that current Garfield County emergency response resources are fragmented and the facilities are inadequate. The new center will help provide prompt and efficient emergency assistance, will centralize emergency services and provide proper storage and ease of deployment.

The concept is for a 150x120-foot structure. An equipment bay will be approximately 5,000 square feet, the storage area about 2,000 square feet, leaving the remaining portion to house offices, restroom, kitchenette and training/meeting room.

The initial goal is to raise \$70,000 for architectural planning and then they will pursue additional funding of about \$930,000 for construction. A recent \$20,000 corporate donation from TransCanada Keystone Pipeline kick-started the project. Rex said they are hopeful that additional grants,

fund-raisers and donations will help them reach their goal. He can be reached at 406.977.2854 for more information.

Winnett Swimming Pool

Like other swimming pools in rural communities, Winnett Swimming Pool provides valuable recreational opportunities for local residents. Keeping it maintained and functional and planning for improvements is key to its future and having a pass through account with CMF will help achieve those goals.

Barb Solf said the fund will be used to purchase equipment, assist with maintenance costs and if all goes well, they hope they'll have funds to remodel the pool. "Our pool has not had any large scale repairs for 30 years," Barb said. "We hope to raise enough money to complete a major overhaul of our existing pool within the next two years."

Contact Barb at 406.429.5929 for more information.

Donations to these and other pass through and permanent endowment accounts held with CMF are tax deductible. See Pages 14-15 for the giving form and a list of accounts. Donations can be made online by going to the "Give a Gift" tab at www.centralmontanafoundation.com, or sent to CMF at PO Box 334, Lewistown, MT 59457.

Please make checks payable to "Central Montana Foundation" with the name of the pass through account on the memo line.



Community Endowment Contact List & Fund Balances

as of August 31, 2019

- **Judith Basin County/Stanford Endowment, \$196,166; Stanford Pool, \$3,369**
Tess Brady, PO Box 221, Stanford, MT 59479, phone, 406-566-2633
- **Petroleum County Endowment, \$120,581**
Petro. County Community Center, \$14,019; Hughes Scholarship/Petroleum Co., \$42,705
Gari King, PO Box 125, Winnett, MT 59087, phone, 406-429-5821
- **Winifred Endowment, \$106,587**
Shirley Benes, PO Box 3, Winifred, MT 59489, phone, 406-462-5316
- **Denton Endowment, \$107,219**
Josh Webber, Farmers State Bank, P.O. Box 1047, Denton, MT 59430, phone, 406-567-2226
- **Moore Endowment, \$96,414**
Gary Greenwood, PO Box 133, Moore, MT 59464, phone, 406-374-2363
- **Grass Range Endowment, \$60,422; Hughes Scholarship/Grass Range, \$43,285**
Debby Olson, 401 7th Ave. So., Apt. 208, Lewistown, MT 59457, phone, 406-366-0370
- **Judith Gap Endowment, \$32,569**
Tim Mauws, PO Box 125, Judith Gap, MT 59453, phone, 406-473-2366
- **Roy Endowment, \$29,906**
Shelly Willmore, River Route, Roy, MT 59471, phone, 406-464-7411
- **Wheatland County Community Endowment, \$16,386; Wheatland Co. Fairgrounds, \$27,395**
Mandie Reed, PO Box 733, Harlowton, MT 59036, phone, 406-240-1954
- **Garfield County Endowment, \$25,505; Jordan Swimming Pool, \$14,937; Library Fund, \$1,937**
Holly Harbaugh, PO Box 395, Jordan, MT 59337, phone, 406-557-2324
- **Hobson Endowment, \$24,742**
Hobson End. School, \$6,847; Philbrook Cemetery, \$1,930; Pride of the Judith, \$10,478
Bill Hesselbart, PO Box 433, Hobson, MT 59452, phone, 406-423-5369

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TOTAL:
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Jennifer Weeden is common denominator of gifts benefiting CMF and Gritz, Glam & Gowns

Jennifer Weeden spends a great deal of time traveling across Montana as a Wells Fargo Regional Services Senior Consultant, but her heart is always with her hometown of Lewistown and Central Montana.

She has represented Wells Fargo Bank on Central Montana Foundation's (CMF) Board of Directors since 2014 and has a long record of volunteerism to community projects. This commitment was evident most recently when Jennifer was the common denominator of a Wells Fargo Foundation grant to CMF's General fund and gifts to Gritz, Glam & Gown through Wells Fargo's Community Support Campaign.

Jennifer had an idea that Wells Fargo Foundation would be interested in helping local non-profits through CMF, so a grant request was submitted. "We were notified early this summer that our \$10,000 request was approved and we have Jennifer to thank," said CMF Executive Director Carrie Mantooth.

The grant to CMF's General fund will be used to help smaller non-profit organizations within Central Montana through CMF's own grant-making program.

Jennifer signed up for Wells Fargo's Community Support Campaign, designating Gritz, Glam & Gowns (GGG) as the recipient. The campaign encourages employees to give to non-profits through payroll deduction. In addition, participants are also able to log their volunteer hours and Wells Fargo contributes additional funds based on the hours of service.

Despite the demands of a full-time job and family commitments, Jennifer has spent most of her adult life volunteering. She spent 16 years helping Parent Teacher Support Group (PTSG) while her three children were in school, serves on the Boys and Girls Club Board of Directors and more recently, began volunteering with GGG when the non-profit formed last year.

GGG was born from the belief that everyone deserves a beautiful formal experience, said the group's brainchild, Linda Wier. With help from a core group of volunteers including Jennifer, and financial assistance from CMF, Central Montana Jaycees and Kiwanis Club of Lewistown, GGG was able to begin purchasing formal dresses so every girl who wants to attend a formal event won't be hindered by the cost of a dress.

GGG provides low cost dress rental; charging just enough to cover the cost of dry cleaning when the dress is returned, and they are continually adding to their collection. At last count, Linda said they have 700 formal dresses. GGG's focus is on junior high and high school girls, but they've also rented dresses to women of all ages for special occasions.

"We're open to everybody and the word is spreading," Linda said. Linda has many stories of how GGG is helping girls feel beautiful. For instance, she spoke of recently outfitting a young girl who lives with her father. "We pampered her by helping her choose a dress and had her pick out a pair of earrings and decide how to wear her hair. The smiles



Wells Fargo Foundation recently presented Central Montana Foundation (CMF) with a \$10,000 grant to benefit local non-profits and projects. CMF President Dean Comes is pictured (from left) with CMF Director and Wells Fargo Regional Services Senior Consultant Jennifer Weeden and Michele Barrett, Wells Fargo Branch Manager in Lewistown.



Linda Wier and Jennifer Weeden show a few of the 700+ dresses at the new Gritz, Glam & Gowns location on the second floor of Wells Fargo Bank in Lewistown.

on faces like hers are more than satisfying and make our day!"

First Bank of Montana provided a suite in its building to help GGG launch last year and Linda expressed their deep appreciation. However, they quickly outgrew the space and thanks to Jennifer, have found a new home to rent on the second floor of Wells Fargo Bank in Lewistown.

Linda said they rely on donations for operations and to keep updating inventory and hope people will keep giving to the GGG pass through with CMF. Contact Linda at 406.366.0574 for more information. ❖

Medical Center Foundation grants funds to community projects

The Medical Center Foundation (MCF) Advisory Board has recently awarded grants to a number of events and organizations to further its mission of supporting health needs in the region:

• **HAND ONE PERSON ENCOURAGEMENT (HOPE):** MCF gave \$1,500 from the HOPE fund to help two Central Montana Medical Center (CMMC) employees with a personal crisis. The HOPE fund is supported by CMMC employees through payroll deduction or outright cash.

• **CMMC HOSPICE:** MCF approved a \$420 grant for memorial ornaments for those families who have lost a loved one.

• **CMMC OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH:** CPR and EMS training held for Fergus High School freshmen and Lewistown Junior High students received a \$750 grant from Darci's Gift: Save a Life fund held with MCF. This fund was established several years ago after Darci (Gillen) Dawson rescued a toddler from Warm Spring Creek and performed life-saving CPR measures.

• **BOYS & GIRLS CLUB:** MCF granted \$500 to the Boys & Girls Club for an Automated External Defibrillator (AED).



MCF helped fund a Summer Fun Safety Event sponsored in part by CMMC. John Rossmiller, EMS Manager, is pictured with a couple of the youngsters who attended.

• **RELAY FOR LIFE:** MCF once again sponsored the Survivor's Dinner with a \$1,500 grant. Relay for Life is an annual event held in July at Central Montana Fairgrounds.

• **SUMMER FUN SAFETY EVENT:** MCF granted \$400 to help with expenses of the Summer Fun Safety Event. This is a joint project of Central Montana Health District, Central Montana Family Planning, Fergus County Nurses Office and CMMC, in partnership with Lewistown Police and Fire Departments.

CMMC emergency personnel taught Stop the Bleed and how to use tourniquets and field dress wounds. Free min Stop the Bleed kits were distributed to parents. CMMC also provided police and fire fighters with upgraded Stop the Bleed kits. Bicycle helmets and knee and elbow pads were given to children free of charge with an encouragement to be safe while having fun.

MCF Advisory Board meets quarterly.

For more information about how to apply for a grant, contact MCF Manager Ann Tuss at 406.535.6309 or email her at atuss@cmmccares.com.



Scholarships. . .

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• **David Moodie Family:** Jessica Horan and Jordan Grindheim, \$2,000 each.

• **Russell & Beatrice Murray:** Irene Johnson, \$900.

• **Petroleum County Endowment:** Brynn Jolma, \$500; Connor Shaw, \$750; and Pari Iverson, \$1,000.

• **Maude Del Pimlott:** Rebecca Bawden, \$3,000.

• **Chester Rickner:** Caleb Russell, \$500.

• **Robertson Family Memorial:** Kevin Schwes, \$1,000.

• **Don Romo:** Cole Ayers, \$500.

• **Rachel Schaffer Memorial:** Rebecca Bawden, \$500.

• **Jim Schultz Memorial:** Grady Gil-

patrick, \$500.

• **Slaterbright:** Gregory Fulbright, \$2,000.

• **Clarence & Mildred Smith:** Caitlin Prindle, Logan McQuinn, Mariah Siroky, Brianna Bergum, Jacob McAllister, Irene Johnson, and Jayda Wichman, \$1,500 each.

• **Stewart & Catherine Thomas:** Beau Drivdahl and Claire Stevenson, \$700 each.

• **Dr. Frank & Patty Thompson:** Emma Lakin, Caleb Russell and Brynn Jolma, \$1,000 each.

• **Glenn Vogl Memorial Agriculture:** Katelyn Bacon, \$400.

• **Ervin Weinheimer:** Jessica Horan, \$975.

• **Roy & Jean Wunderlin:** Ade Lensing, \$900.

Scholarship recipients included graduating seniors, post-graduate and graduate students from Fergus, Garfield, Judith Basin, Petroleum and Wheatland Counties attending vocational schools, college and universities throughout Montana and the nation.

See www.centralmontanafoundation.com under the Scholarship tab to see a list of scholarships and the criteria for each.

Scholarship applications for the 2020-21 year will be available on the Fergus High School and CMF websites in December. For more information, contact CMF at 406.538.6130.



Central Montana Foundation grants help variety of people

Reminiscent of a fairy godmother, Central Montana Foundation (CMF) Board of Directors granted wishes for a number of non-profit organizations over the last few months that will touch a variety of people.

“CMF receives many grant requests at our monthly meetings,” said CMF President Dean Comes. “Unfortunately, we can’t fund all the requests that come our way and our directors sometimes have to make tough decisions. We consider a variety of factors, including how many people the project serves and how it improves the quality of life in our area.”

The following grants were approved over the last few months:

- **LEWISTOWN HOPPERS**

JUMP ROPE CLUB: Lewistown Hoppers Jump Rope Club was awarded \$825 for sport flooring at the Club’s new location in the Meghertz building. Club Manager Loraine Day said they have more than 100 youth on the roster and 29 on the jump rope team. They also offer tumbling and yoga classes through this non-profit organization.

- **LEWISTOWN PARK AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT:** CMF awarded \$1,500 to pay for summer swim passes for underprivileged youth. Park and Recreation Director Jim Daniels said they work with local social services agencies to ensure all children are able to enjoy the Lewistown Swimming Pool. Karen Elliott with Child and Family Services in Lew-



Lewistown Hoppers Jump Rope Club members on the new flooring paid for by CMF.

istown expressed her gratitude for the assistance. “I can tell you personally that our kids truly enjoyed their summer at the pool. I was able to accompany many of them during their visitations with their parents. It was so enjoyable watching the smiles on their faces as they cooled off for the summer.”

- **DISTRICT 6 HRDC/CLEARINGHOUSE CONNECTIONS:** CMF granted \$2,000 for Clearinghouse Connections that helps Fergus County residents with unforeseen emergencies when there is no other immediate help. The project is supported entirely by private donations, not government funding and CMF has been the major contributor to this project.

- **YELLOWSTONE BOYS & GIRLS RANCH FOUNDATION:** CMF awarded \$600 to assist with playground safety at YBGR Community Based Services-Lewistown. CMF granted funds last year towards the playground and this grant will be used to install a border around the play area, line it with a weed

mat and adding rubber mulch for safety. Labor will be supplied by volunteers. The Lewistown facility serves around 50 kids ages 3-18.

- **MONTANA HISTORY FOUNDATION:** CMF granted \$1,000 to Montana History Foundation to help with a free exhibit with four traveling panels celebrating Carnegie libraries’ impact and history in Montana communities. The CMF grant will be used exclusively for the panel on Lewistown’s library history and for expenses related to a public presentation while the exhibit is in Lewistown. The panel will become the property of Lewistown Public Library.

- **CROOKED CREEK CHAPTER, WALLEYES UNLIMITED OF MONTANA:** A project to place an ADA access fishing platform to overreach the water at East Fork Dam south of Lewistown received a \$2,000 grant from CMF. The platform will have a sidewalk and cement pad with a picnic table near the fishing pier and provide opportunities for the handicapped and elderly to fish. Total project cost is about \$12,500 and the CMF grant will be used to help pay for the concrete pours.

- **CENTRAL MONTANA SEARCH AND RESCUE:** CMF granted \$2,000 to help with the purchase of a replacement vehicle used for search and rescues. Central Montana Search and Rescue is made up entirely of volunteers. This project is to purchase a used 4x4 vehicle to replace a worn-out 1979 vehicle that has become dangerous to drive. Total project cost is \$15,000.

CMF considers grant requests under \$5,000 at its monthly meetings. For more information or for an application, see www.centralmontanafoundation.com or call the CMF office at 406.538.6130.



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Mammogram . . .



Town Pump Charitable Foundation recently provided a \$25,000 matching pledge commitment and Ann said they plan to have the match raised by Oct. 1.

CMMC employees are actively stepping up to support the campaign. Debbie Pratt is giving \$500 through CMMC's #GiveBack Campaign through payroll deduction and challenged her co-workers to do the same. "I wanted to put a challenge out there for employees to give back to a wonderful cause and organization," she said.

Local artisans have contributed two beautiful quilts for a raffle for the 3D Mammogram campaign and they are on display in CMMC's lobby. The raffle will continue through

Oct. 31 with tickets available for \$5 each or five for \$20 at CMMC. Gail Sheridan made and donated a queen-size quilt and another anonymous donor provided the other. (See photo to the right.)

MCF Advisory Board Chair Karen Kuhlmann said they hope to have funds in place to purchase the 3D Mammogram by next spring.

"When we know better, we do better," Karen said. "We know there is nothing better than a 3D Mammogram to detect the first signs of breast cancer. We are confident that Central Montana needs to have this technology to provide state-of-the-art diagnosis at CMMC."

For more information on the 3D Mammogram Campaign contact Ann at MCF at 406.535.6309. ❖



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- Big Spring Creek Watershed Council
- Boys & Girls Club of Lewistown
- Casino Creek Dam Site Maintenance
- Central Montana Community Concert
- Central Montana Community Cupboard
- Central Montana Fair
- Central Montana Head Start
- Central Montana Jaycees
- Central Montana Family Planning
- Central MT Medical Center Auxiliary
- Central Montana Memorial Gardens
- Central Montana Museum
- Central Montana Shrine Club
- Central Montana Youth Mentoring
- Cheadle Community Hall
- Council on Aging COA Bus
- Crooked Creek Chapter, Walleyes
- Elks Lodge #456
- Emma Light Ag Building
- Fergus County Farm Bureau
- Fergus Eagle Boosters
- Fergus High School (FHS) Activity Fund
- FHS Speech & Drama (Quickenden)
- FHS Track & Tennis Court Maintenance
- First Presbyterian Church
- Forest Grove Cemetery
- Fort Maginnis Cemetery
- Friends of the Hobson Library
- Friends of the Pool
- Friends of the Trails
- Garfield County Fire Foundation
- Garfield County Health Center
- Heath Rural Fire District
- High Notes for Kids
- Hilger Community Hall
- Hilger Fire Department
- Hobson Ambulance
- Hobson Rural Fire District
- Hobson Public School Montana Bale Trail
- Hobson Tiger Boosters
- Jawbone Creek Country Club Forever
- Judith Gap Methodist Church
- Judith Mountain Players
- Kiwanis Toys for Kids
- Lewistown Art Center

- Lewistown Assoc. for Mentally Handicapped
- Lewistown Boy Scouts
- Lewistown Ice Skating Association
- Lewistown Library Book Fund
- Lewistown School District #1 Education
- Lewistown Sea Lions
- Lewistown Swimming Pool
- Devin Moe Memorial
- Partnering for Resilience
- Petroleum County/Bratten
- Petroleum County Road Maintenance
- Recycle Our Waste Lewistown
- Saint Paul Lutheran Church
- Save the Barns Maintenance
- Ski for Light
- Softball Hall of Fame
- Summer Youth Programs
- Supplemental Meals In Lewistown Elem. Schools
- TCT Activities
- Together Our Recovery Center Heals
- United Methodist Church:
General, Boy Scouts, Help, Youth
- Veteran's Memorial Park Maintenance
- Winifred American Lutheran Church
- Winifred Community Ambulance
- Winifred Rural Fire District
- Young People in Recovery
- Your Neighbor Cares of Central MT

Community Endowments

- Denton Stanford Pool
- Garfield Co. Judith Gap
- Jordan Pool Moore
- Library Petroleum Co.
- Grass Range Comm. Center
- Hobson Roy
- Hobson School Wheatland Co.
- Pride of Judith Fairgrounds
- Judith Basin Winifred

Scholarship Endowments

- Central MT Foundation Scholarship
- Evelyn Beatty Jerry Bergum Memorial
- Hannah Bragg Leonard & Edith Brooks
- Brooks School Marion Burke
- Central Montana Manufacturing
- Harold & Bette Coolidge Nursing
- Pat Descheemaeker Memorial
- Dorothy Ileene Eklund
- Elmer Erickson Memorial
- Fergus Farm Mutual
- FCHS Class of 1935
- FHS & St. Leo's Class of 1964
- FHS Class of 1970 FHS Class of 2019
- Gail Fox Memorial Augra Hegna
- Helen F. Hruska Schultz
- Jack & Shirley Hughes - Grass Range
- Jack & Shirley Hughes - Winnett
- Jay & Janette Henderson Kiwanis
- Little Belt Snowmobile Club
- Ray & Nikoline Marr Tom & Ellen Moe
- David Moodie Family

- Russell & Beatrice Murray
- Maude Del Pimlott Estate
- Chester Rickner Don Romo
- Rachel Schaffer Slater-Arganbright
- Clarence & Mildred Smith
- Dr. Frank & Patty Thompson
- Glenn Vogl Memorial Ag Dale Godfrey
- Niels & Helen Kirkemide
- Lewistown Bowling Assoc. (Triumph)
- Maiden Dave & Maxine Matovich
- Irene Miller James Schultz Memorial
- Stewart & Catherine Thomas
- Ervin Weinheimer
- Roy & Jean Wunderlin

Pass Through Accounts

- Ackley Lake Club
- Central Montana Shooting Complex
- Central Montana Youth Challenge
- Chokecherry Jam
- Creekside Marketplace & Pavilion
- Denton Swimming Pool
- Fergus County Courthouse Restoration
- Fergus County Port Authority
- Friends of Head Start
- Friends of St. Wenceslaus
- Garfield Ambulance Service, Inc.
- Girls Fast Pitch/Boys Cross Country
- Glitz, Glam & Gowns
- Heart of Montana Farm in the Dell
- Heart of Montana Love INC
- Judith Basin Back Country Horsemen
- Lewistown Historic Accord
- Lewistown Soccer Association
- Montana Cowboy Poetry
- Roy School New Gym/Community Center
- Stanford School
- Small Wonder Child Care
- Tri-County Crisis Intervention Stress Management (CISM) Team
- Winnett Swimming Pool

Medical Center Foundation

- NEW 3D Mammography
- NEW Ambulance
- NEW EMS Training/Ambulance Bay
- Ambulance
- Cardiac Rehab
- Darci's Gift: Save A Life
- Emergency Room
- Endowment, General General Fund
- Endowment, Vision 2000
- Friends of First Responders
- Home Health
- Hospice
- Lab
- Patient Room Remodels
- Radiology
- Other _____

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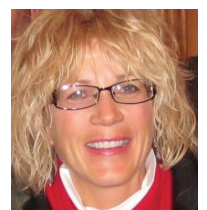
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