

Vern Petersen's hard work to reap dividends for his church

Vern Petersen has been enjoying retirement with his wife, Dana, since 2014 after having spent 54 years in the workforce. This Central Montana native worked hard to save for retirement, but feels compelled to share the fruits of his labor with St. Paul Lutheran Church in Lewistown.

Vern's faith is paramount and just as he planned for retirement, Vern has a plan to help spread God's word. "The primary reason we're giving this gift is that our

congregation is aging. When we pass away, there will be charity like CMF. one less contributor to the spread of God's word; but this perpetual gift will keep right on giving from the grave!"

St. Paul Lutheran Church has a permanent endowment with Central Montana Foundation (CMF), which Vern helped initiate a few years ago. The church can spend the dividends and interest earned on the endowment, while the principal remains untouched.

A Winnett native, Vern graduated high school there in 1960. He rough-necked with a drilling unit for a year, then worked road construction for the next 21 years. He was a farm equipment salesman for four years before he was elected Fergus County Commissioner, a position he held for 18 years, from 1986-2004. His last career was with Joint Powers Trust, which provides public employees with group



Vern and Dana Petersen contributed a gift to St. Paul Lutheran Church's permanent endowment fund with CMF.

health benefit plans.

While working with Joint Powers Trust, Vern set up a 457(b) retirement fund. He moved that fund into an IRA and instructed his broker, Joe Eckhardt with Edward Jones, to gift those funds through a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) to St. Paul's endowment held with CMF. A QCD is an otherwise taxable distribution from an IRA owned by an individual who is at least 70-1/2 years of age that is paid directly to a qualified

Vern is well-versed in how having a permanent endowment with CMF can help non-profits and other tax-exempt organizations like his church, as he served with CMF from 1989-2004 and was its president from 2001-2004. "The Foundation has become a real mainstay of the Central Montana region and has done a tremendous amount of good. It gives generous people an opportunity to participate in the maintenance and promotion of our area."

The Petersen's spend about half the year in Florida now, and spend time exploring the country as they make the trek between Florida and Montana in their RV. "God has blessed us with good health and we're enjoying retirement." However, Vern added, "We will always call this place 'home.' It's heaven on earth."

Thank you to Wells Fargo Bank: this edition's color sponsor!

Wells Fargo Bank is the sponsor of the full-color in this edition of The Roundup newsletter, a joint publication of Central Montana Foundation (CMF) and Medical Center Foundation. Wells Fargo has been especially generous this year in providing assistance to communities reeling from the ill effects of COVID-19.

As COVID-19 has spread across the world, communities everywhere are suddenly in need of food, screening kits, child care for front-line workers, personal protective equipment (PPE), transitional housing, and support for organizations, like Central Montana Foundation (CMF). Wells Fargo provided a \$20,000 gift to CMF's COVID-19 Relief Fund to help ease the burdens for Central Montana organizations impacted by the pandemic.

To help the communities it serves, Wells Fargo announced in March it would redirect \$175 million in local philanthropic funding to accelerate COVID-19 relief efforts. The company has worked to streamline grant making and offer funding to more than 4,400 non-profits across all 50 states and 23 countries. In fact, according to a Consumer Health & Safety Index study conducted by Ipsos, Wells Fargo is leading the industry in COVID-19 safety.

"At Wells Fargo we strive to put our customers and communities first," said Jen Weeden, Wells Fargo Regional Services advisor, who also serves as the bank's representative on the CMF Board of Directors. "We encourage all of our team members to give back to the causes and organizations they're personally passionate about. I am especially proud of the help we have been able to provide through our COVID-19 Relief Fund." She added, "Serving on the CMF Board is meaningful to me. It's one of the ways I help

people in Central Montana and give back to the community I live in."

The decision to alter the philanthropic strategy began in late February, when the company realized COVID-19 was going to be the single issue to define need in 2020. And because they were hearing that non-profits needed funding for general operating expenses to help meet the rising demand for services, instead of grants toward a specific program, they also decided to allow organizations to use the money to best meet their evolving needs.

CMF set up a COVID-19 Relief fund to assist organizations dealing with skyrocketing demands for services and supplies during the Coronavirus pandemic (see related story, below). Organizations in Fergus, Garfield, Judith Basin, Petroleum and Wheatland Counties impacted by the COVID-19 crisis can apply for funding to provide relief to vulnerable populations most severely impacted by the pandemic.

Wells Fargo's grant to CMF's COVID-19 Relief Fund has helped provide much needed food for the community, especially to at risk individuals that couldn't leave their homes, helped local Disaster and Emergency Services organizations with the purchase of PPE equipment, and met a plethora of other needs of non-profit and tax-exempt organizations across the five-county region served by CMF.

Jen said that Wells Fargo's "community spirit and history in Montana runs deep. While we may support some organizations with grant funding or serving on a board, we hope to support others in different ways like team member giving or making introductions to others in the community who can help."

Thank you to Wells Fargo for your generosity in Central Montana!

CMF grants nearly \$42,000 since April for COVID-19 relief

In the six months since Central Montana Foundation (CMF) established a COVID-19 Relief fund, nearly \$42,000 has been granted to organizations in a five-county region.

Grant recipients include Central Montana Community Cupboard, District 6 HRDC Clearinghouse Connections, Fergus County Council on Aging, Garfield County Community Food Bank, Garfield County Senior Center, Wheatland County Senior Citizens Center, Judith Basin Food Pantry, Petroleum County Senior Citizens, Central Montana Youth Mentoring Program, Lewistown Art Center, Lewistown Area Chamber of Commerce, Fergus County Disaster and Emergency Services, Judith Basin County Disaster and Emergency Services, Fergus High School, Central Montana Medical Center (CMMC), CMMC Auxiliary, Boys & Girls Club of Lewistown and Central Montana Workforce Development Board.

"Early on in this pandemic, CMF Directors felt compelled to do what we could to ease burdens across our region," said CMF President Dean Comes. "As the region's community foundation, we are well-equipped to be the conduit between donors who want to help and the people who need that assistance."

CMF Executive Director Carrie Mantooth and Jennifer Weeden, who is Wells Fargo Bank's representative on the CMF Board of Directors, worked together to put together a

simple grant application for COVID-19 Relief funding. "We wanted to have a process where we could quickly respond with aide for our non-profits and tax-exempt organizations impacted by the pandemic, so we developed a pared-down application," Carrie said.

When an application is received and deemed eligible for funding, the request is sent out to CMF Board of Directors for a vote and grants disbursed upon approval. The grant requests are sent out to CMF Directors for a vote right away, rather than waiting for the monthly regular meetings.

CMF opened the relief fund with corporate donations, along with \$5,000 of its own unrestricted funding. Individuals and businesses have continued to add to the COVID-19 Relief fund with CMF, and CMF will keep accepting COVID-19 Relief grant applications until the fund is depleted.

The COVID-19 Relief grant application is available at www.centralmontanafoundation.com or by contacting CMF at 538-6130 or cmtfoundation@midrivers.com. Non-profit and tax-exempt organizations in Central Montana impacted by the COVID-19 Pandemic are eligible to apply.

Businesses, organizations and individuals who want to partner with CMF in providing relief to those most impacted by the Coronavirus crisis can send donations to CMF at PO Box 334, Lewistown, MT 59457, or give online under the "Give a Gift" tab at www.centralmontanafoundation.com.

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Bakkedahl's charitable gift annuity aides local organizations

The proverbial expression, "Good things come to those who wait," seems a fitting way to describe a deferred charitable gift annuity set up by Dwayne and Robyn Bakkedahl.

When the Bakkedahl's sold their business, Edgewood Building Supply, in 2014, they gifted \$50,000 into a deferred charitable gift annuity through Central Montana Foundation (CMF), and named eight non-profits as the ultimate benefactors.

At the end of the required five-year deferment period, the annuity had grown to nearly \$58,000. It was converted to cash



Robyn & Dwayne Bakkedahl

organizations, including CMF General, Boys & Girls Club of Lewistown, Your Neighbor Cares of Central Montana, CMMC ER/Lab, Friends of the Pool, Friends of the Trails, Lewistown Ice Skating Association and Lewistown Public Library.

This was a "planned gift," which allowed the Bakkedahl's to save on taxes when they sold their business, while helping some of their favorite causes. With a deferred charitable gift annuity, the donor is able to take a federal tax deduction in the year that the annuity is set up, and in addition, earn a tax credit through the Montana Endowment Tax Credit. Montana is one of a handful of states where donors who give to a qualified endowment like those held with CMF can earn up to 40 percent of the present value of a planned gift, up to a maximum of \$10,000 per taxpaver.

Robyn was familiar with the planned giving concept, as she has served on the CMF Board of Directors for 27 years, and has been its long-time secretary-treasurer.

The Bakkedahl's had invested 30 years into building their business, and when they sold to Bloedorn Lumber Company, they decided setting up the annuity was the perfect opportunity to give back to the community...and significantly reduce their

earlier this year and transferred to the permanent endowments of eight tax liability. "The community had been so supportive of us and we wanted to do what we could in return," explained Robyn, about why they decided to set up the annuity in late 2014.

> Fast forwarding to present day, the Bakkedahl's were in agreement that it's a great feeling to know that they have been able to give these non-profits a perpetual gift. Because the gifts are permanently endowed, the gift remains untouched but each organization is able to spend the dividends and income earned.

> For more information about planned giving options, visit with your finance professional or contact CMF Executive Director Carrie Mantooth at 406.538.6130.

Creekside Marketplace & Pavilion sets up endowment with CMF

It was the "perfect storm" with a compilation of ideas for a beautiful gathering spot for locals and travelers alike, and the result is a pot of gold at the end of the rainbow...right along the banks of beautiful Big Spring Creek on East Main Street, Lewistown!

Creekside Marketplace & Pavilion is nearing completion and the committee that has worked on the project couldn't be more thrilled with the results.

Lewistown City Manager Holly Phelps, said installation of signage, final landscaping and a few other details will be finished soon, but the major features of Creekside Marketplace & Pavilion are complete.

The site features a pavilion and stage, plenty of green space, picnic area, children's playground, metal sculpture, and



Creekside Committee members celebrating their success on the pavilion stage couldn't have been accom-Two of the key committee include (from left) Susan Barta, Kevin Myhre, Clint Loomis, Karen Sweeney, plished without the outpourmembers, Karen Sweeney and Holly Phelps, Jim Daniels, Candace Bowman and John Sanford.

a "central station" with a kiosk and yearround, handicap accessible restrooms.

The group established a pass through account with Central Montana Foundation (CMF) in 2017, and were recently approved for a permanent endowment. Having the endowment will provide long-term sustainability for the property, and the ability for donors to continue giving tax deductible gifts to support this community proj-

The City of Lewistown will cover regular maintenance and upkeep of the site, while income earned on the endowment will be used as a source of funding for future capital expenditures.

Creekside Marketplace & Pavilion Committee members recognize that the project ing of support by individuals, businesses and grant funders like CMF. Even in the midst of

the COVID-19 Pandemic, the enthusiasm of the public as they watched the transformation of the site has been a shot in the arm to the committee.

To give to Creekside's endowment, see the giving form on page 14, or give online at centralmontanafoundation.com.

Oak Ridge Boys' Benefit Concert rescheduled for June 5!

It's a date and it will be worth the wait!

The Oak Ridge Boys' benefit concert originally set for July 12 has been rescheduled for Sat., June 5, 2021, at 7:30 p.m. in the Fergus Center for the Performing Arts in Lewistown, and organizers couldn't be more excited!

"It was a tough call to postpone this benefit concert for Central Montana Medical Center's (CMMC) 3D Mammography Capital Campaign, but COVID-19 restrictions left us with no choice," said CMMC Foundation Manager Ann Tuss.

The Oak Ridge Boys concert will benefit CMMC's ongoing Radiology Department upgrade including acquisition of a new 3D Mammogram unit and Breast Biopsy Guide System. The total capital campaign goal is \$475,000.

Funds to purchase the 3D Mammogram were generated earlier in the campaign thanks to an outpouring of individual and corporate donations and grants, and CMMC was able to purchase and install the 3D Mammogram unit in

June (see related story, below), providing Central Montana with the best early breast cancer detection system available anywhere.

Tickets already sold for the Oak Ridge Boys for the original date will be honored for the June 5, 2021 concert. Those desiring a refund for their July 12 tickets can return their tickets by November 1, 2020 for a full refund, to The Wild Iris Floral & Home Store in Lewistown or mail them to Ann Tuss, CMMC, 408 Wendell Ave., Lewistown, MT 59457.

"We are so grateful that this iconic band is still planning on coming to Lewistown and that most of the people who bought tickets have opted to keep them; having faith that the show will go on!" Ann said.





Rescheduling the concert means those who didn't buy tickets the first time around have another chance to do so. Tickets for the June 5 concert are available at Wild Iris Floral & Home Store, 415 W. Janeaux, in Lewistown, 406.535.2737. Online (general admission tickets only) are available at www. cmmc.health/oaks. Reserved tickets and inquiries are welcome at 406.538.4575, 406.535.6309 or 406.535.2737.

The concert at the Fergus Performing Arts Center will be one of the smallest and most intimate venues on the Oak Ridge Boys' 2021 national tour.

"The evening promises to be a memory-maker and once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for live entertainment fans across Central Montana," according to CMMC Foundation Advisory Board Chair Karen Kuhlmann.

Karen has been working to put this benefit concert together for nearly a year and Ann said her efforts and connections have kept the project on track, despite the setback due to COVID.

CMMC's new Chief Executive Officer

Cody Langbehn arrived on the job in late August. He expressed his enthusiasm for the benefit concert and the state-of-the art equipment it will help purchase. "I'm sure it will be a great time and it is of course for a great cause, as we make our final fundraising push in support of the new 3D Mammography Unit and accompanying Breast Biopsy Guidance System. Hundreds of patients have already benefited due to this advance imaging equipment thanks to CMMC Foundation's hard work and the community's generosity."

For more information about the Oak Ridge Boys please go to OakRidgeBoys.com.

CMMC Auxiliary fulfills its mission with gift to 3D Mammo

Central Montana Medical Center (CMMC) Auxiliary exists to provide support for the hospital, and they demonstrated that commitment to the mission with a \$5,500 gift to CMMC's 3D Mammography Capital Campaign.

"It's important for our community to have this type of technology available, and it's phenomenal that we have physicians that have the ability to use it and take care of our community," said long-time CMMC Auxiliary Member Patty Neeman.

Patty said most of the Auxiliary's volunteer duties have been shut down due to the COVID-19 Pandemic. "We can't do mail delivery, man the information desk, and our gift shop is closed. This has been really tough on Auxiliary members," Patty said.

The gift shop is a major source of funding for their organization, along with fund-raisers including book sales, bazaars, garage sales, etc. - all which have ceased since the pandemic.

Once a year, CMMC Auxiliary asks all CMMC departments to submit a "wish list" for funding. The Auxiliary had set aside funding before COVID reared its

ugly head, and are thankful that they were able to give generously to the 3D Mammo project.

CMMC Auxiliary has been providing support since 1961 and has 80+ active members, including about 15 CMMC employees, like Patty, who serve on their own time.

"Since we haven't been able to see our Auxiliary members volunteering since March, this donation was a sweet and exhilarating surprise," said CMMC Foundation Manager Ann Tuss. "We appreciate their support for healthcare and CMMC!"

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CMMC's 3D Mammography unit replaces outdated equipment

Thanks to the generosity of individuals, businesses and grant funders, Central Montana Medical Center (CMMC) was able to acquire a 3D mammography unit, and it has already been used for more than 375 mammograms since it was installed in mid-June.

CMMC Foundation launched the 3D Mammography Capital Campaign early last year with a goal of raising \$350,000 to replace the outdated 2D mammography unit.

A \$100,000 matching gift from Norm Asbjornson gave them a running start and an outpouring of support helped them raise the funds for the 3D purchase earlier this year.

The state-of-the-art 3D mammogram allows radiologists to examine breast tissue one thin layer at a time in seconds, like flipping pages in a book. Fine details of the breast are more visible and less likely to be hidden by overlapping tissue as compared to 2D mammography. The 3D mammogram allows for earlier detection of breast cancer, which can ultimately save lives.

According to the American Cancer Society, when breast cancer is detected early and is in the localized stage, the five-year relative survival rate is 99 percent. Early detection includes doing monthly breast self-exams, and scheduling regular clinical breast exams and mammograms.

CMMC Radiology Manager Geri Rector said four of her department's technologists took specialized training for the 3D unit. They also took additional training for the stereotactic biopsy system so they will be ready to hit

the ground running once the equipment is acquired. The biopsy equipment will work in tandem with the 3D mammography to help quickly target lesions.

Currently, the 3D mammograms are interpreted by CMMC's affiliate, Billings Clinic, until CMMC's new radiologist arrives in February.

The response from patients about the 3D mammography has been very positive. "Most of the patients said it was more comfortable and patients no longer have to leave town to have the 3D mammogram," Geri said.

CMMC Foundation Manager Ann Tuss said each patient is presented with a rose on behalf of CMMC and Medical Center Foundation, wishing them the best of health and thanking them for utilizing the 3D mammo unit. MCF Advisory Board Member Jerry Carpenter volunteers to pick up and deliver the fresh roses to the radiology department twice each week.

Ann said she recently received a phone call from an 80-year-old patient who had just received her 3D mammogram. "She called to thank us for having the 3D mammography unit close to home. Her mother got breast cancer at the age of 80 and she said she will continue to get mammograms the rest of her life." Continued Ann, "She was so grateful for the beautiful rose and wanted to know the variety so she could plant a bush in her garden in remembrance of her mother!"

CMMC and MCF members are grateful for the support of this important project and look forward to seeing the Phase 2 of the capital campaign to raise funds for the stereotactic biopsy equipment completed. To learn more, call Ann in the MCF office at 406.535.6309.





A local photographer anonymously donated two stunning pieces of artwork to grace the walls of the remodeled 3D Mammography room. The plaques below the pictures read (above and to the left):

Sunflower Serenade

"A deeply rooted Ponderosa - serenaded by billowing Arrowleaf Balsamroot, dancing in the wind...her dress was beautiful!"

Fiery Sky Reflected

"Draughty, hot, August - brings her smoky fires. And the fiery skies are reflected back by late season Brown-Eyed Susan..."

Both are signed "From a Friend." On behalf of all the patients comforted by the beauty of these photos, "Thank you for your gift!"

Town & Country Foods donates tips for 3D Mammo



CMMC Foundation sends a big shout out to Town & Country Foods for its donation of \$513 to CMMC's 3D Mammography Campaign!

Tips at the store's coffee kiosk were donated to this great cause during the month of July. *

CMF assists Eagle Scout in his quest to provide access to reservoir

Talmage Brooks is a young man with a big heart, and determination to match.

The 13-year-old Boy Scout was troubled that people with mobility problems were unable to access the shoreline at Hansen Creek Reservoir southeast of Lewistown. A steep bank to the shore of this popular fishing spot was a hindrance to many, so Talmage decided to take action.

He was looking for a project to earn his Eagle Scout badge and decided that although it would be a daunting project, he would find a way to build a staircase to the shore.

Central Montana Foundation granted funds from the Lewistown Boy Scout endowment, and Central Montana Jaycees and Snowy Mountain Trout Unlimited also provided generous donations for the purchase of the supplies. However, Talmage had methodically laid out a plan for the project before he approached any potential funders. He told CMF Board of Directors that he happens to know some engineers (his grandfather, Frank Muchmore, and father, Benjamin Brooks) who helped design the staircase.

Talmage also went to the City of Lewistown Park and Recreation Board last fall to obtain the permission needed to build the staircase since the reservoir



Jessica and Talmage Brooks stand proudly at the top of the staircase at Hansen Creek Reservoir that Talmage completed as his Eagle Scout project.

(Photo courtesy of Lewistown News-Argus)

is one of the City-owned flood control reservoirs.

Diane Oldenburg is a City Commissioner and representative of the City of Lewistown on CMF's Board of Directors, and she has become a huge fan of Talmage. "I love this project and applaud his hard work in getting this done!"

The new stairs and handrails are made of pres-

sure-treated lumber and are more than 22-feet from top to bottom. The project involved prepping the site, pouring a foundation and building the stairs, and Talmage thanks his family and friends who volunteered during the project, including several fellow-scouts from his Troop 360. "I couldn't have completed these stairs without their talents."

The stairs were installed at the site over the course of several days in July. The hard physical work is completed for the project, and Talmage is left with the task of completing the paperwork to the Boy Scout Board of Review for his Eagle Scout badge. He hopes to have that completed this fall, but currently, football and other school activities are occupying much of his time.

Talmage is growing up in a scouting family, as his parents, Ben and Jessica, have volunteered for the past 15 years. Talmage has been going on campouts and outdoor adventures with his dad since he was 3-years-old, and camped out at Crystal Lake during the winter when he was just 7-years old. He officially started Cub Scouts as a second grader.

"Hearing from our local Boy and Girl Scouts is always such an encouragement," said CMF President Dean Comes. "These future leaders renew our faith in the future."

Community Endowment Contact List & Fund Balances

as of August 31, 2020

- Judith Basin County/Stanford Endowment, \$193,074; Stanford Pool, \$3,369
 Tess Brady, PO Box 221, Stanford, MT 59479, phone, 406-566-2633
- Petroleum County Endowment, \$117,901
 Petro. County Community Center, \$137,846; Hughes Scholarship/Petroleum Co., \$42,095
 Gari King, PO Box 125, Winnett, MT 59087, phone, 406-429-5821
- Winifred Endowment, \$107,591

Shirley Benes, PO Box 3, Winifred, MT 59489, phone, 406-462-5316

- Denton Endowment, \$109,185; Denton Ambulance, \$42,461
 Josh Webber, Farmers State Bank, P.O. Box 1047, Denton, MT 59430, phone, 406-567-2226
- Moore Endowment, \$102,811

Gary Greenwood, PO Box 133, Moore, MT 59464, phone, 406-374-2363

- Grass Range Endowment, \$61,506; Hughes Scholarship/Grass Range, \$56,429
 Debby Olson, 401 7th Ave. So., Apt. 208, Lewistown, MT 59457, phone, 406-366-0370
- Judith Gap Endowment, \$32,480

Tim Mauws, PO Box 125, Judith Gap, MT 59453, phone, 406-473-2366

- Roy Endowment, \$30,396
 - Shelly Willmore, River Route, Roy, MT 59471, phone, 406-464-7411
- Wheatland County Community Endowment, \$26,579; Wheatland Co. Fairgrounds, \$29,395 Mandie Reed, PO Box 733, Harlowton, MT 59036, phone, 406-240-1954
- Garfield County Endowment, \$24,591; Jordan Swimming Pool, \$7,364; Library Fund, \$1,500 Holly Harbaugh, PO Box 395, Jordan, MT 59337, phone, 406-557-2324
- Hobson Endowment, \$27,318
 Hobson End. School, \$6,937; Philbrook Cemetery, \$1,933; Pride of the Judith, \$9,396
 Bill Hesselbart, PO Box 433, Hobson, MT 59452, phone, 406-423-5369

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CMF grants \$21,000+ over the summer to local projects

Central Montana Foundation (CMF) Board of Directors are pleased to announce that they have granted more than \$21,000 over the summer months that will benefit a wide variety of Central Montana citizens.

Grants were awarded to tax-exempt and non-profit organizations for emergency services, cultural and recreational projects, and were funded from dividends and income generated from unrestricted permanent endowments held with CMF.

Successful applicants include:

• Boy Scouts of America: CMF granted \$1,329 to Boy Scouts of America/1360 for Talmage Brooks' Eagle Scout project to build a staircase to the water's edge at Hansen Creek Reservoir (see related story on Page 6). This project was funded through the Lewistown Boy Scouts endowment held with CMF.



Lewistown Fire Rescue was granted \$4,990 for the purchase of 10 thermal imagers. Assistant Chief Mike Davictims, allow them to find hot spots in structure vis (left) holds a bulky unit they've been using for more than a decade, while Brett Garber demonstrates the new tor vehicle victims that may have been ejected. light-weight units.

Lewistown Park Department/d'Autre-

• Yellowstone Boys & Girls Ranch Foundation: CMF granted \$600 to Yellowstone Boys & Girls Ranch (YBGR) to help finish a playground project at Community Based Services in Lewistown. YBGR provides mental health care services to troubled youth, and a playground was installed at the Lewistown center with CMF's help a few years ago. This year's grant was used for additional rubber mulch landscaping for safety under the equipment.

• Coffee Creek Fire District: CMF awarded \$4,999 to Coffee Creek Fire District to be used for the installation of electricity, insulation and heating in its new fire hall. Coffee Creek Rural Fire Chief Charlie Hartmann said the new three-stall building replaces an old, one-stall garage that had no electricity. Finishing the new building will allow them to keep fire trucks and equipment ready to go year-round.

• **Denton Child Care Development Center:** CMF granted \$2,500 to Denton Child Care Development Center for the purchase of shade and outdoor playground equipment. Heather DeVries said a volunteer group has been working to solve the problem of lack of child care in Denton for several years. They were able to open the center late this summer in a space at the Denton School and offer pre-school and daycare services. Heather told CMF Directors that having child care available in the community will help the school and other employers with job recruitment.

• Snowy Mountain Development Corporation/Ft. Maginnis: Ray Woody worked with Snowy Mountain Development Corporation on a grass-roots project to install a platform and interpretative signage at the ruins of historic Ft. Maginnis, northeast of Lewistown. CMF awarded \$2,000 for the project. Ray spoke to CMF Directors at the August meeting and explained that Ft. Maginnis was established in 1880 by companies of the 3rd Infantry Regiment. In its heyday, the fort was bustling with quarters for the enlisted men, a commissary, bakery, guardhouse, office, chapel, blacksmith shop, post office and more. The signage will provide visitors with a glimpse into life at Ft. Maginnis when as many as 500 people lived there.

• **Lewistown Park & Recreation:** CMF granted \$305 to Lewistown Park & Recreation for swim passes for underprivileged youth from its summer youth activities fund. CMF has funded this project for many consecutive

years to help insure all youth have the opportunity to enjoy the Lewistown City Pool.

• Lewistown Fire Rescue: A grant of \$4,990 was awarded to Lewistown Fire Rescue for the purchase of 10 thermal imager cameras. Assistant Fire Chief Mike Davis and Brett Garber of Lewistown Fire Rescue demonstrated both the old and new thermal imagers, and the difference in technology was striking. The bulky units of the past served the department well, but today's equipment is compact and much more efficient; and the prices have dropped considerably. The thermal imagers allows firefighters to navigate hands-free through smoke while searching for victims, allow them to find hot spots in structure and wildland firefighting, and aid in finding motor vehicle victims that may have been ejected.

 Lewistown Park Department/d'Autremont Complex: CMF awarded \$4,500 to Lew-

istown Parks Department for a sprinkler project at d'Autremont Complex. The project to refurbish the over 30-year-old sprinkler system at the complex off Airport Road has involved abandoning a well that was providing very low water pressure and hooking up to city water, and repairing broken lines and valve boxes in the process. The grant from CMF will help finish the project and will be used to fix and replace sprinkler heads throughout the Complex's grounds.

CMF considers grant requests at its monthly meetings. Non-profit and tax-exempt organizations in Central Montana are eligible grant recipients. (See CMF's operating guidelines on its website for specific information.) Call CMF at 406.538.6130 for more information or find the application online at www.centralmontanafoundation.com.

Stockman Bank provides \$10,000 match challenge for new Denton Ambulance

Denton Ambulance launched a capital campaign earlier this year to raise funds for the purchase of a new ambulance and equipment and Stockman Bank of Lewistown and Stanford recently stepped up to help by issuing a pledge to provide a dollar for dollar match of up to \$10,000 for all private donations through Dec. 31, 2020.

Denton Ambulance, with the assistance of Denton Lion's Club, are working together to address the need for a new ambulance to replace a 23-year-old ambulance, which is out of compliance and quickly becoming obsolete. Denton Endowment (held with Central Montana Foundation) has an account for the ambulance project. With a goal of \$250,000, and about 20 percent of that raised to date, the generous challenge grant will give a boost to the project.

For more information about the Denton Ambulance project, contact Doug Winter at 406.567.2434 or Larry Rice at 406.567.2287. Donors can use the giving form on Page 14 and make checks payable to CMF, with Denton Ambulance in the memo line, or give online at www.centralmontana.com.

CMF awards more than \$250,000 in scholarships for 2020-21

Central Montana Foundation (CMF) is pleased to announce the award of \$250,000+ in scholarships to 100 Central Montana students for the 2020-2021 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:



- **Norman Asbjornson Educational:** Dyauni Boyce, Rebecca DeMars, Ryan Russell, Anna Slivka, Cassandra Smith, Tyler Urion and Jayda Wichman, \$6,592 each.
 - Audra Hegna: Samantha DeMars, \$1,500.
- **Brooks Area:** Grady Gilpatrick, Jada Goettlich and Jada Hartman, \$1,853 each.
- **Bruce Landru (Roy High School):** Sadie Johnson and Berkley Stroh, \$500 each.
- **Bruce Landru (Hobson High School):** Rachael Stevenson, \$700, and Zackary Thomas, \$300.
 - Central Montana Manufacturing: Kendall Barta, \$1,000.
 - Chester Rickner: Jacy Ayers, \$500.
- **Clarence and Mildred Smith:** Cassidy Bawden, Levi Boyles, Olivia Geer, Sadie Johnson, Shelby Long, Stephanie Olson, Carson Weeden, \$1,500 each.
- **Central Montana Foundation (Community Service):** Kendall Barta, Libbey Fried-Jenness and Macy Mangold, \$500 each.
 - Combs Family: Kai Krumwiede, \$1,000.
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 - Little Belt Snowmobile Club: Samuel Butcher, \$500.
 - Maiden: Grady Gilpatrick and Cassidy Bawden, \$475 each.
 - Marion I. Burke: Morgan Ward, \$450.
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- **Pat Descheemaeker Memorial:** Zoe Delaney and Kai Krumwiede, \$500 each.
- **Petroleum County Endowment:** Mya Olsen, \$750; Brynn Jolma, \$1,000.
 - Rachel Schaffer Memorial: Gregory Fulbright, \$600.
- *Ray and Nikoline Marr:* Nicole Woolett, \$2,500; Jacy Ayers, \$2,100; Levi Boyles, Libbey Fried-Jenness and Shelby Long, \$1,500 each; Tyler Urion, \$400; Dyauni Boyce, Cassandra Smith and Berkley Stroh, \$300 each.
 - Robertson Family Memorial: Kinsey Warner, \$1,000.
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 - Slaterbright: Gregory Fulbright, \$2,000.
- **Stewart and Catherine Thomas:** Rachael Stevenson, \$800; Zackary Thomas, \$500.
 - Tom & Ellen Moe: Alison Denton, \$400.

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.

These scholarships are permanent endowments that earn dividends and income, which are a perpetual source of funding for scholarship awards. To see a list of the scholarship funds held with CMF and criteria set up by funders for each, go to www.centralmontanafoundation.com under the Scholarship tab

Scholarship applications for the 2021-22 year will be available on the Fergus High School and CMF websites in December. For more information about establishing a scholarship fund with CMF or about the scholarship program contact CMF Executive Director Carrie Mantooth at 406.538.6130.

Scholarship fund grows as daughters remember their mother

Helen Hruska Schultz was a life-long resident of Lewistown who passed from this life in October 2000. Her five daughters wanted to do something in her memory and decided to establish a scholarship fund with Central Montana Foundation (CMF).

"We decided to start the scholarship fund with CMF as a way to honor and remember our mom," said Carey Jo Horning. Scholarships have been awarded annually to a graduate in financial need from Fergus High School that is pursuing a business, ag-related or family and consumer science degree. The family chose this criterion because Helen was a businesswoman for many years and also an accomplished seamstress and gardener.

Over the last few years, Helen's daughters have made a concerted effort to add to the scholarship endowment, where the principal remains intact and the earnings are used for the scholarship award. "It made our hearts happy as we've seen the scholarship grow over the years," said Chris Elliott, Helen's oldest daughter.

The daughters make donations for each of their birthdays and Helen's birthday as well as Mother's Day and Christmas. They also make memorial contributions to honor loved ones. "It's been a meaningful way for us to keep our Mom's memory alive. An added plus is it helps out a student in the community each year," said Kim Watson, Helen's youngest.

Helen's daughters said their mother was an outgoing, energetic person. She was happiest when she had a project or two to work on; such as revamping her flower garden, a remodeling or painting project. She loved being outside and loved welcoming com-



The Hruska sisters in 1982; (back, from left) Lori, Les, Carey Jo, Kim and Chris, with their grandmother and mother (from left), Mary Hruska and Helen Hruska Schultz. Below, they are pictured at a reunion in 2017 with (back, from left) Rosemarie Barta, Chris Elliott, Les Watson, Carey Jo Horning, (front) Kim Watson and Lori Watson.



pany to the ranch.

Sisters Les Watson and Lori Watson provided some comments with input from their other sisters. "Helen was the corner stone for her entire family. She was always there for her family during good times and bad.

She was a single mom who raised five daughters. She was a strong woman and passed her strength on to her daughters. She worked hard (several jobs) to ensure that the family had what they needed. She had a beautiful smile and a great sense of humor."

Family was important to their mother, and her daughters said the scholarship has "been a way to happily remember our mom and to know she would be proud of us for honoring her while also helping others." Chris and Les both lost their eldest sons in October 2019 just days apart in unrelated deaths. Michael and Frank, who were in their 40's, were Helen's first two grandsons. Contributing to the scholarship in their honor is one way to show that they are still very close in our hearts and memories.

Rosemarie Barta is also considered part of the family. Helen took Rosemarie into their home in 1972 when she was estranged from her own family. She was a senior in high school at the time, and Rosemarie said she was readily "accepted into the fold." She said Helen was one of hardest working women she has ever known and her hands were never idle. "I loved her then and I love her still."

CMF Executive Director said she has enjoyed working with Helen Hruska Schultz's family. "They all care deeply about honoring their mother's memory through this scholarship fund. It's a wonderful legacy that is also extending a helping hand to the younger generation as they pursue their educational goals."

The Helen Hruska Schultz Scholarship is one of the 50+ scholarship endowments held with CMF. For more information about setting up a scholarship fund, contact CMF at 406.538.6130.

CMF Directors approve two new scholarship funds

The list of scholarship endowments held with Central Montana Foundation (CMF) continues to grow, as two new funds were recently approved:

Fergus Electric Lineman Scholarship

Fergus Electric Cooperative has offered a scholarship for students entering an accredited line technician school for several years now, and recently asked CMF to manage the scholarship. The request for a permanent endowment for the Fergus Electric Lineman Scholarship was approved by CMF Board of Directors at its September meeting.

Fergus Electric funds an annual scholarship for \$3,000 as a means to encourage students to consider a career as an electrical lineman. Students will use the Central Montana Foundation and Area Clearinghouse Scholarship application to apply and can access it on the Fergus High School and CMF websites in early December.

Fergus High School Class of '95 Scholarship

A few members of Fergus High School Class of '95, including CMF Director Jennifer Weeden, have been inspired by other alumni that have set up scholarship funds. Earlier this summer a few of them visited and decided that their class wanted to establish its own scholarship fund for future generations graduating from their alma mater.

A \$2,500 minimum is required to set up a permanent endowment with CMF and within just a few months, FHS Class of '95 had met that initial goal. Jennifer said they plan to add additional funding to the endowment in hopes of being able to award an annual scholarship in the near future.

For more information about CMF's Scholarship program, contact CMF Executive Director Carrie Mantooth at 406.538.6130.

Boys & Girls Club Back A Kid Fund

The Boys & Girls Club of Lewistown lost a dear friend recently but his legacy will live on through a gift to set up the "Back A Kid" permanent endowment with Central Montana Foundation to be used for scholarships for kids to attend the Club. The scholarships will help single parents (who qualify in either the free or reduced lunch category) be able to send their child(ren) to the Club.

The Club's Resource Development Director Abby Franks said she will miss this benefactor, who wished to remain anonymous even after his death. She said he had a big heart for the children at the Club, and their hope is that others will contribute to the Back A Kid fund (see the giving form on Page 14.)

Please contact the Boys & Girls Club at 406.535.2257 for more information.



MCF grants to help health care and the community

Over the last quarter, Central Montana Family Safety Day. Medical Center Foundation (MCF) funds have community including:

- FHS EMT Class: A grant of \$3,285 from Darci's Gift: To Save a Life, to cover an EMT state-certified course that Fergus High School seniors can take as an elective.
- HOPE: MCF's HOPE fund provided \$750 to help a Central Montana Medical Center colleague in crisis. CMMC employees contribute to this fund through payroll giving.
- Lewistown Area Chamber of Commerce: A grant for \$2,187 was recommended by MCF Advisory Board for the Lewistown Area Chamber of Commerce to purchase an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) to keep on-board the Charlie Russell Chew Choo Dinner Train and at other Chamber events.
- sory Board recommended a grant for \$500 to purchase bike helmets for kids at the Summer list on Pages 14-15.

• CMMC In-Home Care Services: CMMC provided grants to benefit healthcare and the Hospice was able to purchase new IPads and accessories thanks to a grant of \$12,308. The request stressed the importance of having the best computerized operating systems available for nurses and therapists to document proficiently and in a timely manner, while on the road seeing patients throughout Fergus and Judith Basin Counties. The IPad can be used to photograph wounds, which assist physicians to, on a more frequent basis, monitor and provide immediate patient care as needed. The best standard of technology practice is efficient and cost effective for CMMC and the home-bound patients, and nurses/therapists traveling to their homes for care, according to CMMC Home Health/Hospice Manager Kathy Ward.

For more information about how to help • Summer Family Safety Day: MCF Advi- MCF accomplish its mission, contact Ann at 406.535.6309 or see the giving form and funds



CMMC RN Shauna Halverson-Bruno uses an IPad purchased through a Medical Center Foundation grant as she sees In-Home patient June Donaldson.



"Thank you" extended to local couple for helping a PT patient at CMMC

Jerry Carpenter and Tom Petranek have a long track record of service for community projects. particularly at Central Montana Medical Center (CMMC). That's why it's no surprise that when the couple learned of a need with a physical therapy patient, they stepped in to help.

CMMC's Physical Therapy team had a patient whose primary mode of transportation is a Ranger side-by-side. Jerry and Tom also have a Ranger and decided to lend it to the PT Team so the patient could practice getting in and out of it during his PT sessions!

Jerry spent 52 years of her life in her nursing career and continues to serve on the CMMC Foundation Advisory Board and CMMC Auxiliary. She also volunteers at the foot clinics for seniors at Fergus County Council on Aging and is a long-time volunteer at Red Cross Blood Drives.

"A very special thank you to Tom and Jerry!" said CMMC Foundation Manager Ann Tuss. "People like them are why Central Montana is such a great place to live!"

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Radiology: 3D Mammography

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