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Fremont Area Community Foundation
2014 Annual Report

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A Message from the President and Executive Director

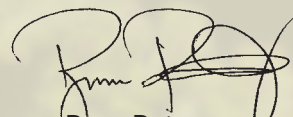
Each year, we publish the Fremont Area Community Foundation (FACF) annual report—our year-end review that details the status and impact of FACF. Detailed in the report is information regarding our fiscal condition, our financial stability and our endowment growth. These figures are important and the results of the past year show significant growth: the Foundation’s net assets have increased by nearly 16 percent over Fiscal Year 2012-13 and our revenues and expenses, outlined on Page 23, reflect positive strides in investment income and continued diligence in streamlining administrative expenses.

But the most important and meaningful figures to highlight are those that reflect the impact of our grant-making—the resources you’ve entrusted to us to make a difference in the community we share and care about.

In 2013-14, the Fremont Area Community Foundation provided over \$544,000 in competitive and donor-advised fund grants and more than \$65,000 in scholarships. These funds impacted the lives of thousands of individuals and families throughout the greater Fremont area and surrounding communities. While the set of numbers outlined under “assets and expenses” are important and worth consideration, the true reflection of our efforts, mission and impact is revealed through these statistics—the lives we’ve touched through our grant-making—and the stories found on the pages of our 2014 annual report.

Thank you for your help in making this possible. It is our privilege to assist you in achieving your philanthropic goals to preserve and enhance quality of life in our area, now and forever.




Russ Peterson
President




Melissa Diers
Executive Director

Grantee Highlight:

Digg-Site Productions' Summer Documentary Film Workshop

Lights! Camera! Action!

Area youth were provided a unique new opportunity to experience the film industry up close thanks to the efforts of a new nonprofit film venture based in Fremont called The Digg-Site Productions Inc.

With a grant from the Foundation, the organization hosted a summer documentary film workshop called "Film It: The World Inside and Out," which introduced area high school students to careers available in the motion picture industry. It was spearheaded by Stacy Heatherly, Eastern Nebraska Film Commissioner and documentary film director/producer, who has worked in the film industry for more than two decades. During the 10-week, accredited program students experienced all aspects of film creation and produced a 15-minute short film that was showcased during a 2014 fall festival.

Various celebrities and other professionals spoke to students during the workshop, including former Nebraskan Lew Hunter, who teaches screenwriting at UCLA.

"In the film industry you have every job that you can imagine," Heatherly said. "It's like a small corporation within itself. It has producers, directors, set decorators,

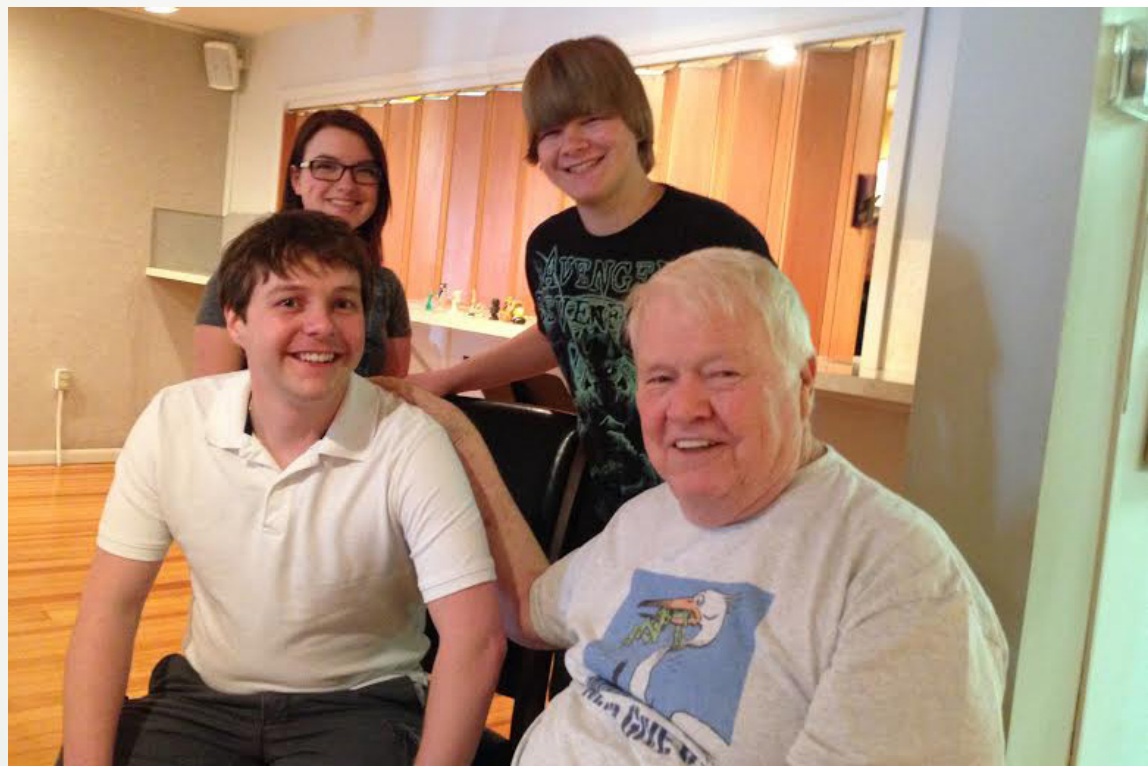
editors and electricians. We try within our 10-week program to at least cover an aspect of those jobs."

Programs like the film camp allow students to gain the knowledge and experience they will need if they decide to pursue a career in the film industry. As Eastern Nebraska Film Commissioner, Heatherly also plans to establish a film studio in Fremont and entice the film industry to discover the benefits of "taking the show on the road" à la Alexander Payne, director of the Oscar-nominated film "Nebraska," which used Norfolk as its operating hub.

Bringing the Summer Film Camp to Fremont would not be possible without the overwhelming support of the Fremont Area Community Foundation, and the entire community as a whole, Heatherly recently told the Fremont Tribune. "Without this type of support and help students would not have the opportunity to participate in something like film camp."

"They helped us bring in this program, get it established and really help young people have an industry that they are interested in, while also getting hands-on experience in that industry," she said. "The more film we bring to Fremont, the more opportunities students will have to do that."

Pictured at the workshop left to right are Marc Costanzo (Workshop Educator), Seattle Dowey (student), Jordan Schuetze (student) and Lew Hunter (presenter/NE Founder of the UCLA screenwriting course).





Jennifer Sornsen, Occupational Therapist at Nye Legacy and patient Louise Voss.

New Fund:

Nye Health Services Employee Crisis Fund

A sudden death. A tornado, flood or other natural disaster. Sometimes it's an injury.

The reasons people find themselves in moments of crisis are many and varied, but one thing is consistent: the need for a helping hand.

Now, thanks to a new fund established at the Foundation by business owners Russ and Jennifer Peterson, employees of Nye Health Services have access to that assistance.

Nye Health Services' mission not only applies to the residents they serve every day but also to the team members who make it possible: to celebrate life by delivering exceptional service and superior value through innovative leadership in personalized care.

"We're passionate about taking care of people," said Marcey Darmento, Director of Human Resources for Nye Health Services, whether it's one of the company's 650 residents or one of its almost 700 team members.

Earlier this year the Petersons, realizing that emergency situations may arise that create significant economic hardship for employees despite their best efforts to plan or prepare for unforeseen circumstances, created the Nye Health Services Employee Crisis Fund at FACF. The Crisis Fund was established to provide limited emergency financial assistance for eligible current and future employees who have been victims of crime or personal loss such as fire, medical emergency or sudden death in the family and are experiencing financial hardship due to the emergency.

"It was such a powerful moment, it brought a tear to my eye," said Marcey Darmento, Director of Human Resources, upon hearing the message of thanks from a Nye Health Services employee who benefitted from the new Nye Health Services Employee Crisis Fund.

One beneficiary of the Nye Health Services Employee Crisis Fund requested a few moments at an all-staff meeting so she could share how a \$1,500 grant from the Fund had changed her life following an injury. After one failed surgery, a long recovery and a second, corrective surgery, she reached out for financial help and, thanks to a grant from the Employee Crisis Fund, she was able to keep her home, her transportation and provide for her three children. She looks forward to returning to work soon.

"It was such a powerful moment, it brought a tear to my eye," Darmento said, upon hearing this message of thanks. "It's a testament to how much this organization cares about and believes in its people."

The Fremont Area Community Foundation has 150 component funds – each with its own personality and purpose. Do you have a vision for how you can better your community with our help? Please contact us at (402) 721-4252 or mdiers@facfoundation.org.

Youth Philanthropy Contest



Although “philanthropy” is a big word, it simply means giving of your time, talents and treasure. And winners of FAF’s Youth Philanthropy Contest learned about it firsthand with the help of a \$1,000 grant from the Foundation. These projects, spearheaded by area youth, have made a difference in their communities.

FUN FAIR

Girl Scout Cadette Troop 42607 hosted a Fun Fair at Fremont Middle School. Through the fair, the Fremont and North Bend area Girl Scouts were able to raise \$1,000 for nonperishable food items and toys for the Salvation Army. Jasmine Garcia, with the help of her sister, Victoria, and Troop Leader Kelly Irvin, spearheaded organizing the event that featured games, concessions and prizes.

FREMONT MIDDLE SCHOOL GREEN SPACE PROJECT

A revitalization project at Fremont Middle School created a green space that students and teachers can use as an outdoor classroom. The project was completed by Alisa Beam’s and Bill Saeger’s 7th grade enrichment class in an area between two pods at the middle school. Thirty-seven students participated in the project that now features native grasses and stone benches.

WHEELS 4 MEALS

Seventeen youth and adults from the Presbyterian Church of Fremont rode bikes on a 15-mile route from church to the Fremont State Lakes Recreation Area (looping it twice) and back. They raised almost \$7,000, along with other donations, to help the Low Income

Ministry of Dodge County provide food for children in need who attend Washington Elementary School in Fremont.

Thanks to this fundraiser, the Low Income Ministry was able to purchase 500 pounds each of black beans, white rice and white corn flour, 100 gallons of vegetable oil and 500 cans of pineapple from Baker’s and Hy-Vee.

WALK FOR CANCER

Fremont Middle School students Wylie Roupsh and Lauren Clapper organized a “Walk for Cancer” at Johnson Lake. The event raised more than \$2,000 for the Team Jack Foundation that supports pediatric brain cancer research.

BLANKETS FOR KIDS

The project “Blankets for Kids” was the brainchild of Reagan and Keegan McConnell and Emily Brodd. The youth made blankets for area fire departments that are given to children who are the victims of house fires and accidents, in order to provide comfort and warmth during their time of crisis. The three children presented 70 blankets to the Dodge County Mutual Aid Association.



Girl Scout Cadette Troop 42607 Fun Fair



Fremont Middle School Green Space Project



Wheels 4 Meals



Walk for Cancer



Blankets for Kids



Grantee Highlight:

Fremont High School: Preparing Students for a Bright Future

For most high school students, college planning can be very overwhelming when it comes to filling out applications, applying for scholarships and going on college visits.

To help ease some of the anxiety that comes with preparing for college, the Fremont High School Counseling Department has been expanding college planning programs with the help of grants received from the Fremont Area Community Foundation and the EducationQuest Foundation. The program strives to provide greater exposure and access to post-secondary education information and opportunities.

With a primary goal to increase the college-going rate at Fremont High School by 10 percent during the four years of the program, the program aims to shift the “climate” of the high school toward a more positive environment that engages students, parents and staff. Educational opportunities will equip parents, students and the community with the tools needed to grow as a city that values post-secondary education for its students.

According to the EducationQuest Foundation, which closely monitors education-related statistics in our state, Nebraska has made great gains in its high school

graduation and college-going rates. But the statistics aren’t all positive – especially for Nebraska’s low-income and minority students. In 2013, the state’s college continuation rate was 69.5 percent, which ranked seventh in the nation. However, the college-going rate for low-income students was only 57.2 percent.

To help make a post-secondary education a part of all students’ plans beyond high school, grant funds are being used to provide students with opportunities for additional college-going experiences such as campus visits, expanded information during college fairs, and enhanced access to school technology resources. Additional educational opportunities for parents to learn about scholarships and financial aid are also being offered. Specific programs are also available for low-income and minority students.

The program has already realized good participation from students in the College Club, and attendance by parents and students at the walk-in workshops and campus visits. Through this program, Fremont High School hopes to achieve its mission of developing successful, lifelong learners, skilled graduates and productive members of a global society.

Grantee Highlight: Sid and Hazel Dillon Family Aquatic Center

Area swimmers will soon be able to make a splash at the new Sid and Hazel Dillon Family Aquatic Center.

Construction plans are underway for the nearly 39,000 square-foot aquatics center which will be located southwest of the Fremont Family YMCA. The Fremont Area Community Foundation awarded a grant of \$100,000 over five years toward the project.

The aquatics center will have a main entrance, as well as access to the Sidner Ice Arena, allowing both facilities to share a concession stand.

The north side of the aquatics center will house a six-lane, 50-meter competition pool running from east to west with adjacent seating for 400 people.

Recreational swimming, a diving well and resistance river will share a contiguous water system in the south side of the facility. The zero-depth entry recreational pool will feature waterpark style spray features and slides for swimmers of all ages.

“We can teach swimming lessons to little kids because it’s going to be shallower water, and then it will gradually get deeper,” Jerry Rinne, Executive Director, told the Fremont Tribune. “All of our water fitness classes will be there. There will be volleyball nets, basketball hoops and more.”

Along with construction of the aquatics center, the project also includes renovating the YMCA’s existing swimming pool area into an extension of the Hazel R. Keene Wellness Center. A large free-weight area is slated for where the lap pool is now located.

With the free-weight area moved into the renovated space, more machines and cardio equipment will be added to the existing wellness center.

Construction plans also include new locker rooms, spaces for spinning and fitness classes, a new hot tub, steam room, sauna, offices, meeting room and a child-care area with a mini-gym. Once the facility is completed, it will be approximately the same size as the Sidner Ice Arena and the Fremont facility will become the largest square-footage YMCA in the world.



The Great Use of a Life: A Tribune to Hazel Keene

*"The great use of a life is to spend it for something that outlives it."
William James, American philosopher*



Bert and Hazel Keene at their Fremont home that still stands today at the corner of 4th and Clarkson.

Behind the scenes benefactor. Dear friend. A queen. These are just a few of the monikers bestowed upon the late Hazel Rice Keene by friends and family. And though she passed away more than 30 years ago, her charitable legacy is evident throughout the Fremont area today.

Hazel was born in Ainsworth, Nebraska in 1887. She first came to Fremont to attend Fremont Normal College where she completed her teacher training. She taught at Beebe and East Schools in Fremont before marrying Charles Albert ("Bert") Keene in 1909. Bert, a member of one of Fremont's founding families, was an investor in farming and real estate. Hazel loved her adopted town of Fremont and became very involved in the local social life and in many organizations, such as Daughters of the Nile, Ladies Charity Club,

Fremont Art Association, and the Presbyterian Church Circle. During the summers, she would go out to their farm near Fremont and enjoy horseback rides. Bert, who had been chairman of the board of Fremont National Bank, died in 1949.

A warm-hearted and generous soul, Hazel continued to support many area organizations (some pictured at the right), such as Midland University (successor to her alma mater), the Dodge County Agricultural Society, 4-H, the YMCA, the Fremont Area Art Association and Dodge County Historical Society,



A young Hazel Rice

Hazel R. Keene Wellness Center



to name just a few. A significant project was Fremont's Keene Memorial Library. In addition to donating a large sum for the building, she was also active in the fund drive that eventually raised the balance of funds needed.

Hazel believed in the importance of investing for the future of her community and was one of the first four major donors to the Fremont Area Community Foundation, providing a \$10,000 gift to help establish the organization.

Louis E. May Museum



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When she died in 1985 at the age of 97, Hazel's will established a 20-year trust to benefit Dodge County charities. Grants were made from the income of her farmland east of Fremont. During that time, the trust distributed more than \$3.4 million to nearly 70 charitable projects and organizations throughout Dodge County.

Keene Lodge at Christensen Family YMCA Camp



At the close of the trust in 2005, the farmland was sold and the proceeds used to establish the Hazel R. Keene Donor-Advised Fund at the Fremont Area Community Foundation. During the next decade, the fund grew by 5 percent and generated nearly \$4.3 million in grants, which were awarded to charitable projects and nonprofit organizations throughout the Fremont area.

Keene Memorial Library



Earlier this year, the Hazel R. Keene Donor-Advised Fund reached its sunset and made its final grant disbursements to 10 charitable organizations. But Hazel's legacy will live on through the organizations her philanthropy has strengthened and the projects it has made possible.

See a video about the life and legacy of Hazel R. Keene on our website at www.facfoundation.org.

“The Fremont Area Community Foundation’s Donor-Advised Fund program enables Fremont Beef Company’s total annual charitable giving to be decisive, timely and conveniently wrapped up in a single financial transaction. The company then has full autonomy as to how and when the funds are dispersed, whether it be in that calendar year or carried forward. The FAF further enhances our charitable giving by revealing to us the legitimate needs and worthwhile causes that exist in our community.”

*Les Leech, President
Fremont Beef Company*



Donor-Advised Fund Grants

Grants from Donor-Advised Funds totalled a combined \$327,844 during the 2013-14 fiscal year. We are grateful to the generous individuals, families and businesses who awarded grants to the following agencies.

American Red Cross Heartland Chapter	Juvenile Diabetes Research Fund
Archbishop Bergan Catholic Schools	Low Income Ministry of Dodge County
Augustana College	Lutheran Family Services of Nebraska, Inc.
Back to the Bible	MainStreet of Fremont
Boy Scouts/Mid-America Council	Masonic Eastern Star Home for Children
Camp Fontanelle	Mid America Council of Boy Scouts
Care Corps, Inc.	Midland University
Christ the King Church	Mosaic
City of Osmond Park Board	Nebraska Children's Home Society Foundation
Community Health Charities of Nebraska	Nebraska Lutheran Outdoor Ministries
Fremont 4-H Fair	Omaha Home for Boys
Fremont Bull Riding Classic	Open Doors
Dodge County Historical Society	P.E.O. Foundation
First Lutheran Church	Peace Lutheran Church
First United Methodist Church	Rebuilding Together Greater Fremont Area
Fremont Area Alzheimer's Fund	Resurrection Lutheran Church
Fremont Area Art Association	Salem Lutheran Church
Fremont Area Community Foundation	Salvation Army
Fremont Area Habitat for Humanity	Sesostris Shrine Temple Transportation Fund
Fremont Area United Way	Society of American Military Engineers
Fremont Family YMCA	Special Olympics Nebraska
Fremont Health Foundation	TeamMates Mentoring Program
Fremont/Bergan Post Prom Event	The Bridge
Fremont Public Schools Foundation	University of Nebraska-Lincoln Extension
Friends of the Fremont Area Parks	University of Nebraska Foundation
Hope Center for Kids	University of South Dakota Foundation
Imaginarium Inc.	Village of Waterloo
Jefferson House	Wayne State College Foundation
John C. Fremont Days	World Venture Fund



Collaboration Helping to Make Great Strides in Alzheimer's Research

Although the Fremont Area Alzheimer's Collaboration was established to create a more local and direct impact on Alzheimer's education and research, the effect is being felt far beyond the Fremont area.

The Collaboration established the Fremont Area Alzheimer's Fund in 2012 and immediately set about raising monies that are donated directly to institutions doing cutting edge research in Alzheimer's Disease. Funds are also used to provide caregiver educational seminars and programming in the Fremont area.

Hundreds of lives have been touched by the efforts of the committee.

Some of the research funds available have been given to the University of Nebraska Medical Center to support clinical trials being conducted by Dr. Daniel L. Murman, a professor who specializes in memory disorders and behavior neurology.

Additional funds given to UNMC are supporting research being done by Dr. Sachin Kedar, associate professor in UNMC's Department of Neurological Sciences and Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences, to help purchase an optical coherence tomography machine. These funds will help support development of retinal and optic nerve imaging capabilities at UNMC.

Seminars are being held that are targeted for healthcare professionals, while additional seminars are focused on caregiver education.

"I am convinced that if we discover it early enough...the disease can be delayed...just like a diabetic patient who takes insulin."

*Marv Welstead,
Fremont Area Alzheimer's Collaboration*

Marv Welstead (pictured above, holding the sign with the Collaboration members), a founding member of the Fremont Area Alzheimer's Collaboration, has a special interest in advancing promising Alzheimer's research. Welstead lost his wife to Alzheimer's disease nearly five years ago after her eight-year struggle with the disease.

"My goal is to make the public aware and help us in finding a cure for Alzheimer's or at least delaying its progression," he said. "I am convinced if we discover the disease early enough in a patient and combine that with the new medicines coming on the market, the disease can be delayed, just like a heart patient who takes aspirin and a diabetic patient who takes insulin."

Each year the Fremont Area Alzheimer's Collaboration presents an annual walk event to raise support for Alzheimer's research and for caregiver education. The 2015 Memory Walk is scheduled for Oct. 3 at Midland University in Fremont.

'Wishing Wheels Fund' Rolls Out 94 Bikes for Area Youth

Through a collaborative effort between the Low Income Ministry and the Fremont Cycling Group, the Wishing Wheels annual bicycle giveaway program has seen significant growth.

For more than a decade, the Low Income Ministry has given away bikes during the holiday season. With help from the Fremont Cycling Group, the program has grown from giving away about eight bikes per year to 94 bikes in 2014. The program benefits the Low Income Ministry, Jefferson House and Masonic Eastern Star Home in Fremont.

The Wishing Wheels Fund was established at the Fremont Area Community Foundation so tax-deductible donations can be received throughout the year for the program. The ultimate goal is to give away 100 bikes per year until every underprivileged youth who wants a bike has one.

To learn more about the Wishing Wheels program or to make a donation, please visit the Foundation's website at www.facfoundation.org.



Business Supporters and Partner Organizations

During 2013-14, 55 Business Supporters and Partner Organizations pledged or contributed a total of \$27,400 to the sustaining drive of the Foundation's 2013-14 fiscal year (July 1, 2013-June 30, 2014). Thank you for your support that allows the Foundation to grow and make a bigger impact in the Fremont area!

PLATINUM - \$1,000 and up

Charlie Diers Ford-Lincoln-Mercury
Erickson & Brooks, CPAs
First State Bank & Trust Co.
Fremont Beef Company
First National Bank Fremont
Fremont Tribune
Hormel Foods Corporation
Overland Products Company
Paden Enterprises
Pinnacle Bank
Sid Dillon Chevrolet-Fremont, Inc.
U.S. Bank
Valmont Industries

GOLD - \$500 - \$999

Christensen Corporation
Christensen Lumber
Don Peterson & Associates
Fremont Electric
Fremont Health
Fremont Rotary Club

Guilliatt & Associates
Kelly Group, Inc.
Leonard Management
Nye Health Services
Pediatric Partners
Sidner, Svoboda, Schilke, Thomsen,
Holtorf, Boggy, Nick and Placek
Taylor & Martin
Yost, Schafersman, Lamme, Hillis,
Mitchell & Schulz

SILVER - \$499 and below

Abe Krasne Home Furnishings
Ameriprise Financial Services, Inc.
Anesthesia Care Specialists
Arps Red-E-Mix
Bixby Financial Services
Boschult Engineering Co.
Dodge County Title & Escrow Co., LLC
Dugan Funeral Services
Foy Financial Solutions
Fremont Contract Carriers, Inc.

Fremont Eye Associates
Fremont Golf Club
Fremont Monument Co.
Gerhold Concrete Company, Inc.
Getzschman Heating, LLC
INSPRO Insurance
Jetter's Plumbing, Inc.
Metropolitan Community College
Miller Pharmacy
Moser Memorial Chapel
OfficeNet, Inc.
Pathfinder Company
Platte Valley Bank
Platte Valley Equipment
Sawyer Car Wash
Scribner Bank
Shaw, Hull & Navarrette, CPAs, P.C.
Thrivent Financial for Lutherans
Wealth Partners:
Phil Wood & Jon Gilfry
Wiechman Pig Co.

Dunklaus Honored as Recipients of the Mulliken Award for Philanthropy

Rupert Dunklau was born and raised in Arlington, Nebraska. He graduated from the University of Nebraska Lincoln with a bachelor's degree and began working at Valmont. Rupert soon became an Executive Vice President with Valmont and served there 23 years until he retired. He chose to make Fremont his home in 1950, and he helped to guide Valmont through a period of tremendous growth until his retirement in 1973.

Rupert is President of the Rupert Dunklau Foundation. He is a former director of Fremont National Bank and Occidental/Nebraska Federal Savings Bank. In 1972, Rupert was appointed to serve on the Board of Trustees for Memorial Hospital of Dodge County, and he became Chairman in 1978. He served with distinction for 34 years until his retirement in 2006. He has served on numerous other boards and committees including Wheat Ridge Ministries, The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, the LCMS Foundation, Concordia Publishing House, Board of Directors at Valparaiso University, Board of Trustees for the Lutheran Hour Ministries Foundation, Dakota Boys Ranch and Midland Lutheran College Foundation.

Rupert has received various awards, including a Doctor of Humane Letters degree from Concordia University in St. Paul, Minnesota, a Doctor of Laws Degree from Midland Lutheran College (now Midland University) and the Spirit of Giving Award from the Association of Lutheran Development Executives (ALDE).

Midland University honored Rupert by naming its School of Business the Dunklau School of Business. Lutheran Family Services of Nebraska honored Rupert by renaming its Fremont Center for Healthy Families the Rupert Dunklau Center for Healthy Families. And recently, Fremont Health renamed its Merrick Manor the Dunklau Gardens.

Ruth Dunklau enjoyed a career in retail management for 25 years. During that time she served as store director at both Joseph Magnin and Mervyn's in California.

We extend our most sincere gratitude to Rupert and Ruth Dunklau for all they have done and continue to do for our community.



Thomsen Honored with Professional Advisor of the Year Award

Tom Thomsen, a partner in Sidner Law Office, has been a practicing attorney for over 40 years. He earned his undergraduate degree at the University of Nebraska at Lincoln and received his juris doctor at the University of Nebraska College of Law. At Nebraska, Tom graduated with distinction, was a National Moot Court Semifinalist Phi Delta Phi, Order of the Coif and Lead Articles Editor for the Nebraska Law Review. He is a member of the Nebraska State Bar Association, the American Bar Association and Nebraska Trial Lawyers Association.

A member of the Fremont community for many years, Tom has served as president of the Fremont Area Community Foundation, Vice President of the Fremont Health Foundation, President of the Fremont Area Chamber of Commerce, President of the Greater Fremont Development Council and Vice President of Midland University's board of trustees. Tom has also served as President of the Fremont Rotary Club and been chairman of the Fremont Golf Club Junior Golf Program for over 30 years.

Tom serves as legal counsel to the Fremont Area Community Foundation and continues to lend his expertise as an ex-officio board member. Tom and his wife, Sheryl, have two children, Jill Rogers and T.J. Thomsen. Jill and her husband, Mike, live in Omaha and have three children: James (JP), Caroline and Thomas. T.J. and his wife, Pia Ricci, live in Los Angeles and have two children: Asa and Noa. Tom and Sheryl attend St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Fremont.



Tom Thomsen receives the award from Russ Peterson, FACP President at the 2014 Annual Dinner.

Board of Directors

Engaged. Committed. Dedicated. Just a few words to describe the Fremont Area Community Foundation's Board of Directors. True leaders and Pathfinders for the community, who commit their time and resources to help provide direction for our organization, these dynamic individuals are driven to ensure that the Fremont Area Community Foundation strives to meet its mission. Serving on at least one of 10 committees of the Foundation, our Board members strengthen our work by lending their expertise and perspective to the work that we do. Even though they may represent countless other nonprofit agencies, service clubs, and personal and professional affiliations, our members never hesitate to give more of their time for the betterment of the community and the Foundation. We are sincerely honored that they have chosen to be a part of the Foundation. Thank You!



Front Row: Cheryl Lamme, Christine Leech (vice-president/president-elect), Cindy Coffman, Barbara Christensen, Marv Welstead*, Gaylord Mussman, Ron Kortan, Tom Thomsen*, Cathy Saeger. Second Row: Martin Koopman, Steve Navarrette*, Kari Ridder, Dee Bang, Mary Buller, Russ Peterson Jr. (president), Sheila Monke. Third Row: Sid Dillon Jr., Dick Hendriksen (past-president), Jessup Wilson, Barry Benson, Greg Haskins (secretary-treasurer), Joe Sajevic, Terry McClain. Not pictured: Jane Dugan, Todd Hansen, Bob Hillis, Dale Olson*, Toni Vering. (*Ex-officio)

We would also like to extend a special thanks to other community volunteers who worked with the Foundation as non-board committee members during the 2013-14 year.

Development Committee: Paul Johnson, Nick Vrba

Grants Committee: Bill Dugan, Joanne Thietje, Mike Wiseman

Administrative Committee: Linda Chapman, Steve Pribnow, Dan Wiesen

Scholarship Committee: Neil Feser, Mark Williams, Doug Watson

Capacity Building Committee: Christy Fiala, Kathy Rhea, Shawn Shanahan

Youth Philanthropy Contest Committee: Anne Folkers, Jerry Rinne

FACF meets the Council on Foundation's National Standards for operational quality, donor service, and accountability in the community foundation sector.



The National Standards' seal by our name indicates official confirmation from the Council on Foundations that we have met the most rigorous standards in philanthropy. It affirms our commitment to financial security, transparency and accountability. It says our grantmaking includes an open, competitive process designed to address the changing needs of our community. The National Standards Seal also confirms our history of honoring donors' wishes.

Summary of Financial Information

The Fremont Area Community Foundation was fortunate again to see generous giving during the past fiscal year. The Foundation's assets are now more than \$20 million. We are deeply grateful to the donors who have supported the Foundation's continued growth, allowing more grant dollars to go back into the community.

In addition to our donor support, the Foundation also experienced strong investment returns. With the capable oversight of our Investment Committee, our investment consultant and investment managers, the Foundation will continue to be good stewards of the funds entrusted to us. This work is vital to the Foundation, our donors and the Fremont area.

Availability of Financial Information

You may request a copy of the Fremont Area Community Foundation's most recent IRS form 990 by contacting the Foundation's office. The Form 990 is also available online at www.guidestar.org. You may also request a copy of the Fremont Area Community Foundation's most recent audit by contacting the Foundation's office.

The Fremont Area Community Foundation does not have any unrelated business income; however, if the Foundation does acquire any unrelated business income, the Foundation will file a 990-T form with the IRS. That form will also be available to the public by contacting the Foundation office at 1005 E. 23rd St., Suite 2, Fremont, NE 68025, (402) 721-4252.

Information about the Foundation's investments, including the names of investment managers, fees charged and list of members of the Foundation's Investment Committee, is also available upon request from the Foundation's office.

Consolidated Summary of Activities and Changes in Assets*

CHANGES IN ASSETS	June 30, 2014	June 30, 2013
Revenues, gains and other support:		
Contributions	\$1,974,692	\$3,983,149
Interest, dividends and other investment income	\$348,567	\$383,207
Administrative fees and other revenue	\$165,124	\$138,807
Net realized and unrealized gain/loss of investments	\$1,850,629	\$1,432,138
Grants returned	\$1,574	-
Life insurance net of cash value increase	\$25,740	\$20,387
Transfers from agency funds	\$110,437	\$26,166
Total Revenues, Gains and Other Support	\$4,476,763	\$5,983,854
Expenses:		
Grants and scholarships	\$1,114,583	\$1,234,006
Administrative expenses	\$241,735	\$258,648
Trustee fees	\$36,958	\$34,995
Support services and fees	\$290,349	\$181,191
Total Expenditures	\$1,683,625	\$1,708,840
Change in Net Assets	\$2,793,138	\$4,245,014
Net Assets beginning of year	\$17,657,795	\$13,412,781
Total Net Assets	\$20,450,933	\$17,657,795

*All information contained in this summary for year end 6/30/14 has been audited.



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