



ST. CROIX VALLEY FOUNDATION

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Annual Report 2010



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What is the St. Croix Valley Foundation?

The St. Croix Valley Foundation is a locally governed public trust that enables community members, regardless of their means, to make a lasting difference in the St. Croix Valley. The Foundation's central purpose is to assist donors in accomplishing their philanthropic goals to enhance this community of communities, now and in the future. As a tax-exempt charitable organization, the Foundation provides flexible, efficient, and tax-effective ways to ensure that each donor's charitable giving achieves the greatest possible impact.

The St. Croix Valley Foundation is a unique institution available to assist anyone who lives, works, or has roots in the Valley and wants to make charitable contributions that will benefit this area or other geographic areas. Founded in 1995 by a group of forward-thinking Valley residents, the Foundation provides a way for donors to leave a legacy of their values and beliefs to future generations, to take full advantage of the tax benefits of an estate, and to advance the quality of life in the beautiful St. Croix Valley.

The mission of the St. Croix Valley Foundation is to enhance the quality of life in the St. Croix Valley by:

Encouraging charitable giving in the Valley –

Building permanent funds that will provide resources for the needs of today and tomorrow.

Connecting people and programs –

Bringing together people's charitable interests and the funding needs of programs and organizations.

Facilitating progressive approaches –

Forming partnerships and providing servant leadership through programs that enhance the quality of life in our region's distinct communities.



Back Row, left to right: Chris Galvin (Treasurer), Jeff Heegaard (Chair of Marketing), Mark Vanasse, Todd Gillingham, Steve Wilcox (Vice Chair), C. Ann Brookman, Dave Palmer, Andy Kass, Chuck Arnason (Chair of Donor Services), Jim Lutiger, Marty Harding. Front Row: Patty Draxler (Chair of Auditing), Shannon Hooley Enright, Nate Jackson, Suzann Brown, David Wettergren (Chair), Gretchen Stein (Chair of Board Affairs). Not pictured: Gretchen Bell, Mike Johnson, Kathy Tunheim.

St. Croix Valley Foundation Service Area



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A Letter to Our Communities

This report illustrates the multiplied impact of our collective philanthropy. What is most important is not only the charitable dollars leveraged, but how many more lives we can touch when we inspire each other and work together.

Donors to the St. Croix Valley Foundation and its affiliate foundations contribute so that current and future generations will have adequate food and housing and so that the organizations that serve them can do so with maximum efficiency. *They give...* so that libraries have useful and relevant materials. *They contribute...* so that the legacy of a loved one will live on through students with a hunger for learning. *They give...* to ensure that an irreplaceable piece of land will be preserved forever. Donors also give so that their local communities will be enhanced and improved.

In total, the St. Croix Valley Foundation made grants of nearly \$2 million during this last fiscal year. Of that amount, \$532,779 were grants from Designated and Donor-Advised Funds, \$1,159,118 was from nonendowed funds and \$225,510 was from the Foundation's community impact grantmaking efforts. Our charitable distributions are the result of our asset base, which reached \$18 million and reflects gifts and market growth of our diversified investments through the First State Bank and Trust of Bayport and American Balanced Funds.

It is this pooling of charitable energy and assets that makes the St. Croix Valley Foundation a catalyst for multiplied impact – close to home and far away.



David L. Wettergren,
Board Chair



Jane Hetland Stevenson,
President

Please read our success stories, see what is possible, and you will comprehend what a far-reaching impact we can have together. Whatever your charitable interests, we can help you fulfill these goals. Create a Donor-Advised fund to support a wide variety of causes, a Field-of-Interest fund focused on a particular area, such as the St. Croix River, or a Designated fund to support a favorite charity in perpetuity. Or, bring your private family foundation under our nonprofit umbrella and let us do all your work for you.

Wherever your philanthropic passions lie, *we can help*. We invite you to come join us!



Earl and Nyda Swanson

The Joy of Music

“Hello. This is Nyda.”

“Hi, Nyda. We would like to come by for a visit and share with you some of the programs that the music fund has recently supported in the region’s schools.”

With her passing at over 100 years old in February 2010, we can now reveal that Nyda Swanson was the extraordinarily generous and anonymous donor who established the vitally important Music Education Fund in 2002.

These visits, when we would share thank you notes from students who had attended a concert and teachers who were able to replace worn sheet music and aged instruments, became one of our favorite appreciation calls. Here was a person who believed that music was as important to the growth and development of our young people as any other school subject. And she saw the St. Croix Valley Foundation as a way to share her gift by enhancing music programs for children throughout the St. Croix Valley region’s schools.

Music was central to Nyda throughout her long and engaged life. As a young woman, she was a founder of the School of Music at what today is the University of Minnesota–Duluth. After settling in Bayport, Nyda for many years served as choir director and church organist. Today her organ is in the Swanson Chapel at Boutwells Landing in Oakdale. Nyda had a keen curiosity about all manner of subjects, held us all to high standards, and loved telling stories, especially those with a humorous bent. Her friends were legion, leading her to carefully schedule her days well ahead as her calendar was always full.

Nyda and her late husband, Earl (long-time CEO of Andersen Windows) had been generous supporters of civic, youth and music activities in the St. Croix Valley. Knowing of these interests, we asked Nyda for a gift to the fledgling St. Croix Valley Foundation to help sustain its work during its early formative years. Nyda trumped our request many times over when she instead offered to establish a special endowed fund that would provide annual grants for music education activities throughout the region.

The St. Croix Valley’s Renaissance Man: Jim Gillespie

There’s an apocryphal story that’s told about Jim Gillespie. One day, leaving Pine City and heading south, he came upon a young couple with a child on the highway going north, whose car had broken down. He turned around and drove back to ask if he could help. Even with his extensive knowledge of cars, he couldn’t fix what was wrong, so he offered them a ride into Pine City. But he didn’t just give them a ride. He got them a room for the night. Then he called Cummings Chrysler and bought them a car. And then he went on his way, but not before learning that Roger Cummings had picked up the young family’s tab for dinner and Steve Kiester had arranged for insurance on the car. Jim knew that generosity begets generosity, and he lived by the motto that we are each called “to have a quick concern for humankind.”

That’s simply the kind of person Jim was. His death this last year was a profound loss to the St. Croix Valley. He was kind, wise and true-blue, and was a favorite on every nonprofit board he served on. Jim was all that, but he was also a polymath – a person whose expertise spanned a significant number of different subject areas. A remarkable intellect, he graduated from Yale University and from the University of Minnesota Law School. He was an attorney, a banker and a land developer in Minnesota, Wisconsin and Arizona. He was married 49 years to Mary and raised a wonderful family of three daughters, each of whom is following in his footsteps in service to their communities. He served in leadership positions on the boards of FamilyMeans,

Family Violence Network, United Way of Washington County East, Lakeview Hospital Foundation, First Presbyterian Church of Stillwater, the University of Minnesota YMCA, St. Paul Rotary, the Northern Star Council of Boy Scouts of America and, of course, on the board of the St. Croix Valley Foundation.

Two years ago Jim brokered the negotiations that allowed SCVF to move into the wonderful office space we now enjoy in Hudson. And he and Mary established a legacy in the Valley with a Charitable Remainder Trust with the St. Croix Valley Foundation. We were so lucky to know Jim and to serve with him. We miss him, and he will never be forgotten.



Jim Gillespie

Each year a volunteer committee of music educators reviews proposals and the Foundation board awards grants to help foster music in our schools. To date, over \$203,000 has been awarded through 84 grants. A high school orchestra purchased a French horn. Another grant took an ambitious fund raising effort over the top, enabling a school district to purchase a concert grand piano. Elementary students participated in drumming; opera performances tailored for children have thrilled youngsters; and an electronic keyboard and synthesizer provided an elementary school music teacher with the equivalent of a full band in exploring music with her students.

Nyda attached very few conditions to her extraordinary gift: grants could not replace budgeted music activities or programs and she urged us to give equally to the youngest students. “It is so important to engage children early in the joys and delights of music,” she would repeat during every visit. “While it is fine to support the high school chorus or orchestra, please provide opportunities for our very youngest children. The earlier they experience the joy of music, the better.” Thanks to Nyda Swanson, we will continue to fulfill her legacy for many years to come.

By David H. Griffith,
former president of SCVF

Our Partner Organizations

Big Brothers Big Sisters of
Northwestern Wisconsin
Carpenter St. Croix Valley
Nature Center
Courage St. Croix
Family Resource Center
St. Croix Valley
FamilyMeans
HSI - Human Services, Inc.
in Washington County
Hudson Health Foundation
Kinship of Polk County
Lakes Area Youth Service Bureau
New Richmond
Preservation Society
The Partnership Plan for
Stillwater Area Schools
The Phipps Center for the Arts
Standing Cedars Community
Land Conservancy
Turningpoint for Victims of
Domestic and Sexual Violence
United Way St. Croix Valley
West CAP
West Wisconsin Land Trust
Young Life St. Croix Valley
Youth Service Bureau

Partners for the Future

Donors Rise to the Challenge, Raising \$2.06 Million for the Valley’s Future

One gift arrived in a Ziploc bag and totaled 200 quarters (\$50.00), other gifts came from low income families whose sacrifice was enormous. Over three years, SCVF received gifts of all sizes from more than 1,200 donors. Each donor gave to one of nineteen nonprofit organizations, knowing their gift would be doubled.

Partners for the Future was a three-year challenge match initiative launched in 2006 that involved the community foundation and nineteen nonprofit organizations. SCVF first raised one million dollars for the challenge incentive and then our nonprofit partners took the challenge to their donors. Together our partners raised \$1 million dollars which SCVF matched dollar-for-dollar. At the end of the initiative last December 2009, more than \$2 million had been raised, dedicated to the future vitality of nonprofits in the St. Croix region.

All contributions were placed in a permanent fund at the Foundation dedicated to each organization. Permanent funds give nonprofit organizations a stable and growing source of income dedicated to their operations or specific programs. Each year the fund gives an organization annual income yet it preserves and grows principal. As a result, each organization benefits today and for generations to come.

The Foundation is honored to be in such good company with many generous and caring donors and the boards and staff of our 19 nonprofit partners that each worked hard to create a lasting financial resource for their future.

Our goal was to stimulate new resources for our region’s future growth and development. Regardless of size, each gift matters today, tomorrow and in the future, helping our nonprofit partners support the families, historic resources, or scenic landscapes that characterize the St. Croix Valley.

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A task worth recognizing Our nineteen partner organizations at a night of celebration



Front Row, left to right: David Wettergren (SCVF), Gretchen Stein (SCVF), Tracy Maki (Partnership Plan), Michel Tigan (Big Brothers, Big Sisters), Arba-Della Beck (FamilyMeans), Mary Sue Ash (Family Resource Center St. Croix Valley), Bea Trudeau (Lakes Area Youth Service Bureau), Nancy Hoppe (Kinship Polk County), Vern Hill (Young Life). Second Row: John O'Boyle (Turningpoint), Peter Kilde (West CAP and former SCVF), Paul Gavic (The Phipps Center for the Arts), Curt Rohland (West Wisconsin Land Trust), Irv Sather (New Richmond Preservation Society), John Coughlin (United Way St. Croix Valley), Paul Weiler (Youth Service Bureau), Bob Johnson (HSI), Paul Streif (West CAP), Steve Messick (Carpenter Nature Center), Bill Clapp (Standing Cedars), Peter Polga (Courage Center St. Croix), Rich O'Conner (Hudson Health Foundation), Jill Shannon (SCVF) and David Griffith (former SCVF). Missing: Jane Hetland Stevenson (SCVF).

Partners for the Future continued from page 5

SCVF thanks the University of St. Thomas' Center for Business Excellence for the training and coaching assistance they provided our nineteen partners over three years. And we particularly thank the local foundations that helped create the challenge pool. These include: Hardenbergh Foundation, Otto Bremer Foundation, Bush Foundation and an anonymous donor. Support for training and coaching for each of the participating nonprofits came from the Hugh J. Andersen Foundation, Katherine B. Andersen Fund, F.R. Bigelow Foundation, Otto Bremer Foundation, the John and Ruth Huss Foundation and Tozer Foundation.

“The St. Croix Valley Foundation nurtures rural nonprofits in ways that help us realize our dreams. This includes grants, training and quiet affirmation of the missions we carry out in our communities. The element of community building and collaboration that is inherent in the activities of the Foundation helps us weave connections that make us all more joyfully effective.”

Kathleen Melin, Executive Director
Lamar -- A Historic Center for Community, St. Croix Falls, WI

Field of Interest Funds – Addressing Local Issues

Field of Interest Funds are an effective way for donors to support an issue or cause they care deeply about. The donor specifies an area of interest and the St. Croix Valley Foundation uses these funds to support appropriate projects that align to the donor’s desired goal. This year we feature the St. Croix National Scenic Riverway Fund – a lasting resource to protect the St. Croix.

- Other Field of Interest Funds at the St. Croix Valley Foundation**
- Arts & Music**
Arts Field of Interest Fund
Music Education Endowment Fund
Valley Arts Initiative
 - Health and Wellness**
Health and Wellness Fund
Hoel Steward Family Fund
LADDA Endowed and Long Term Activities Funds
 - Environment**
Robert Uppgren Fund for Sustainable Communities
St. Croix National Scenic Riverway Fund

Earth Day Connections: People’s Congregational Church Supports the St. Croix National Scenic Riverway

“At People’s Congregational Church in Bayport, Minnesota, we cherish our long-standing Mission of the Month tradition, through which our congregation gives monetary and volunteer service to twelve organizations each year. In April we often select an organization reflective of Earth Day, and this year we were thrilled to honor the Saint Croix National Scenic Riverway Fund at the St. Croix Valley Foundation. The St. Croix River is a beloved natural resource, it is a National Park flowing through our own back yard and it is cherished by members of our congregation who live in river towns in both Minnesota and Wisconsin.

Typically, each time we select a new Mission of the Month the committee is challenged to identify contacts and to gain an understanding of the organization’s work. Learning about the St. Croix National Scenic Riverway Fund however, was a delightful and inspiring exception to that task. Thanks to Jill Shannon at the St. Croix Valley Foundation, one email put us in touch with the National Park Service and with the Scenic Riverway’s enthusiastic superintendent, Chris Stein, who visited our congregation with Jill to present our April “Moment for Missions.” Together they shared captivating information about the Riverway and the types of projects that receive grants from the Riverway Fund each year. Jill also directed us to a large group of people and organizations that work with the Saint Croix River Association to enhance river awareness through events and activities including clean-ups, recreational outings or the arts.



In addition to the monetary gift our congregation gave to the Riverway Fund through the month of April, the Mission Committee also worked with the City of Bayport on a Sunday clean-up and planting activity at Lakeside Park. This modest effort hints at the ongoing support our congregation can direct to the St. Croix Riverway in the future. Thanks to the St. Croix Valley Foundation, we have established more connections to the National Park Service and its river partners, than we could have ever realized. We are inspired to explore these possibilities in the future through our mission of service.

Our theme for this year’s mission support is “connecting the dots,” and we are grateful beyond words to Jill and to the Foundation for the wealth of connections they have so generously shared to amplify and expand our mission work this year. We are hopeful, too that the connection we have made with the Foundation itself, will lead to other rewarding and meaningful mission opportunities in the years ahead.”

Jenni Shaller and the Mission Committee
People’s Congregational Church, Bayport MN

St. Croix National Scenic Riverway Fund

The recently endowed St. Croix National Scenic Riverway Fund is designated to enhance and preserve the St. Croix National Scenic Riverway, supporting the projects that maintain and improve river quality, bring the river’s cultural heritage to life, enrich local history or engage young people, sparking their appreciation for the river’s future.

Each year the SCVF gives grants from the Riverway Fund to support projects where the National Park Service partners with other local nonprofits or public agencies, doing more together than what each organization could do alone.

Affiliate Foundations

The St. Croix Valley Foundation is pleased and proud to have as our partners six wonderful affiliated community foundations within our region. Affiliate community foundations are groups of citizens active within individual communities who have an abiding love and dedication to their home town and surrounding areas. These individuals come together in Advisory Boards to plan for the well-being of their own towns. They raise funds locally, and they make grants locally, thus taking care of local needs. We thank them and congratulate them for the good work they do!

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Amery Community Foundation

The Amery Community Foundation was founded in 1984 by the City of Amery, Amery community organizations, and concerned citizens, as a community trust. Its purpose was to afford individuals the opportunity to make lasting, flexible gifts to meet the needs of residents in the Amery area. It affiliated with the St. Croix Valley Foundation in 2008, but its goals and mission have remained steadfast: to assure donors that gifts made today will be professionally managed, and used wisely and effectively to enhance community well-being in the future.



Left to right: Kari Fladwood, Margo Rosen, Mary Lou Stanley, Jerry Tessman, Ray Siggins, Joyle Anderson and Bruce Johnson

The Amery Community Foundation currently holds over \$1 million in assets. Recently grants have been made to the following organizations: Amery Centennial Hall, Books for Babies, Interfaith Caregivers, Jorgenson Field, Youth in Harmony, Amery School Scholarships, Polk County Historical Society, Amery Hockey Arena, The Haven, Indianhead Chorus, Skateboard Park, WPCA Radio, Habitat for Humanity and Amery Area Public Library.

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Back Row, left to right: Jodie Bakken-Young, Annette Cook, John Schommer, John Malmberg, Barry Lundeen, Paul Bourget, Joel Skinner, Dan Bruch, Kim Burns, Bill Wanner. Front Row: Jay Griggs, Tricia Christiansen, Dick Whitcomb, Dewey Swanson, Ryan Cari

Hudson Community Fund

Hudson is a community noted for its high quality of life and its citizens' willingness to seek innovative ways to maintain and further enhance their community's livability. The Hudson Community Fund (HCF) is a charitable organization, which seeks to attract and develop community and philanthropic assets to enhance the quality of life of individuals and families in the Hudson, Wisconsin area.

The Hudson Community Fund has assets of over \$1 million, and has made grants to local nonprofits of nearly \$100,000 in its ten years of existence.

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Joel Skinner
Kevin Vance
Ernie Wallin
Bill Wanner

Chisago Lakes Area Community Foundation

The mission of the Chisago Lakes Area Community Foundation is to establish permanently endowed funds for the Chisago Lakes area that will provide perpetual resources to enhance the quality of life and encourage charitable giving in the Chisago Lakes Area, which includes Almelund, Center City, Chisago City, Chisago Lakes Township, Franconia Township, Lent Township, Lindstrom, Shafer, Shafer Township and Taylors Falls.

The interest from these endowed funds will benefit: Education, the Arts, Music, Health, Civic Needs, Human Resources and the Environment.

The Chisago Lakes Area Community Foundation made its first grants in 2010.



Left to right: Jim Stein, Jim McCarville, Dave Dobosenski, Noel Stensrud, Dan Hoolihan, Lou Ann Mattson, Christopher Eng, Brenda Palmquist, Tom Hallberg, Don Bungum, Loretta Anderson

Jim McCarville, Chair
Dave Dobosenski, Vice Chair
Noel Stensrud, Secretary
Loretta Anderson

Karen Brohaugh
Don Bungum
Christopher Eng
Tom Hallberg
Dan Hoolihan
Lou Ann Mattson
Brenda Palmquist
Jim Stein

For more information, call Jim McCarville at 651-257-8939

Lower St. Croix Valley Community Foundation

The Afton Community Foundation had been a long-time affiliate of the Saint Paul Foundation but decided in 2009 that as a river city, on the banks of the St. Croix, that it most properly fit best as an affiliate of the St. Croix Valley Foundation. The Board members made the change at the end of 2009 and changed its name to more completely include not only Afton, but also Lakeland, Lakeland Shores, Lake St. Croix Beach and St. Mary's Point. The current Board members are in the process of reconstituting the foundation both programmatically and operationally.

The mission of the Lower St. Croix Valley Community Foundation is to act as a catalyst for improving the well-being of our Valley's residents, safeguarding our natural resources and promoting common interests through proactive citizen involvement, care and compassion.

Its vision is to interweave the unique attributes of each Lower St. Croix Valley city into one fabric of community interaction, care and compassion.

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River Falls Community Fund

The River Falls Community Fund has the purpose of serving the greater River Falls, Wisconsin area as a community fund which seeks to attract and develop community and philanthropic assets which will enhance the quality of life for individuals and families in the areas.

The fund accomplishes its mission by:

- Building a community of donors - encouraging residents and others to invest in the community by contributing towards and establishing endowment funds;
- Offering donors simplicity and flexibility in charitable giving, maximum tax advantages and the knowledge that their gift will benefit our community in perpetuity;
- Accumulating, managing and growing the endowed funds wisely;
- Initiating, promoting and supporting ways that stimulate the further development of our community's livability; and
- Directing the income from the endowments to fund effective programs which maintain and enhance the community's quality of life.



Left to right: Sandra Wurm, Steve Leitch, Linda Jacobson, Byron Dopkins, Nate Jackson, Dan Davison, Jeff McCardle, Leo Beskar, Bonnie Carroll, Judy Rommel

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Stillwater Area Foundation

The Stillwater Area Foundation is the newest affiliate foundation in the St. Croix Valley, and was established in May 2010. Its mission is "To create an endowment fund for the greater Stillwater area that provides resources to enhance the quality of life and encourage philanthropic activities."

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Competitive Grants Applications

The St. Croix Valley Foundation has several competitive grants programs open for proposal applications:

- Valley Arts Initiative
- Music Education
- Health & Wellness (2011)

Grants are limited to organizations in Washington and Chisago Counties in Minnesota and Polk, Pierce and St. Croix Counties in Wisconsin. Unless otherwise specified, organizations should have their 501(c)(3) status from the IRS. Other limitations may apply.

Details regarding grants guidelines and application processes can be found on the St. Croix Valley Foundation's website at www.scvfoundation.org, or by calling (715) 386-9490.

Questions from interested applicants are welcomed.



Participants of Arts-In, a musical production of the Washington County 4-H. Youth ages 13-19 engaged in the cast, band and technical crew.

St. Croix Valley Foundation Committees We Thank YOU!

The dedicated volunteers listed below, who serve on our many committees, are the epitome of community stewards. To them, we say thank you! Thank you for attending meetings and for sharing your expertise, visionary ideas, and thoughtful suggestions. Thank you for the difference you make in the lives of people you don't even know. Thank you for doing it all for no other reason than because you care. The St. Croix Valley is a better place because of you.

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SCVF Board and Affiliate Board Members and Committee Members



Back Row: John Knutson, Hudson, Marketing Committee; Chris Galvin; Jeff Heegaard; Mark Vanasse; Tom Weidner, Chair, Stillwater Area Foundation; Todd Gillingham; Steve Wilcox; Chuck Arnason; Jim McCarville, Chair, Chisago Lakes Area Foundation; Marty Harding; Erv Neff, Donor Services Committee and former SCVF Board member. Middle Row: Tricia Christiansen, Hudson Community Fund; Patty Draxler; Todd Streeter, Chair, Lower St. Croix Valley Foundation; Shannon Holley Enright; Nate Jackson; Suzann Brown; C. Ann Brookman; Lisa Rinde, Finance and Investment Committee; Andy Kass; Dave Palmer; Jim Lutiger; Brenda Palmquist, Chisago Lakes Area Foundation; Maria Reamer Stillwater Area Foundation. Front Row: David Wettergren; Gretchen Stein; Dick Whitcomb, Hudson Community Fund.

Legacy Society

The gift of a bequest to the community foundation is an ideal way to leave a legacy of giving back to the community. Several people recognized this even during the early years of the St. Croix Valley Foundation and in recent years a number of people have notified us that they have made provisions in their estate plans for the St. Croix Valley Foundation.

To recognize these farsighted people, the Board of Directors last spring formally created the Legacy Society. We acknowledge with appreciation both those listed below and those who wish to have their decisions remain confidential.

Anonymous

John and Nancy Baird

Jon and Metta Belisle

Jim and Jayne Bradshaw

David and Sandy Brandt

Gloria & Steven Carlson

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John F.* and Shirley L. Turek

Steve & Terri Wilcox

Dan and Ruth Willius

*Deceased

Founders Society

A number of individuals, businesses, and private foundations have provided program and operating support to the Foundation since its founding in 1995. We are pleased to recognize those who have contributed and pledged \$5,000 or more to further the mission of the Foundation during its formative years. This list includes all members through June 30, 2010.

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The Andersen Foundation*

Fred C. and Katherine B. Andersen Foundation

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Anonymous Donors

Charles & Peggy Arnason

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Bayport Foundation of the
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Otto Bremer Foundation

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Loren & Ruby Croone

The Dietz Family Fund of
The Saint Paul Foundation

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Hudson Community Fund

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Rita & Bill Lawson

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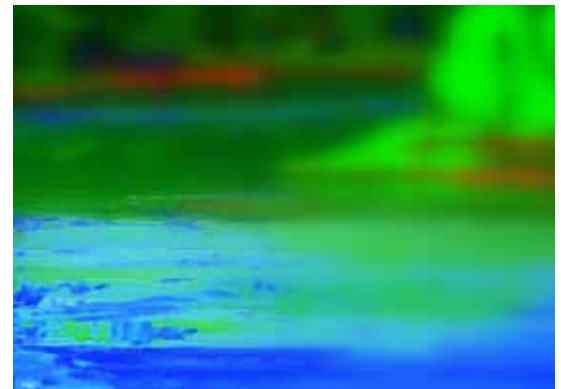
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