

MAQUOKETA VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL
SENIOR AWARDS CEREMONY
CLASS OF 2015
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WELCOME

MV Superintendent Doug Tuetken

MAQUOKETA VALLEY DOLLARS FOR SCHOLARS SCHOLARSHIPS

PRESENTATION

The Ripple Effect Scholarship

Presenter--Kaitlyn Nolan & Kris Wilson

Kaitlyn Nolan is a 3rd grade student at Johnston Elementary in Hopkinton. She recently discovered \$2.00 on the school playground and decided to donate it to Dollars for Scholar. Her scholarship has been coined the 'Ripple Effect' to showcase her caring and giving spirit, and so that in her words, "More people can go to college and get good jobs."

\$528 Direct Award to: _____Andrea Fjelstul_____Keith_

Maquoketa Valley Education Association Scholarship

Presenter--Barb Hollinrake

This scholarship is awarded by the Maquoketa Valley Education Association to a senior who is planning to study education. The MVEA members wish all their students the best in their college years and beyond.

\$300 Direct Award to: _____Olivia Hill_____Brenda

Don Sellner Memorial

Presenter--Grant & Tana Guetzko Don Sellner grew up in the Delaware County area and lived here in this School District, all his life. All nine of his children Terry, Tim, Tom, Tamy, Tracy, Tana, Trudy, Tina, and Tricia graduated from Maquoketa Valley along with many of the grandchildren. Even though he wasn't able to attend school past 8th grade himself, because of his family circumstances, education and hard work was very important to him. Don would have loved to see his scholarship help a student further their education in the ag field.

\$250 Direct Award to: _____Melinda Burkle_____Brenda

Maquoketa Valley Athletic Booster Club Scholarship

Presenter--Brandi Fjelstul

The Maquoketa Valley Athletic Booster Club has been instrumental in raising funds for all of the MV athletic teams. Their support is not only for athletic success, but also for the academic success of the students.

\$500 Direct Award to: _____Ryan Parmely_____Ann

\$500 Direct Award to: _____Steve Huber_____

\$500 Direct Award to: _____Morgan Manternach_____

\$500 Direct Award to: _____Andrea Fjelstul_____

John & LaRae Koopmann Delhi Machine Shop Scholarship

Presenters--John & LaRae Koopmann

John and LaRae have operated the Delhi Machine shop since 1981. Their work includes tractor overhaul, welding, and machining to serve farmers and others in the community. They have three children; Kali, Trevor, and Trent. Knowing the value of further education, they decided to support the community's students by providing a scholarship.

\$250 Direct Award to: Kelsey Gearhart Ann

Heritage Bank of Delhi - Marion Scholarship

Presenter--Linda Jay

Heritage Bank continues to support Dollars for Scholars in Delhi and Marion. They serve customers in the surrounding Maquoketa Valley area and are pleased to help MV graduates.

\$500 Direct Award to: Savannah Salow Doug

Citizens State Bank Scholarship

Presenter--Audrey Savage

Citizens State Bank believes strongly in giving back to the communities that it serves. By creating an endowment to fund their scholarship, Citizens State Bank has insured their scholarship will continue to be awarded forever as an unending reminder of their dedication to our students.

\$500 Endowed Award to: Chris Hoeger Steve

Douglas P. Kirby Memorial

Presenter--Chris Tegeler

Doug Kirby died in a farming accident near Manchester in 2005. A group of his friends host an annual golf outing in Manchester with all of the proceeds used for scholarships in Delaware County. They decided to endow this so there will always be a scholarship memorializing Doug Kirby.

\$187 Endowed Award Plus \$85 MV DFS Funds to: Andrea Fjelstul Brenda

Thomas & Gladys O'Connell Memorial

Presenters--Chris Tegeler & Cindy Cloyed

Education was very important to Tom and Gladys O'Connell. Their daughters, Chris and Cindy, established this endowment in memory of their parents. This scholarship will be given each year knowing their parents would be proud to see them helping another student continue his/her education.

\$192 Endowed Award Plus \$108 MV DFS Funds to: Michael Mast

Michele Maurer Memorial

Presenters--Dean & Jean Maurer

The Michele Maurer Memorial Endowment was funded by her parents, Dean and Jean Maurer. Michele grew up on her family farm north of Delhi. She graduated from Maquoketa Valley and was active in cross country, softball, track and band.

\$378 Endowed Award Plus \$72 MV DFS Funds to: Greg Guetzko Ann

William Clark (W.C.) & Esther DeShaw Memorial

Presenter--Susanne Reiter

This scholarship is given in memory of William Clark and Esther DeShaw. They ran a business in Hopkinton and then moved to a farm to raise their family. Their four children are MV graduates and all attended the University of Iowa. The DeShaws stressed the importance of higher education, which is why their children feel that honoring them with a college scholarship in their memory is appropriate.

\$500 Direct Award to: Abby Jay

Kaye Marie Krogmann Memorial

Presenters--Dan & Mary Krogmann

Kaye had a love for music and played the saxophone and guitar. She loved people and always had a big smile. Her parents, Dan and Mary Krogmann, loved to listen to her play the sax. Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Lillibridge continue to fund scholarships in memory of their granddaughter, Kaye Marie Krogmann 1983-1999).

\$250 Direct Award to: Chris Hoeger Ann

\$250 Direct Award Plus \$50 MV DFS Funds to: Morgan Manternach

Alvin 'Bud' Lahr Scholarship

Presenter--Ruth Hargrafen

Bud established an endowed scholarship in 2004 because he knows the importance of education for students. Having been raised, schooled, and farmed in the area, Bud has strong ties to Maquoketa Valley. He is an avid Maquoketa Valley fan.

\$189 Endowed Award Plus \$11 MV DFS Funds to: Curtis Nefzger Ann x 2

Hargrafen Family Memorial

Presenter--Ruth Hargrafen

Three generations of the Hargrafen family have been educated in the Delhi Consolidated/Maquoketa Valley School system and some have returned to teach in the system. Because education plays a vital role in a successful and rewarding life, the family has established this Endowed Scholarship.

\$449 Endowed Award Plus \$81 MV DFS Funds to: Savannah Salow

Hoptown Hurricanes 4-H Club Scholarship

Presenters--Allie & Audrey Sheehy, Whitney Wilson, Natalie & Mitchell Neuzil, Adrienne Supple, Sean Hucker, and Bryant Meyer-Kemp.

This 4-H club wanted to give back to the youth in their community. They have seen the benefits of MV DFS from older siblings and it was a great way to meet their goal as every person that applies receives a scholarship. They work hard through many events to raise money to provide this scholarship.

\$250 Direct Award to: Ben Thompson Steve

Ka'Jon's "Art"ery Scholarship

Presenters--John & Kay Woodhouse

John and Kay moved to the Delhi area after John retired from Rockwell and Kay retired from teaching in the Linn-Mar and Marion School Districts. John creates beautiful farm scenes in his workshop and Kay is active in the marketing of John's artwork as well as writing children's books. They have been very supportive of MV DFS.

\$300 Direct Award to: Zachary Smith Judy

Maurice Kirkwood Memorial

Presenter--Keith Kramer

Maurice and Marilyn farmed together near Hopkinton for 50 years. Combined they drove school buses for 78 years prior to Maurice's death in 2001. Maurice is fondly remembered by the many students and athletes he delivered safely to school and events. Marilyn created an endowment fund to ensure that each year one of our students will be rewarded with a scholarship in Maurice's honor.

\$250 Endowed Award to: Cassie McIntyre

Steve Maiers Memorial

Presenter--Brenda Becker

Steve was active in FFA and cross country while attending Maquoketa Valley. His friends remember his smile and his strong work ethic. Steve's family established this endowment in memory of their son and brother.

\$420 Endowed Award to: Savannah Salow Ann

Delhi Consolidated School Alumni Scholarship

Presenter--Jo Ann Winter

Delhi Consolidated Schools preceded the combining of schools in the area and the renaming to Maquoketa Valley Community Schools. The last graduates were the Class of 1959.

\$314 Endowed Award Plus \$86 MV DFS Funds to: Trevor Koopmann

Dr. Austin Goldsmith Memorial

Presenter--Jeremy Sands

The Valedictorian of the Class of 1995, Austin continued his education at Upper Iowa University before attending the University of Iowa College of Medicine from which he graduated in 2003. Austin was active in music, speech & drama and was known for his running ability throughout high school and college but learning was his ultimate goal.

\$389 Endowed Award Plus \$11 MV DFS Funds to: Derek Salow Judy

Paladin Industries Scholarship

Presenter--Keith Kramer

This Delhi manufacturing company supports graduates starting a two year technical program. The company has experienced significant growth and employs many MV High School graduates as well as several Iowa State University and community college graduates who hail from the MV district.

\$377 Endowed Award Plus \$123 MV DFS Funds to: Matthew Lansing

\$750 Direct Award to: Michael Mast

\$750 Direct Award to: Greg Guetzko

Herman & Wilma Harbach Memorial

Presenter--Terry Harbach

The descendants of Herman and Wilma Harbach felt this endowment was a great tribute to their memory. They farmed west of Delhi, were active in the community, and both served on the Delhi School Board.

\$278 Endowed Award to: Dylan Salow Connie x 2

SHeRiFF Fall Fun Cruise Scholarship

Presenter--Terry Harbach

The Sands, Harbach, Robbins Family & Friends Fall Fun Cruise has provided this award from money raised by the 9th Annual SHeRiFF Fall Fun Cruise. Funds from the first event were split between the Harbach Family Endowment and the Dr. Austin Goldsmith Endowment. Funds from the last eight events were given as a Direct Scholarship.

\$470 Direct Award to: Kelsey Gearhart

Harris Family Scholarship

Presenter--Kay Harris

The students at Maquoketa Valley have been near and dear to Kay Harris' heart for many years. On Richard and Kay's 50th Anniversary their children, Mark Harris, Mary Wendt, and Dave Harris decided the best gift they could give their parents was to establish an endowed scholarship of which the entire family could be proud.

\$500 Endowed Award to: Trevor Koopmann Doug

Kris Kramer Memorial

Presenter--Tom Kramer

This endowed scholarship is in memory of a beloved person in the MV community. Kris was a gifted performer in many community theater productions and always provided fun and laughs to those around her. She was a devoted mother and grandmother who had many interests including reading, camping, and her work as a professional in massage therapy.

\$187 Endowed Award Plus \$133 MV DFS Funds to: Ben Thompson Connie

Dave Schnittjer Memorial

Presenter-- Shannon Heidt

Dave Schnittjer wanted only to farm all of his life...and he did just that, enjoying each and every day of being a good steward of the land and animals in his care. He completed 12 years of school at Delhi Consolidated Schools. While he chose not to go to college, he felt education was valuable and knew that many occupations needed a formal education, including college.

\$500 Direct Award to: Ashley Holtz Judyx 2

Maynard & Hazel Schnittjer Family Scholarship

Presenter--Shannon Heidt

Maynard & Hazel both continued their education after high school. Maynard went on to graduate from Iowa State University and Hazel attended Lenox College in Hopkinton. Maynard & Hazel passed away in 1989 and 2010, respectfully. They were parents of three Delhi Consolidated graduates and one MV graduate.

\$300 Endowed Award to: Andrea Fjelstul

George & Elizabeth Shearer Memorial

Presenter--Robert Shearer

George and Elizabeth were long-time Delhi residents who both held the highest regards for "education as the way to get people to help themselves." Elizabeth was a school teacher before marriage and farming. George attended Iowa State University and then returned to the Delhi family farm. George was on the Northern Iowa Community College Board for 21 years; both George and Elizabeth were promoters of education, especially on the community college level where a student can afford a chance at a career.

\$272 Endowed Award Plus \$28 MV DFS Funds to: Curtis Nefzger Doug

Hopkinton Women for Mission Scholarship

Presenter--Virginia Williamson

The Hopkinton Women for Mission are very active in their church and in the entire community. As a part of their commitment to the community they continue to award two scholarships.

\$250 Direct Award to: Audrey Sheehy Brenda

\$250 Direct Award to: Mary Feldmann

Rosemary & Scott Lux Memorial

Presenter-William Lux

William and Rosemary Lux have four children; Julie Thompson, Scott, David and James Lux, all graduates from Maquoketa Valley. They have supported Dollars for Scholars from the beginning. Since Rosemary's death in 2010 they wanted to provide scholarships for students who exemplify good citizenship, Christian morals, and an industrious work ethic. The memorial to Scott Lux, who passed away in 2011, is for his life dedicated to rescuing addicted lives and bringing them back into society.

\$250 Direct Award to: Mikaela Reth Judy

\$250 Direct Award to: Riley Kloser

Marcheta Cooley Lux's Memorials Scholarship

Presenter--Marcheta Cooley Lux

Marcheta is sponsoring this scholarship in memory of Joe P. Greif, Ira (Ike) Hatch, Rose (Bierie) Hess, Landon W. Kracke, George R. Shearer, John Stone, Virginia Whittom, Audrey D. Wall, Eulah Syckoff (Jim Pingel's grandfather), Neal Brockmeyer, and Berniece "B" Moulton.

\$600 Direct Award Plus \$50 MV DFS Funds to: Steve Huber Judy

Russell & Mary Schnittjer Memorial

Presenter--Carol Jebens

Russell (DHS '36) and Mary Appleby (DHS '36) were married in 1939. "Our parents were proud to be graduates of Delhi and supported the school system and transition to Maquoketa Valley. Education and serving others was a primary focus in our activities as we grew up. So our family is proud to be able to help others achieve their educational goals through the Dollars for Scholars Program." This endowment was funded in 2003 by the family members, Larry, Dale, Carol Jebens, and Tamara Bigelow.

\$268 Endowed Award Plus \$82 MV DFS Funds to: Dylan Salow Judy

Virginia Tucker Memorial

Presenter--Steve Tucker

Virginia was a teacher's aide at Johnston Elementary in Hopkinton for 20 years, from 1972-1992. She truly loved her job and being with all the children. She and her husband, Kenneth, have four children; Sue, Cindy, Steve and Marilyn, all MV graduates. Steve established this endowed scholarship in memory of his mother. She taught them to always respect and treat other people fairly.

\$250 Endowed Award to: Vicky Agromayor Steve

Kenneth & Richard Jurgens Memorial

Presenter--Rod Jurgens

This scholarship is to honor the memory of Kenneth Jurgens who gave his life in Vietnam at the age of 19 and to honor their dad, Richard Jurgens, who farmed in the Hopkinton/Worthington area. This endowment was established by Richard Jurgens Jr., Rod Jurgens, Kay & Ron Lawrence, and Darlene & Jack Bradt.

\$253 Endowed Award Plus \$47 MV DFS Funds to: Melinda Burkle Steve

Pat Sperflage Scholarship

Presenter--Pat Sperflage

Pat and his wife, Frankie, live in Delhi. Since his retirement he now farm over 600 acres near Hopkinton. He has given a direct scholarship every year since 1999.

\$500 Direct Award to: _____Cassie McIntyre_____Steve

Marissa Harbach Memorial

Presenters--Scott, Patty, Felicia & Caitlin Harbach

Scholarship is more than an award to attend college. It's a state of mind and discipline of wanting to succeed and obtain knowledge. Marissa demonstrated that discipline. The majority of her time was spent at school or surrounding school. From a very young age she knew the value of education and soaked up everything she learned. She had many aspirations and goals, any of which she could achieve because of her diligence. To whom receives this award, go forward and absorb all that your eyes capture, your hands touch, your mouth tastes, and your mind hears with her spirit in mind.

\$256 Endowed Award Plus \$94 MV DFS Funds to: _____Abby Jay_____Connie

Mary Ann Dutra Memorial

Presenters--Melissa Dutra

The Mary Ann Dutra Memorial Scholarship is provided by family and friends who knew it would please her to be helping someone further their education. Mary Ann was a caring person and a great example for the many lives she touched: her family, foster children, Maquoketa Valley students, and the community.

\$500 Direct Award to: _____Zachary Smith_____Brenda

Moorman Insurance & Heritage Mutual Insurance Scholarship

Presenter--Jayne Hogan

Moorman Insurance along side Heritage Mutual Insurance supports Dollars for Scholars in Delaware County. We wish the 2015 graduating class congratulations and best of luck with your future education.

\$500 Direct Award to: _____Trevor Koopmann_____

Randy Palmersheim Memorial

Presenters--Daniel & Andrew Palmersheim

Randy worked with many farmers in NE Iowa and Wisconsin on livestock nutrition. He was very appreciative of rural community education. He and his wife, Karen, have 3 children. Kathie and Daniel both graduated from MV and Andrew currently attends MV. Randy's family provided this scholarship in his memory and it is awarded to a student pursuing further education in agricultural studies.

\$400 Endowed Award to: _____Curtis Nefzger_____Ann

Irvin & Vivien Benter Scholarship

Presenter--Pam Schnittjer

Vivien graduated from DHS and was associated with Maquoketa Valley for over 40 years. During her career she obtained her Masters Degree and had teaching and administrative duties until her retirement in 1987.

\$307 Endowed Award Plus \$43 MV DFS Funds to: _____Olivia Hill_____Judy

Leonard & Genevieve Gibbs Memorial

Presenter--Carol Jebens

Leonard was a happy, energetic teacher in Hopkinton for many years. He was the original Dollars for Scholars in our area. Many who graduated from MV in the 70's and 80's will recall receiving a dollar or two with a congratulatory card from Mr. Gibbs. Their daughter, Vicki from California, along with a matching employer, established this endowment in memory of her parents.

\$187 Endowed Award Plus \$13 MV DFS Funds to: Derek Salow Judy

Martin & Lillian Hillers Memorial

Presenter--Carolyn Greenfield

Martin Hillers Jr. was a member of the first MV School Board when the schools consolidated. He was a strong supporter of the school and an avid MV sports fan. He and his wife, Lillian, raised five MV graduates; Larry, Diane, Steve, Randy, and Carolyn. Currently they have grandchildren and great-grandchildren attending MV. The Hillers Families present this scholarship in Martin's memory.

\$300 Endowed Award to: Andrea Fjelstul Doug

Lisa Steger Memorial

Presenter--Krista Steger

Lisa and Doug have three daughters, Jessica, Amy and Krista. Lisa was an avid supporter of Maquoketa Valley and was always at the girls' sporting events and many other activities. Her family funded this scholarship in her memory after she passed away in 2006 from a courageous battle with cancer.

\$501 Endowed Award Plus \$24 MV DFS Funds to: Tiffany Hoeger Doug

My Favorite Teacher Winona Sutton Scholarship

Presenter--Dan Glew

An Anonymous donor endowed \$10,000 to give a scholarship in memory of one of the donor's favorite teachers. Winona Sutton taught sixth grade at Delhi.

\$250 Endowed Award to: Olivia Hill Connie x 2

Winona Sutton Memorial

Presenter--Dan Glew

This scholarship is from Dick & Betty Sutton in memory of Winona Sutton, a teacher in the district for 39 years. She is fondly remembered by several of the DFS Board and many other former students in the area.

\$200 Endowed Award Plus \$25 MV DFS Funds to: Bailey Lubben

William & Therese Gibbs Memorial

Presenter--Ed Gibbs

The Gibbs family provided this endowment in memory of their parents, William and Therese Gibbs. William passed away on December 13, 2003, and Teresa on January 2, 2008. Ten of their eleven children graduated from Maquoketa Valley. The Gibbs enjoyed the activities of many of their grandchildren who were also attending and graduating from MV.

\$300 Endowed Award to: Trevor Koopmann Brenda

Delhi United Methodist Church Scholarship

Presenter--Rev. Kathleen Moore

The DUMC congregation has established this scholarship through their Mission's Ministry Team donation and individual donations by members of the church. We are blessed by our community and know the importance of our youth for the future.

\$500 Direct Award to: _____Zach Salow_____Judy x 2

Delhi United Methodist Youth Group Scholarship

Presenter--Rev. Kathleen Moore

Through donations from the congregation and from serving a Lenten meal at the church, this scholarship was created to honor the 2015 graduates of Maquoketa Valley. Many MV graduates have belonged to the church and participated in the various youth activities.

\$400 Direct Award to: _____Cassie McIntyre_____

Kenny Becker Memorial

Presenter--Rick Becker

The family of Kenny Becker felt this endowment was a great tribute to their husband and father. Kenny lived on the family farm northeast of Hopkinton his entire life. He graduated from Hopkinton High School in 1955 and will always be remembered for putting his family first and his wonderful sense of humor.

\$318 Endowed Award Plus \$82 MV DFS Funds to: _____Clay Willenbring_____Brenda

Paul & Bernita Grimm Family Scholarship

Presenter--Gail Grimm

This endowment from the Paul and Bernita Grimm Family is in memory of Paul Grimm. Paul farmed for 30 years and sold insurance for 25 years and Bernita was a Special Reading teacher at MV for 22 years. Paul and Bernita are the parents of six MV graduates.

\$256 Endowed Award Plus \$44 MV DFS Funds to: _____Mikaela Reth_____Judy

Duane "Junior" DeShaw Memorial

Presenter--Doug DeShaw

This scholarship is in memory of Duane DeShaw Jr. Duane and Luella were married more than 60 years and have four children all who graduated from MV. Duane loved the land and farmed almost all his life.

\$520 Direct Award to: _____Kody Orcutt_____Steve

John & Ruth Beckman Memorial

Presenter--Jo Ann Winter

John and Ruth Beckman co-owned Hawkeye Foundry, Inc. in Manchester and lived at The Cedars on Lake Delhi. They generously supported the communities in Delaware County and have supported MV graduates since 1990. They were avid Iowa Hawkeye fans.

\$525 Endowed Award to: _____Bailey Lubben_____

\$525 Endowed Award to: _____Riley Kloser_____

Robert & Erma Yackley Memorial

Presenter--Keith Kramer

Bob & Erma were married in 1942 right after Bob graduated and Erma finished her Junior year. Education was important to both of them, so in the late 1960's Erma received her GED. Bob owned a grocery store while Erma raised their children; Nick, Tom, Ann, Robbie and Mary. They moved to Hopkinton in 1976 and were very active in their community. Family was top priority but they still found time for antiques, gardening, traveling and fishing. This endowment was established by their family to honor both of them. \$232 Endowed Award Plus \$18 MV DFS Funds to: Zach Salow

Nida Reth Memorial

Presenters--Janet Grimm & David Reth

Nida Jackson Reth graduated from Delhi High School in 1930. Nida took a 90 day teaching course at State Teachers College (now UNI) and taught at the one room schools in Milo & Stony Point townships. She was married to Anton Reth and they raised two children, Janet (Grayden) Grimm and David A Reth (Barb). \$500 Direct Award to: Vicky Agromayor Doug

Scott & Brenda Wall Scholarship

Presenter--Scott Wall

Scott Wall is a graduate of Maquoketa Valley (1981) and the University of Dubuque. He, his wife Brenda, and sons Jake and Trey, reside in the Lake Delhi area. Scott is the President of X-L Trailers in Manchester. They are sharing their success by providing a scholarship annually. \$187 Endowed Award Plus \$38 MV DFS Funds to: Zachary Smith Doug x 2

George & Audrey Wall Scholarship

Presenter--Scott Wall

George and Audrey grew up in the Delhi area and their children all graduated from MV. George was an inventor and entrepreneur with various businesses involving agricultural and commercial equipment including X-L Trailers. They wintered in Florida and enjoyed fishing. Audrey passed away in 2014.

\$774 Endowed Award Plus \$46 MV DFS Funds to: Tiffany Hoeger

\$774 Endowed Award Plus \$26 MV DFS Funds to: Derek Salow

Schnittjer Family Scholarship

Presenters-Rhoda Barnhart & Pam Schnittjer

Daniel J. Schnittjer attended short courses at Ames in 1908-09 which caused him to say "I regard farming as a science." He felt his talents lay in diversified farming; dairy, fed steers, raised hogs, rotated crops, and ought to improve the soil. He wanted all seven of his children to explore a college education. In 1930 he was named a Master Farmer of Iowa.

\$800 Endowed Award to: Curtis Nefzger Judyx 2

\$800 Endowed Award to: Audrey Sheehy

Ava Schnittjer Beard Lamar Memorial

Presenter--Rhoda Barnhart

Ava Schnittjer Lamar Beard was raised on a farm near Delhi and graduated from Delhi Consolidated School. After getting her degree at Cornell College, Ava taught High School in Iowa. She furthered her education and was Dean of Women at Grace College in Indiana. Eventually she moved to Florida where she continued to teach at a local junior college while actively involved in Habitat for Humanity and presenting travelogues of her worldwide travels. She was entertaining and inspirational to her extended family. Ava passed away last year at the age of 100.

\$500 Direct Award to: _____ Vicky Agromayor _____

Ralph & Maxine Wilson Memorial

Presenter--Keith Kramer

Ralph Wilson was born, raised, lived and passed away on the family farm near Buck Creek. Ralph attended Buck Creek school where he played basketball and was valedictorian of his 1937 Buck Creek School class. He loved basketball so much that he and Maxine would often listen to the radio when the Maquoketa Valley girls and boys basketball played. Ralph believed education was very important and attended Iowa State University majoring in agriculture. Ralph met his wife Maxine (Maring) Wilson at a dance in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. March 14th 1954 they were united in marriage at the Buck Creek United Methodist Church. They became life long members there. Ralph milked cows and Maxine raised purebred Arabian horses on their farm. They both loved the farm and enjoyed raising and taking care of their animals. Ralph was a 4-H leader and a seed corn dealer for many years.

\$250 Endowed Award to: _____ Matthew Lansing _____

Beatrice Herington Elledge Memorial

Presenter--Crys Smith

Beatrice Herington Elledge started her teaching career at the age of 18 at the Hopkinton Independent School District in the 1951. She taught students in grades 2nd, 4th, and 6th for 44 years. She finished her career teaching remedial reading when she retired from Maquoketa Valley School District in 1995. Her passion was teaching and she really never did quit teaching. Her fondest memories were teaching and the interactions she had with her students and their parents. Her family sponsored this scholarship in her memory.

\$89 Endowed Award Plus \$11 MV DFS Funds to: _____ Mary Feldmann _____ Doug

My Favorite Teacher Mildred Gaddie Scholarship

Presenter--Gary Rees

An Anonymous donor endowed \$10,000 to give a scholarship in memory of one of the donor's favorite teachers. Mildred Gaddie taught fifth grade in Delhi.

\$250 Endowed Award to: _____ Mikaela Reth _____ Connie x 3

Alice Rees Memorial

Presenter--Gary Rees

Alice (Robison) Rees graduated from Greeley School in 1918, and Iowa State Teachers College (now UNI) in 1920. She taught in Strawberry Point and Anamosa. After raising her children she taught in Delhi from 1951 until retirement in 1953. There are many in the area that remember her teaching ability and know she would be proud to have a scholarship given in her name.

\$307 Endowed Award Plus \$93 MV DFS Funds to: _____ Mikaela Reth _____

Mildred Gaddie Memorial

Presenter--Gary Rees

Mildred Gaddie taught and lived in Delhi with her family. She moved to Florida and taught before retiring. The children of Mildred (Mary Lou Swinburn, Tom Gaddie, and Wanda Reedy) funded an endowment to memorialize their mother.

\$250 Endowed Award to: Chris Hoeger

Paul & Liz Heffernen Scholarship

Presenter--Paul Heffernen

Paul is the manager of Fareway in Manchester and over the years he has hired many Maquoketa Valley students. He has seen how our Dollars for Scholars program encourages students to pursue post-secondary education. Paul and Liz live in Manchester and know the importance of a college education.

\$500 Direct Award to: Heather Sabers Doug

Harlan & Thelma Johnston Family Scholarship

Presenters--Joyce Johnston Sedlacek & Jim Johnston

Harlan and Thelma Johnston, married in 1942, farmed on the Johnston family farm west of Hopkinton. This farm, settled by Harlan's grandfather, Alexander Johnston in 1856, continues to be owned by the Johnston family. In 1950, Harlan and Thelma moved to Hopkinton, where they purchased a hardware, plumbing and heating business. They operated Harl's Hardware until 1965. Thelma Johnston served on the Hopkinton School Board at the time of the reorganization into the Maquoketa Valley School District. Harlan and Thelma's children, Joyce and James (Jim) graduated from Maquoketa Valley in 1963 and 1964, respectively.

\$250 Endowed Award to: Michael Mast Connie

Henry & Ida Hunt Memorial

Presenter--Virginia Von Talge

The Henry & Ida Hunt Family Endowment was started by Alice Hunt in memory of her parents. Henry and Ida both graduated from Earlville High School. They farmed and belonged to the United Methodist Church while raising six sons and one daughter.

\$500 Endowed Award to: Melinda Burkle Connie x 2

Laxson Family Scholarship

Presenter--Virginia Von Talge

Jim and John Laxson are well known bankers in Earlville. The Laxson family provided an endowment to honor and memorialize Laxson family members and help graduates of Maquoketa Valley Schools. The extended Laxson family has been generous supporters.

\$222 Endowed Award Plus \$28 MV DFS Funds to: Melinda Burkle

F & M Bank Scholarship

Presenter--Tirzah Wedewer

F & M Bank has committed \$10,000 to the Maquoketa Valley Dollars for Scholars program. They have many clients in the area and know the importance of educating our young adults. F & M Bank has expanded to eleven locations.

\$600 Endowed Award to: Riley Kloser Ann

Kevin Kramer Memorial

Presenter--Sue Kramer

Kevin was a successful businessman in Hopkinton with his trucking company and was very generous with his volunteer activities including 30 years with the Hopkinton Fire Department. His wife, Sue, and their children, Matt, Brittany, and Courtney, established an endowment in memory of Kevin.

\$268 Endowed Award Plus \$7 MV DFS to: Zachary Smith Brenda

Lawrence & Mildred Kramer Memorial**Presenters--Keith & Sherry Kramer**

The Kramer family provided this endowment in memory of their parents, Mildred and Lawrence Kramer. They lived in Hopkinton and raised 12 children who all graduated from Maquoketa Valley from 1955 through 1987. Many of their grandchildren also graduated from MV.

\$260 Endowed Award to: Emily O'Connell Steve

Keith & Sherry Kramer Scholarship**Presenter--Luke Kramer**

Keith and Sherry have three sons: Nathan, Jordan, and Luke. All five of them graduated from MV. As one of the original MV DFS Board Members, Keith was instrumental in creating our MV Chapter of Dollars for Scholars with the mission of providing scholarships for any students who want to go to college.

\$250 Endowed Award to: Bailey Lubben Steve

Micheal Wilson Memorial**Presenters- Angie & Brooke Wilson**

Mike was the kind of person that light up the room when he walked in. He was a friend to everyone and loved to entertain. He and his wife, Ann, have three children; Drew, Angie and Brooke. It is so refreshing to see him live on through his children whether in looks, personality, sense of humor, or his zest for life. Mike was a MV and Kirkwood graduate and had a passion for farming and mechanics. His family established this endowment in his memory.

\$300 Endowed Award to: Greg Geutzko Ann

Pilgrim Family Pay it Forward Scholarship**Presenter--Dennis Pilgrim**

Bob was a 1946 graduate of Oneida High School, where he enjoyed playing basketball and baseball. He spent his life farming the land he grew up on with his wife, Donna, and their four children; Dennis, David, Susan, and Mary Kay, all graduates of MV. In later years he married Vivian and together they enjoyed donating their time at Camp Courageous and building toy barns. His passions were farming & woodworking but above all family. He taught us that with a little help, and a lot of hard work, all things are possible.

\$500 Direct Award to: Mikaela Reth Brenda

Gertrude Green Memorial**Presenter--Shelby Porter-Arnold**

The Gertrude B. Green Scholarship is in memory of an exceptional woman who devoted 39 years to the education field as both a full-time teacher and a substitute teacher after retiring. She graduated valedictorian from high school and then enrolled at Lenox College while working in homes for tuition money. Her first teaching job was at Viola School, starting before her 18th birthday. Gertrude retired from education while employed at MV Schools where she taught kindergarten, second grade, and Head Start.

\$194 Endowed Award Plus \$106 MV DFS Funds to: Olivia Hill Doug

Maquoketa Valley Fine Arts Boosters Scholarship

Presenter--Jayne Hogan

The Fine Arts Boosters are presenting scholarships to students who have been active in the fine arts at MV for more than half of their high school lives. The students need to be involved in any two instrumental, choral, or speech/drama activities. These scholarships show the appreciation of the community for these activities at Maquoketa Valley and for the entertainment provided by the students during the year.

\$250 Endowed Award to: Matthew Lansing

\$250 Endowed Award to: Abby Jay

William & Irene Oehler Memorial**Presenters--Tom & Angie Oehler**

This endowment was established by Tom Oehler in memory of his parents who taught him the value of further education. William served on the Delhi School Board and was an avid St. Louis Cardinals fan.

\$750 Endowed Award to: Mary Feldmann Judy

Lawrence March Memorial**Presenter--Marie Havens**

Lawrence March was always willing to give a helping hand. Even after his untimely death at age 21, Lawrence continued to give through the generous gift of organ and tissue donation. The March family continues to celebrate Lawrence's short life on earth knowing that another Maquoketa Valley graduate will receive a scholarship in his memory.

\$230 Endowed Award to: Ben Thompson Ann

Sonny Haren Memorial**Presenter--Henry K. "Bud" Haren**

Sonny was a 1973 MV graduate and served 21 years on the Delhi Volunteer Fire Department. He could always be counted on for service in his community. His wife, Denise, says, "If you were familiar with Delhi, you knew Sonny or knew of him." She established this scholarship in his memory as a way to continue Sonny's service to his community.

\$337 Endowed Award Plus \$53 MV DFS Funds to: Emily O'Connell Judy

Community Savings Bank Scholarship**Presenter--Jo Ann Winter**

The Community Savings Bank has provided scholarships for MV graduates every year since the program was started. The Community Savings Bank serves locations in and beyond the Maquoketa Valley district.

\$818 Endowed Award Plus \$82 MV DFS Funds to: Matthew Lansing

Roman & Rosemary Welter Scholarship**Presenter--Keith Kramer**

Roman and Rosemary committed to a \$5,000 endowment when our new chapter raised its first \$100,000. In less than two years we had accomplished what Roman had asked. Roman and Rosie's children all attended MV before moving to Monticello. Roman is still involved in various volunteer activities in Monticello including the Lions and the Monticello School Foundation.

\$300 Endowed Award Plus \$50 MV DFS Funds to: Cassie McIntyre

JoAnn Hass, Paul Smith & Tom Smith Memorial

Presenter--Kay Harris

Dean & Rosella Hass are proud to have created this endowment to provide a scholarship annually in honor of their loved ones. It is their sincere belief that everyone should be given the opportunity to attend college.

\$476 Endowed Award Plus \$49 MV DFS Funds to: Riley Kloser

Scott Jasper Scholarship**Presenter--Kay Harris**

Scott graduated from MV in 1981 and the University of Iowa in 1985. He and his wife, Susan, live in Sherman, TX where he is an Engineer Manager at Texas Instrument. Scott feels the excellent start in math and science at MV helped him get to where he is today. He established this endowment in recognition of his value in education.

\$288 Endowed Award Plus \$12 MV DFS Funds to: Heather Sabers

The Little Engine that Could Scholarship**Presenter--Jayne Hogan**

The philosophy behind "The Little Engine That Could Scholarship" is that no matter what obstacles you may encounter, keep believing in yourself and you will succeed. Joe Petchulat, owner of TurnKey Security in Manchester, feels that a lot of times people who give the extra effort don't get recognized because they were not an athlete, a high grade point or an extracurricular activities student and would like to recognize those kids that find a way to succeed. "I know that some kids that work the hardest to overcome obstacles to success might not make it to the next level of education, but if I can help one keep on going I feel it would be a great contribution."

\$500 Direct Award to: Olivia Hill Brenda

Donald R. Huber Memorial**Presenter--Delores Huber**

Donald "Duck" Huber was one of 16 graduates from Buck Creek in 1952. He was an active member of the community as a banker with Citizen's State Bank since 1965 and spent nearly 25 years on the Regional Medical Center Board of Directors. Duck and Dee have five children; Brad, Barry, Beth, Barb and Brian, all MV grads and four are married to MV grads. Two grandchildren became MV Alumni too. Duck's family established this endowment in memory of their husband, father, and grandfather.

\$350 Endowed Award to: Clay Willenbring Ann

The Not So Tiny House Scholarship**Presenter--Mary Martha Walters**

Jean Lux started the Tiny House Mission Store in Hopkinton more than forty years ago. After outgrowing several different buildings they have now filled the former grocery store building and grown into The Not So Tiny House. The many local volunteers sell gently used and donated items, using the proceeds to support mission projects in the US, Haiti, Africa and around the world, in addition to local civic projects and scholarships.

\$500 Direct Award to: Ben Thompson Steve

John & Lois Dabroski Memorial**Presenters--Doug & Karen Dabroski**

John was as an automobile mechanic in Cedar Rapids and served as both Mayor and Police Chief for Earlville. Lois worked in Earlville at Farm Service. Their children, Dennis and Douglas, are both 1966 Maquoketa Valley graduates. Dennis of Florida provided this scholarship in memory of his parents.

\$1,000 Direct Award to: Emily O'Connell Brenda

Presenters--Lynn & Joanne Schwandt

Both Joanne and Lynn had scholarships that aided them to obtain undergraduate degrees. Each of them worked to earn money required for additional expenses while attending college. The combination of aid and earnings allowed each of them to pursue fulfilling and rewarding careers. This endowed scholarship has been established to aid recipients in pursuing higher education that will lead to fulfilling and rewarding careers in their lives.

\$500 Endowed Award to: Heather Sabers Ann x 3

Gustav & Madeline Schwandt Memorial**Presenters--Lynn & Joanne Schwandt**

Neither Gus nor Madeline had the privilege and the benefits of graduating from high school. Gus was in third grade when his father died and he was hired out as a farm hand to help support the rest of the family. Madeline had several illnesses that prevented her from completing high school. However they both were insistent upon their children graduating high school. They encouraged their children to become self reliant and to provide for their families. This endowed scholarship has been established by their son Lynn to honor their commitment.

\$500 Endowed Award to: Derek Salow

Earlville High School Alumni Association Scholarship**Presenter--Lynn Schwandt**

The Earlville Alumni have given a scholarship for many years before Dollars for Scholars was established but saw the advantages the graduates have by joining Dollars for Scholars. They are pleased to provide this scholarship in honor of their past teachers.

\$1022 Endowed Award to: Dylan Salow

William J. "Bill" Schuster Memorial**Presenter--Bobbie Schuster**

The William J. Schuster scholarship is given in memory of Bill Schuster, a lifelong Delhi resident and farmer. He spent his life in Delhi, raised on the farm, graduating from Maquoketa Valley in 1963. He was active in FFA and a supporter of MV Schools. He farmed his entire life, running a dairy operation, hog, beef cattle, and crop farming. Although disabled with Parkinson's, Bill continued his life's vocation with the help of his wife Bobbie, until failing health prevented his service to the land he so loved.

\$375 Direct Award Plus \$125 MV DFS Funds to: Ryan Parmely Judy

E.G. "Bill" & Marion and Rick Schmidt Memorial**Presenter--Laurie Kramer**

This scholarship is presented in memory of E.G. "Bill", Marion and Rick Schmidt. Bill was school board president when Maquoketa Valley was first consolidated in 1959. He and Marion's four children were all graduates of Maquoketa Valley. Their son, Rick, graduated in 1972 and passed away from cancer at the age of 56. Bill, Marion, and Rick were all proud supporters of the Maquoketa Valley School District and their family is honored to present this scholarship in their memory.

\$583 Endowed Award Plus \$17 MV DFS Funds to: Heather Sabers Judy

Howard & Marie Rentschler Memorial

Presenter--Donna Flint

Howard and Marie owned and operated the Delhi Locker for many years. Howard served as Delhi mayor and Marie was always smiling. They were laughter loving people and always volunteering to help others. Both were an asset to the community and their family established this scholarship in their memory.

\$250 Endowed Award to: _____ Kody Orcutt _____ Connie

William & Steve Besler Memorial

Presenter--Jo Ann Winter

All of William and Joann Besler's children attended Maquoketa Valley. William passed away several years ago and their son, Steve, died in a tragic drowning accident when he was very young.

\$187 Endowed Award Plus \$143 MV DFS Funds to: _____ Kelsey Gearhart _____

Manchester Dental Clinic Scholarship

Presenter--Jim Clifton

Manchester Dental Clinic is a part of Apple White Dental Partners of Dubuque. Dr. Carrie Borchardt and Dr. Lindsey Meyer continue a tradition of this office awarding a scholarship to area students entering the dental or health care field in appreciation of their patients.

\$400 Direct Award to: _____ Morgan Manternach _____ Doug _____

Delhi Little League Scholarship

Presenter--Angie Brockhohn

The past few years the Delhi Little League has awarded a direct scholarship to a graduating senior baseball and softball player. In 2012, an endowment was set up for their scholarships. The Delhi Little League knows the importance of giving back to their players and community.

\$250 Endowed Award to: _____ Ashley Holtz _____

\$250 Endowed Award to: _____ Zach Salow _____

Earlville United Parish's Marie Hunt Memorial

Presenter--Pastor Jill Mack

The Earlville United Parish wanted to recognize Marie Hunt in appreciation for her generous support to the church. Marie was a graduate of Earlville High School and attended Bayless Business College. She was an Administrative Secretary for Iowa Electric Light and Power for 31 years, retiring in 1979.

\$500 Endowed Award to: _____ Ryan Parmely _____ Connie x 2

Earlville United Parish Scholarship

Presenter--Pastor Jill Mack

The Earlville United Parish has provided this scholarship in honor of their 2015 MV graduates: Derek Salow, Dylan Salow, Heather Sabers, Kody Orcutt, Michael Mast and Morgan Manternach.

\$400 Direct Award to: _____ Mary Feldmann _____

Jim's Repair Shop Scholarship

Presenter--Jayne Hogan

Jim and Sharon raised four children and all graduated from MV. They have appreciated all the support and benefits their children have received in the past. Jim said, "It's time to start giving some back, and Dollars for Scholars is a great way to help some other families' children."

\$250 Direct Award to: _____ Emily O'Connell _____

Hopkinton Lions Club Scholarship

Presenter--Keith Kramer

Lions Club members are men and women who strive to make a difference in their local community. The Hopkinton Lions Club was the first service organization to fund an endowment for the Maquoketa Valley Chapter Dollars for Scholars.

\$250 Endowed Award to: _____ Kelsey Gearhart _____

\$250 Direct Award to: _____ Audrey Sheehy _____

\$250 Direct Award to: _____ Savannah Salow _____

\$250 Direct Award to: _____ Tiffany Hoeger _____

Curt Clifton & Lisa Laxson Scholarship

Presenter--Jim Clifton

Realizing the importance of education, Curt and Lisa have provided this scholarship. Curt received his PhD from Iowa State and taught at Rose Hullman College of Engineering before moving to Seattle to work for OMNI. Lisa received her MD from the University of Iowa and practiced medicine until futher her education to do medical research.

\$500 Direct Award to: _____ Clay Willenbring _____ Connie x 2

Clifton Family Scholarship

Presenter--Jim Clifton

Jim and Connie Clifton, original MV DFS Chapter Board members, continue to have a passion for the purpose of this program. Their two sons graduated from Maquoketa Valley, Phil in 1985 and Curt in 1988, and both are graduates of Iowa State University. The Cliftons are pleased to assist the students of MV in achieving their educational goals.

\$500 Endowed Award to: _____ Zach Salow _____

Winter Family Scholarship

Presenter--Jo Ann Winter

Kevin Winter established this family endowment. His father, Mark, had been a presenter and a supporter of MVDFS for several years. Mark and Ann are the parents of 5 MV graduates: Kathy Sabers, Kevin Winter, Karla O'Connor, Julie Freeland, and Joe Winter.

\$250 Endowed Award Funds to: _____ Dylan Salow _____ Connie

Bruce & Karen Knipper Family Scholarship

Presenter--Eric & Travis Knipper

Bruce & Karen farm near Delhi and they have three sons; Chad who is deceased, Eric, and Travis. Bruce and Eric are MV graduates and Travis is a junior. Karen has been a MV DFS Board Member since 2008. Bruce & Karen feel fortunate to live in a very generous and supportive community and this is a way for them to give back.

\$250 Endowed Award to: _____ Kody Orcutt _____ Brenda

Gary & Vicki Spellerberg Scholarship

Presenters--Gary & Vicki Spellerberg

Gary is a 1977 graduate of Maquoketa Valley and is employed as a New Product Coordinator at John Deere in Dubuque. Vicki has taught Business Education courses at MV since 1983. Five of the courses she teaches are for a college credit and she enjoys helping students with their college career plans. Both Gary & Vicki are excited to provide financial assistance through Dollars for Scholars to MV graduates as they work towards achieving their educational and career goals.

\$500 Endowed Award to: _____Morgan Manternach_____Steve

Delhi Lions Club Scholarship

Presenter--Angie Brockhohn

The Delhi Lions Club has given scholarships for many years using funds raised by their club activities in the community. It established an endowment which will provide earnings for a Dollars for Scholars scholarship every year.

\$337 Endowed Award Plus \$113 MV DFS Funds to: _____Ashley Holtz_____Brenda

Maquoketa Valley "Staff Fun Day" Scholarship

Presenter--Doug Tuetken

A casual day is offered once a month at the MV facilities. The staff members that participate in this event are pleased to donate money to provide this scholarship for one of their graduates.

\$900 Direct Award to: _____Bailey Lubben_____

Steve & Lisa Dircks Scholarship

Presenter--Lisa Dircks

Steve and Lisa Dircks look forward to seeing another graduate receive their scholarship. They are both very active in their community and spend a great deal of time on our youth's future through the Dollars for Scholars and MV Athletic Boosters.

\$750 Endowed Award to: _____Steve Huber_____Steve x 2

Clarence & Brian Spellerberg Memorial

Presenter--Lisa Dircks

Clarence and Arlene Spellerberg farmed near Earlville since 1964. They raised 5 MV graduates and 4 of their 10 grandchildren graduated from MV. Clarence enjoyed people, fishing, was an avid Cubs fan, card player, Hawkeye fan, and he always had a smile. He passed away in 2011. Their son, Brian, married his high school sweetheart. Brian loved the farm. In 1984 he was killed in a farm accident at the age of 22. Brian and Tammy had two children, Todd and Amy. Their family presents this scholarship in their memory.

\$500 Endowed Award to: _____Ashley Holtz_____

Vernon Melchert Memorial

Presenter--Paula Woods

Vernon Melchert was a long time farmer from the Buck Creek area of the District. Vernon and his wife Therese knew the value of education raising and graduating 10 children through the Maquoketa Valley School System. Vernon also drove an MV School bus for many years. Vernon passed away earlier this year and proceeds from his memorials are being used to fund this scholarship.

\$250 Direct Award to: _____Clay Willenbring_____Ann

Alberta Ronnebaum Memorial

Presenter--Dianne Oberbroeckling, Marilyn Althoff & Donna Poehnelt-Kaiser

The Alberta Ronnebaum Memorial is provided by her family who knew it would please her to be helping someone further their education. Alberta was always interested in education and participated in her grandchildren and great-grandchildren's activities who attended MV. She was a very caring and giving person who touched many lives, young and old, in the area, by her faith and example.

\$475 Direct Award Plus \$25 MV DFS Funds to: _____Chris Hoeger____Connie

Class of 2002 Cory Bonert Memorial

Presenter--Jayne Hogan

The Class of 2002 raised money to create this endowment and provide scholarships in memory of their classmate, Cory Bonert. Cory was a leader and his classmates looked up to him and went to him for advice. He loved playing football and being with friends.

\$236 Endowed Award Plus \$44 MV DFS Funds to: _____Kody Orcutt_____

Deb Hardin Memorial

Presenters--Molly Franzenburg, Jeremy Hardin, Nora Billmeyer & Hannah Hardin

Deb Hardin spent her life enjoying her friends and family, and helping others. She was a hard worker in long term health care for many years. While living in Hopkinton, Iowa she and her husband Terry raised 4 children; all of which are MV grads. She was always partaking in their lives and loved visiting and watching her 7 grandchildren which range in age from newborn to 20 years.

\$305 Direct Award to: _____Tiffany Hoeger_____Steve

Chesnut Family Scholarship

Presenter--Lynn Chesnut

As long time residents of the area, we have had our two children graduate from Maquoketa Valley, Andrea (1991) and Jeff (1995), and currently our six grandchildren are attending MV. We are firm believers of the importance of continuing education for the establishment of a solid career foundation and it gives us great pleasure to provide this annual scholarship.

\$250 Endowed Award to: _____Vicky Agromayor_____Connie

Greg Schnittjer Memorial

Presenter--Randy Reth

The Greg Schnittjer Memorial Scholarship started in 1987. Greg enjoyed football, track and creative writing while at MV and was an expert downhill skier. Greg's family is Roger and Marilyn, and his sisters are Anne and Sara. Greg graduated from MV in 1982 and the University of Iowa in 1986.

\$600 Direct Award to: _____Abby Jay_____Judy