

ELKHORN PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOUNDATION



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Summer 2014



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"Among its many benefits, giving liberates the soul of the giver." - Maya Angelou

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Mission

The Elkhorn Public Schools Foundation promotes student achievement and the unity of our community and its public schools by encouraging, supporting and recognizing excellence in innovative education, quality school programs and civic involvement.

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Welcome Summer!

Whose soul doesn't feel a little liberated at the start of summer? All the blooming flowers and outdoor activities tend to put us in a good mood - so does giving of our time, money and experience to help others.

Our 15th Annual Golf Fore Grants Tournament fundraiser will be held on June 9th at Shadow Ridge Country Club. Sponsorships and foursomes may still be available. Come enjoy the weather and help support a great cause.

Elkhorn Kids Campus has put together a fun summer calendar for over 300 elementary-age students. We have over 950 students registered for EKC/ACE this fall, so they are also hard at work planning for a busy school year ahead.

These summer months will fly by, and before we know it, we'll be launching our Grant-A-Wish campaign in August and preparing for the 20th Anniversary of our Hall of Fame in October. If you have a chance this summer, stop in to have a cup of coffee and discuss the opportunities available to support Elkhorn Public Schools students. We'd love your help with these efforts.

Hope to see you soon!

Foundation Welcomes New Board President

Earlier this year I was privileged to take over from Mike Peterson as the President of the Elkhorn Public Schools Foundation. As an (almost) lifelong resident and K-12 graduate of Elkhorn, I am very proud to be a part of an organization that continues to contribute so much to the educational experience that played such a huge role in shaping my life. When my wife Kendra and I were able to move back to the Metro area a few years



Scot Ringenberg, President of the Elkhorn Public Schools Foundation Board of Directors, with his wife Kendra and their three children.

ago, there really wasn't a choice as to where we were going to put down roots and raise our family...Elkhorn. We now have a 3rd-grader-to-be (Mallory), a 1st-grader-to-be (Garrett) who attend EPS and a preschooler (Cameron). With Mal and Garrett, we have been able to experience first-hand the benefits of the top-tier educators in the district who are supported by the Foundation.

With the school year winding down it also brings to a close another successful year for the Foundation. Over the last year we have worked alongside the District to enhance the educational experience by funding classroom programming, technology updates, continuing education for teachers, and a myriad of additional programs. With the numerous accolades recently bestowed on the District by various national publications, it's clear that our joint efforts are producing tangible results in the classroom. That being said, we can always do more. Our ability to provide support to the District is a direct function of the generosity of the community at-large. Please take some time to review what the Foundation is doing in the District (elkhornfoundation.org/programs) and let us know how you can help support our efforts to further improve the best public school system in Nebraska.

As a final note, I would like to take this opportunity to thank outgoing Board Member Sarah Morgan for her years of service to the Foundation. Sarah has been instrumental in making the Foundation the successful venture that it is today. Her passion and leadership have served as a great example for the rest of us on the Board and we will be hard-pressed to fill her shoes with someone who cares about the District as much as she does. We will miss you Sarah!

Hoping everyone has a safe and enjoyable summer!
-Scot



HONORING ACHIEVEMENT

Scholarship Program

One hundred and four scholarships totaling more than \$160,000 were awarded to students on Tuesday, April 29th at Elkhorn High School and Wednesday, April 30th at Elkhorn South High School.

The Elkhorn Public Schools Foundation hosted more than 120 guests at each scholarship recognition breakfast honoring students for their academic, athletic and personal achievements. Scholarship sponsors were also invited to attend the event to meet their student recipients.

Among the many functions of the Elkhorn Public Schools Foundation is the management of the scholarship program. The scholarship application and selection process is intense and is created as such to ensure the scholarships are awarded to deserving students who meet the defined criteria.



Andrew Randall, the Rick Christmas Memorial Scholarship Recipient from EHS, with Principal Dan Radicia and Pat Christmas.

Criteria and committees differ for each scholarship and are created by scholarship donors.

If you would like to contribute to this worthwhile cause or create a new scholarship, please contact the Elkhorn Public Schools Foundation.



ACHIEVE Awards

Exposure to core academic rigor, elective course sequences, community service and school activities often promote success during and after high school. Graduating seniors who achieve designated criteria and submit an application are recognized as ACHIEVE Award recipients, wear a special honor cord during the graduation ceremony, and will be receiving an ACHIEVE monetary award.

Elkhorn South High School ACHIEVE Awards

Gold - \$600 Award

Brooke Adams
Joshua Alberts
Nicolle Barmettler
Edward Berry
Joseph Blodgett
Rachel Busselman
Cheryl Circo
Madison Ethen
Allison Gabel
Rachel Gibson
Jacob Givens
Kathryn Hanson
Allison Hauger
Ryan Head
Riley Heller
Megan Kucks
Justin Loerts
Tyler Martin
Halle Mason
Alec McCarthy
Nick McEwin
Jacob Melcher

Katherine Nawrocki Joseph Nelson Kevin Oran Raymond Paetz Collin Peterson Mason Rasmussen Joseph Reger Rachel Saag Lauren Strubbe Elizabeth Vandergriend Kelsey Young

Silver - \$400 Award

Janie Barber
Kedzie Becker
Alisa Bohac
Bethany Emsick
Hope Fischer
KayLee Flower
Jordan Hathaway
Alena Kipp
Kelley Kruger
Evan Lehn

Bronze - \$200 Award

Benjamin Behrens
Rachel Bukoskie
Ryan Christensen
Trevor Kubie
Connor Luedtke
Lindsey Parodi
Katelyn Toliver

Elkhorn High School ACHIEVE Awards

Gold - \$600 Award

Alyssa Byar
Jacob Carlson
Caleb Craven
Madeline Eldridge
Kayla Epp
Aaron Greenberg
Kielynn Havermann
Jesse Holmes
Amanda Houston
Alexandra Janvrin
YuanYuan Jiang
Anel Vidal Lu
Dan Watson

Silver - \$400 Award

Andrew Aulner
Karen Avery
Molly Bond
Josh Enholm
Julie Foster
Nicole Jewett

Samuel Larson
Jacy Michael
Olivia Neth
Wyatt Osborn
Austin Seagren
Michael Shavlik
Mallory Wescom

Bronze - \$200 Award

Sarah Brand
Connor Cameron
Amanda Ewoldt
Samuel Gerdes
Abigail Hamik
Emily Heimann
Jennifer Hill
Bailey Kelley
Megan Lehr
Taylor Penn
Amanda Pickering
Taylor Simones
Kylee Vaske

Elkhorn High School Scholarship Recipients



AXA Advisors Scholarship - Molly Bond
 Barbara McLaughlin Memorial Scholarship - Wyatt Osborn
 Carl L. and Mary A. White Scholarship - Jacob Carlson
 Carl Riley Brodersen Memorial Baseball Scholarship - Kellen Jakopovic
 Carl Riley Brodersen Memorial Football Scholarship - Caleb Craven
 Carl Riley Brodersen Memorial Softball Scholarship - Julie Foster
 Carol S. Schlosser Memorial Scholarship - Alyssa Byar
 Class of 61 Echtencamp/Warren/Paasch-Wilkins Memorial Scholarship - Samuel Orozco Contreras
 Dennis Curtis Scholarship - Jennifer Pearson
 DLR Excellence in Education Scholarship - Julie Foster
 Don Petersen Family Scholarship - Sarah Brand, Caleb Craven, Amanda Pickering & Michael Shavlik
 Elkhorn Girls Softball Association Scholarship - Julie Foster
 EHS Band Booster Scholarship - Amanda Houston
 Elkhorn Historical Society Scholarship - Alex Janvrin
 Elkhorn Lawn Care Entrepreneur Scholarship - Colin Stiles
 Elkhorn Lions Club Arnold Fencil Scholarship - Jennifer Pearson
 Elkhorn Middle School Booster Club Scholarship - Molly Bond
 EPSF Boys Extra-Curricular Scholarship - Jacob Carlson
 EPSF Girls Extra-Curricular Scholarship - Alex Janvrin
 Elkhorn Volunteer Rescue Scholarship - Allison Schmutz
 Hillrise Elementary PTO Scholarship - Jacy Michael
 Kayla Wilkins Memorial Scholarship - Rachel Jesske
 Kids Campus Employee Scholarship - Julie Foster
 Kids Campus Former Student Scholarship - Madeline Eldridge
 Legacy Eyecare Scholarship - Caleb Craven & Kielynn Havermann
 Leola J. Ohm Memorial Scholarship - Taylor Simones
 Manchester Elementary PTO Scholarship - Valentino Hahn & Megan Lehr
 Nathan Waggoner Memorial Scholarship - Dan Watson
 Nick Alfrey Memorial Scholarship - Julie Foster
 No Frills Personal Best Scholarship - Allison Schmutz
 pARTners Scholarship - Andrew Aulner & Taylor Simones
 Real World Initiative Scholarship - Samuel Orozco Contreras
 Rick Christmas Memorial Scholarship - Andrew Randall
 Vic Porter Memorial Scholarship - Caleb Craven
 Western Douglas County Rotary Scholarship - Alyssa Byar
 Westridge Elementary PTO Scholarship - Amanda Houston
 William Patton Science Scholarship - Sajya Singh
 Wortman/Bacus Commitment to Excellence Scholarship - Jacob Carlson & Caleb Craven
 EPSF Scholarships: Molly Bond, Alyssa Byar, Caleb Craven, Kayla Epp, Kielynn Havermann, Amanda Houston, Alex Janvrin, Wyatt Osborn & Dan Watson

Elkhorn South High School Scholarship Recipients



AXA Advisors Scholarship - Allison Gabel
 Carl L. and Mary A. White Scholarship - Jacob Givens
 DLR Excellence in Education Scholarship - Rachel Gibson
 Don Nordlund Scholarship - Connor Luedtke
 Dr. Harriet Bluford Memorial Scholarship - Rachel Gibson
 Elkhorn Girls Softball Association Scholarship - Katie Nawrocki
 Elkhorn Historical Society Scholarship - Alisa Bohac
 Elkhorn Lawn Care Entrepreneur Scholarship - Virginia Chochon
 Elkhorn Lions Club Arnold Fencil Scholarship - Vincent McCashland
 EPSF Boys Extra-Curricular Scholarship - Joseph Nelson
 EPSF Girls Extra-Curricular Scholarship - Kathryn Hanson
 Elkhorn Ridge Middle School Booster Club Scholarship - Alec McCarthy & Jordan Hathaway
 ESHS Football Boosters Club Scholarship - Riley Heller & Joseph Nelson
 ESHS Football Futures Scholarship - Nick McEwin & Steve Worthing
 ESHS Soccer Booster Club Boys Soccer Scholarship - Brandon Roarty
 ESHS Soccer Booster Club Girls Soccer Scholarship - Megan Kucks
 ESHS Wrestling Booster Scholarship - Ryan Christensen & Tyler Martin
 Elkhorn Volunteer Rescue Scholarship - Megan Kucks
 Elkhorn/Waterloo Area American Legion Post #211 Scholarship - Connor Luedtke
 Fire Ridge Elementary PTO Scholarship - Madeline Simmons & Alec McCarthy
 John Greufe Memorial Scholarship - Hope Fischer
 Kids Campus Employee Scholarship - Savannah Rave
 Kids Campus Former Student Scholarship - Kevin Oran
 Legacy Eyecare Scholarship - Ben Behrens & Megan Kucks
 Nate Pullen Memorial Scholarship - Bethany Emsick
 No Frills Personal Best Scholarship - Ryan Head
 Skyline Elementary PTO Scholarship - Alisa Bohac
 Spring Ridge Elementary PTO Scholarship - Jacob Givens
 Western Douglas County Rotary Scholarship - KayLee Flower
 EPSF Scholarships: Brooke Adams, Nicolle Barmettler, Edward Berry, Rachel Gibson, Jacob Givens, Kathryn Hanson, Riley Heller, Tyler Martin, Alec McCarthy, Joseph Nelson, Kevin Oran, Joseph Paetz, Lauren Strubbe & Kelsey Young

15th GOLF FORE GRANTS

Supporting extraordinary educational opportunities in Elkhorn Public Schools



Monday, June 9, 2014
 Shadow Ridge Country Club
 1815 S. 192nd Street
 Omaha, NE 68130



Sponsorship Opportunities

\$5,000 Dinner Benefactor

- Logo on Our Website, Banner & Program
- Paid Foursome
- 4 Eagle Card Packages & 8 Beverage Coupons

\$1,500 Lunch Benefactor

- Logo on Our Website, Banner & Program
- 4 Eagle Card Packages & 4 Beverage Coupons

\$500 Poker Sponsor

- Name on Our Website, Banner & Program
- 4 Beverage Coupons

\$250 Beverage Cart Sponsor

- Name on Our Website & Program
- Name on Beverage Cart Signage

\$200 Breakfast Sponsor

- Name on Our Website & Program
- Name on Breakfast Signage

\$150 Hole Sponsor

- Name on Our Website & Program
- Name on Signage on Course

9-Hole Morning Round

- \$75 per golfer/\$300 per foursome
- 7:30 AM Registration & Breakfast
- 8:00 AM Shotgun Start
- Light Breakfast and Lunch Grill Out
- Flag and Tournament Prizes
- Raffle Tickets and Mulligans Available

18-Hole Afternoon Round

- \$175 per golfer/\$700 per foursome
- 11:00 AM Registration & Lunch
- Noon Shotgun Start
- Lunch Grill Out and Ribeye Dinner
- Flag and Tournament Prizes
- Raffle Tickets and Mulligans Available
- Poker and Other On-Course Contests
- Eagle Card Packages Available

Enter or sponsor using this form or at www.elkhornfoundation.org.

Entry: I/We wish to play AM PM BOTH.

Player #1 Name _____
 Address _____
 City/State/Zip _____
 Phone/Email _____

Player #3 Name _____
 Address _____
 City/State/Zip _____
 Phone/Email _____

Player #2 Name _____
 Address _____
 City/State/Zip _____
 Phone/Email _____

Player #4 Name _____
 Address _____
 City/State/Zip _____
 Phone/Email _____

_____ # of Eagle Cards @ \$75 each (incl. 4 on-course games, golf poker, five mulligans & 5 raffle tickets - PM ONLY. A \$95 value.)

I/we would like to play with the following additional players: _____

Sponsorship: I would be happy to SPONSOR at the following level: _____

Payment Options: (mail to EPSE, 20214 Veterans Drive, Suite 400, Elkhorn, NE 68022)

- Check enclosed payable to EPSE
- Visa or MasterCard. Name on Card: _____
- Card #: _____ Exp.: _____ CVV: _____

Total Amount Enclosed: \$ _____
 Tax deductible donation: \$50 for PM golfer or \$15 for AM golfer plus any sponsorship donation. Please consult your tax advisor for details.



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Save the Date

Hall of Fame Nominations Due	May 31
Golf Fore Grants	June 9
First Day of School	August 11
Grant A Wish Donations for Classroom Grants Due	October 1
Hall of Fame Awards Ceremony & Reception	October 26

2nd Annual Bids 4 Kids Fundraiser

The Elkhorn Public Schools Foundation hosted its 2nd Annual Bids 4 Kids Ladies Night Out fundraiser on April 10th at The Ridge Banquet Facility.

The community event raised almost \$20,000 to help fund a new math intervention program for elementary students and help families in need in our community through a donation to Womenade of Elkhorn.

The silent auction featured nearly 250 items, many of which were donated by District families and local businesses like Gunderson's Fine Jewelry and Bellissimo Salon & Spa. High school coaches, athletic directors, and T7 Fitness offered spots in all their youth summer camps; and Elkhorn Public Schools principals provided "school experiences" such as VIP parking, lunches in the classroom, and principal for a day.

"Proceeds from Bids 4 Kids will help us meet a Math Intervention need identified earlier this year. Much like the Foundation-funded Reading Intervention program, this new math program is offered to students who need a little extra one-on-one help before or after school to master their math skills. This will help build confidence, improve grades and impact testing scores," states Stacey L. Falk, Executive Director of the Elkhorn Public Schools Foundation. She adds, "Bids 4 Kids is a great example of our remarkable community - generous local sponsors and donors, amazing committee volunteers, gracious school staff, and Foundation friends who attended the event - all coming together to make a difference in children's lives."



Several members of the 2014 Bids 4 Kids Committee



Elementary Principals Jan Peterson and Jen Coltvet

Thank You To Our Sponsors:

