



Gull Lake Community Schools Foundation

**Now More Than Ever.**



2006 - 2007  
**Annual  
Report**

“I am impressed with the growing scope and scale of our Gull Lake Community Schools Foundation. With the continuing unreliability of federal and state funding for education,



private support through the Foundation will be essential to provide the margin of excellence for our Gull Lake Students.”

- Russ Mawby  
Former Gull Lake School  
Board Member

# The mission of Gull Lake Community Schools Foundation is to promote excellence in education within the Gull Lake Community Schools.



## Building for tomorrow. Growing for today.

### 2006-2007 Accomplishments

This year, thanks to the support of people and organizations throughout the district, the Gull Lake Community Schools Foundation again played an important role in our schools' ongoing success.

Here's just an overview of what we accomplished together:

- We reached an annual income of \$151,000.00.
- We funded 28 grants totaling \$59,000. Those grants purchased 218 new books for the new High School Media Center, provided 540 elementary school students with a year-long interactive math program, gave needed funding for 240 fifth graders to attend camp, and helped maintain an important Aesthetic Education program for 440 intermediate students. Our grants sent 22 high school students to the 2007 Model United Nations Conference, purchased pedometers for fourth-grade science students, and funded a leadership training experience at Sherman Lake YMCA for 600 students. Plus they did much more. (Don't miss the complete listing in this Annual Report.)
- We helped 20 students reach their educational goals through \$49,000 in scholarships.
- We recognized 20 Distinguished Academic Scholars.
- We created a new group of supporters called Friends of the Foundation.
- We realigned our board to better represent our community.
- We increased community awareness with ongoing marketing communications.
- We kicked off a new initiative to raise special funds for the creation of a Living History program. As part of an ongoing effort to encourage creativity and foster a vibrant learning environment in our schools, this effort will include presentations for both students and community residents.
- We helped bring Sir Ken Robinson to Kalamazoo. A senior advisor to the J. Paul Getty Trust in Los Angeles, Ken formerly chaired the British National Advisory Committee on Creative and Cultural Education, which was the largest-ever inquiry into the importance of creativity in education and the economy. While here, he delivered a powerful address to educators and business people on the importance of nurturing innovative solutions in the classroom and every aspect of modern life. Over 30 Gull Lake teachers and administrators attended the presentation and met afterward to discuss the direction the district could take.





“ My highlight for serving on the Gull Lake Community Schools Foundation board is to witness the intensity and vigor that community members place into the schools. We are all blessed by those efforts. ”

- Kathy Schacher  
Middle School Teacher

Dear Friends,

From all of us in the Education Foundation, thank you for your kindness, generosity, and support to our school district and community.

The Foundation continues to grow in numbers and support. The added membership to our Board of Trustees has created new energy, enthusiasm, and dedication.

The Foundation is a great way to support our local school district and the children we serve. Each year, the Foundation provides recognition and reward for outstanding academic and community performance. Gifts of student scholarships, teacher incentives, and district initiatives have been the hallmark of this outstanding organization. These have included college scholarships to graduating seniors, incentive grants for creative teaching, and support for new programming.

This annual report will outline the many “good things” that your contribution supports. Please take a moment to learn more about the Foundation and the “good work” they accomplish.

Sincerely,

Rich Ramsey  
Executive Director

Greetings,

Welcome to the 2006–2007 annual report for the Gull Lake Community Schools Foundation.

As you read the report, you’ll see that it has been an exceptional year. Thanks to gifts from more than 210 donors, the Foundation raised over \$151,000.00. This proves something we have long believed: our community is both generous and forward thinking.

This year’s gifts allowed us to award more than \$108,000 via 28 grants and 20 scholarships. Plus, we were able to recognize 20 Distinguished Academic Scholars, helping us fulfill our mission “To Promote Excellence in Education.”

Today, in tough economic times, the need for the Foundation’s support continues to grow. We are truly blessed to live in this part of the world and to work with such wonderful people and organizations. We must continue to work together toward a bright future for our children, our schools, and our community.

Read this report; it’s an excellent account of the progress we’re making. Then join me, on behalf of our Board of Trustees, in resolving to continue the great work we are accomplishing together. Let’s support the Gull Lake Community Schools Foundation. Now more than ever.

Sincerely,

Mark Lancaster  
Board of Trustees Chairperson



## See how we learn. See how we grow.

The Gull Lake Community Schools Foundation is an organization of business people and moms and dads, of community leaders and friends and neighbors. We are from all walks of our community's life, yet our goal is the same: educational excellence. We challenge ourselves and our schools to reach beyond the expected, to find new and better ways to teach, learn, and grow. By working together, we fill the financial gap between public support and our district's needs. By listening and responding to our teachers, students, and administrators, we help them create an educational environment that is innovative and exciting. A place where our children can explore all the possibilities of today's world, enabling them to excel and grow in that world, and in the world of the future.

### A simple, yet critical goal: excellence.

At Gull Lake Community Schools, our schools have long set a high standard. They've always reached for excellence. But there is a gap between the cost of equipping our children for their world and the public funding our schools receive. For nearly 25 years, the Gull Lake Community Schools Foundation has been closing that gap. In this annual report to the residents of our district, you'll find details of how we're reaching higher, enabling our schools—our instructors, administrators, and students—to be the best they can be.

### A means to get there: grants.

At the heart of the Foundation's efforts are grants, which are distributed each year from the Gull Lake Community Schools Foundation. The grants fall into three categories:

- **Curiosity.** These grants are for students who want to explore in-depth a problem or issue they've been studying.
- **General.** These give administrators and teachers the resources to purchase new equipment and to develop creative new programs or projects.
- **Incentive.** These are offered to teachers for projects that enhance their in-class expertise; they can fund training, additional resources, in-the-field experiences, residencies, and partnerships.

### Help for the road ahead: scholarships.

Each year, the Gull Lake Community Schools Foundation also invests in the future of our graduating seniors. Through an array of scholarships, we help these important members of our community defray the rising costs of college.

### A constant focus on what matters.

We believe that by focusing our efforts on the needs in our school buildings and classrooms, we are having a significant, positive impact on the lives of students and on the life of our community. Take time to read the details of what we've accomplished in the past year. Then, when you've finished this report, consider helping us in the year ahead. Join us as we keep our focus on excellence and on helping each student learn at the highest level.



# Support. For Dreams. Ideas. Needs.

## Our 2006-2007 Grants

The Gull Lake Community Schools Foundation enhances the educational environment by providing grants to benefit students, teachers, and administrators. Here's a look at the projects our grants helped make possible during the past year.



### General Grants

#### Kellogg Elementary, Kindergarten

*ABC Book:* Children created their own book, featuring pictures of themselves forming letters with their bodies and drawings of objects and words that begin with each letter in the alphabet. Published by Studenttreasures Publishing, the book fostered excitement for writing among some of our youngest students. Each student took home a copy.

#### Ryan Intermediate School and Gull Lake High School, Special Education

*Strengthening Families:* At-risk students and their families learned valuable family-building skills thanks to this program, presented in coordination with Prevention Works. Our grant helped defray the cost of using the Richland Community Center for the seven-session program, which covered important topics ranging from substance abuse to building family cohesion.

#### Richland Elementary and Bedford Elementary, Kindergarten through 3rd Grade

*Disc O'Sit Junior Cushions:* These one-of-a-kind cushions offer a creative and positive way to help young students get the movement they need during study times while staying seated. Our grant enabled teachers to purchase cushions for children throughout their buildings.

#### Gull Lake High School, Performing Arts Company

*Electric Piano:* This portable, high-quality piano helped our acclaimed Gull Lake Performing Arts Company perform to its usual high standards in the Michigan High School Theatre Competition tour show. It will become part of the group's permanent inventory of equipment, ensuring future students will have the instruments they need to maintain our long-standing reputation for excellence in the fine arts.

#### Gull Lake High School

*Model U.N.:* For over 50 years, high school and college students have developed crucial leadership skills by participating in Model United Nations. To date, there has been no school funding for the teachers who advise the program and the students who attend the UN conference. Even with a \$70 student participation fee, the Gull Lake U.N. program has had a financial shortfall. Our grant allowed the organization to eliminate the shortfall and reduce the cost per student.

#### Gull Lake High School

*Media Center Books:* In anticipation of the move to the new Gull Lake High School, the high school media staff has been evaluating books in its fiction collection. Using funds from the Gull Lake Community Schools Foundation, these advisors worked with book suppliers to identify and purchase outstanding contemporary titles. This allowed the staff to maintain the right blend of classics and new fiction, an important step in creating life-long readers.

#### Gull Lake High School

*Wheelchairs:* When the new school opens, faculty and students will be on two different floors. To meet the needs of injured students and teachers, the office and health room requested funds for two wheelchairs. The grant replaced an old model and will help the school run efficiently, eliminating the need to retrieve a single chair when more than one person needs assistance.





### Gull Lake Middle School

*Appearance by poet Terry Wooten:* As part of their ongoing efforts to encourage interest in the writing craft, teachers Lisa Miller and Danielle Vert asked for funding to support a series of four one-hour poetry presentations. Terry Wooten, a gifted presenter and a northern Michigan native, gave seventh graders unique insight into poetry that is based on the sights, attitudes, and people of their state.

### Ryan Intermediate School

*Quilting Materials:* Each year, fifth-grade teacher Margaret Ells uses a quilting project as a combined social studies and reading lesson. The class then donates the quilt to a local charity. This year, our grant helped cover the costs of a new supply of fabric paint and other tools. The paint should last for several years, as should the quilt, which was given to the Binkey Project of Kalamazoo.

### Kellogg Elementary

*Numbers Corner:* This interactive program is a valuable tool for teaching math skills and introducing broad concepts throughout the school year. Daily lessons help students think critically, make connections, and reason mathematically. By granting the funds to purchase Numbers Corner materials, the Foundation helped second-grade and third-grade teachers build a solid foundation in a critical learning area.

### Ryan Intermediate School

*Pedometers:* Two fourth-grade teachers wanted to give students a hands-on—or feet-on—lesson in nutrition and exercise. They asked the Foundation to fund the purchase of pedometers. Our grant to purchase 75 of the devices enabled the students to monitor the number of steps they take each day, and encouraged them to not only chart their progress toward a 10,000-steps-per-day goal, but also to lead healthier lives.

### Ryan Intermediate School

*Girls on the Run:* We helped cover the cost of transporting the Gull Lake Community Schools' Girls on the Run teams to their annual 5K run, which was held at Western Michigan University. Participation in this program is growing rapidly; this year, nearly 100 of our elementary students learned the values of teamwork, self-discipline, and fitness through Girls on the Run.

### Ryan Intermediate School

*Aesthetic Education:* Since 2002, this exciting program, developed in New York City and brought to the area through the Kalamazoo Regional Educational Service Agency (KRESA), has provided fourth and fifth-graders two valuable art experiences each year. And its impact on teaching and learning is growing. This year, all of Ryan Intermediate's fourth and fifth-grade teachers participated in the weeklong Aesthetic Education training. Teaching artists (provided through KRESA) helped these teachers engage students as they reflected on, discussed, and researched works of art. This year, faced with cutbacks from the State of Michigan, our district was forced to curtail support for Aesthetic Education. The Foundation, acting on a request from Ryan Intermediate principal John Blakely, restored the funding.





# Support. For Dreams. Ideas. Needs.

## Our 2006-2007 Grants



### Ryan Intermediate School

*Fifth Grade Camp:* The annual camp experience for fifth-graders has been a tradition in our school district for decades. Over the past several years, due to budget cuts, community groups have donated funds to preserve that tradition. Even with that support, and with parents of participants paying \$125 per student, the program had a shortfall of nearly \$5,000. A grant from the Foundation made up that shortfall.

### Kellogg Elementary

*New Library Books:* With its collection carrying an average copyright year of 1993, the Kellogg Elementary library's nonfiction collection was in need of an upgrade. And the school also sought additions to its inventory of Accelerated Reader quizzes. The Foundation supplied a grant to fill the needs.

### Gull Lake Middle School

*Positive Character Program:* This pilot program, launched in the fall of 2007, is designed to help strengthen and embrace the consistent habits for building positive peer relations and a strength-based culture within Gull Lake Middle School. At the heart of the effort is a team-building day with activities coordinated by the Sherman Lake YMCA. School officials will measure the program's impact using absenteeism and tardiness rates, the number of discipline referrals, and the overall GPA rate of change for the lower third of the three grades. The Foundation provided a grant to fund the pilot; school officials hope to return with a request that will cover three additional years of leadership training and team building.

### Richland Elementary and Kellogg Elementary

*Time Timers:* Our elementary teachers are using these tools to help manage time during activities, to teach students how to tell time, and as a visual time reference during timed tests. The design of the Time Timers is also helpful for teaching students with special needs how to visualize a given amount of time.

### Richland Elementary

*Writer's Toolboxes:* One of our district's important goals is teaching and fostering the skill of writing. A grant from the Foundation put Writer's Toolboxes in the hands of children throughout Richland Elementary. The students can take home those toolboxes weekly, using them to write a book with their families. During the fall semester, students create a fiction book. In the winter/spring, they write a nonfiction book.

### Ryan Intermediate School

*Destination Imagination:* When a team of our fourth-graders placed second at the statewide competition for this creativity competition, the Destination Imagination sponsors requested and received a grant to support a trip to the competition's global finals in Knoxville, Tennessee. There, the students met and competed with children from around the world—the perfect culmination of a year of problem solving, innovation, research, and teamwork.





## Curiosity Grants

### Gull Lake High School

*National Young Leaders Conference:* Tenth-grader Jordan Kifer, who is interested in a career in International Affairs/Relations, used a grant from the Foundation to help support her trip to the NYLC in Washington D.C. This event draws students from across the country for six days of seminars, tours, discussions, and events, all designed to encourage future leaders and teach them about the political process.

### Gull Lake High School

*Apple Laptop Computer:* After suffering a traumatic brain injury, twelfth-grader Elliott Vogt had difficulty with fine motor skills and learning comprehension. When an unfamiliar computer and software forced him to drop a Film and Video class, Elliot, his teachers and family turned to the Foundation for a portion of the funds needed to buy a new one. The Foundation's grant helped purchase the laptop, which Elliot will use as he continues his education in college.

### Richland Elementary School

*Third Coast Writing Camp:* Four second-grade and third-grade students requested support to attend this camp for young writers, to be held at Western Michigan University. All of the students were identified by teachers as needing assistance. All showed a talent for writing. The Foundation's support enabled them to spend two weeks at this summer event. The experience not only expanded their skills, it encouraged them to share the joy of writing with fellow students.

### Richland Elementary School

*Art Class/Kalamazoo Institute of Arts:* First-grader Devon Stillwell has shown an exceptional talent at an early age. His teachers and family requested a grant that would help defray the cost of KIA summer drawing classes. By providing support, the Foundation invested not only in Devon's future, but also in his role as a representative of our schools at the KIA.

## Teacher Grants

### Richland and Kellogg Elementary

*Art Conference:* Art teacher Mary Michalak received Foundation support to attend the 57th annual Michigan Art Education Association conference in Lansing. The event offered opportunities for professional growth that ranged from training in clay forms to tours of Lansing-area museums. By helping to fund one teacher's attendance, our grant was an investment in the learning experience of approximately 450 elementary students.

### Richland Elementary School

*Kindergarten Conference:* Two elementary teachers, Jennifer Flickinger and Jacquelyn Klepper, received funding that enabled them to attend an information-rich two-day event. The annual Bureau of Education and Research Kindergarten Conference gave the instructors new ideas to help them in teaching key subjects. It also offered insight that will serve them well as they help develop the district's kindergarten curriculum.





# Support for the next step of the journey.

## 2006-2007 Scholarships

The Gull Lake Community Schools Foundation has a history of helping our high school graduates take the next step...college. By administrating and awarding scholarships to those whose needs and achievements set them apart, we help them offset the costs of their education, making an investment in their future and ours.



### Roland D. Armour Scholarship

**Criteria:** Gull Lake High School senior with a 2.0 or above GPA; financial need; school/community involvement.

**Award:** \$400; **Winner:** Clayton Baker

### Barlow Family Scholarship In Memory of Brandon Christopher Barlow/Mellema

**Criteria:** Gull Lake High School senior with a 3.0 or above GPA; planning on pursuing mathematics (special consideration given to athletic participants).

**Award:** \$600; **Winner:** Andrew Thielking

### Benjamin R. Baker Memorial Scholarship

**Criteria:** Gull Lake High School senior with a minimum of a 2.5 GPA; participated in Education for Employment (EFE); pursuing post-secondary education related to EFE experience; CAD program emphasis preferred.

**Award:** \$1,000; **Winner:** Justin Johnson

### Coca Cola Healthy Lifestyle Scholarship

**Criteria:** Gull Lake High School senior with a 3.0 GPA or above; demonstrating healthy lifestyle for yourself and the world around you.

**Award:** \$1,000; **Winner:** Chelsey White

### Jim Field Memorial Scholarship

**Criteria:** Gull Lake High School senior with a 3.0; pursuing a career in business or a related field; preference given to a student who participated in golf.

**Award:** \$1,000; **Winner:** Mitch Maiers

### Gull Lake Area Community Volunteers— Men's\*

**Criteria:** Gull Lake High School senior with volunteer participation in Kalamazoo area.

**Award:** \$1,000; **Winner:** MacKenzie Meekhof

### Gull Lake Area Community Volunteers— Women's\* (2)

**Criteria:** Gull Lake High School senior; volunteer participation within the greater Kalamazoo area.

**Award:** \$1,000;

**Winner:** Linnea Czerney and Emma Knight

### Gull Lake Area Rotary Club Scholarship

**Criteria:** Gull Lake High School senior wishing to pursue the field of business.

**Award:** \$500; **Winner:** Laurel Sutherland

### Gull Lake Education Association\*

**Criteria:** Gull Lake High School senior planning on pursuing a career in education.

**Award:** \$500; **Winner:** Matt Furrow

### Lee Kermit Scholarship\*

**Criteria:** Gull Lake High School senior planning on entering a health-related field; minimum 2.5 GPA.

**Award:** \$200; **Winner:** Kim Feathers



“ On behalf of the staff, students, and parents of the Performing Arts Company, thank you for your continued tradition of support. We now have a wonderful, versatile, electric stage piano for this tour competition, and future productions as well. Your unwavering support of theatre and music in this district has a lot to do with the caliber of programming we offer the kids. ”

- Robin Nott  
High School Teacher



#### Ladies of the Lake Scholarship\*

**Criteria:** Gull Lake High School senior entering nursing or medical field; academic success; leadership; minimum of a 3.0 GPA.

**Award:** \$1,000; **Winner:** Carley St. Clair

#### Melanie Noel Chojnowski Scholarship

**Criteria:** Gull Lake High School senior with a minimum of a 3.0 GPA planning to enter the nursing profession.

**Award:** \$250; **Winner:** Ben Leversee

#### Michael C. Mellema Memorial Scholarship

**Criteria:** Gull Lake High School senior planning to attend a Michigan college full time (preferably WMU or Ferris); a minimum of a 2.5 GPA at the end of their junior year; entering one of the following majors; engineering, paper and print sciences, graphic design, printing management and marketing, or art and design.

**Award:** \$2,500; 4-year renewable;

**Winner:** Laura Holt

#### Michael Bailey Memorial Scholarship

**Criteria:** Gull Lake High School junior; minimum 3.3 GPA at the end of the first semester of junior year; financial need.

**Award:** \$1,500; 4-year renewable;

**Winner:** Brenae Bowman

#### Shawn B. Harnden Memorial Scholarship

**Criteria:** Gull Lake High School senior with a minimum of a 2.5 GPA; participated in Education for Employment (EFE); preference given to Animation and/or Film and Video.

**Award:** \$1,000; **Winner:** MacKenzie Meekhof

#### Parker Hannifin Engineering Scholarship

**Criteria:** Gull Lake High School senior planning to enroll in a college full time; interested in pursuing a technical career and a 3.0 GPA in core curriculum classes.

**Award:** \$1,000; **Winner:** Evan Walbridge

#### James R. Ryan Family Foundation Gull Lake Middle School Scholarship

**Criteria:** Gull Lake eighth grader with 2.5 cumulative GPA or higher who demonstrates good citizenship, high moral character, financial need, and potential for academic success in preparation for college.

**Award:** \$5,000 annual; renewable up to \$20,000; **Winner:** Danielle Boshers

#### Joan Split Scholarship

**Criteria:** Gull Lake High School senior; minimum 3.5 GPA; wishing to pursue a course of study in library and/or information services.

**Award:** \$1,000; **Winner:** Sarah Nott

#### Glenn Zylstra Scholarship

**Criteria:** Gull Lake High School senior; based on need; at discretion of high school counselors.

**Award:** \$250; **Winner:** Elliott Vogt





“It was an awesome night. I enjoyed hearing my fellow students give a speech about their favorite teachers. It is amazing to see the many ways our teachers influence the students.”

- Mitch Maiers  
Class of 2007

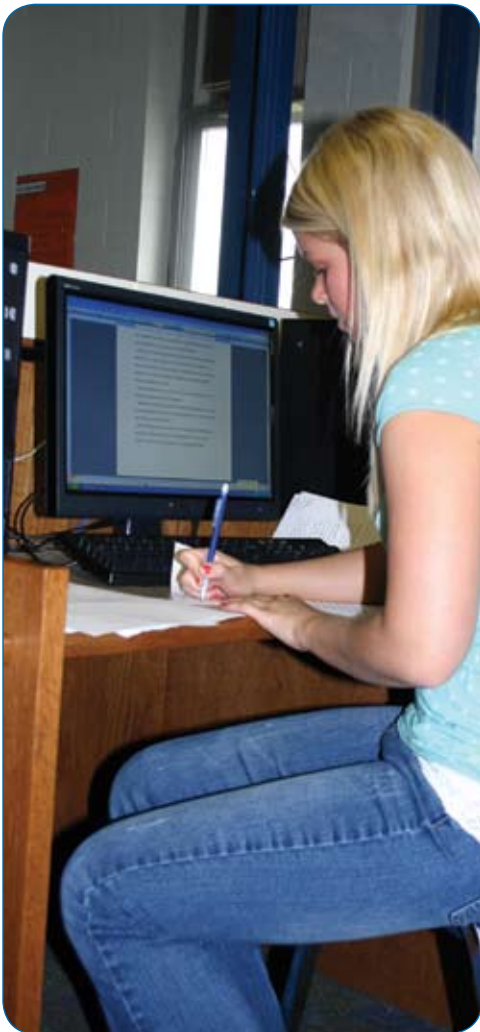


## A salute to our best.

### Distinguished Academic Scholars, 2007

Gull Lake Community Schools has a rich history of exceptional educational performance. This year, as every year, the Foundation saluted the best of our best, seniors who have earned a 3.9 or higher grade point average for at least seven semesters, with a special evening in their honor. During the evening, we paid tribute not only to the students but also to their parents and one teacher of each student's choice. This year, the students and teachers who were part of this memorable evening, included:

Brenda Archer	Matthew Furrow	Codi Sharp
<i>Karen Koets</i>	<i>Cheryl Jolin</i>	<i>Kristi Cushman</i>
Madeline Baker	Shannon Grossman	Tyler Sutkowi
<i>Nancy Husk</i>	<i>William Blakely</i>	<i>Michelle Jaros</i>
Evan Boese	Ashley Kwasniewski	Andrew Thielking
<i>Brett Johnson</i>	<i>Dorothy Louden</i>	<i>Chris Furlong</i>
Linnea Czerney	Mitchell Maiers	Stephanie Waite
<i>Deborah Kuch</i>	<i>William Blakely</i>	<i>Deborah Kuch</i>
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Kathryn Erbach	Rachel Pennock	Stephen Zavitz
<i>Steve Frank</i>	<i>Gay Fournier</i>	<i>Brad Portis</i>
Ashley Fleck	Sean Ryan	
<i>Phyllis Pelletier</i>	<i>James Corstange</i>	



## An opportunity for you. And for all of us.

The Foundation is a nonprofit organization formed under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, all of the Foundation's administrative costs and expenses for general grant-making and scholarship funds administration were covered by investment income, cash contributions from Gull Lake Community Schools Foundation board members, and with in-kind contributions from Foundation board members and/or local businesses or professionals. That means 100 percent of your tax-deductible contribution will benefit Gull Lake Community Schools.

You can make a contribution in cash or by check (payable to the Gull Lake Community Schools Foundation). You may also make a donation to our endowment fund through the Kalamazoo Community Foundation (such donations qualify for the Michigan Community Foundations Tax Credit).

Feel free to choose the manner of giving that is right for you from among the list below. And, of course, contact us with specific ideas or questions:

- Pledges over time
- Gifts of securities, real estate, collections, paintings, or other personal property
- Gifts in honor or in memory of a loved one
- Planned gifts in a will or a bequest

# The Foundation is proud to recognize our generous friends. Now more than ever.

## Visionaries (\$10,000+)

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*In memory of Michael Mellema*  
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## Consolidated Financial Statement

### STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

JUNE 30	2007	2006
<b>Assets at the Start of the Period</b>	\$ 378,246.53	\$ 326,869.16
<b>Contributions</b>	<b>151,198.81</b>	<b>103,213.67</b>
<b>Investment and Other Income</b>		
Interest on CDs & Investments - Restricted	1,939.40	1,288.10
Interest on CDs & Investments - Unrestricted	8,316.97	5,383.01
Investment gains (losses) on assets transferred to the Kalamazoo Community Foundation	7,290.14	11,412.78
<b>Total Contributions, Investment Income, and other Income</b>	<b>168,745.42</b>	<b>121,297.56</b>
<b>Grants</b>	<b>91,357.57</b>	<b>59,765.09</b>
<b>Operating Expenses</b>	9,602.37	10,155.10
<b>Total Grants and Operating Expenses</b>	<b>100,959.94</b>	<b>69,920.19</b>
<b>Assets at the End of the Period</b>	<b>\$ 446,032.01</b>	<b>\$ 378,246.53</b>
<b>Summary of Assets</b>		
Unrestricted Funds	98,424.29	75,616.83
Designated Funds	27,098.60	11,264.32
Endowment - donor designated	5,090.00	5,090.00
Endowment - board designated	37,331.55	37,331.55
Endowment - Kalamazoo Community Foundation fbo GLCSF	72,677.90	69,988.27
Scholarship Funds	118,107.91	99,903.51
Scholarship Funds - Kalamazoo Community Foundation fbo GLCSF	87,301.76	79,052.05
<b>Total Net Assets Reported at the End of the Period</b>	<b>\$ 446,032.01</b>	<b>\$ 378,246.53</b>

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