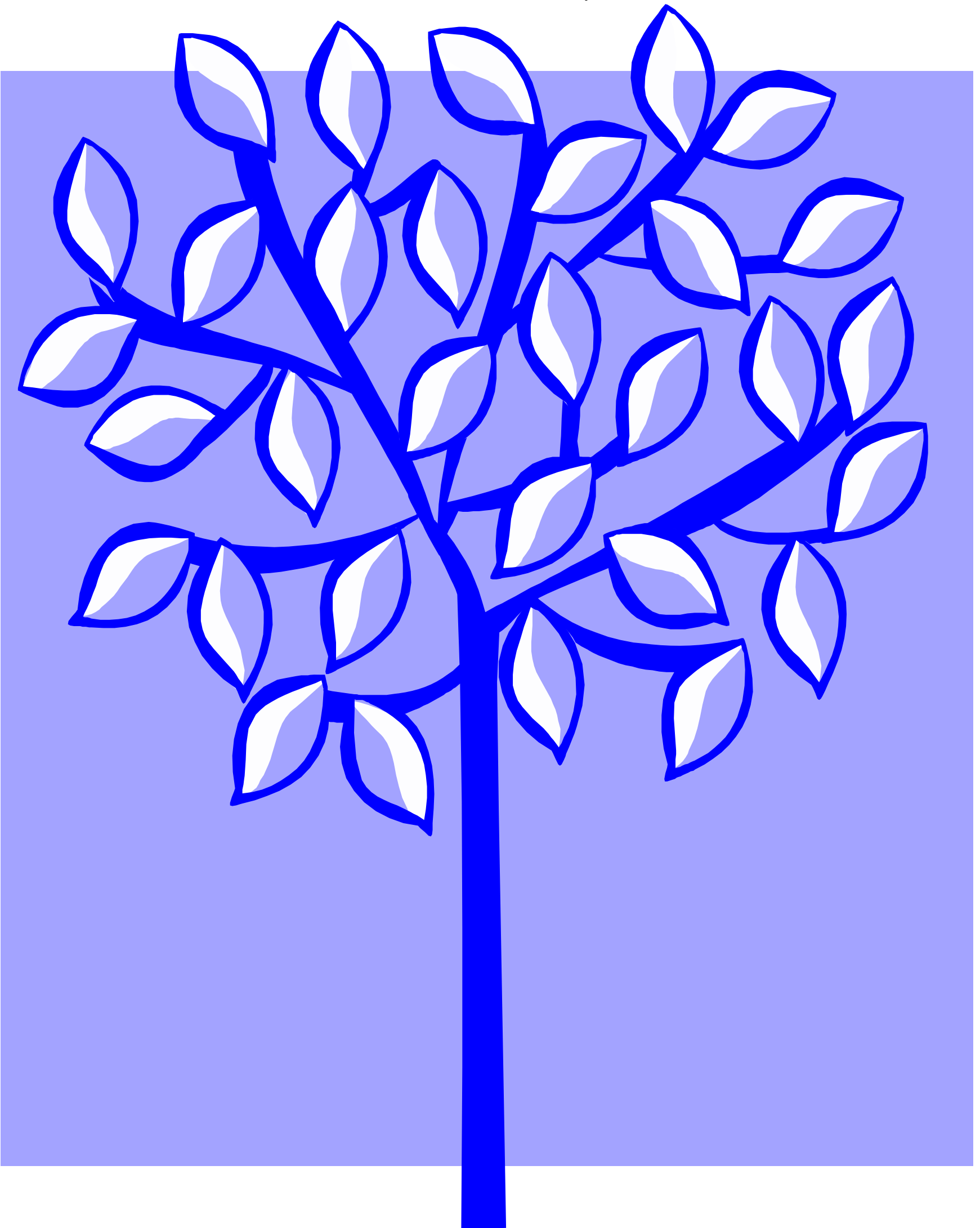
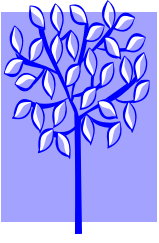


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2008 Annual Report*



*The true meaning of life is to plant trees under
whose shade you do not expect to sit.*

- Nelson Henderson



Benefits of Giving Through the Foundation

FLEXIBILITY AND SIMPLICITY

It's easy to establish a fund in the Foundation. With guidance from the Foundation, individuals, families, companies and charitable organizations can create a fund that is tailored to their specific needs. Donors who wish to establish their own philanthropic fund can avoid the complexity of setting up a private foundation, yet enjoy similar benefits in grant making with a Donor Advised Fund. Fund minimums do apply when creating a new fund. Gifts of any size are welcome additions to an established fund.

RECOGNITION OR ANONYMITY

Most donors create a permanent legacy by setting up a fund in their name or the name of their family. However, the Foundation will also protect the identity of donors who wish to remain anonymous.

THE POWER OF ENDOWMENT

The foundation offers a variety of giving options, both endowed and nonendowed. However, it is the power of the endowed fund that sets community foundations apart. The Foundation offers the opportunity to benefit the community forever. Endowed funds are invested and earnings are used to make grants addressing community concerns. These funds are a permanent source of community capital—helping to meet important community needs both today and in the future.

COST-EFFECTIVE GIVING OPTIONS

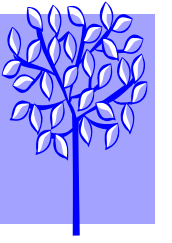
There is no cost to set up a fund. With annual board approval, an annual administrative contribution is assessed from each fund. The foundation manages a pooled investment fund under the guidance of the GSCF Finance Committee. By pooling funds, the Foundation is able to provide donors the advantage of diversified investments and economies of scale in investments and fees. Donors who establish funds of \$25,000 or more may request an outside fund manager.

TAX BENEFITS

Our status as a public charity ensures that contributions to the Foundation are tax deductible to the highest extent allowed by the Internal Revenue Code.

RESPONSIBLE LEADERSHIP

A 9-member volunteer board of directors governs the Foundation. A volunteer Executive Director manages the Foundation on a day-to-day basis. Donors can donate to and through the Foundation with confidence because of the affiliation with the Greater Salina Community Foundation. The Greater Salina Community Foundation was one of the first community foundations in the state and even the country to be recognized by the Council on Foundations for meeting stringent national standards. In addition, the Foundation is annually audited by an independent firm. Tax returns and public disclosure of grants provided confidence as to the proper use of Foundation funds.



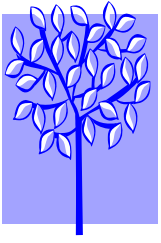
Grants for 2008

Smoky Valley Community Enhancement Fund

Smoky Valley Community Enhancement Fund grants are awarded once a year through a competitive application process. Funding for these grants comes from the generosity of donors who contribute to the Foundation's unrestricted grant fund.

\$4,500.00

- \$500 *Smoky Valley Historical Association*—To help with marketing brochures and the installation and maintenance of signs along the Valkommen Trail.
- \$100 *McPherson/Marion Head Start*—To purchase books for children to participate in Reading is Fundamental program.
- \$700 *The Children's Center*—To replace a tornado shelter door at the Center.
- \$350 *McPherson County Kansas Infant Development Services*— To provide funding for 8th annual Book Fair.
- \$350 *Lindsborg Swedish Folk Dancers*—To buy traveling cases for instruments.
- \$300 *Lindsborg Youth Choir*—To purchase new music and help with scholarships for clothing and membership fees.
- \$400 *Raymer Society for the Arts*—To purchase and install hidden track lighting in the South Studio of the Red Barn Studio Museum.
- \$400 *International Chess Institute of the Midwest*—To help with roof replacement.
- \$150 *Lindsborg Community Hospital*—To help purchase one commercial grade belt-disc sander for wood projects.
- \$500 *SVHS Music Department*—To purchase a cotton candy machine to help with fundraising efforts.
- \$500 *Bethany College Music Department*—To help support the open clinic conducted by jazz trio The Trumpet Kings.
- \$250 *Lindsborg Wave Makers Swim Team*— To purchase a canopy to provide shade for participants and spectators at swim meets.



Current Funds

*denotes new fund

Designated Funds

Designated Funds provide a permanent source of income to the donor's favorite charity or charities. Annual grants are made from the earnings on the fund to the selected charities and given in the donor's name, in perpetuity. In the event a named charity no longer exists, the Foundation redirects the annual gift to an appropriate charitable need, while keeping the donor's original intent in mind.

DESIGNATED FUNDS

*Maleta Forsberg Fund for Lindsborg Arts Council

*Maleta Forsberg Fund for Trinity United Methodist Church

Field of Interest Funds

Field of Interest Funds provide annual grant support to an area of interest or geographic area without designating specific charities. Donors can create funds for a specific aspect of grant making, such as the arts, early education, youth sports or music.

FIELD OF INTEREST FUNDS

*Heritage Fund

In FY 2007-08 the Foundation awarded \$4,000 in grants from field of interest funds to the following charities:

Broadway RFD, Inc.
Lindsborg Swedish Folk Dancers

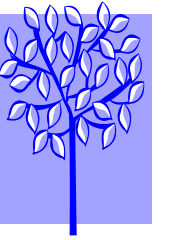
Scholarship Funds

Scholarship Funds allow donors to provide educational opportunities for graduates of certain schools, for specific fields of study, or for study at particular institutions. With guidance from the Foundation, donors can outline eligibility and selection requirements.

SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS

*Judith K. Burch

*Smoky Valley Area Swedish Heritage



Current Funds

*denotes new fund

Organization Funds

The Foundation works with nonprofit charitable organizations which are making a difference in our community through direct service to our neighbors. Charitable organizations can establish endowments that provide an income stream to further their charitable work, or that can continue to grow for future needs. Contributions to these funds come from donors and from the organizations themselves.

ORGANIZATION FUNDS

Lindsborg Community Library
Lindsborg Swedish Folk Dancers

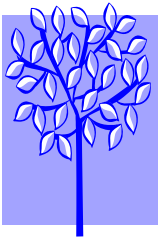
Funds for the Future

With the help of the Foundation, donors use a variety of estate planning methods to establish a fund which will leave a legacy that will survive them after they are gone. If you have named the Foundation in your estate, please let us know so that we can recognize your future generosity. If you are interested in learning more about how the Foundation might fit into your overall estate plan, please give us a call.

Donald H. & Marian W. Miller

Total Grants Awarded since July 1, 2007: \$8,500.00





Statement of Financial Position

Year Ended June 30, 2008

ASSETS

Wachovia CMM	1,878.00
Pooled Investment-Vanguard	<u>170,187.28</u>
Total Assets	172,065.28

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	<u>0.00</u>
Total Liabilities	0.00

FUND BALANCES

Fund Balance—Principal	162,168.53
Fund Balance—Income	<u>9,896.75</u>
Total Fund Balances	<u>172,065.28</u>
Total Liabilities and Funds	172,065.28

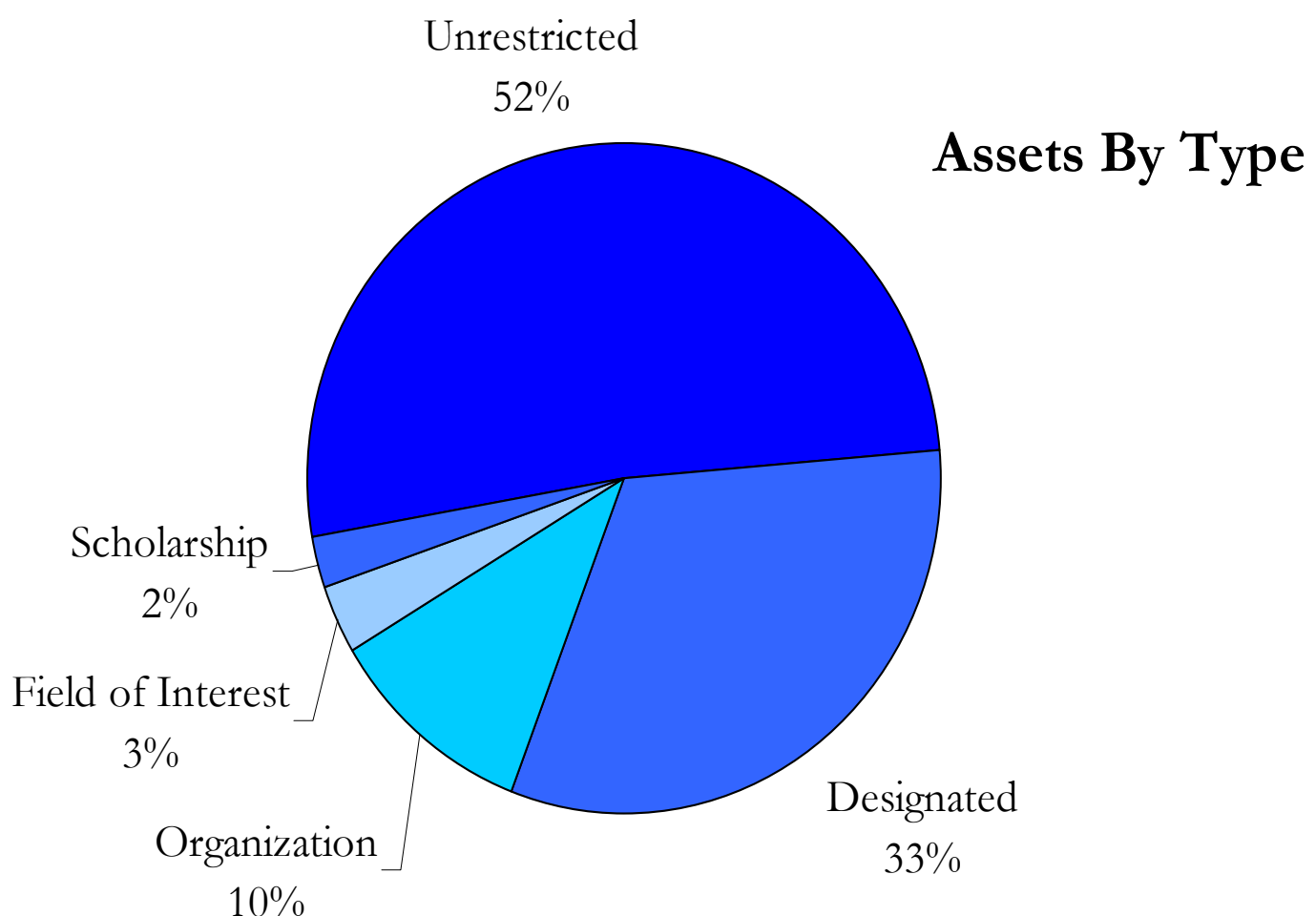
Statement of Activities

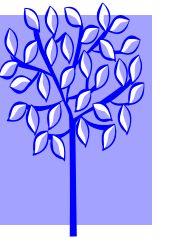
REVENUES

Gifts & Bequests—Principal	77,557.85
Gifts & Bequests—Income	6,330.00
Dividend Income	3,318.42
Unrealized Gain on Investments	<u>(15,925.19)</u>
Total Revenues	71,281.08

EXPENSES

Grants Authorized	8,500.00
Foundation Admin Contribution	<u>2,550.05</u>
Total Expenses	<u>11,050.05</u>
Net Activity	60,231.03





Founding Donors

The Founding Donors are these individuals, businesses and families who believed in the mission and took the initiative to contribute to the Foundation. The Founding Donors enabled the Foundation to become a reality. Let their generosity be the seed to grow the Foundation into a field of unlimited dreams.

Bethany College
Bethany Home
Carlson Accounting, Inc.
City of Lindsborg
Clark, Mize & Linville, Chtd.
Maleta Forsberg
Lindsborg Community Hospital
Judy M. Neuschafer
Raymer Society
Ronald & Marsha Rolander
Lee & Susie Ruggels
Sandzen Memorial Art Gallery

Our Donors

Thanks to the following donors to the Foundation in FY2007-08. Each gift, no matter the size, contributes to our mission of increasing philanthropy and improving the quality of life in the Smoky Valley area.

American Scandinavian Assoc of the Great Plains
Donald & Dorene Anderson
Anonymous
Leon & Judith Burch
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Carlson
William & Doris Carlson
City of Lindsborg
Clark, Mize & Linville, Chtd.
Inga-Lill Eliason
Maleta Forsberg
Dr. Duane & Nancy Fredrickson
Arvin & Judith Hahn

C. Darlene Handlin
Donald & Maj Hawk
Lindsborg Sister City Committee
Lindsborg Swedish Folk Dancers
Dr. Darrel & Mari Loder
Barry & Michele McMillan
James & Betty Nelson
Judy M. Neuschafer
William & Deniece Roth
William & Sigrid Ruggels
Swedish Country Inn
Swedish Friendship Group

Total Gifts Received since July 1, 2007: \$83,887.85



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Leon Burch, *Executive Director*

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Dorene Anderson	Ron Dahlsten
Maleta Forsberg	Barry McMillan
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Bill Roth	Susie Ruggels
Dale Sader	Ken Sjogren
Rebecca VanDerWege	Susan Whitfield-Lungren

*Special thanks to our retiring board members:
Bob Carlson, Betty Nelson and Don Bengtson.*

Our Mission

The mission of the Smoky Valley Community Foundation is to enhance quality of life, both today and in the future, by:

Enabling donors to fulfill their charitable desires

Building a permanent endowment

Facilitating prudent management and care of funds

Meeting needs through grants, awards, and scholarships