



TIGER PA'S RAISE OVER \$15,000 FOR STUDENT ENRICHMENT & ENHANCEMENT EXPERIENCES

On February 7, 2020, the famous Tiger Pa's Entertainment Group (Jr. & Sr. dads/guardians performed a routine to benefit students. This year these talented professionals brought a little cowgirl western flair to the delight of the crowd during the halftimes of boys' and girls' basketball games.

The Tiger Pa's conducted the annual ritual of canvassing the crowd to solicit funds and provide autographs to spectators. This year, the Spencer Community School Foundation generated nearly \$15,000 from the crowd and sponsorships. The funds will go to the Spencer Community School Foundation and will be used for classroom enrichment and enhancement experiences for all grades.

Thank you to **Farmers' Trust & Savings Bank, State Bank, Community State Bank, Northwest Bank, Northwest Bank Wealth Management, Advanced Network Professionals, Arnold Motor Supply, Denison Drywall Contracting & Supply, Drs. Boyd & Sailor Dental Associates, Dyno Convenience Stores, Graham Tire Company, JCL Solutions/Spencer Office Supply, NWIA Bone, Joint, & Sports Surgeons, Quality Refrigerated Services, and Vander Haag's, Inc.** for meeting the Farmers' Trust and Savings Bank sponsor challenge.

Others that provided donations include Northwest Iowa Anesthesia Associates, Consumers Lumber of Spencer, H & N Chevrolet & Buick, IGL-Teleconnect, Kabrick Auto, LLC, Midwest Land Management, Mr. B's Flooring, Nate Schmidt-Integrity Real Estate, Steve & Jen Pick, Dr. Geyer & Binzer, General Traffic Controls, The Prime Rib, Best Auto, Community Insurance, Emagine, Fox International, Heiter Trucking, Izard Construction, Rich Noah-Legacy Financial, SAFCO, Scott and Julie Threlkeld, and Kerry Self.

Foundation Receives Memorial Gifts

This year the Foundation received several memorial gifts remembering individuals who had connections to Spencer Community Schools and the community. Monies were received in memory of **Alice Wagner, Barb Vetter, Steve Fox, Mark Mann, Dale E. Norton, Ellis Family, Adam Liddle, and John W. Campbell.** The Foundation appreciates the gifts and has chosen projects that will honor the individuals' memories.

What the Foundation is

The Spencer Community School Foundation is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization funded by donations, bequests, and annual giving programs. (No operating funds are received from the state of Iowa or the Spencer Community Schools' budget.)

The goal of the Foundation is to enhance and enrich educational opportunities for students and teachers, partner with businesses to meet educational and vocational needs, and expand horizons that will impact the entire community. Annual contributions and partnerships from and between school employees, businesses, citizens, alumni, and friends impact our school and community. Scholarships are a direct result of the heart-felt gifts presented to the Foundation as well.



Use this link to support the Foundation:
<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/42-1306327>

AmazonSmile is the same Amazon you know. Same products, same prices, same service.

Amazon donates 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases when you shop at smile.amazon.com and select the Spencer Community School Foundation as the charitable organization of your choice.

You shop. Amazon gives.



www.spencerschoolfoundation.com



Thank you for your generous contributions in a team effort with businesses through the 2019-2020 Annual Giving Program.

Thank You!



COMMUNITY COMING TOGETHER During Good Times & COVID to Help Students

The Spencer Community School Foundation navigated the COVID pandemic as gracefully as possible. The annual Scholarship Ceremony in March was cancelled and seniors were mailed their awards. Many of the community school enrichment activities funded by the Foundation such as the NASA International Space Design Competition, the 4th grade Iowa History field trip to our state capital, scheduled speakers, and other enrichment activities were cancelled or postponed until next year. While disappointing as all these were, the Foundation still provided many enrichment programs, field trips, and speakers throughout the year before the pandemic forced the closure of the schools. We know that Spencer Community Schools and the Foundation will come back stronger!

Gift to Education

Spencer Community School Foundation awarded more than \$26,000 in "Gift to Education" funds during the 2019-2020 academic year for classroom enrichment programs and speakers. IJ and Ruby Dvergsten established the Gift to Education program in 2007 with a generous gift. That gift is soon to expire. Your annual gift allows the Foundation to continue the program.

Hotspots donated for students' education

Thank you to the generous area businesses organizations and individuals that contributed more than the \$20,920 needed to purchase 100 hotspots for student access. Because of the COVID, students and teachers interacted with online learning. The hotspots allowed students without home internet to be able to access their classes. Additional funds donated will be used for additional hotspot capacity as needed. Donors include the following:

- | | | |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Phil & Peg Deffer | Denison Drywall | Knights of Columbus (Sacred Heart) |
| Farmers' Trust & Savings Bank | Christians Sheet Metal | Dyno Oil |
| Campbell, Higgins, and Mummert, P.C. | Spencer Rotary | Rick Detrick |
| Arnold Motor Supply | Spencer Daybreakers Kiwanis | Mindy & Adam Gress |
| State Bank | Tammy Delaney | Community State Bank |
| Community Insurance | Troy & Kim Upham | Bill & Sally Phelps |
| IGL Teleconnect | Legacy Financial | |



2020 Graduate Yard Signs

The pandemic caused major cancellations of school programs. This year's seniors had no prom, no scholarship ceremony, and a limited graduation ceremony. While nothing can replace what was lost, the Foundation proudly provided yard signs for each senior in recognition of their graduation from Spencer Senior High School.



2019-2020 FOUNDATION AWARDS

Over \$83,000 to 63 SHS seniors

The Spencer Community School Foundation presented over \$86,000 in scholarships to 63 deserving seniors. A total exceeding \$1,113,000 has been awarded to 1,228 students since 2000. This is all possible due to several generous benefactors as well as annual contributions from those choosing to make a difference

for students, the school, and our community. This year, there was no scholarship ceremony in March because of the COVID pandemic. Students were mailed their scholarship certificates and their pictures are posted on the Spencer Community School Foundation Facebook page.

Five new scholarships were established this year: The **Dennis & Alice Wagner Memorial Scholarships**, the **Le Blue House Student Athlete Scholarship**, the **Dick Montgomery and Dave Woodcock Founders Scholarship**, the **John W. Campbell Memorial Scholarship**, and the **Ty & Kit Thayer Advanced Study Scholarship**.

Visit www.facebook.com/SpencerSchoolFoundation to view photos of this year's recipients

Spencer Community School Foundation 2019-2020 Donors

- Advanced Network Professionals, LLC
- Maria Ahrens
- Michelle Lachner Albrecht
- Amazon Smile Donors
- Animal Medical Centers, P.C.
- Arnold Motor Supply/Merrill Co.
- Derek & Melisa Bailey
- Chris & Sheri Baker
- Kurt & Karen Bauermeister
- Ron & Marlyce Bauermeister
- Best Auto
- Bethany Extended Ministries
- Endowment
- Philip & Jessica Bieber
- Arnold & Sylvia Bloch
- Mark & Janet Bloch
- Steve & Marti Bomgaars
- Janet & Kevin Boyens
- Mitch & Kathy Brandt
- Del Brockshus
- Mike & Jackie Bryan
- Bill & Karen Bumgarner
- Campbell, Higgins & Mummert, PC
- CMBA Architects
- Stein & Kristie Carlson
- The Cartridge Connection
- Glen J. Chenhall
- Molly & Myron Chicoine
- Tim & Susan Christensen
- Christians Sheet Metal
- Phil & Siri Christy
- Michael Clark
- Clay Mutual Insurance Association
- Community State Bank
- Community Insurance
- Lorraine Conley
- Neal & Kitty Conover
- Consumers Lumber of Spencer
- Cooperative Energy
- John & Carole Lea Cotton
- Cory & Susan Coulander
- Dave Cronk
- Clark & Kathy Cunningham
- Spencer Daybreakers Kiwanis
- Phil & Peg Deffer
- Tammy and Paul Delaney
- Barry & Jody DeLoss
- Denison Drywall Contracting & Supply, Inc.
- Richard Detrick
- Stephen M. Deutsch
- Dave & Anita Donaldson
- Dyno Oil Co, Inc.
- Emagine
- Farmers Trust & Savings
- Farmers Savings Bank
- Bruce & Jennifer Feldmann
- Dr. Boyd & Sailor Dental Associates
- Fox International, Inc.
- Tim and Mary Frank
- General Traffic Controls, Inc
- Curt & Sam Geyer
- Dr. Geyer & Binzer, PC
- Judy & Ron Golembiewski
- Graham Tire Company
- Gary & Kathy Grave
- Linda & Lance Grave
- Great Lakes Communication Corp.
- Adam & Mindy Gress
- Penelope Grieves
- H & N Chevrolet Buick
- Peggy Halverson
- Pat & Val Hamilton
- Bill & Bobbie Hansen
- Jeff & Jamie Hansen
- Hanson's Plumbing and Heating
- Susan & Dennis Harman
- Denny & Nancy Harmon
- Doug & Sandy Hart
- Don & Karen Hartzell
- Tom Hatten
- Heiter Truck Line Inc
- Jeffre & Shelly Helmsink
- Terry & Tessa Hemann
- Jim & Tammy Higgins
- Tom & Katie Howe
- Ken & Karen Hunziker
- Steven & Janine Huss
- IGL Teleconnect
- Iowa Lakes Electric Cooperative
- Chad & Jennifer Irvine
- Izard Construction/John Izard & Julie O'Connor
- Dean & Marla Jacobsen
- C.A. & K.D. Jacobson
- Lance & Laurie Janssen
- JCL Solutions/Spencer Office Supply
- Judy Johnson
- Amber Johnson
- Allen H. Johnson
- Johnston Autostores
- Patrick & Nancy Jones
- Kabrick Auto
- Kari's Fine Clothing for Women
- Kent & Lanette Kilpatrick
- Herb & Arla Kintigh
- Kiwanis After Five
- Russell & Cheri Klemme
- Knights of Columbus
- Kruse, Cate & Nelson
- Matt Kuehler
- Mark & Kathy Lawson
- Le Blue House Foundation
- Steve & Shari Lensing
- Sarah A. Lis
- Glen & Ann Lohman
- Jim & Jennifer Lorenzen
- Dale & Beth Magnuson
- Roger & Jackie Mann
- Brad & Kay Maurer
- Ross & Jennifer McWhirter
- Midwest Land Management & Real Estate, Inc.
- Molly & David Miller
- Ken & Stacy Mol
- Dick & Mary Jean Montgomery
- Don & Sylvia Moore
- Mr. B's Flooring
- Joe & Karen Mueeting
- David & Robin Munson
- Corrine Muske
- MWI Components
- Nathan Schmidt - Integrity Real Estate
- Polly Nelson
- Mark & Julie Nemmers
- Ryan Nemmers & Brandon Hansen
- Chris & Sandi Nielsen
- Barb Nielsen
- Rich & Amy Noah/Legacy Financial
- Northwest Bank
- Northwest Wealth Management
- Northwest Iowa Bone, Joint & Sports Surgeons
- Northwest Iowa Anesthesia Associates, P.C.
- Larry & Betty J. Oestenstad
- William & Judy Orrison
- Jeff & Cindy Pearson
- Dan & Kathy Penkert
- Lisa R. Peters & James Hattori
- LaVonne Peterson
- Dr. Bill & Sally Phelps
- Steve & Jennifer Pick
- David & Sharyl Potratz
- Quality Refrigerated Services, Inc
- Rabel Construction
- Maurice Randall
- Theresa & Michael Reardon
- Marilyn Rehnstrom
- Loren & Denise Reit
- Kevin Robinson
- David & Shelly Robison
- Troy and Anne Rosendahl/Thrivent Financial
- Spencer Rotary Club
- Tom & Kae Roti
- Spencer Area Action Club
- SAFCO Products Company
- Mark & Becky Schmid
- Chuck & Pat Schmidt
- Schmidt Pediatric Dentistry
- Dr. Brea & Nate Schmidt
- Don & Sylvia Schoer
- Lauri L Shafer
- Eva Shine
- Jim & Nancy Sieh
- Sieh Farm Drainage
- Wes and Amy Simpson
- Scott & Alison Simpson
- Daniel & Karen Skelton
- Gary & Jolynn Snyder
- Dave & Gay Spark
- Spencer Fine Arts Booster
- Spencer Police Association
- Spencer Prime Rib
- Spencer Tailtwisters
- Dennis & Diane Spooner
- State Bank
- Joe & Nicole Steele
- Marilyn Stevenson
- Ty & Kit Thayer
- Barb Thiesse
- Rich & Amy Noah/Legacy Financial
- John & Heidi Toale
- Troy & Kim Upah
- Paul & Deona Vandenberg
- Vander Haag's Inc
- Vertical Marketing
- Vestergaard Scholarship
- Dale and Rochelle Waggoner
- Dennis & Barbara Wagner
- Larry Wegner
- Bob & Heather Whittenburg
- Nancy Whittenburg & Gary Nelsen
- Ruth Ann Whittenburg
- Jay A. Wiegman
- Sybil N. Wiegman
- Randy & Elli Wiemers
- Williams & Company, P.C.
- Dr. Chas Winslow and Judy Sopeland
- Merlyn & Sonna Winther
- Dave & Debbie Woodcock
- John & Susan Zulk

Alice and David Wagner Memorial Scholarship

The David and Alice Wagner Memorial Scholarships were established in memory of a longtime resident of Spencer who was very proud of the Spencer School System. Their wish was to help deserving students within the Spencer Community School System pursue their dreams in higher education.

2020 Recipients:
Luis Discua
Elisa Fisher
Gabrielle Kardell
Serenity Kollasch
Tanna Lovan

Le Blue House Scholarship

This scholarship was established by 2008 SHS alum Lee Tule and his college classmates. The goal of this scholarship is to allow students the ability to further themselves intellectually and athletically by lightening the financial burden of college.

2020 Recipient:
Isabella Burger

The Spencer Community School Foundation presented over \$86,000 in scholarships to 63 deserving seniors.

Dick Montgomery & Dave Woodcock Founders Scholarship

The Dick Montgomery and Dave Woodcock Founders Scholarship was established in honor of two original Spencer Community School Foundation Board members Dick Montgomery and Dave Woodcock. They believe strongly that the strength of the Spencer community depends on the education of its youth. Both Dick and Dave were instrumental in the establishment of the Spencer Community School Foundation in 1987. 38 school years and over the past 31 years, their leadership and commitment to the students of Spencer Community School has guided the Foundation steadily into the strong organization that it is today.

2020 Recipient:
Andrew Bare

John W. Campbell Memorial Scholarship

The scholarship is in memory of a former partner of Campbell, Higgins, & Mummert, P.C. who was passionate about helping people and was instrumental in the formation of several non-profit organizations in Spencer. This scholarship is designed to support students pursuing a degree in accounting, finance, or a business-related field.

2020 Recipient:
Autumn Noah

Ty & Kit Thayer Advanced Study Scholarship

The demand for graduates in vocational degrees is growing and the number of graduates is currently not meeting that demand. In order to encourage a student to consider a vocation or associated degree versus a 4-year college degree, the Thayers have established this scholarship that is intended for study in a specific vocation.

2020 Recipient:
Luis Discua

Anna H. Schmid Memorial Scholarships

2020 Recipients:
Gabriel Bennett
Madison Stave

Adam Liddle Memorial Scholarship

2020 Recipient:
Kegan Johnson

Katie Grave Anderson Memorial Scholarship

2020 Recipient:
Madison Stave

Kenneth Randall Memorial Scholarships

2020 Recipients:
Taylor Decker
Madison Freeman
Kerstin Hegge
Natalie Kroll
Emerson Mohr
Morgan Olson
Madison Stave
Jonathan Tremble

Adolph & Esther Vestergaard Scholarships

2020 Recipients:
Madison Frey
Luis Discua
Madison Stave
Adam Freeman
Brook Freeman
Troy Freeman
Emerson Freeman
Madison Freeman
Morgan Freeman
Madison Freeman
Madison Freeman

Sharyl Potratz Teaching Scholarship

2020 Recipient:
Griffin Garnatz

Rod Potratz Scholarship

2020 Recipient:
Gage Garnatz

Johnson Engineering Scholarship

2020 Recipient:
Elixa Fisher

Williams & Company, P.C. Scholarship

2020 Recipient:
Ethan Schmidt

Spencer Police Association Scholarship

2020 Recipient:
Keegan Johnson

Don Heiter Memorial Scholarship

2020 Recipient:
Luis Discua

Michael Fischer Memorial Scholarship

2020 Recipient:
Chloe Kahley

Agnes Goeke Memorial Scholarships

2020 Recipients:
Hannah Irrmer
Otis Kierscht

Yvonne Randall Memorial Scholarships

2020 Recipients:
Christina Anderson
Andrew Bare
Jacob Barry
Michelle LeClerc-Garvantes
Jenna Morley
Traci Pregel
Samuel Threlkeld

Thayer Family Scholarship Ty & Kit Thayer

2020 Recipient:
Serenity Kollasch

Lachner Family Memorial Scholarship

2020 Recipient:
Molie Williams

Kyle Lachner Memorial Scholarship

2020 Recipient:
Serenity Kollasch

Sue Harman Nursing Scholarship

2020 Recipients:
Alby Borth
Kiersten Hegge
Anna Scherer

Tim & Susan Christensen Scholarships

2020 Recipients:
Kathryn Estick
Noah Fernan

Overgsten Memorial Scholarships

2020 Recipients:
Dawn Arnold
Abby Borth
Fernanda Borth
Ethan Johnson
Emma Lowder
Liam Olson
Connor Tigges

Michael E. Tangney Memorial Scholarship

2020 Recipient:
Connor Tigges

Spencer Fine Arts Scholarships

2020 Recipients:
Madison Kroll
Kyle Goehert

Milton O. Warner Memorial Scholarships

2020 Recipients:
Andrew Christofferson
Nevada Jackson
Madison Ward

Spencer Tailtwisters Scholarships

2020 Recipients:
Bridget Bailey
Molie Williams

Gilbert & Lillian Pullen Scholarship

2020 Recipient:
Autumn Smith

Dale E. Norton Memorial Scholarships

2020 Recipients:
Elisa Fisher
Ethan Schmidt

Thomas A. Conley Scholarship

2020 Recipient:
Griffin Garnatz

Alisa Schwarz White Memorial Scholarship

2020 Recipient:
Austin Bryan

Frank & Nelda Thomas Scholarship

2020 Recipients:
Kathryn Estick
Elixa Fisher

Sharon Howe Hitchcock Memorial Scholarship

2020 Recipient:
Emily English

Hazel Barringer Hoepfner Scholarships

2020 Recipients:
Adam Bare
Tyler Conrad
Addison Gilchrist
Ethan Johnson

Charles T. & Ruth Ann Whittenburg Family Scholarships

2020 Recipients:
Gabriel Bennett
Luis Discua

To establish a scholarship in honor of or in memory of someone, please contact us at foundation@spencerschools.org or 712-262-8950.

Thank you to our many donors as well as those who chose to give anonymously.

2019 - 2020 Board of Directors

- Mark Schmid, President
- Brea Schmid, Vice-president
- Bob Whittenburg, Secretary
- Mike Bryan, Treasurer
- Bridget Bailey
- Chris Baker
- Steve Bomgaars
- Sue Harman
- Shelly Helmsink
- Anne Johnson
- Mike Koenecke
- Nancy Naeve
- William Orrison
- Wes Simpson
- Terry Hemann, Spencer Schools Superintendent
- Tammy Higgins, Executive Director
- Mary Frank, Assistant Director

