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**VOLUNTEER FAIR**  
> HUGE SUCCESS  
FOR NONPROFITS  
AND ATTENDEES

**DOWN SYNDROME  
ASSOCIATION OF NWI  
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> PROVIDES AN  
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WITH CPCF  
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> DANIEL ROOT**

## THE PERFECT MATCH

**WHITE'S RESIDENTIAL & FAMILY SERVICES BENEFITS  
FROM WHITE FOUNDATION MATCHING CHALLENGE**



**WHITE'S**  
RESIDENTIAL & FAMILY SERVICES

**RON EVANS,  
CEO OF WHITE'S RESIDENTIAL  
& FAMILY SERVICES**



## LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

### MATCH POINT!

*Advantage... residents of South Lake County!!*

There's been a whirl-wind of activity and excitement at the Crown Point Community Foundation the past few months! It began at the start of last year's giving season with the announcement of two major Matching Grant

MARY B. NIELSEN  
PRESIDENT

Opportunities made available with the ultimate goal of putting more grant dollars to work in our communities. These initiatives, sourced by two of our long standing philanthropic partners, the Dean & Barbara White Family Foundation and Lilly Endowment Inc., focus on building endowment funds held at the CPCF.

On pages six and seven, you'll learn how a \$1 for \$1 matching grant challenge made possible by the Dean & Barbara White Family Foundation to build endowed Agency Funds helps organizations like Whites Residential and Family Services in their mission to provide hope for children, teens, and families. Through fundraising efforts by agencies to their donor base, this match was successfully completed in January.

On page eighteen, learn the latest in our efforts to capture \$500,000 in matching grant dollars made possible from Lilly Endowment Inc. as part of the GIFT VII initiative for Indiana community foundations. Help us keep the momentum going as we look to expand efforts to complete the \$2 for \$1 match on gifts made to Unrestricted Community Endowment Funds. Distributions from these Funds support a variety of community needs, projects, and programs such as those shown on pages four, five and eight.

Share this newsletter with friends to introduce them to our work. It's the perfect time to get involved and let them know how they can **triple their gift** and help to make a real difference in South Lake County... *now and forever!*

Thank you for your continued support and partnership!!



MARY B. NIELSEN



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DSA BLAST-OFF CAMPERS ENJOYING THEIR ONE DAY FIELD TRIP ADVENTURE AT THE CHALLENGER LEARNING CENTER IN HAMMOND, INDIANA.

**With your help, individuals with disabilities found an inclusive summer camp.**

A grant from the Crown Point Community Foundation for \$2,700 helped to fund the Down Syndrome Association of Northwest Indiana and Chicagoland's summer Blast-Off Camp. The camp provided both a fully inclusive, safe, and educational opportunity for children and adults as well as work opportunities for adults with Down Syndrome. Campers were able to experience hands-on workshops and activities that were rich in math, science and reading. Each activity also provided rich social learning opportunities.

"This grant has helped us to expand our outreach to the community," said Kelly Erlain, Program Coordinator for DSA. "There are no other camps in our area that are inclusive and educational. Parents and caregivers of children and adults with disabilities joined our organization to participate in this unique and beneficial experience. We also expanded our outreach to volunteers in the area who teamed up with us to provide this experience to our community."

The grant from the CPCF enabled the DSA to purchase books, supplies, water bottles and T-shirts. Last year's camp served over 50 individuals with Down Syndrome.

"As an organization, we learned how important this opportunity continues to be for our clients," Erlain said. "We are truly grateful to be given another opportunity to work with the Crown Point Community Foundation."



WE WERE SO GRATEFUL TO RECEIVE FUNDING FOR OUR DSA BLAST-OFF CAMP! OVER 50 KIDS, TEENS AND ADULTS WERE ABLE TO ATTEND OUR WEEK-LONG INCLUSIVE-CAMP WHERE EVERYONE FELT WELCOME & APPRECIATED!

**DAWN BUCKLEY**  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

# UNRESTRICTED COMMUNITY GRANTS

THE CPCF AWARDED \$84,316.00 IN COMMUNITY GRANTS IN THE FEBRUARY CYCLE.

\* Grant from Cedar Lake Community Fund

## Arts, Culture - \$9,960.00

### Cedar Lake Historical Association - \$5,960\*

Repair and restore the lobby of the Cedar Lake Historical Association museum.

### South Shore Arts, Inc. - \$4,000

Funding to support South Shore Arts CP location for instruction, exhibits and activities.

## Education - \$8,750.00

### CPCSC/CPHS AP Exams - \$3,000

Provide financial assistance to pay for AP Exams for students with financial need.

### CPCSC/CPHS Biomed Club - \$2,850

Raise funds to bring Holocaust survivor Eva Kor to CP to speak to students.

### CPCSC/CPHS Transition Program/Bulldog Workshop - \$1,000

Financial support for the "Bulldog Bucks" Program for Exceptional Learners.

### CPCSC/Solon Robinson Elementary School - \$1,900

Fund celebration of 2018 Blue Ribbon School.

## Food, Nutrition, Agriculture - \$9,811.00

### Food Bank of NWI - \$1,950

Purchase 6 hand pallet jacks to increase efficiency in distribution.

### Illiana Beekeepers Alliance, Inc. - \$1,261

Educate the public on beekeeping and its importance.

### NWI Food Council - \$1,600

Fund tools and supplies for the NWIFC's Farm Tool Library.

### Pack Away Hunger - \$5,000

Purchase bulk ingredients for 350 volunteers to assemble, package and distribute through local food pantries.

## Health - \$3,900.00

### American Cancer Society - \$3,900

Fund Relay for Life of Lake County.

## Housing, Shelter - \$6,170.00

### Habitat for Humanity of NWI - \$5,000

Supply and install 2 Carrier rooftop units for the ReStore in Merrillville.

### Mommy's Haven - \$1,170

Purchase computers to assist clients while using their services.

## Human Services - \$12,775.00

### Alzheimer's & Dementia Services of Northern Indiana - \$2,000

Create mini, mobile resource libraries for use by Alzheimer's caregivers and leaders at monthly support group nights.

### Chasing Dreams - \$3,425

Assist with Summer Camp project.

### Lake Area United Way, Inc. - \$2,000

Fund Americorp member position to train agencies on Charity Tracker.

### TradeWinds Services, Inc. - \$2,000

Purchase laptop computers for part of the team of Employment Specialists.

### Wittenberg Village - \$3,350

Purchase a Vectra Deluxe Sensory Cart which provides a non-medical approach to calm or stimulate memory care residents.

## Public Safety - \$14,775.00

### Cedar Lake Police Dept. - \$3,825\*

Upgrade patrol officer's AR-15 Rifle Sights to EO Tech Holographic Sights.

### CPCSC/Active Shooter Training - \$5,950

Create a team of active shooter trainers made up of school employees and city responders.

### Franciscan Health Foundation - \$5,000

Sponsor a NWI Safe Kids Day to promote awareness and injury prevention among children.

## Recreation - \$3,000.00

### Crossroads YMCA - \$3,000

Hub Run income based scholarship fund.

## Youth Development - \$14,675.00

### Boy Scout Troop #45 - \$4,500

Rent the Lake County Fairgrounds to host a skills introduction and development for 3,500 scouts.

### Campagna Academy - \$4,000

Labor/materials to build pier with railing & side rails for youth at the academy.

### CPCSC/Col. Wheeler Builders Club and Student Council - \$1,000

Fund an outreach program called "Bags of Hope" which provides reusable bags filled with supplies for foster children.

### Crown Point Swim Club - \$3,175

Obtain new equipment that will allow swimmers to gain strength, condition and improve on different strokes.

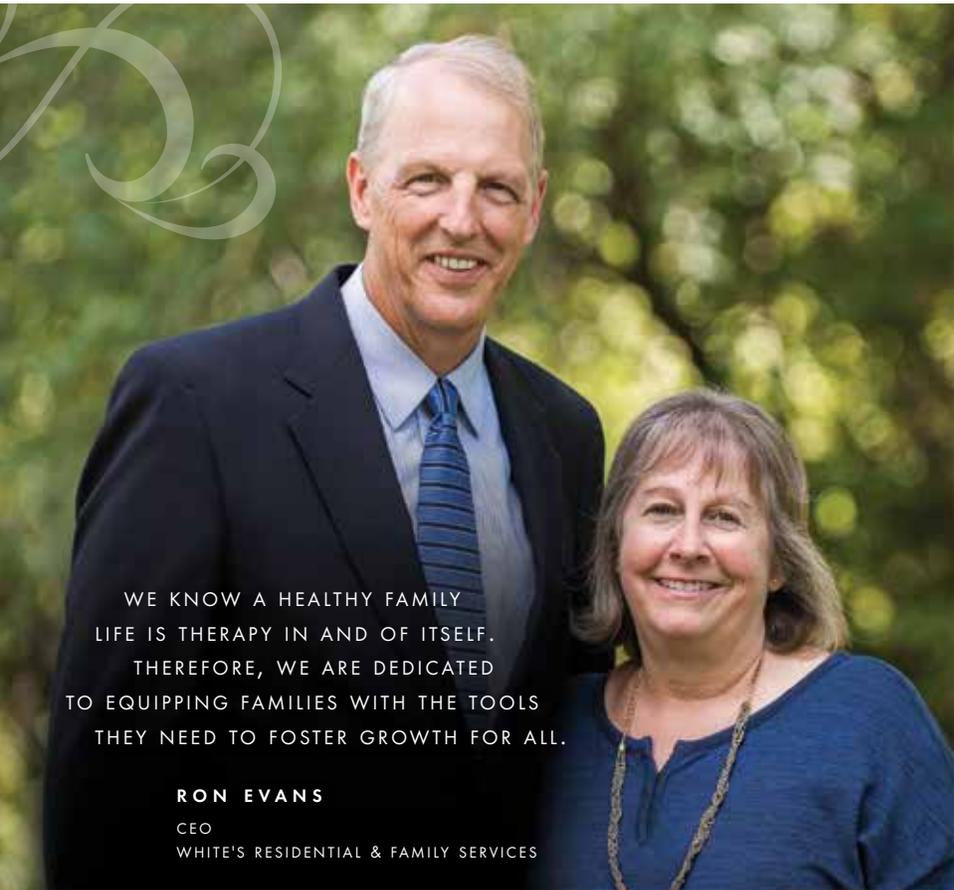
### Southlake Children's Choir - \$2,000

Supplement member tuition assistance awards, publicity and general operating.

## Pro Active Grant - \$500.00

### City of Crown Point - \$500

Youth Community Service award to be presented at State of the City event March 20, 2019.



WE KNOW A HEALTHY FAMILY LIFE IS THERAPY IN AND OF ITSELF. THEREFORE, WE ARE DEDICATED TO EQUIPPING FAMILIES WITH THE TOOLS THEY NEED TO FOSTER GROWTH FOR ALL.

**RON EVANS**  
CEO  
WHITE'S RESIDENTIAL & FAMILY SERVICES



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**CONNECTING  
YOUTH WITH  
CARE AND LOVE**

RON EVANS, CEO OF WHITE'S RESIDENTIAL & FAMILY SERVICES WITH HIS WIFE JANE.

**Based in Wabash, Indiana, White's Residential and Family Services has been providing care for families and children in crisis since 1850.** Ron Evans, Chief Executive Officer and President of White's, describes White's holistic approach to its residential, foster care, home-based, and adoption services.

"Families are the lifeblood of every community," Evans said. "We celebrate the family. And we know every family experiences crisis in one form or another. White's is here to help families navigate and overcome those crises."

"White's is aware of the whole human being – the physical, the emotional, the social, as well as the spiritual. We are a Christian nonprofit dedicated to the emotional healing, personal development, and spiritual growth of children and families.

"We know a healthy family life is therapy in and of itself," Evans continued. "Therefore, we are dedicated to equipping families with the tools they need to foster growth for all. And we are amazed at the love and willingness of many families to take those tools and use them to benefit children in need of foster care."

One family that opened their hearts and home is the Latiak family.

Robert and Melanie Latiak did not hesitate in taking in a two-year old girl and her four-year old brother. These two would join three others, the Latiak's first foster child whom they adopted, and their two biological children.

The faith and love of this couple moved them to immediately say yes. The two foster children found themselves surrounded by the chaos and love of a happy home, and they are doing wonderfully.

"But," Evans was quick to add, "White's cannot and does not do this alone. The Latiak's do not do this alone. It is your support, your prayers, your financial gifts that recruit foster parents, train foster families, and support foster homes. We are empowered, our foster parents are empowered to say yes because of the generosity of individuals, businesses, and foundations each year. You are the heroes who equip us with the ability to provide this holistic care."



## DEAN & BARBARA WHITE FAMILY FOUNDATION MATCH MAKES A DIFFERENCE

Whites Residential and Family Services was one of fifteen local nonprofits that benefited from a generous \$1 for \$1 match made available from the Dean & Barbara White Family Foundation to build Agency Endowment funds at the Crown Point Community Foundation within a set time frame.

The White Foundation offered a \$500,000 matching grant challenge to Agencies to encourage contributions to their endowment, and have an equal amount granted back to use for their immediate operational needs.

The annual distribution from an agency endowment fund supports the organization for long-term sustainability to keep moving their mission forward.

We are grateful for our partnership with the Dean & Barbara White Family Foundation for offering this fantastic opportunity to make a difference in the quality of life in South Lake County.

White's was founded by Pennsylvania Quaker coal and railroad magnate Josiah White, who traveled to Indiana 169 years ago to open a home and school for children in need.

White's remains true to Josiah's vision, extending that care from its 800-acre campus in Wabash to its six regional offices in Crown Point, Wabash, South Bend, Fort Wayne, Indianapolis, and Columbus.

"Without the stewardship of these communities," Evans said, "we could not provide the breadth of programming that we do. We are extremely grateful to the Dean & Barbara White Family Foundation Match for Nonprofit Agency Funds, the Crown Point Community Foundation, and all who support White's.

"Whether we're training foster parents, equipping adolescents with vocational skills, or tending to the effects of trauma on individual lives, White's invites each of you to come beside us to enrich those lives, to provide hope and transformation through Jesus Christ, and to equip families with the tools they need to thrive."

For more information, please visit [www.whiteskids.org](http://www.whiteskids.org).



RUTH HALSTEAD, CEO OF SELF-INJURY SUPPORT GROUPS OF NORTHWEST INDIANA, SHOWS THE OFFICE EQUIPMENT MADE POSSIBLE THROUGH A CPCF GRANT.

**Thanks to you, a local support group has a place to call home.**

A \$5,000 grant from the Crown Point Community Foundation helped to furnish the new office of the Self-Injury Support Groups of Northwest Indiana.

The Self-Injury Support Groups (SISG) of Northwest Indiana was founded to address the pervasive and often misunderstood phenomenon of self injury. According to Cornell University, one in five high school and college-aged students have engaged in self-injury at sometime in the past. And it is estimated that five percent of the general population has used self-injury at some point in their lives. Families and friends of self-injurers often feel powerless to help.

The Self-Injury Support Groups of Northwest Indiana offers support to three groups: those who have used self-injury at any time in the past; the self-injurer's family and friends; and the greater community and professionals who respond to and help those who have been using self-injury.

Since its founding in 2016, the SISG has provided literature, education and empathy in the area of self-injury prevention and support. They have collaborated with Geminus Prevention Services, the Crisis Center, Crown Point High School, and Sacred Transformations. Among its efforts, SISG offers a support group for self-injurers, their families and their friends that has grown from three to fifty participants.

The grant from the CPCF helped to furnish the SISG's new office with furniture, filing cabinets, storage bins, a computer and a printer, allowing the organization to expand its outreach to the community.

THANK YOU CPCF FOR RECOGNIZING THE IMPORTANCE OF THE WORK THAT THE SELF-INJURY SUPPORT GROUPS OF NORTHWEST INDIANA PROVIDES AND HOW HAVING A CENTRAL OFFICE WILL INCREASE PRODUCTIVITY OF SERVICES.

**RUTH HALSTEAD**  
FOUNDER/CEO  
SELF-INJURY SUPPORT GROUPS OF NWI

# WELCOME NEW BOARD MEMBER



LISA GRADY  
MCCOLLY REALTY

## LISA GRADY

Lisa is a lifelong resident of NWI. She and her husband Troy grew up in Griffith. They both attended IU Bloomington. Lisa earned a teaching degree and Troy a Criminal Justice degree. After graduating, they married and decided to make Crown Point their home. They have lived here for 28 years and have three children, all of whom attended CPHS and went on to IU Bloomington.

"I taught elementary school for a few years at MacArthur Elementary while selling real estate part time in the summer," Lisa said. "My husband is currently the Assistant Chief of the Dyer Police Dept. and has been with them for 28 years."

Lisa's love of people, interior design and homes led her to a career change about 12 years ago. She left teaching and became a full time real estate agent.

"I work for McColly Real Estate but have my own team comprised of eight hardworking women," Lisa said. "Being out in the community, meeting people from all over the United States as they migrate to our wonderful city, I wanted to be able to give back to our community and show my gratitude for all they have done for me. I hope to combine all my passions and help foster new relationships to grow the CPCF in the upcoming years!"

The Board of Directors play an integral role in the Crown Point Community Foundation. They select the recipients of CPCF grants, help to solicit donations, and promote the Foundation throughout the community. We are proud to welcome our newest board member, Lisa Grady.



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**WHY WE GIVE:** First Financial Bank is a community-centered bank, committed to making a difference and focusing on positive change in our local communities. We're proud to support our neighbors with our ALIVE strategy which focuses on providing Access to banking services, Lending in the community, Investing in the community and Volunteerism, specifically focused on Financial Education.

**MISSION:** For more than 150 years, First Financial Bank has been understanding needs and offering financial solutions and resources in order to make lives better. Community involvement and support is always at the core of what we do. First Financial will be making significant investments over the next five years, including \$8.5 million in philanthropy across the bank's footprint, 8 new banking center locations to increase access for low- to moderate- income communities, more than \$500 million in mortgage lending in low- to moderate- income communities and borrowers and much more.



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**Gary Building:**  
First Financial Bank opened their new Gary, Indiana location on July 30, 2018; located at 5974 West Ridge Road; Gary, IN 46408



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**Lake Area United Way:**  
Our employees were proud to present the Lake Area United Way with a check for \$10,000 as part of our commitment to the local community.

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**WHY WE GIVE:** At NIPSCO, giving back to the communities we serve is a fundamental part of our culture. Every year, our employees volunteer and donate to a wide range of organizations that are making a difference across our service area with a focus on basic human needs, economic development, education, environmental stewardship and public safety.

**MISSION:** NIPSCO has served the energy needs of northern Indiana for more than 100 years. Community support and involvement has always been at the foundation of our history. We're also making significant investments to improve service, including nearly \$30 billion in identified long-term system modernization and growth programs spanning the next 20+ years.



**Girl Scouts:**

The Girl Scouts of Greater Chicago & Northwest Indiana learn about electrical safety at our Introduce a Girl to Engineering Day, which promotes STEM education, at the NiSource headquarters in Merrillville.



**Dollars for Doers:**

Our employees and their families volunteering at the Community Harvest Food Bank (Fort Wayne) and Pax Center (LaPorte).

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# Volunteer Fair

AND **Blood Drive** 

Heartland  
Blood Centers PART OF VERITY



PHOTOS CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT: CPCF GRANT RECIPIENTS POSE WITH MARY NIELSEN, PRESIDENT OF THE CROWN POINT COMMUNITY FOUNDATION, AND CHRISANNE CHRIST AND LISA GRADY, CROWN POINT COMMUNITY FOUNDATION BOARD MEMBERS. / INDIANA ADOPTION PROGRAM / CEDAR LAKE HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION / G.A.P. FOOD PANTRY

**The 10th annual Volunteer Fair & Blood Drive, sponsored by the Crown Point Community Foundation, drew over 300 potential volunteers to the event.** Attendees had the chance to meet and learn about more than 65 nonprofits from throughout Lake County who are looking for volunteers.

"Our Volunteer Fair was a terrific event," said Mary Nielsen, President of the CPCF. "We were thrilled to be able to facilitate the connection between so many worthy causes and people looking to volunteer."

To celebrate the 10th Anniversary of the Fair, the Crown Point Community Foundation awarded ten grants for \$1,000 each to qualifying randomly-selected participating organizations. The ten grant recipients were: Campagna Academy, Fair Haven, Habitat for Humanity of Northwest Indiana, Healing Streams Oasis Church, Humane Indiana, Lake County Right to Life, Lakeshore Public Media, Lupus Foundation of America Indiana Chapter, Mommy's Haven and Winfield Community Foundation.

"We are thankful to the Crown Point Community Foundation for its ongoing commitment to children and youth in our community," said Elena Dwyre, CEO, Campagna Academy, Inc. "Campagna Academy plans to use your generous funding to purchase two communication devices for youth in our Northlake IDD Residential Program. For many children with autism, speech is not an option. The children and youth that we serve, often labeled "non-verbal,"

may have plenty they wish to communicate to us, yet are unable to speak. These communication devices are similar to tablet computers with touch-screens and will give them a tool to express themselves. Thank you for your ongoing support!"

In addition to the Volunteer Fair, there was an onsite Blood Drive conducted by Heartland Blood Centers. Twenty-one donors participated in giving blood at the event. The blood drive will potentially help up to 61 patients in need!

The CPCF would like to thank the Crown Point School Corporation, LAMAR, View Outdoor Advertising, The Times Newspaper, the Crown Point RoboDogs Team 2171, Heartland Blood Centers, Hullabaloo Balloon Imprinting and the CPCF Board of Directors for helping to make this event possible.

THE LUPUS FOUNDATION OF AMERICA INDIANA CHAPTER IS VERY EXCITED TO BE A RECIPIENT OF THE \$1000 CPCF GRANT. WE WILL USE THE FUNDS TO PROVIDE A FUN CANVAS PAINTING EVENT AND A LUPUS 101 EDUCATIONAL SESSION.

LISA KELLY  
CEO  
LUPUS FOUNDATION OF AMERICA INDIANA CHAPTER

# HONORARIUMS

OCTOBER 17, 2018 - FEBRUARY 28, 2019

**All Young Boys & Girls  
with a Dream**

Frank Hatami & Colleen Johnston Hatami

**John & Ann Barney  
at Christmas**

Craig & Janet Duchossois

**Jim & Marge Forsythe**

Barry & Margaret Wood

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at Christmas**

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Marcia Gima

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Jeffery & Deborah Kelley

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**Wayne A. Gruber**

Joanne Kosac Gruber

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**David & Deb Hubers's**

**40th Anniversary**

Rob & Emily Short

**Joe Heuer**

Donna Heuer

**Dr. Joseph & Barbara Kacmar's**

**Retirement**

Charlotte Fedorchak

Delver & Jean Kutemeier

Helen McEntire

**Ron McColly at Christmas**

Patti Tubbs

**Bette Oesterle, Jan Kleinschmidt**

**Boicken & Kathy Craig**

**at Christmas**

Mark & Sue Riester

**Jerry & April Schaefer's**

**Anniversary**

Ralph & Sheryl Hudson

**Maxie Scott on her Birthday**

Marge Kerr

**Jerry Smith's Retirement**

Lester & Marilyn Kaper

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**WHY WE GIVE:** At View Outdoor, our goal is to follow the path our founder, Mr. Dean White, paved decades ago by giving back to Northwest Indiana. We have always and will continue to work with the municipalities and service organizations that build the great foundation of this community.

We are a local company that prides itself on supporting these local communities where we, our employees and their families live. By use of outdoor advertising, we are pleased to help our local businesses and organizations bring new opportunities to this ever-growing community we call home.

**Crown Point Community Foundation:**

View Outdoor Advertising donated billboard space for the Crown Point Community Foundation's 10th Annual Volunteer Fair.





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**WHY WE GIVE:** Swartz Retson has engrained community participation in its corporate culture. It's one of the areas that we are most proud of as we celebrate our 100th year serving the community. Our staff is involved, at various levels, with a number of community organizations by providing service and financial support.

**MISSION:** At Swartz Retson, our mission is to provide timely, professional, and ethical business advisory services to our clientele, be actively involved in our community, and promote professional and personal growth of our personnel in a working environment that encourages initiative, innovation, and teamwork.



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OCTOBER 17, 2018 - FEBRUARY 28, 2019

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# LILLY ENDOWMENT INC. GIFT VII

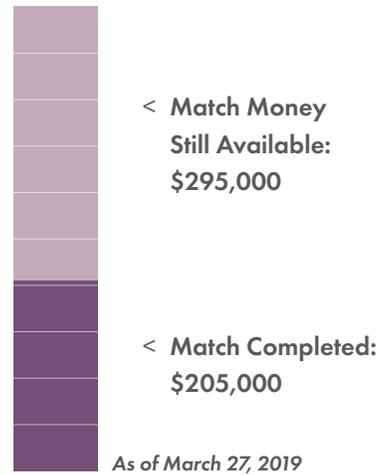
## Keep the Momentum Going!

**\$2 FOR \$1 MATCH**  
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Since its announcement this past November, the CPCF has been able to capture more than 40% of available matching grant dollars made possible by **Lilly Endowment Inc.** to build Unrestricted Community Endowment Funds!

"We've had an incredible response to date from our friends of the Foundation and general donations," said Mary Nielsen, President of the Crown Point Community Foundation. "With **the Endowment** matching gifts at a 2-for-1 rate, every gift becomes more significant to address high-priority challenges and opportunities in the community we serve (Crown Point, Cedar Lake, Lowell and Winfield)."

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## How It Works

### Funds Eligible for \$2 for \$1 Match:

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These funds support a broad range of community needs and programs each year through the grant process at the Foundation. Funded areas include:

- Animal Related
- Arts
- Culture
- Economic Development
- Education
- Environmental
- Community Improvement
- Food, Nutrition, Agriculture
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- Recreation
- Religion
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- Youth Development

EXAMPLE:  $\text{YOU GIVE } \$100 + \text{MATCH ADDS } \$200 = \text{TOTAL GIFT } \$300$

MATCH TIMELINE: OCTOBER 1, 2018 - DECEMBER 31, 2020 OR UNTIL THE MATCH DOLLARS HAVE BEEN EXPENDED.

## Give to an Existing Fund or Establish a New Fund

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# Five Questions for Daniel Root

MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
CHAIR OF BOARD DEVELOPMENT/ GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

Dan was born and raised in Crown Point and is a proud graduate of Crown Point High School. He graduated from the College of William and Mary, and later earned an MBA from DePaul University in Chicago. Dan was a U.S. Navy Lieutenant with service aboard the guided-missile cruiser, USS Albany (CG-10) and later in Vietnam. After living and working in New York City and Chicago for a few years, Dan decided that Crown Point was the perfect place to live and raise a family.

He joined the family business, Root Lumber Company, which was founded in 1892 by his great-grandfather. When Root Lumber closed after 100 years of operation, Dan pursued other opportunities. Dan became involved in several civic projects, serving on several boards and commissions, including the YMCA, the Chamber of Commerce, and the School Board. As a founding member of the Lake Courthouse Foundation he devoted considerable time, effort and creativity to the successful preservation and repurposing of the Courthouse.

## 1. What attracted you to the Crown Point Community Foundation?

Having grown up in Crown Point I learned the importance of supporting and giving back to my community. When I learned about the Crown Point Community Foundation, I realized that here is a perfect example of an organization that can help enhance the quality of life in our community. It is so simple: Individuals establish permanently endowed funds, and the proceeds from all the funds developed are distributed to charitable organizations to help them carry out their mission.

When I was asked to serve on the Board of Directors of the Community Foundation in 1998, I gladly accepted. It has been gratifying to see the success of the Foundation today.

## 2. What are you most proud of?

Several years ago there was debate in the community whether or not to establish a new Crown Point High School. I studied the issue and became convinced of the need for a new high school. I worked with others to educate voters of the need for and the benefits of a new school. The result in the referendum election was the wonderful new CPHS we have today. Later I was elected to the Board of Directors of the Crown Point Community School Corporation.

## 3. What's the last book you read?

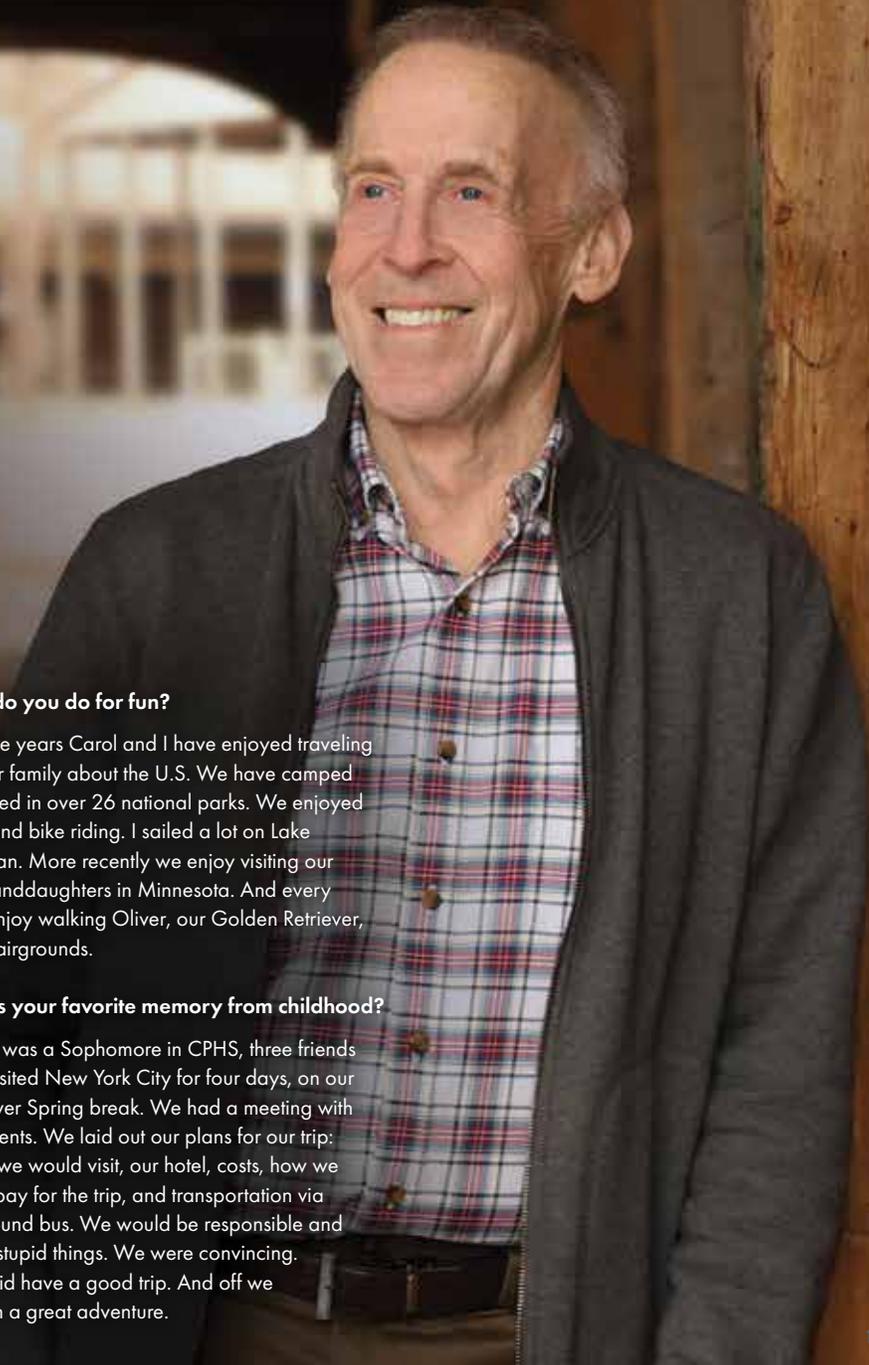
I thoroughly enjoyed the epic book *Hamilton* by Ron Chernow. The book relates in great detail the journey, the genius, the foresight and the faults of one of our country's significant Founding Fathers. My wife Carol and I appreciated Hamilton's story so much that we saw the Hamilton stage production in Chicago.

## 4. What do you do for fun?

Over the years Carol and I have enjoyed traveling with our family about the U.S. We have camped and hiked in over 26 national parks. We enjoyed skiing and bike riding. I sailed a lot on Lake Michigan. More recently we enjoy visiting our two granddaughters in Minnesota. And every day I enjoy walking Oliver, our Golden Retriever, in the Fairgrounds.

## 5. What is your favorite memory from childhood?

When I was a Sophomore in CPHS, three friends and I visited New York City for four days, on our own, over Spring break. We had a meeting with our parents. We laid out our plans for our trip: places we would visit, our hotel, costs, how we would pay for the trip, and transportation via Greyhound bus. We would be responsible and not do stupid things. We were convincing. They said have a good trip. And off we went on a great adventure.





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If you have a cause you care about in the community, we have a fund to support your interest. It's easy to make a donation. Mail your check today in the enclosed envelope provided or simply donate online at: [thecpcf.org/donate.html](http://thecpcf.org/donate.html). We invite you to be a part of your public Foundation so that together we can do more good things in our community!

### Upcoming Crown Point Community Foundation Events:

Scholarship Award Night | Thursday, May 9, 2019 | Crown Point High School

Symphony on the Lawn | Saturday, July 27, 2019

Women's Giving Circle Event | Tuesday, September 10, 2019



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