

Greater Winona Area Community Foundation

1999 Annual Report



We dedicate this 1999 Annual Report to the men and women of the Polish Cultural Institute who have worked for over twenty years to establish a museum honoring major contributions of their forebears in this region. We applaud the efforts of all the dedicated volunteers, and we thank them for establishing the Polish Cultural Institute Museum Fund within our foundation.

Mission

The mission of the Greater Winona Area Community Foundation is to be a philanthropic resource that makes a meaningful contribution to the quality of life for all people in the community. The Greater Winona Area Community Foundation fulfills this mission by:

- *gathering, preserving, and stewarding charitable capital*
- *educating the public about philanthropy and its benefits to both donors and the community*
- *continuously monitoring and identifying needs within the community*
- *partnering with other charitable organizations and with selected community initiatives*
- *making philanthropic grants to selected projects and causes*

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Dedication for 1999

Contributing well over \$950,000 in 1999 from the Winona Community Foundation to charitable causes has been extremely satisfying to those of us affiliated with this organization. And knowing that since 1988 we have given a total of almost \$3,500,000 in grants while retaining over \$4,500,000 in assets, very frankly, is really exciting. Our "investment" in worthy projects and programs convinces us that not only is area philanthropy exceptional, but so are the efforts of many hundreds of our citizens to help improve the quality of life through various projects and organizations.

The Community Foundation established three new donor-advised funds and five agency and special purpose funds in 1999 which means we currently assist 44 families and charitable groups in raising and/or "investing" money to benefit others.

Interestingly, the Laird Norton Winona Foundation Fund was established by the descendants of those two families in 1999, the same year this report is dedicated to folks working to expand the Polish Cultural Institute Museum housed in the former Laird Norton Lumber Company headquarters. The past is certainly prologue to the future in this specific case!

The Winona Area's past is filled with examples of perseverance, dedication, industriousness, success, and generosity. We at the Greater Winona Area Community Foundation see similar examples of that behavior almost daily and are convinced this area's future is one to eagerly anticipate. We thank all of you for helping shape our positive present and firmly-rooted future.

Sincerely,



Sue Cornwell
Executive Director



Period wedding apparel from the turn of the century.

Polish Museum Hours

Monday - Friday 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Saturday 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
Sunday 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Phone: 454-3431
Contact: Drue Ferguson

The Polish Museum is located at 102 Liberty Street, Winona

Our Support Continues

1999 saw a continuation of the strong support the community has had for the foundation since its inception, and a mutual continuation of the strong support the foundation has for the community. The foundation is blessed with several strong (and extremely generous) family funds, many successful special purpose funds, and a growing basic endowment fund for the foundation itself. The foundation is truly set to serve the area around Winona during the next century or, indeed, in perpetuity.

This past year saw the retirement of 4 board members: Bob Quinlan (who did an outstanding job as President of the organization for the last 2 years), Carol Orłowski, Randy Domeyer and Tom Siewert. Our, and the community's, sincere thanks go to these people for the time and effort they put in during the past years. Replacing them as board members for the year 2000 are Bud Baechler of Mediawerks; Reverend William Flesch; Judge Margaret Shaw Johnson; Darrell Krueger - President WSU; and Dr. Bill McNeil. This group has "hit the floor running" and are already deeply involved with their committee assignments for this year.

There is much left to do, but your entire board looks forward to a continuation and growth of the prior efforts and accomplishments with confidence. With your continued support, this will come to pass.



Bob Gilbertson
President



Large photographic murals of workers at the Empire Lumber Company (left) and Polish community events (right), baseball and a picnic on a sandbar along the Mississippi River.



Religious paintings and artifacts showing the importance of the Catholic church – particularly St. Stanislaus Kostka in Winona – to the area's Poles.

In Honor Of...

BROTHER LOUIS DETHOMASIS

Tim and Barbara Burchill

ROBERT KIERLIN

Reverend J. Thomas Finucan

MR. AND MRS. W. WAYNE SMITH

Sara and Jeff Brandon Family

BEN MILLER

Colleen and Sid Hughes

In Memory Of...

HAROLD EDSTROM

Colleen and Sid Hughes

VERDI ELLIES

Maebelle Ellies

IRVING GEPNER

Charlotte Gepner

EDWARD J. HARTERT

Jeanette Hartert

HARRY JOHNSON, JR.

Phylliss Mae Johnson

RICH CALLENDER AND BETTY CALLENDER KING

Judy and Angus Callender

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MR. AND MRS. P.F. LOUGHREY

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Mary K. Murphy

HER PARENTS

Harriet Green

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S.A. SAWYER

Betsy Sawyer

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J. Donald Stedman

EDITH AND WILLIAM THEURER

Lynn and Dave Theurer

MARY AND KARL WILLIAMS

Judy and Angus Callender

KEN WILTGEN

Mary Jo Wiltgen

LESLIE WOODWORTH

Eleanor Woodworth

Donors

BENEFACTORS

Muriel and Dave Arnold
Jo Edstrom
Erika and Robert Gilbertson
Pat and Dan Rukavina
Joyce and Pete Woodworth

PATRONS

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Colleen and Sid Hughes
Patricia Lucas
William McNeil
Betsy Sawyer

SPONSORS

Barb and Tim Burchill
Sue and Jack Cornwell
Marlene and John Mulrooney
Judy and Chuck Shepard
Chris and Tom Wilmot

FRIENDS

Goldeane Andresen
Bettylou and Richard Baylon
Jane and Scott Biesanz
Sara and Jeff Brandon
Family

Judy and Angus Callender
Therese and Phil Feiten
Reverend J. Thomas Finucan
Shannon and A. James Hanzel
Carol and Robert Heineman
Phylliss Mae Johnson
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Pat and Ron Moline
Mary K. Murphy
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Carol Orlowske
Geri and Bob Quinlan
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Donna and Ted Schowe
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PARTNERS

Penelope Breitlow
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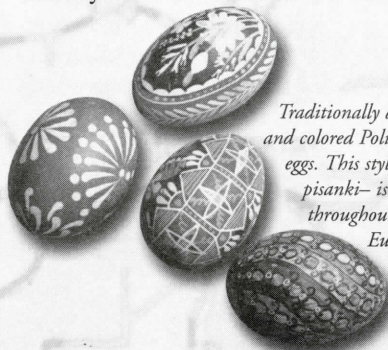
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Nancy Edstrom
Charlotte Gepner
Jeanette Hartert
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FOUNDATIONS

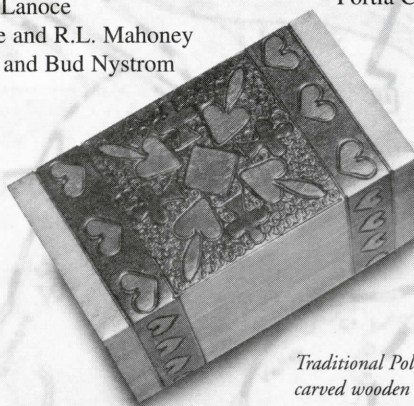
C. Paul and Irene Venables
Foundation

CLUBS/SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS

Portia Club



Traditionally decorated and colored Polish Easter eggs. This style—called pisanek—is common throughout Central Europe and Russia.



Traditional Polish carved wooden boxes.



Corporate Contributors

Kendell Doors & Hardware, Inc.
Merchants National Bank
Norwest Bank
Sprint

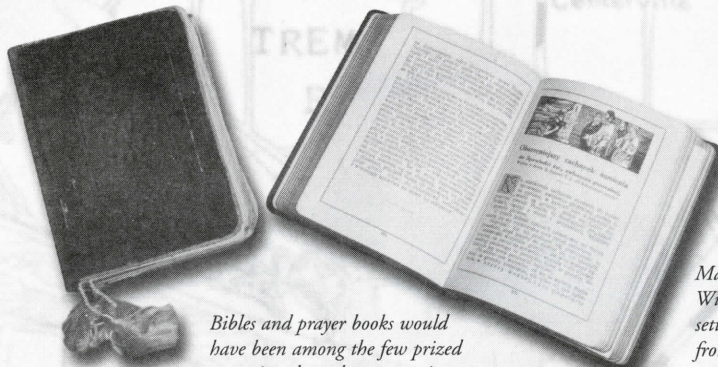
Technigraph Corporation
Town & Country State Bank
United Building Center
WE-NO-NAH Canoe, Inc.

Winona Knitting Mills
Winona National & Savings Bank

Restricted Funds

4.8 Skate Park Fund
Big Brother and Big Sister Fund
Celebrate 2000 Literacy Fund
Clara Barton Fund
Country Drive Park Fund
Erika K. Scholarship Fund
Family Donor Advised Funds
Deborah Miller Kanaber Library Improvement Fund
Friends of Winona Public Library Endowment Fund
Goodview-Winona Hockey Association Fund
Home and Community Options Fund
Landon Wenonah Fountain Fund
Margaret Simpson Home Fund
(Family Service of Winona)

Moline Historical Organ Fund
Montessori Building Fund
Montessori Scholarship Fund
Morrie Miller Scholarship Fund
Network for Women's Health and Life Fund
PHL "Save a Life" Fund
Polish Cultural Institute Museum Fund
Rotary Bike Path Fund
St. Charles Area Hospice Endowment Fund
Spread The Light Campaign Fund
United Way of Greater Winona Endowment Fund
Winona Playground Fund
Winona Visitor Center Expansion Fund
Winona Volunteer Services Endowment Fund



Bibles and prayer books would have been among the few prized possessions brought overseas in one small trunk by Polish immigrants.



Traditional embroidered tablecloth from Kashubia, the area from which most Winona Poles originated.

Many of the Winona's Polish settlers originated from two main regions in Poland – Kashubia and Silesia.

Greater Winona Area Community Foundation, Inc.

Statement Of Financial Position
December 31, 1999

ASSETS

Cash	\$ 11,972
Contributions receivable	8,910
Investments	4,571,012
Investment income receivable	18,241
Contract for deed receivable	19,523
Prepaid expenses	1,304
Property and equipment, net	2,134

TOTAL ASSETS \$ **4,633,096**

LIABILITIES

Accounts payable	\$ 243
Accrued expenses	710
Grants payable	102,134
Agency funds	1,422

TOTAL LIABILITIES \$ **104,509**

NET ASSETS

Unrestricted	
Undesignated	\$ 491,807
Board designated	3,157,024
Temporarily restricted	879,756

TOTAL NET ASSETS \$ **4,528,587**

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS \$ **4,633,096**

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Statement Of Activities
For The Year Ended December 31, 1999

PUBLIC SUPPORT, REVENUES, AND RECLASSIFICATIONS

Contributions	\$ 1,125,953	\$ 168,564	\$ 1,294,517
Interest and dividends	117,760	21,199	138,959
Net realized gain on investments	144,038	36,593	180,631
Net unrealized gain on investments	26,656	6,458	33,114
Annual meeting	1,524	--	1,524
Miscellaneous	23	--	23
Net assets released from restrictions			
Satisfaction of program restrictions	62,213	(62,213)	--
Total public support, revenues, and reclassifications	\$ 1,478,167	\$ 170,601	\$ 1,648,768

EXPENSES

Program services	\$ 984,288	\$ --	\$ 984,288
Management and general	37,136	--	37,136
Fundraising	2,120	--	2,120
 Total expenses	 \$ 1,023,544	 \$ --	 \$ 1,023,544

CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	\$ 454,623	\$ 170,601	\$ 625,224
NET ASSETS IN BEGINNING OF YEAR	3,194,208	709,155	3,903,363
NET ASSETS AT END OF YEAR	\$ 3,648,831	\$ 879,756	\$ 4,528,587

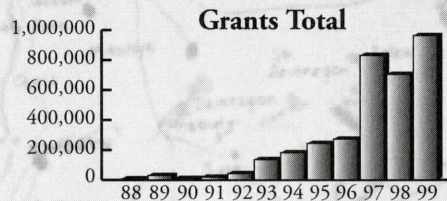
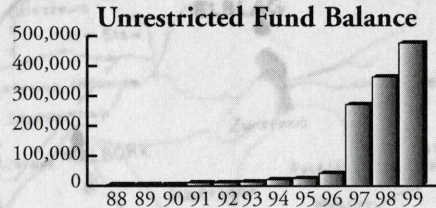
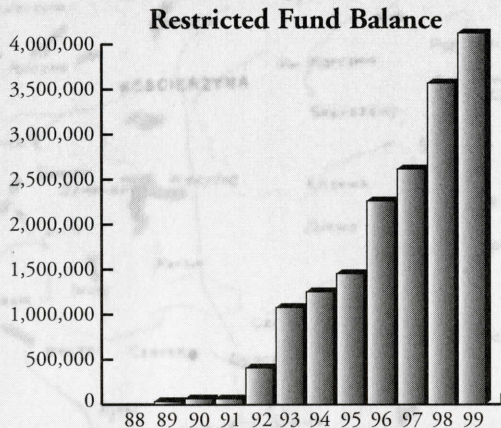
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1999 Grants

	Unrestricted Fund	Restricted Fund
Minnesota Land Trust	\$ 605	
Bluffview Montessori School	200	
Community Education COMPASS	650	
Hiawatha Valley Education	650	
American Red Cross Youth Corp.	1,200	
Home and Community Options, Inc.	700	
Grace Place	1,000	
TOTAL	\$ 5,005	
Family Fund A		\$ 26,000
Family Fund B		387,833
Family Fund C		2,000
Family Fund D		3,450
Family Fund E		5,500
Family Fund F		4,019
Family Fund G		284,667
Family Fund H		15,600
Family Fund I		8,300
Family Fund J		4,500
Family Fund K		22,000
Family Fund L		14,500
4.8 Skate Park Fund		10,240
Celebrate 2000 Literacy Fund		12,556
Clara Barton Fund		10,000
Deb Miller Kanaber Library Improvement Fund		4,750
Erika K. Scholarship Fund		37,500
Home and Community Options, Inc. Fund		3,000
Montessori Scholarship Fund		763
Morrie Miller Scholarship Fund		1,000
Network for Women's Health & Life Fund		100
Rotary Bike Path Fund		100,000
TOTALS	\$ 5,005	958,278
TOTAL 1999 GRANTS		\$ 963,283
TOTAL GRANTS 1988 - 1999	\$ 36,900	\$ 3,375,045
GRAND TOTAL		\$ 3,411,945

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Fund Balances and Grant History




Grand Total Grants Given 1988-1999: \$3,411,945

Greater Winona Area Community Foundation, Inc. 1999 Board of Directors

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