



2008 spring/summer

HAZEL L. PORTER, 2008 “UN Sung HERO” AXEL W. CARLSON AWARD RECIPIENT

We all know people who we consider to be “unsung heroes” It may be a family member, friend or even an acquaintance who in the course of their daily lives make this world a better place. This year, the Chautauqua Region Community Foundation’s



**Grandma Hazel L. Porter,
2008 Axel W. Carlson
Recipient**

Axel W. Carlson “Unsung” Hero Award recipient is Hazel L. Porter.

On Friday, June 28th, a crowd of over 150 well-wishers gathered at the Juliet Rosch Activities Center to witness the presentation of this award to CRCF’s 23rd recipient.

Mrs. Porter was nominated by the Retired Senior Volunteer Program/Foster Grandparent Program.

She is an active participant in both these programs.

She currently serves approximately 20 hours each week at C.C. Ring School in Mrs. Marci Centi’s second grade class. Mrs. Centi describes Mrs. Porter as having an almost magical way about her. She knows how to be soft and gentle with the students yet firm and convincing at the same time. Mrs. Centi’s second grade class assisted in the nomination for their “Grandma Hazel.”

Mrs. Porter has served tours of duty as a Foster Grandparent and is a past member of the program’s Advisory Council. She participates in the Social Integration Program which is a collaborative effort between the Retired Senior Volunteer Program and Chautauqua Blind Association.

Having knitted since she was a girl, Mrs. Porter has been very involved in the Linus program making quilts, afghans and sweaters for

babies. A member of the Ross Grange since 1990, she also volunteers at the Lutheran Social Services Gift Shop.

She is the proud mother of James, Raymond and Barbara and grandmother of Jeffrey, Julie, Joshua and Nicholas.



Robert Young, Chairman of the Axel W. Carlson Award Selection Committee far left with Grandma Hazel and her stu-

Hazel, we congratulate you and thank you for your years of enduring dedication to our community!

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Fast Facts:

CRCF’s Assets & Contributions as of 12/31/07

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| Total Assets | \$62.1 million |
| 2007 Total Contributions | \$2,667,266 |
| # of 2007 contributions | 2,249 |
| Number of Funds | 473 |
| New Funds in ‘07 | 24 |
| Year of Founding | 1978 |

FOREVER FUND - VILLAGE OF RANDOLPH

The Chautauqua Region Community Foundation is pleased to announce the establishment of the John Edward McLaughlin Family fund. This fund was established at the Foundation through a bequest from the estate of the McLaughlin family.

The fund is designated to provide financial assistance to religious and non-religious charitable activities in Randolph, New York. Awards are made through a competitive grant application process. Once received, the applications are reviewed by a committee comprised of Randolph citizens. They then make grant recommendations



to the Community Foundation Board of Directors. This year's deadline for the initial application submission was May 9th.

The first round of awards

were given to: Randolph Historical Society for the purchase of material to be used for collection preservation; Randolph Fire Co. Inc., to purchase smoke detectors for local distribution; United Presbyterian Church of Randolph, NY for the Kids' Klub program; Randolph Area



McLaughlin Family



The McLaughlin Family Fund committee is comprised of, (L to R) Carolyn Congdon, Fred Nagel, Gretchen Van Rensselaer,

Community Development Corporation for Camp Weeden and for Toymakers of Randolph to purchase start up materials.

The deadline date for the next round of funding is September 15th. Applications are available at the Village Offices or at the Chautauqua Region Community Foundation's website:

www.crcfonline.org.

CRCF WELCOMES NEW BOARD MEMBER

Recently, at CRCF's Annual Meeting, Stephen Wright was elected as the newest member of CRCF's Board of Directors. Steve has been a volunteer at the Foundation beginning in 2001 as a member of our Grants Committee until 2003 and then as a member of our Field of Interest Grants Committee from 2003 to present.

As an attorney at law with

Wright, Wright and Hampton, he is also very active in the community as a volunteer with the Jamestown Bar Association, YMCA, County Tennis League, First Presbyterian Church, Fenton History Center and as a Director for the Sunset Hill Cemetery Association.

Steve and his Wife, Debra, reside in Lakewood with their four children.

"Welcome, Steve!"



Steve represented CRCF as a Field of Interest Grants Committee Member which approved funding for Excellence on Ice. program.

CRCF's 11th Annual Golf Tournament



Pictured is CRCF's 2008 Annual Foundation Golf Tournament winners. (L to R) Samuel Price, Greg DeCinque, Jay Churchill and Randy Sweeney standing in for Mark Ward.

Special thanks to all those who supported CRCF's 11th Annual Golf Tournament held on May 19th. We appreciate all those hearty individuals who ventured "up the hill" to join us in our "non-tournament" action. As a result of your support the Foundation raised over \$16,000 for our Community Service Fund.

Our hats off to Mike Kaye and Frank Vassallo from Moon Brook County Club for the outstanding job they did to accommodate our change in plans.

Communications Coordinator Appointed



The next time you stop by the Foundation's office, make sure you say "Hi!" to the newest addition to the staff, Rose S.

Prinzi. Rose has been hired for the position of Communications Coordinator. She is a graduate of Mercy-

hurst College in Erie and was a participant in St. Bonaventure's MBA ,

She most recently was with Chautauqua Alcoholism & Substance Abuse Council for ten years as their Communications and Publicity Coordinator. Her background also includes employment with Chautauqua Opportunities Inc. and Jamestown Community College.

While at JCC she held several positions in their Continuing Education Department, including

Director of Training Services on their Jamestown Campus. Prior to that, she was the Acting Director of Continuing Education at JCC's Cataraugus Campus.

As a new staff member for the Foundation, Ms. Prinzi will be responsible for all written media and printed material , as well as for the coordination of the overall communications, marketing and special event activities for the Foundation.

Isabelle C. Erickson Community Service Fund

Isabelle C. Erickson witnessed amazing changes and events during her lifetime. When she was born on Dec. 21, 1911, bread was 5¢ a loaf, milk was 34¢ a gallon and a car cost \$500. When she died at the age of 96, bread had gone up to more than \$2.00 a loaf, milk was \$2.05/gallon and cars ranged from \$15,000 to \$25,000. She lived through World Wars I and II, the Great Depression, the invention of cars, airplanes and



computers. She lived during a more gracious time when neighbors knew and supported each other especially in time of need. She was active in various religious and community organizations.

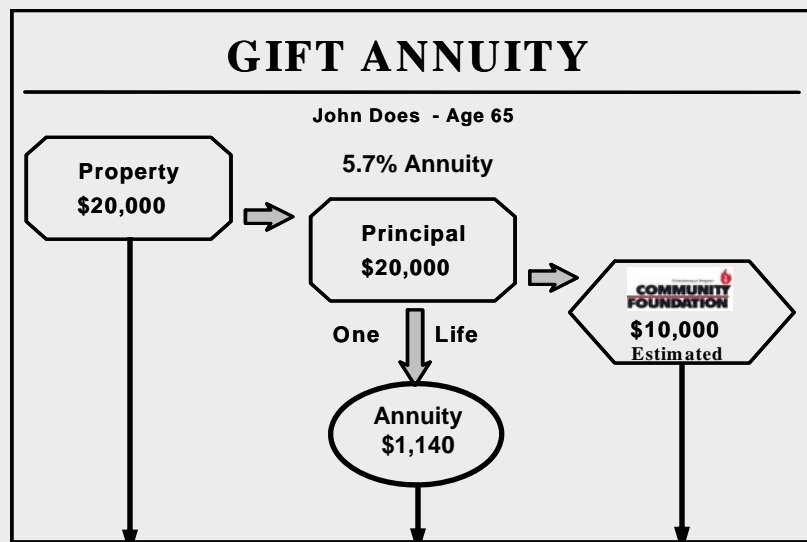
Shortly before her death, Mrs. Erickson established a Community Service Fund where neighbors will continue to help neighbors for generations to come. Through the Community Service Fund, her legacy and community minded effort will live on.

In Giving You Receive

It is said that in the act of giving we receive more than we thought imaginable. Most of us experience the reality of this truism through the eyes of a child, the gratitude of a life changed, or through the vision that is inherent in the spirit of philanthropy.

Some may find it surprising that U.S. tax laws take this reality one step further and provide tangible evidence that a charitable gift changes much more than the charity on the receiving end. It is with this purpose in mind that our laws embrace planning strategies like the Charitable Gift Annuity, offering many incentives that nurture a philanthropic society.

Based on a 35% tax income bracket, you can see in our illustration what your potential benefits may be for the future. For more information go to: www.crcfgift.org.



1. Gift property or assets to CRCF. Donor receives contract for annuity payments. Income tax deduction of \$6,451 may save \$2,258.

2. Annuity of \$1,140.00 for one life. Tax-free amount \$680.58. Estimated one life payout of \$23,940. Effective payout 8.5%.

3. Quarterly payments for one life. Property passes to CRCF with no probate fees. There are also no estate taxes.

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Dates of Interest:

July 15th - Deadline
for College Scholarship
Applications

September 4th - John D.
Hamilton Award Ceremony

October 21st - CLE Program
Estate Planning

July 19th and 20th - The
Willie Hayes Kick ball tour-
nament

*“...Enriching the Quality of Life in the
Chautauqua Region.”*



William “Gus” Erickson
Memorial Scholarship Fund

Criteria: *To assist Panama Central
School students who are pursuing
majors in Business.*

William “Gus” Erickson loved Pa-
nama, both the community and the
school. He loved teaching, loved his

students; and they loved him back.
He went the extra mile for his stu-
dents and taught not only academics
but life. Mr. Erickson made learn-
ing fun. Throughout the years, stu-
dents have sought him out for his
sage advice. He felt that getting a
good education in whatever chosen
field was important.

He was a 1943 graduate of
Jamestown High School, a 1950
graduate of Grove City College,
and earned his Master’s degree
from Syracuse University in 1970.

Emily Runge, Peggy Erickson-
Lamb and Martha Young, Mr.
Erickson’s daughters, established
this fund to forever carry on their
father’s legacy.

Note!

We’d like to hear from you!

*If you or your organization
has been a recipient of one
of our scholarships or funds,
we would like to hear from
you.*

Tell us your story.

Just contact Rose at:

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Thank you!