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Go to castlewood.k12.sd.us, then click on Community and choose Castlewood Education Foundation.



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## Donors continue support for CEF, students

Several businesses continued their support for CEF with donations last spring. Donations totaled \$2,500, allowing us to continue to fund Innovative Education Grants to teachers, classroom field trips, funds for music and the arts, and senior scholarships.

### THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!

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## In Memory Of...

Leon Somsen, '78

Jim Janssen, '75

Terry Heyn

by Mort and Karen Schooley,  
'59, '61

Leon Somsen, '78

Robert Raasch, '52

Terry Heyn

by Chad, '88, and Heidi Schooley

Roxann Bruinsma Kemink, '79

by Wanita Bullert

Barb Heidemann O'Neill, '70

by Sandra Heidemann, '64

Leon Somsen, '78

by Craig and Roxanne Bass,  
'72, '73

Richard and Leola Carlisle  
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by Ray Carlisle, '58

Jim Bohls, '67

Mary Lou Little

Wilma Ching

Robert Raasch, '52

by Jim, '65, and Kathy Pommer

Dewey and Jeannette Ching

by William, '61, and Mary Ching



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## CEF changing publication date, delivery method

Later this summer, a second edition of this newsletter will be published, highlighting the foundation's activities during the 2024-25 school year. Moving to an August/September publication date will help the foundation keep our news timely and also allow us to highlight anything of interest in the upcoming school year.

The foundation hopes to reduce the number of newsletter copies mailed by offering a digital version. It can be emailed or downloaded from the website (see back page for information on the website). **To receive your newsletter by email or to let us know you'll be downloading future editions, please email us at castlewoodeducationfoundation@gmail.com. Thank you!**

## CEF awards 2024 scholarships to eight seniors



**EIGHT SENIORS RECEIVED \$500 SCHOLARSHIPS** from the Castlewood Education Foundation at Awards Night 2024. From the left are Karli Akin, daughter of Cory and Karen Akin; Bowen Ryan, son of Marvin Ryan and Jill and Landon Haug; Clay Bruinsma, son of Clint and Sarah Bruinsma; Gracie Haug, daughter of Daniel and Dodi Haug; Kailyn Larson, daughter of Mark and Angie Larson; Kelly Goens, daughter of Craig and Becky Goens; Ella Hunter, daughter of Matt and Angela Hunter; and Lane Tvedt, son of Austin and Leslie Tvedt.

## Teacher, Staff Appreciation

Caramel rolls were enjoyed by school staff members in May of 2024 in honor of Teacher and Staff Appreciation Week

THANK YOU, teachers and staff, for your service to the students of the Castlewood School District and your commitment to work together with our school board, families and the community to build a foundation for life for our students.

## Donors

Marilyn (Ching) Abraham, '58  
Castlewood Cons. Fund Drive  
David Heidemann, '73  
Rod and Cindy Rudebusch, '70

*Thank you to all of our  
donors for your generous  
gifts to CEF!*

## Gaylord Hoftiezer and Marjorie Hoftiezer O'Brien Memorial Scholarships



Ella Hunter, Lois Wiarda and Gracie Haug

## Seppala Family Scholarship

Kabren Jackson, son of Cory and Kilee Jackson, received a \$1,000 Seppala Family Scholarship given by Dorothy Seppala Schooley (deceased – Class of 1954) and Lynn (Class of 1964) and Joan Seppala in memory of their parents, Elmer and Lillian Seppala, and brother Dean (Class of 1964).

## Roxann Bruinsma Kemink Memorial Scholarship



Kylie Wittnebel

The foundation announced Kylie Wittnebel, daughter of Barrett and Peggy Wittnebel, as the recipient of a \$1,500 Roxann Bruinsma Kemink Memorial Scholarship. Jeff Kemink (Class of 1977), along with his children Andrea and Austin, established the scholarship in memory of their wife and mother, Roxann (Class of 1979).

Consider the Castlewood Education Foundation when making charitable donations this year and estate planning decisions for future years.

Ella Hunter was the recipient of the \$1,000 Gaylord Hoftiezer Memorial Scholarship. The scholarship was established by the Castlewood Historical Society in memory of Gaylord Hoftiezer (Class of 1948) through a generous bequest from the Gaylord Hoftiezer Endowment Fund made to the society by Gaylord's estate in 2014.

Gracie Haug received the \$1,000 Marjorie Hoftiezer O'Brien Memorial Scholarship. The scholarship was established by the Castlewood Historical Society in memory of Marjorie Hoftiezer O'Brien (Class of 1938) in recognition of her efforts to establish the Gaylord Hoftiezer Endowment Fund with the Castlewood Historical Society in 2014.



Beth Schooley Holzwarth, Kabren Jackson and Kay Schooley

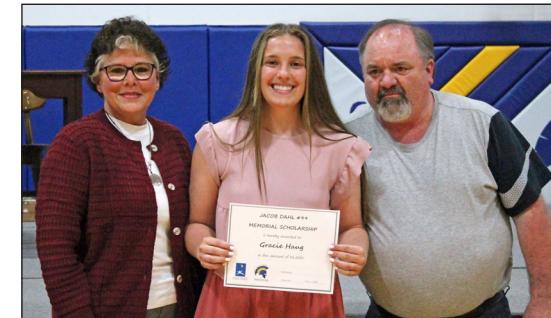


Kelly Goens

## Maynard and Sharon (Miller) Nagelhout Scholarship

Kelly Goens received the \$1,000 scholarship established by Sharon (Miller) Nagelhout, (Class of 1956) in honor of her husband Maynard Nagelhout (Class of 1956) and their families.

## Jacob Dahl #99 Memorial Scholarship



Lesa Dahl, Gracie Haug and Jeff Dahl

Gracie Haug received a \$1,000 scholarship given by Jeff and Lesa Cummings Dahl (Class of 1978) and their son Jarred, in memory of their son Jacob Dahl (Class of 2013).



Ron Gleysteen, Gracie Haug and Mona Gleysteen

## John and Delice Gleysteen Memorial Scholarship

The John and Delice Gleysteen Memorial Scholarship went to Gracie Haug. This \$1,000 scholarship is given by Jane Gleysteen Bobzin (Class of 1962), Arlys Gleysteen Sikorski (Class of 1966) and Ron Gleysteen (Class of 1968) in memory of their parents, John and Delice Gleysteen.

## Larry and Beverly Meyer Family Scholarship



Lane Tvedt

## Edward and Rachel Westgard Memorial Scholarship

Lane Tvedt was the recipient of the \$500 Edward and Rachel Westgard Memorial Scholarship. The scholarship was established by Krisma Westgard Dewitt (Class of 1974) in honor of her parents, Edward and Rachel Westgard.

## Fundraisers add to coffers

During the 2023-24 year, \$491 was generated from our aluminum can recycling project. Since the project began, \$7,851 has been raised. We want to thank the community for their support of this project, and a special thanks to Gary Gabur, JW Rolloff, and Ryan Ruesink, Dakota Dumpsters and Sanitation, for hauling the cans to Watertown for us.

A CEF fundraiser during a basketball doubleheader raised \$1306.36 between the pizza feed and the 50/50 game.

## Foundation Board

Cory Akin, President; Lesa Dahl, Vice Pres.; Carrie Boyd, Secretary; Carol Collins, Treasurer. Board Members: Vicki Strait, Lois Wiarda, Heather Schmit, Kristy Borer, Angela Hunter, Deb Mack and Jesse Haagensen.