

# apples to orchards

Fall 2008

Hawcreek-Flat Rock Area Endowment



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## *The Orchard Society*

In October 2004, the Hawcreek-Flat Rock Area Endowment created the *Orchard Society*. The *Orchard Society* honors donors for their lifetime gifts to the endowment. Anyone who contributes \$1,000 or more over their lifetime will become a member.

The names of the *Orchard Society* members will be published in the newsletter as well as displayed in a mural that the Art Guild of Hope has been painting in the Community Center of Hope. The advisory board would like to give a special thanks to Rhonda Bontrager and the entire Art Guild for the many hours spent designing and painting the mural.

### Bronze

\$1,000 to \$4,999

Mr. and Mrs. Howard C. Andrews; Anonymous (2); Kenneth H. and Nancy Chandler; Marie Clouse; Mr. and Mrs. Merrill Clouse; Norman and Suzanne Cohn and Family; Gordon and Nancy Elsbury; Dr. Charles H. Fields; John and Nancy Gilliland; Carla Gross; Heritage Fund in honor of Bill Lentz; Heritage of Hope, Inc.; Indiana Bank and Trust; Bill and Shari Lentz; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas C. Lentz; Catherine Marlin; Jim and Joyce Meier; Sarah F. Moore; Marshall, Damon, Tom Perry; John K. and Shirley Robertson; Jane Simmons; Estate of J. Howard Stafford; Sarah E. Thayer; Mr. and Mrs. Tim Thayer; Lori Clouse Wells

### Silver

\$5,000 to \$9,999

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### Gold

\$10,000 to \$29,999

Cummins Foundation; Coca-Cola Bottling of Columbus; Bud and Ann Herron

### Platinum

\$30,000 to \$49,999

Tim Andrews

Membership levels are determined each year on September 30th.

*Anyone wishing more information please contact Tom Finke at 546-5838.*



*Located in the entrance hallway of the Community Center of Hope, the Orchard Society display honors donors who have contributed lifetime gifts of \$1,000 and over. A special thanks to the Art Guild of Hope for the time spent designing and painting the mural and to the community center for providing the space.*

## A Letter From the Chairman

Dear Friends,

I would like to dedicate this newsletter to Don Dillman, who passed away this past spring. Don was a founding member of the Hawcreek – Flat Rock Area Endowment Advisory Board and a true community leader. Don's vision for the Endowment has been an inspiration for many of us on the Advisory Board.

As one looks back on the weather that we experienced in 2008, I know that many of us couldn't help but think "what next?" with the passing of each new weather event. First we saw several heavy rains in late winter and early spring, followed by the cool wet spring conditions. Several tornados were active in the area the first few days of June. Then many of us were impacted directly or indirectly by the historic and devastating flood of June 7. The flood was followed by drought conditions that stretched into fall. We thought we had seen it all and hoped the weather would get back to "normal" as the beginning of fall harvest approached. Then, with little warning, the remnants of Hurricane Ike brought us those damaging winds on that Sunday in September. As I write this letter and look outside, I see the rain beginning to change to snow. The sight of snow makes one ponder, what lies ahead this winter?

Just as the weather has been uncertain this year, the economic situation for many has been uncertain as well. I want to thank all of you who have continued to support the Endowment during the current economic downturn.

I have always looked at the Hawcreek – Flat Rock Area Endowment as a community savings account. I think we were all raised as children to have a personal savings account to save up for those important purchases or rainy days. What better time is there to have a community savings account than after a devastating flood or during a downturn in the economy? The Endowment Advisory Board was able to award a record amount of \$8,939 in grants to 10 organizations in 2008. All of these organizations are located within the Flat Rock- Hawcreek Community. Even with the current economic conditions in 2008, there will be \$5,000 available for grants in 2009. None of this would be possible without the continued generosity of the donors.

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## Nearly \$9,000 awarded to Community Organizations

Thanks to the generosity of donors, Hawcreek-Flat Rock Endowment Fund was able to award a record amount of \$8,939 in grants in 2008. Since 2004, over \$23,000 has been given back to the community through grants from the endowment fund.

On June 21st checks were distributed during the Hope Homecoming and Car Show at a ceremony on the town square. These groups received grants for the listed amount and purpose:

Hartsville and Community Volunteer Fire Department - \$800 for a power point projector

Hauser Jr./Sr. High School - \$1,500 for AR science equipment

Community Center of Hope - \$1,000 for Cots and Equipment for Pre-School Children

Flat Rock-Hawcreek School Corporation - \$2,025 for a monthly publication in the Hope Star-Journal

Art Guild of Hope - \$250 for advertising and display materials

Dollar for Scholars - \$300 for Administrative Costs

Yellow Trail Museum - \$460 for Walking Tour Project

Hope Area Food Bank - \$700 for a new refrigerator

Flat-Rock-Hawcreek Parent Solutions Group - \$594 for seat restraints

Clifford Volunteer Fire Department - \$1,310 for chairs



*Recipient representatives and Endowment officers stand proud. Back row: Michelle Robb, Barb Johnson, Dr. Phil Deardorff, George Rose, and Rhonda Bontrager. Front row: Sarah Gentry, Tom Finke, Ed Stone, Ed Johnson, Rosie Trotter, and Julie Begin.*

## \$5,000 Available for 2009 Grants

The Hawcreek-Flat Rock Area Endowment is pleased to announce the availability of \$5,000 grant dollars for 2009.

The Advisory Board will consider the grant proposals that fit the following criteria:

- Funds are to be used for projects or programs in the Hawcreek Flat Rock Area exclusively.
- Only grant requests from not-for-profit organization or those that demonstrate a charitable purpose will be considered.
- Projects or programs that address the needs of a significant number of community residents.

Grant applications will be available in February 2009. All grant information will be posted on the Endowment's website, at [www.endowmenthfr.com](http://www.endowmenthfr.com).

Any questions can be directed to Tom R. Finke at 546-5838 or the Heritage Fund at 376-7772.

## Donations Needed

The Hawcreek-Flat Rock Area Endowment has not yet reached its \$10,000 goal for 2008. If the goal is not reached, the endowment will miss an opportunity for a matching donation from Tim Andrews. Since 2003, the endowment has consistently met and exceeded Andrew's challenge to raise \$10,000 a year. A gift to the endowment makes a wonderful and lasting holiday gift.

To help the endowment, please send a tax-deductible donation to Hawcreek-Flat Rock Area Endowment Fund, 404 Jackson Street, Hope, IN 47246.



*Tom Finke presents outgoing Advisory Board Member and Past Chairman, Gordon Elsbury, a certificate of appreciation for his five years of service on the Advisory Board.*

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However, at the time of this writing, the Endowment has not received enough donations in 2008 to receive an annual matching donation of \$10,000 from Hauser grad Tim Andrews. Please consider a donation of the Hawcreek – Flat Rock Endowment before the end of 2008 so that the Endowment can receive the matching donation. Enclosed in this newsletter is an envelope that may be used to send your contribution. With your support we will be able to help our community by providing additional grant money in the future.

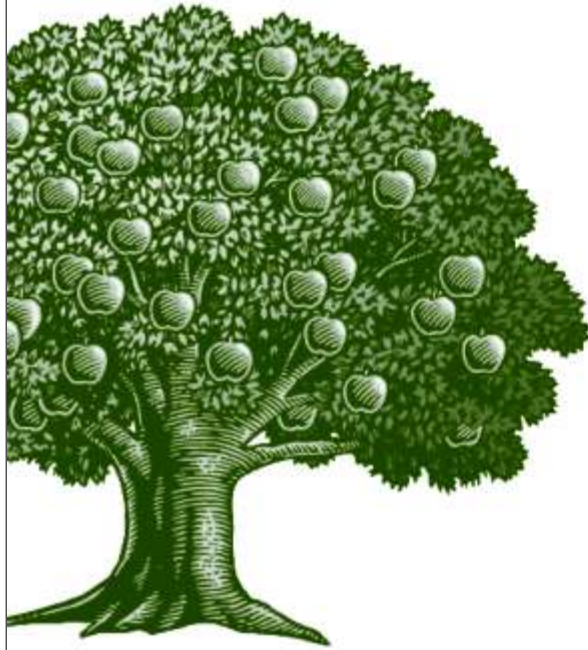
Thanks to the effort and talent of the Art Guild of Hope, and the kindness of the Community Center of Hope, the Endowment and more particularly the "Orchard Society" has a "home" at the Community Center. Please take time to read the article about this in this newsletter. And stop by the Community Center and check out the latest project of the Art Guild.

Please visit our website at [www.endowmenthfr.org](http://www.endowmenthfr.org) to learn more about the Hawcreek – Flat Rock Area Endowment or call the Heritage Fund – the Community Foundation of Bartholomew County at 376-7772, or contact any of the advisory board members listed in this newsletter.

In closing I want to say thanks to the following who have contributed to our operating fund in 2008. The operating fund is a separate fund from the Endowment Fund and is used for the promotion of the Hawcreek – Flat Rock Area Endowment Fund. Those contributors are: Bartholomew County REMC, Irwin Union Bank, Cummins Foundation, and Indiana Bank and Trust Company. Without the support of these organizations this newsletter and many other promotional items would not be possible.

Tom R. Finke, chairman

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October 1, 2007 – September 30, 2008

Don Dillman

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