

# BARRINGTON AREA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

Semi-Annual Report, Winter 2008

## PRESIDENT'S COLUMN



Norval Stephens

In the midst of this financial crisis, the Barrington Area Community Foundation is happy that we were able to make our largest distribution of grants ever to local charities, \$115,000. Not only were the grants carefully reviewed, but please read how they were used for the benefit of the community. Each came back with a sentence thanking you, the donors.

Because we base our total grants on 5% of our net assets averaged over the trailing 12 quarters, we believe that we will come close to the figure of last year despite the losses to our securities. This has resulted from prudent investment, carrying a relatively large cash balance to cover expected grants early next year and dropping quarters from our calculations from three years ago that are lower than our expected closing figures.

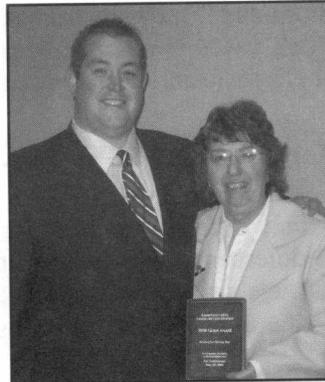
The entire board wishes to thank you for your continuing generosity. We pledge to use your support to help our charities cope with difficult times.

## MONICA KEANE, BARRINGTON CAREER CENTER, \$7,500

With your grant, we were able to use Integrations Works, an IT company, to analyze our needs, recommend and install appropriate software and hardware. We also upgraded our computer network wiring to accommodate our new equipment. The results have given our clients reliable and speedy access to the internet and allowed us to communicate quickly with our clients, board members and volunteers. Our numbers are at a record high, with an increase of 130% in new clients seeking employment or change of employment over the last year. We could not cope without your help and the help of volunteers.



## P. J. HILLS AND PATRICIA KARON, BARRINGTON GIVING DAY, \$6,000

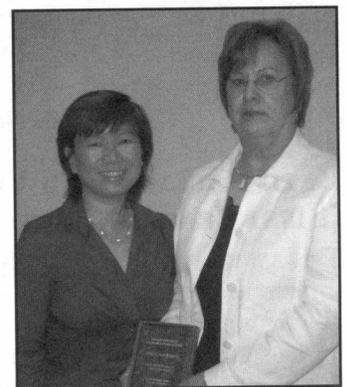


Barrington Giving Day will invite 665 families with more than 2,000 children to Giving Day on December 13. These families have been identified by School District #220 as having children eligible for the free or reduced lunch program. Families will receive winter coats, hats, gloves, scarves, books, toys, blankets, food and other much needed items. The families tell us that without Giving

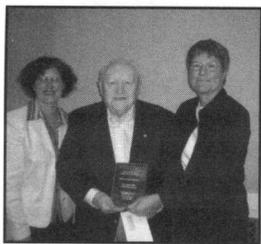
Day they would not have been able to have both gifts and food for Christmas. With your grant and other funds raised, we have purchased more winter clothing than ever before in our 60-year history. Over 300 volunteers will help us on Giving Day. We thank them and the Foundation for the support.

## MARGARITA GELESKE AND RUTH WEILER, BARRINGTON YOUTH AND FAMILY SERVICES, \$23,750

\$15,000 was allocated to formal folkloric dance instruction as well as insight into traditional Mexican culture. An end-of-summer recital showcased 50 students. \$8,750 extended the existing soccer program that provided 90 students with skills development and team-building activities, culminating in a soccer tournament. We worked with the Barrington Area Soccer Association, Ballet Folklorico Huehucoyoti, Sunny Hill School, Barrington Middle Schools and High School and Faith Lutheran Church. Thank you!



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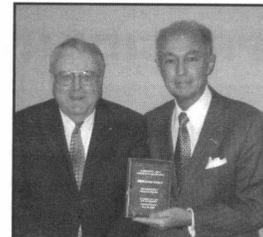


**DENISE NEURING, HARRY LOGUE AND JOYCE PALMQUIST, BARRINGTON AREA COUNCIL ON AGING, BEST USE OF VOLUNTEERS, \$1,500**

BACOA utilizes more than 150 volunteers throughout our programs and services. As a result of this grant, we are exploring the Age Friendly Initiative to match baby boomers with opportunities in area organizations. In addition, we are currently participating in the Count Me In! Project, whose goal is to build organizational capacity in non-profits in the area of volunteer management. With our mentor, we will seek to recruit, train and retain the boomer generation and other volunteers.

**CURT LARSEN AND JOHN PETER CURICELLI, BARRINGTON AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY, \$10,000**

This has been one of the best years ever for BHS, thanks to the Foundation. The Applebee School House program, bringing the history of our area to local schoolchildren, served over 900. So great was the demand we added two more trained role players as teachers. Other historical societies are asking us now for advice. Our professional exhibit presentations, "Covered Bridges" (which we had before Indiana), "Let There Be Light," the history of light from the Sumerians to today, "Going Places," a display of carriages and wagon that drew 500 visitors, and "Drawings from the Great Age of the American Automobile" from the Boston Museum of Fine Art, were all possible because of the Foundation grant. Our attendance grew 15% as we continue our efforts to enrich and educate those who live and work here.

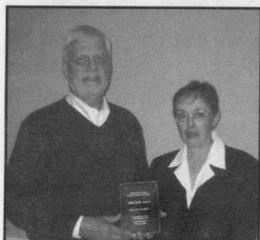


**STACEY BELLOMO, CLEARBROOK CENTER, \$4,000**

With the grant, we were able to cover a portion of the specialist's salary and expand our autism program with the Family and Community Resource Room. The FCRR, headed by a specialist who is also a parent of an adolescent with autism, includes an extensive library of material and toys, individualized instructional resources, networking opportunities, guides to sharing community resources, "tip sheets" to support families in new situations, internet access and support in a non-clinical setting.

**JUNE WOOTEN AND KAREN BEYER, ECKER CENTER FOR MENTAL HEALTH, \$3,000**

Our nurses, psychiatrists, therapists and our vocational, psychological rehabilitation and residential staff's time is more and more precious because our number of clients has increased 100% since 2002 but our funding has only grown 40%. Therefore, we are grateful for funding our Kwiktag scanning and record-keeping system. We have been scanning prescriptions, medical reports from outside our facility, signed client releases and other documents into our electronic medical records. This information is then available on our internet to direct service staff making service faster and far easier.



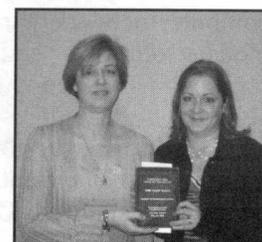
**PAT WINKELMAN AND TOM BENJAMIN, VEHE FARMS FOUNDATION, \$5,255**

This grant was used to start the No Child Left Inside initiative presented to residents of Barrington, Lake Zurich and Deer Park June 22 with the cooperation of 20 local volunteers and Vehe Farms Foundation. From that meeting came a steering committee with members from Barrington Area United Way, Girl Scouts, Citizens for Conservation, Ela and Barrington Libraries, St. Anne's Home School Association, Little Garden Club of Barrington, Barrington Area Development Council, several Barrington schools, Dr. Everett Weiss, Rev. Zina Jacques, and Barrington Area Special Voices. These groups and local parents

are participating in a mapping process leading to a report in February 2009. Thank you for helping us pursue this dream.

**BETH RASEMAN AND VICKI SHAW, HOSPICE OF NE ILLINOIS, \$12,500 (FIRST YEAR OF A TWO-YEAR GRANT.)**

This award will help fund the construction of the Pepper Family Hospice Home and Center for Care to increase access to hospice and palliative care for patients whose symptoms are no longer manageable at home. This facility will be constructed within LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) standards, the first such building in Barrington. Ground-breaking is anticipated in Spring 2009. We estimate we will serve 450 families from this new facility.



In the audit of 2007, we had net assets of \$2,541,334 and total grants and expenses of \$127,285. This is approximately 20 times our total expenses and grants. As an endowment fund, we will have 15 to 20 times our grants and expenses in order to make grants on the basis of 5% of net assets averaged over the trailing 12 quarters.

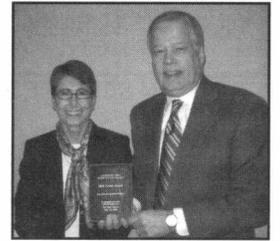


**SISTER MARY ESTELLE AND SISTER MARGARET, LAFARGE PROGRAM, \$1,555**

The grant purchased five new inkjet printers with equipment and supplies that allow sharing a printer with two computers and having a printer for the instructor's computer. The LaFarge program is open to senior citizens with two instructors teaching up to eight students each week in each of three separate classes. Classes are six weeks long, offered four times a year. Students can see their work come out in printed form and are eager to return next week. We thank you for your generosity and continued support.

**CLAIRE LEININGER AND DAVID CHIDLEY, ROY WILMERING SCOUT CABIN, \$10,000**

As a result of your grants, we have now completed the second of three major long-term capital improvement projects at this historic youth group facility. This grant was used for the renovation and remodeling of the lower level meeting, storage and utility space. As a result we have increased our usable space by 33%, addressed storage and restroom problems, reduced high levels of moisture and humidity and provided needed back-up for our ejector pump. As many as 500 youths and their leaders use the Cabin each year. Because of you, the future never looked brighter for the Barrington Community Scout Cabin.



**NANCY NADIG AND MARY TUDELA, SAMARITAN COUNSELING CENTER, \$9,500  
(FIRST YEAR OF A TWO-YEAR GRANT)**

The grant made possible the purchase of computers and telephone equipment at our new offices at 800 Hart Road. Our therapy staff offices are now equipped to be able to make our ministry of healing and hope possible. This December we will welcome our first clients. That would not be possible without your generous assistance. We appreciate the two-year grant.

**MARY ILLING AND LIZ RODOSKY, WALK ON EQUINE ASSISTED ACTIVITIES, \$6,840**

The grant was used to purchase equipment that allows staff and volunteers to use a safe and reliable form of transfer from a wheel chair to the horse for therapy purposes. Equine therapy benefits a broad range of disabilities and ages. The gentle, rhythmical gait of the horse reproduces the human walk and strengthens the trunk area, stabilizes the spine, and increases lung capacity in a professionally guided session. We opened in February 2007 with six program participants. Today there are 45 riders, 30 active volunteers and a waiting list of potential clients. Thank you from the board members, staff, volunteers, riders and the horses, too.



**PATTY DOWD SCHMITZ, CONCOURS D'ELEGANCE, \$7,400**

The grant was used to fund the design, printing and mailing of a full-color brochure about the Barrington Concours d' Elegance. The brochure was mailed to 18,000 addresses and included an overview of all the weekend events. We received a number of donations from the brochure as well as a number of ticket sales. Our attendance exceeded 1,500 at Arlington Park--a wonderful success. Thank you.

**NANCY GIANNI AND JENNI VON TOBEL, GIGI'S PLAYHOUSE, \$2,700**

The grant was for a feasibility study and architectural drawings for a new location on property now owned by the South Barrington Park District. While we are still in the early phases of the space design process, we anticipate adding space to serve Down's syndrome children and parents and to reduce the waiting list of those we now cannot accept. Thank you.



**PHIL HAMPEL AND DAWN KELLER, FLINT CREEK WILDLIFE REHABILITATION, \$5,500**

The project will provide basic education on wildlife issues, avoiding human-wildlife conflicts and wildlife conservation. We have a significant amount of raw footage, releases, educational programming and tape on treatment given to injured wildlife, our specialty. We will begin final shooting and editing in December for a launch early next year.

**HOW DO WE MANAGE YOUR MONEY?**

Over the 10 years since we started the Foundation, we have usually beaten the performance of the average community foundation in managing funds. We have a conservative strategy, an allocation that has a range for stocks of 50% to 70%, bonds of 25% to 45% and cash of 5% to 10%. The members of the Investment Committee are Gil Reich, chairman, James Fitzgerald, Jonathan Hamill, David Hirsch, Andrew Kelleher, James Lancaster, and David Nelson, who is also custodian and non-voting.

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**NEW INFORMATION  
ON CHARITABLE IRA  
WITHDRAWALS**

If you own a traditional or Roth Individual Retirement Account (IRA), you can now save on your 2008 and 2009 income tax by using IRA funds to make a charitable donation to the Barrington Area Community Foundation or other charities of your choice. Such donations will not count as adjusted gross income (so it will not be taxed), will count toward your minimum distribution requirement and can be up to \$100,000 in both 2008 and 2009. Consult your tax advisor for details.

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