

2009-2010 IN REVIEW

Local Education & Activities Foundation  
2009-2010 ANNUAL REPORT



**LEAF**  
DISTRICT 742  
Local Education & Activities Foundation

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## LEAF MISSION

The District 742 Local Education & Activities Foundation (LEAF) is a citizens' organization whose purpose is to secure and channel private funds to support and enhance the educational process. The Foundation shall serve to promote the value of a comprehensive educational program and to increase public confidence and involvement in the public school system. It shall build links among the public school system, business and industry, government, civic organizations, and the public.

## LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Friends of LEAF,

We have witnessed another remarkable year for LEAF. In spite of challenging times, many hard working and generous people, including volunteers, board members, community members and donors, have helped support academic and activity opportunities for District 742 students. Earlier this year, we even began making grants from our newly-created Academic Enhancement Fund ahead of schedule. Although still in its infancy, we are excited about the early developments of this fund and have ambitious goals for the future.

With the success of our 15 anniversary fundraiser, LEAF granted more to District 742 Activities from our endowment than any year in our history. Plans are underway to build on this success as annual grant requests continue to exceed our ability to fund them. Clearly our work is not done.

Given these challenging times, from the financial pressures schools face to the complex world our children are growing up in, we believe our mission is more important than ever to help our students succeed. We pledge to continue our work and wish to thank the many volunteers and generous contributors for helping make this all possible. Working together, there is nothing we cannot accomplish.

Barclay Carriar, LEAF President



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CSB/SJU Retired

## 2009 & 2010 EVENTS

### ANNUAL KICK-OFF LUNCHEON

This event recognizes the efforts of our student participants, coaches and advisers and highlights the wide variety of opportunities LEAF helps to make possible to District 742 students. The event was held on Tuesday, August 17, 2010 at the Kelly Inn ballroom. Speakers included Don Watkins, Retired President and CEO of Tanner Systems and St. Cloud Philanthropist, Bruce Watkins, District 742 Superintendent of Schools, philanthropist George Torrey, Mayor Dave Kleis, LEAF Vice President Rolf Jacobson, and LEAF Executive Director Bruce Hentges. Jerry Von Korff served as the master of ceremonies.



### ANNUAL APPRECIATION AND AWARDS RECEPTION

Beginning in 2004, The Board of Directors began publicly honoring service to the organization and District 742 with an annual awards reception. This event recognizes service by thanking donors and honoring volunteers while increasing community visibility and cultivating the loyalty of LEAF supporters.

On Saturday December 5, 2009 The Board of Directors welcomed honored guests and LEAF supporters to the sixth annual awards reception. This event seeks to publicly recognize service and thank donors and volunteers. The 2009 venue was Apollo High School where, following the reception and festivities, guests were treated to an excellent performance of the Apollo fall musical theatre production. This continues the current tradition of alternating between the two district high schools, where students and staff enthusiastically host and showcase outstanding creative work.



2009 Award Recipients

### THANKS TO THE 2010 FALL KICK-OFF LUNCHEON SPONSORS:

First Fuel Banks  
 St. Cloud Refrigeration, Inc  
 Mark Benson, Benson Funeral Home  
 Central Minnesota Community Foundation  
 Spanier Bus Service, Inc & Pearl Limousine, Inc  
 KNSI & Metro Sports Commission  
 Don Farleo Advertising & Design Co.  
 Johnson, Carriar, Kruchten, Anderson & Assoc.  
 Viking Coca-Cola Bottling Company  
 Gold'n Plump Poultry  
 Jennings Insurance Agency  
 St. Cloud School of Business

### 2009 AWARD RECIPIENTS

PHIL WELTER VOLUNTEER SERVICE AWARD  
 Dennis Smith  
 GEORGE AND SHIRLEY TORREY AWARD FOR CHARITABLE GIVING  
 St. Cloud Lions Club  
 COACHING/ADVISING EXCELLENCE AWARD  
 Gregg Martig, Tech High School Coach  
 Tim Bengtson, Apollo High School Coach  
 Thea Stockinger, Elementary Music Directoh  
 INSTRUCTION EXCELLENCE AWARD  
 All District 742 Educators,  
 Mary Broderick, SCEA President

### 2009 RECEPTION SPONSORS

BRONZE LEVEL SPONSORS  
 Bernick's Beverages & Vending  
 Mahowald Insurance Agency  
 Park Industries  
 CONTRIBUTING SPONSORS  
 KDV  
 DONORS  
 D.J. Bitzan Jewelers  
 Gold'n Plump Poultry  
 Mike Karl  
 Rinke Noonan

## 2009 & 2010 EVENTS

### NIGHT OF THE STARS VARIETY SHOW AND SILENT AUCTION

The 2009 Night of the Stars variety show was held on February 12 and 13, 2010 at the St Cloud Paramount Theatre. This LEAF event showcases local student talent and performance accomplishments, and adds excitement and awareness of district activities. The Night of the Stars is longest running LEAF event and is made possible by a group of dedicated volunteers who plan and promote it each year. Proceeds are divided between the school activities programs that sell tickets and the LEAF Endowment.

In 2009 the silent auction component of the event was held completely online and was extended over several weeks rather than just the night of the event. The The Night of the Stars event has grown to generate nearly \$25,000 gross revenue annually. The total revenue from the 2009 event was \$22,019.



### 2010 SPONSORS

#### BRONZE SPONSORS

Eich Motor Company  
 Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites  
 Johnson, Carrier, Kruchten,  
 Anderson & Associates  
 McKay's Family Chrysler Jeep Dodge  
 St. Cloud Morning Optimist Club  
 Tom & Joyce Schlough  
 Viking Coca-Cola

#### CONTRIBUTING SPONSORS

Bremer Bank  
 Central MN Community Foundation  
 Gray Plant Mooty Mooty & Bennet, P.A.  
 MARCO Business Products  
 Plaza Park Bank  
 Qdoba Mexican Grill  
 St. Cloud Orthopedic Associates, Ltd.  
 St. Cloud Surgical Center  
 Scheels All Sport, Inc  
 Trobec Bus Service  
 Voigt's Bus Service

#### MAJOR IN-KIND SPONSORS

Don Farleo Advertising & Design Company  
 Lamar Outdoor Advertising  
 Palmer Printing  
 Regent Broadcasting Company  
 Jean Sonstebly

Other sponsors of the *Night of the Stars* over the years have included: Northern PCS/Sprint PCS, CMAB, CMFC, Eich Motor, Trobec Bus Service, Kendeco Tool Crib, Abbott Northwestern, Ken and Tammy Spanior, and Schluchter Investment Strategies.

## 2009 & 2010 EVENTS

### FIRST ANNUAL FOOD FOR THOUGHT! FOOD FAIR & FUN

Celebrating Academic Success in District 742!  
Celebrating Academic Success.

The first-annual fundraising event was held Sunday, October 3, 2010 at Tech High School. It featured a variety of food from 15 area restaurants. All proceeds supported academics in the district and the P.A.K.R.A.T. literacy program at our schools. Everyone enjoyed delicious food, friendly conversation and fun activities including performances by GREAT Theatre, visits from children's book authors, games, face painting and more!



### PARTICIPATING RESTAURANTS

- Ciatti's Ristorante
- Famous Dave's BBQ
- Great Harvest Bread Company
- Hooper's Yak Meat
- House of Pizza
- Kay's Kitchen
- McDonald's Meats
- Mexican Village
- Noodles & Company
- Pacific Wok Teriyaki Grill
- Panera Bread
- Pok's Sakura Japanese Restaurant
- Qdoba Mexican Grill
- Sawatdee Thai Restaurant
- Somali Café
- Star of India

### SPONSORS

- SILVER SPONSOR (\$5,000)  
St. Cloud Morning Optimist Club
- BRONZE SPONSOR (\$1,000)  
Patty Yarbrough,  
McKay's Chrysler/Jeep/Dodge/Mitsubishi

## GRANTS

### 2009 - 2010 CYCLE I ACTIVITIES FUND

School	Project	Grant Amount
Roosevelt	Supplemental assistance for extracurricular participation for homeless and/or indigent students	\$2,000
Talahi	Young Author's, Young Artists Residence	\$600
Apollo	Gymnastics Spring floor	\$500
ALC-Wilson	Youth Service Project at VA Hospital	\$1,200
ALC-Wilson	MAAP Stars Conference Attendance	\$1,000
Westwood	Prairie fire Theater residency	\$1,200
South	Supplemental assistance for extracurricular participation for economicallydisadvantaged students	\$750
Tech	New wrestling mat	\$500
Tech	St. Cloud Alpine Skiing supplies	\$300
South	Wild Thinkers Science Club	\$750
Tech	Girl's Lacrosse supplies	\$650
Tech	Nordic Ski Team was benches & irons	\$300
Apollo	Wrestling mats	\$500
Apollo	Concert Choir	\$1,000
Apollo	St. Cloud Robotics Team	\$600
Tech	We the People Congressional Debates (Contingency grant)	\$500
		<b>Total: \$12,650</b>
		<b>Cumulative: \$189,116</b>

### 2009 - 2010 CYCLE II ACTIVITIES FUND

School	Project	Grant Amount
Roosevelt	Homeless/Indigent Student participation	\$500
Tech	Football Uniforms	\$500
Tech	Track Timing System	\$750
Apollo	Soccer Program Equipment	\$750
Apollo	Gymnastics Floor	\$500
Apollo	Robotics Program	\$1,500
South	SJU Arboretum Course, etc.	\$750
South	Chamber Choir Performance	\$235
Kennedy	Creative Movement	\$375
Clearview	Mississippi Strings Camp	\$1,500
North	Drop-down Basket	\$750
		<b>Total: \$8,110</b>
		<b>Cumulative: \$197,226</b>

**2009 - 2010 CYCLE II ACADEMIC FUND**

School	Project	Grant Amount
Oak Hill	Reading Program	\$500
Discovery	Reading Book Sets	\$500
Discovery	SmartBoard	\$1,000
Tech/Apollo	AP Brain Camp	\$2,500
Apollo	Dell Netbook Computers	\$600
Apollo	30 MP3 Players	\$900
Westwood	P.A.K.R.A.T. Reading Program	\$1,300
Talahi	Reading Software	\$2,000
Madison	Transportation to Orchestra Hall	\$200
Madison	Youth Frontiers Program	\$1,000
Madison	Robotics	\$1,000
ALC	Cloud 9 STEP & Academic	\$1,000
		<b>Total: \$12,500</b>
		<b>Cumulative: \$209,726</b>

**GRANTS RECAP**

2009 was the first year that LEAF awarded grants from two funds: The Student Activities Fund and The Academic Opportunities & Achievement Fund. From the fall and spring granting cycles, LEAF granted a total of \$33,260. \$20,760 was granted from The Student Activities Fund and \$12,500 was granted from The Academic Opportunities & Achievement Fund. The grants from the Academic Opportunities & Achievement Fund were made possible, in large part, due to a one-time \$10,000 gift from an anonymous donor. Please see page XX for more details about the grants awarded.

For the 2009-2010 school year, LEAF granted a total of \$52,650 through its twice-yearly grant cycles, ticket surcharge return and Night of the Stars ticket sales grants. These funds supported over 40 K-12 academic and student activities programs in District 742.

34% to Elementary School • 15% to Junior High School • 51% to High School

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**

**Statement of Financial Position** September 1, 2009 to August 31, 2010:

**INCOME:**

Public Support -	
Contributions	\$155,524
Earned Income -	
Special events, net of expenses	\$47,730
Investment Income -	
Investment Activity	\$38,972
	<b>\$237,226</b>

**EXPENSES:**

Program Services -	
Grants to District	\$115,479
Supporting Services -	
Fundraising	\$10,091
Management & General	\$27,537
	\$53,107
<b>Change in Net Assets</b>	<b>\$84,119</b>
<b>Net Assets - Beginning of Year</b>	<b>\$496,650</b>
<b>Net Assets - End of Year</b>	<b>\$580,769</b>

