

# South Central Iowa Community Foundation Community Connection

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June 2013 (Special)

## 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary \$100,000 Celebration!

SCICF celebrated our 20th anniversary by taking a "prize patrol" bus trip to our 5 counties on Friday, June 21<sup>st</sup>. One organizational endowment fund in each county was randomly selected to receive \$20,000! We had a fantastic time traveling through our counties and surprising these groups with the big checks!



The first stop was at the Clarke County Animal Shelter in Osceola. The animal shelter recently started their endowment fund and President, Dotti Van Werden and shelter manager, Joy Durham, were very surprised and grateful to receive the grant.



Next, the group traveled to Creston to surprise Gary Borcharding and John Kawa who were working at McKinley Park in preparation for a celebration. What a shock...the grant nearly doubled the size of the park's endowment fund.



The next stop was in Mount Ayr with a visit to the Ringgold County Senior Center. We asked them to come outside and they were very surprised to see a busload of people, all in green shirts, with a big check to present to them for their endowment fund. They called director, Janet Hogue, to join in the celebration over the phone.



After a fantastic picnic lunch at Little River Lake in Leon, we presented Decatur County Conservation Director, Rich Erke, with a \$20,000 check to the conservation's endowment fund. What a beautiful day to spend some time at the lake.



Back on the bus, we traveled to our final destination in Lucas County. The bus rolled into Chariton and stopped on the square and we all gathered at the gazebo on the courthouse lawn. Here we presented the Chariton 4<sup>th</sup> of July Committee with \$20,000 for their endowment. Brandon Shelton and Mary Stierwalt were thrilled to hear the news! The grant nearly tripled the size of the 4<sup>th</sup> of July's endowment fund.

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We had a great picnic lunch at Little River Lake near Leon!



Our bus for the fun-filled, five-county surprise grants tour!

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\$100,000 in grants in honor of  
our 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary!  
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