

# South Central Iowa Community Foundation Community Connection

Our mission is to contribute to a better life for people of South Central Iowa by helping donors to carry out their charitable intent and by providing responsible stewardship of gifts for community purposes.

September 2014

SCICF is pleased to offer a **free** seminar open to the public:  
“7 Secrets to Enhancing and Protecting Your Wealth!”



Our presenter, Johni Hays, is a national presence in the field of retirement and estate planning. She is the author of the book *Essentials of Annuities and Techniques of Charitable Planning*.

Ms. Hays will present these seminars on:

November 3<sup>rd</sup> in Osceola, Mount Ayr and Union County

November 12<sup>th</sup> in Chariton, Corydon and Leon

Contact our office at 641-217-9105 for more information.

\*Times and locations of each seminar will be announced soon.

## Clarke County SCICF Purchases Giant Flag

The Clarke Community School now has a 12' X 18' rolling flag thanks to a proactive grant from Clarke County SCICF. The flag hangs in the high school gym and is quite impressive! If you haven't seen it yet, please go check it out.

The Murray Community School will also be receiving a giant flag for their gym and they hope to have it installed very soon.

Pictured, left to right, are Clarke County SCICF board members: Melissa Snell, Dennis Jeter, Lori Borcharding, Mellony Klemesrud, and Jason Gibbs.



## Ringgold SCICF Awards \$5,600 Grant



Ringgold County SCICF awarded a \$5,600 grant to the American Legion Post #172 to replace the sign on Hwy 2.

Shirley Wallace shared that they have received nothing but good comments on the sign. The sign has lighted and improved the corner.

Ringgold County SCICF was happy to provide support for this project.

## Union County SCICF Funds Aquarium

The Afton Care Facility Auxiliary received a grant to purchase a 75 gallon fresh water aquarium. The aquarium will be used as an enhancement for the residents of the long term care facility.

The care facility is seeing the calming effects of the staff and residents. The Afton Care Facility is a family-oriented facility that is serving an aging population in Union County.

Union County SCICF is pleased to help support this wonderful project!



## Decatur County SCICF Provides Flags



Decatur County SCICF awarded a grant for cemetery upgrades which included poles, flags, and internment signs to honor veterans in 10 local cemeteries while supporting the families of those interned in the cemeteries throughout the Grand River area.

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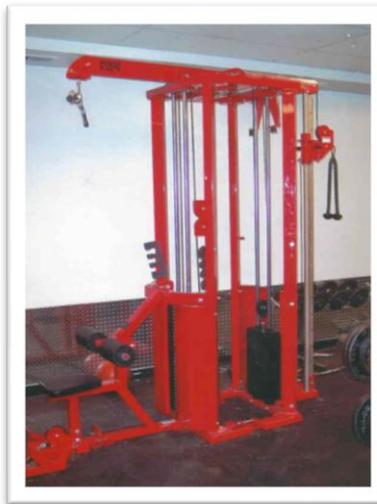
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## Lucas County SCICF gives \$3,250



Lucas County SCICF awarded a grant for \$3,250 to Chariton High School for a new cable crossover machine.

The new crossover machine will help approximately 60-100 students that use the weight room on a daily basis either in one of their strength training classes, after school, or during a practice with their sports team.

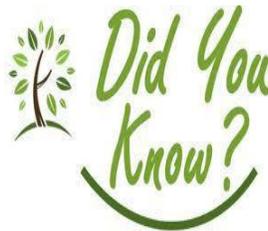
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Contact our office to learn more!