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The CCF's mission is to be a steward of funds for innovative & creative projects that are responsive to community & economic development in the areas of social service, education, arts & culture, conservation & historic & environmental preservation.



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# Our Town, Our Foundation

Submitted by Hannah Casey Forti

As we move toward 2019, we would like to reflect on our last year and the power and potential of the Chisholm Community Foundation in our lives and town. When communities and people work together, real change is created. This collaboration has fueled the CCF for 30-plus years and has created an avenue for citizens to improve and change our community. Further, this spirit of collaboration supports and sustains thriving communities and democracies.

The CCF has local donors and donors throughout the country and world. They all recall fondly the impact of the experience of growing up in Chisholm on their present lives and they all want to continue forward with our traditions.

Due to our donations and fundraisers, both past and present, the CCF awarded over \$96,000 in grants and scholarships in 2018 and has given back over \$1.2 million to various organizations in and around our community since 1998.

In 2018, our board organized several successful fundraisers. These fundraisers serve three purposes: 1) to raise money to further increase the Foundation's funds and help maintain the operating fund, 2) to create experiences for the CCF to be visible in the community and 3) to host fun community events for citizens to come together, interact, congregate and commemorate. These annual events included a burger bash, golf tournament, investors dinner and another successful Slide the City. New next year is "Dueling Pianos" which is in the planning stages and will take place sometime in September 2019.

The CCF has helped sustain, nurture and grow the community of Chisholm. We have worked together to create a fund that allows citizens to make their ideas a reality. So when a group of citizens envisions a crazy pocket park on Main Street with the goal to reinvigorate our downtown and create a public gathering space in an economy that struggles to support vibrant downtowns, it's not just a crazy idea. In Chisholm, it becomes a reality. Or when a citizen envisions bringing a music festival to town, it's not just an idea, it becomes a reality. Or when community members identify needed improvements to the wall, lakewalk, schools, main street, athletic facilities, just to name a few, they are not merely crazy ideas. In Chisholm, they become realities. Look around town and you'll see enhancements in all of these places The CCF has been a key part in helping to make these projects, and many, many others, not just a dream, but a reality.

It is this spirit of collaboration and community that makes Chisholm unique. The CCF's ability to support our citizens in collaborating and creating real change in our community not only has built endless new projects for Chisholm from which we all benefit, but also nurtures the foundation of democracy; citizens interacting, working together and coming together to improve of our towns, states and country.

As we move toward 2019, the CCF looks forward to continuing these traditions of collaboration and community for generations to come!

# **Chairman of the Board Report**

**Greetings Fellow Investors!** 

"...together we can do so much."

As this is the first letter to the investors of the Chisholm Community Foundation I've written, let me introduce myself to those of you who don't know me.

I am Jeannie Succio Quirk. I was born and raised in Chisholm and graduated from Chisholm High School in 1988. I have been a barber/stylist in Chisholm for 30 years at Terry's Barbershop. I purchased the business and the building in 1998. I currently serve as the live, work and raise families, or you Chair of the Chisholm Ambulance board and have been an active member of this organization for over 23 years.

Chisholm has been a great community to grow up in and raise a family. My husband, Donny, also born and raised in Chisholm, has worked for the Chisholm School District for over 27 years. We have two children, Zach and Jolene, and are very happy to be raising them in our hometown.

I have been involved with several volunteer organizations over the years and I will say that the CCF has been the most rewarding.

The CCF board members, past and present, are very motivated, community-minded people who always have Chisholm's future as their utmost priority.

I look forward to the adventurous and creative ideas the CCF board will come up with in the next year to keep our foundation moving in a positive direction.

Our board will have openings this summer. If you are interested in serving on the board and helping the CCF to continue its mission of making Chisholm a better place to know anyone who might be, please call the CCF office



Jeannie Quirk CCF Chair

Also—if you have any ideas or suggestions you think the CCF would be interested in, please feel free to let one of our board members know. We are always looking for innovative projects. No idea is too big or small—who would've thought we could pull off a 1,000 foot water slide down Chisholm's main street? But we did!

Thank you for your support of the CCF. I look forward to leading this organization and helping our community to thrive!

Best regards,

Jeannie Quirk, CCF Chair



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Aldrich, Rick & Lisa	Side Lake	JPJ Engineering Inc.	Hibbing			
Allison, Rick	Chisholm	Jubilee Foods	Chisholm			
American Bank of the North	Chisholm	Jula, James & Gloria	White Bear Lake, MN			
Anderson, Bruce	Buffalo, MN	Kealy, Denise	Buhl			
Andreas, Sharon	Chisholm	Kelly, Richard & Judy	Side Lake			
Antognozzi, Phyllis	Buhl	Kelly-Seieroe, Mary	N. Muskegon, MI			
Babich, Donna	Eveleth	Kennel Klub Pet Grooming	Chisholm			
Bark Design	Chisholm	Kerzie, William & Deanna	Gilbert			
Bazzani, VJ & MM	Eveleth	Keyboard Liquor	Chisholm			
Berg, Joanne	Waseca, MN	Klune, Anita	Sioux Falls, SD			
Borich, Dennis & Carol	Chisholm	Kne, Sheila & Jon	Chisholm			
Burja, Geraldine	Eveleth	Kosel, Kathleen & David	Chisholm			
Burke, Donald & Penny	Virginia	Koshere, Pat	Chisholm			
Bussey, Theodore & Margaret	New Port Richey, FL	Kotonias, Florence	Hibbing			
Centa, Kathy & Frank	Side Lake	Krause, Jack & Patricia	Riverside, CA			
Chisholm Area Chamber of Commerce	Chisholm	Laine, Art & Kathy	Chisholm			
Chisholm KIDS Plus	Chisholm	Lake Street Bar & Grill	Chisholm			
Chisholm Senior Citizens Center	Chisholm	Lakeview Behavioral Health	Chisholm			
Chisholm Sportsmen's Club	Chisholm	LaMusga, Peter D.	Gheen, MN			
Chisholm Veterans Memorial Association		Latick, Mary	Hot Springs, AR			
Choppy's Pizza	Chisholm	Laurich, Charlotte	Chisholm			
City of Chisholm	Chisholm	Lautizi Construction	Chisholm			
Class of 1946	Chisholm	Lee, James & Gaynelle	Montevideo, MN			
Class of 1968	Chisholm	Leroux, Robert & Nancy	Mesquite, NV			
Class of 1973	Chisholm	Lischalk, Anthony & Renate	Eveleth			
Cook, Steve & Sue	Chisholm	Lone Pine Logging	Chisholm			
Corradi, Greg & Shelley	Chisholm	Loushine, Bill	Chisholm			
Devich, Rachel	Gilbert	Lucas, Darcy & Ken	Chisholm			
DiMarchi, Patrick & Barbara	Bemidji	Macynski, Ellen & John	Chisholm			
Dostal, Emily	Chisholm	Mannelin, Karen & Doug	Chisholm			
Dwyer, Robert & Sandra	Marble	Marino, Bill & Rosie	Chisholm			
E.H. Lawrence Co., Inc.	Chisholm	Marko Vlasich Family	Chisholm			
Enger, Terry & Deb	Pequot Lakes, MN	Marturano, Paul & Florence	Chisholm			
Everson, Patricia & Calvin	Eveleth	Marturano, Tom & Steph	Chisholm			
Fairway Mortgage	Hibbing	Matsen, William	Minnetonka			
Fink, Joe & Shirley	Chisholm	McAlpine, Mary Kay	Chisholm			
Fort & Co.	Hibbing	McDonald, Paul & Tracy	Ely			
Forti Law	Chisholm	McLaughlin, Kim & Paul	Hibbing			
Hackett, DeWitt	Boulder, CO	Mehle, Lois	Chisholm			
Hackett, DeWitt	Boulder, CO	Milner-Thomas, Donna	Hibbing			
Hancock, Sue & Jerry	Virginia	Minnesota Power	Duluth			
Happy Fun Events	Draper, UT	Minnesota Twist Drill	Chisholm			
Harding, Bernard & Julie	Lago Vista, TX	Monitor Lanes, Inc.	Bay City, MI			
Hibbing Chrysler Center	Hibbing	Moscatelli, Jim & Bernadine	Stockton, CA			
Hillcrest Terrace	Hibbing	Nehiba, Cindy	Mt. Iron			
Hiti, Charles & Lynn	Eveleth	Nelson, Cindi	Chisholm			
Independent Electric	Chisholm	Newbauer, MJ & Richard	Chisholm			
IRRRB	Eveleth	Norri Distributing	Virginia			
Jacobson, Camille & Lawrence	Chisholm	Northland Foundation	Duluth			
Janezich, Richard & Gail	Minneapolis	Novak, Ron & Sandra	Chisholm			
Janezich, Robert & Gretchen	Hibbing	Ophoren, Jeff	Corcoran, MN			
Jensen, Stephanie	Chisholm	Ophoren, John	Maple Grove, MN			
Jim's Sports Club	Chisholm	Palmers Tavern	Hibbing			
John Rolle Logging	Chisholm	Palmquist, Dorothy	Chisholm			
John's Auto Body & Car Repair	Hibbing	Paris, Andrew & Mary Lou	Gilbert			
Johnson, Roger & Gloria	Chisholm	Paris, James	Gilbert			
Johnson, Tim & Barb	Chisholm	Pascuzzi, Tom & Janet	Chisholm			
Johnson, Tom & Linda	Side Lake	Perell, David & Pamela	Hibbing			
Jordan, Jerry & Marcia	Chisholm	Perry, Laura & David	Chisholm			

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	Pervenanze, Jim & Patty	Chisholm	Alberg, Rick	Chisholm
	Pessenda, Dave & Sue	Angora	Anderson, Dennis	Chisholm
	Pessenda, Marisa	Chisholm	Anderson, Kathy	Buffalo, MN
	Petron, Mary	Hibbing	Bartolus, Elisio	Chisholm
	Politano, Barbara	Virginia	Battaglia, Ray	Buhl
	Popper's Bar/BG's	Virginia	Berg, Delores	Chisholm
	Quirk, Jeannie & Donny	Chisholm	Cardini, Carmen & Valent	Chisholm
	Rakovetz, Linda & Patrick Molick	Britt	Carroll, Leona	Chisholm
	Range Center	Chisholm	Danks, Muryl	Hibbing
	Rivall, Archie & Jean	Hibbing	Eskelson, Tim	Chisholm
	Roberts, Dan & Candi	Scottsdale, AZ	Grimm, Erlyss	Cannon Falls, MN
	Rudolph, Bowser & Anne	Chisholm	Harding, Darlene	Chisholm
	Rupp Funeral Home & Cremation Service		Harvey, Dick	Eveleth
	Russ, Jim & Charlotte	Orr	Heck, Dr. Frank	Chisholm
	Russell, Helen	Bemidji	Holm, Beatrice	Cape Coral, FL
	Ryan Financial Group	Hibbing	Hurd, Christina	Mt. Iron
	Samsa, Ruth	Chisholm	Infelise, Frank	Hibbing
	Sander, Michael & Jane	Thousand Oaks, CA	Jadron, George	Chisholm
	Sartori, Olga	Chisholm	Kealy, Joe	Side Lake
	Schowalter, Jennifer	Chisholm	Kerzie, Steve	Gilbert
	Schuenke, Scott	Woodbury, MN	Klune, Richard	Sioux Falls, SD
	Scott, Carol	Rochester, MN	Kruchoski, Marjorie	Chisholm
	Scott, Judi & Bill	Chisholm	Kruchowski, Peter	Chisholm
	Sertich, Joe & Nancy	Chisholm	Lackner, Lou	Hibbing
	Shusterich, Fred & Sheila	Duluth	LaCoe, Bruce	Eden Prairie, MN
	Sidelines Sports Bar	Chisholm	Luther, Florine	Hibbing
	Smoltz, Richard & Barbara	Side Lake	Marchetti, Genevieve	Chisholm
	Snickers Pizza	Chisholm	Mayry, Marshall	Rapid City, SD
	Staffaroni, Melody	Buhl	Mehle, Pete	Chisholm
	Stanaway, David & Carol	Gilbert	Nienas, Don	Chisholm
	Sterle, Rose	Chisholm	Pellika, Richard	Chisholm
	Sunny Hill Distributors	Hibbing	Perkovich, Father Frank	Chisholm
	Surina, Martin	Virginia	Pettinari, Stella	Chisholm
	Svigel, Richard & Alice	Hibbing	Romani, Michael	Virginia
	Tahija, Tom & Shelley	Chisholm	Simons, Ed	Chisholm
	Tamte, Lisa Ann & Thomas	Cook	Staffaroni, Mike	Golden Valley, MN
	Taramelli, Bill & Shirley	Chisholm	Tomassoni, Chet & Helen	Chisholm
	Theisen, Dave	Roseville, MN	Tomsich, Joann	Chisholm
	TNT DOM	Chisholm	Tomsich, Marcella	Chisholm
	Tolonen, Stanley & Renee	Bayport, MN	Verant, Joe	Chisholm
	Tom & Jerry's	Chisholm	Vlasich, Marko	Balkan
	Trescott, David & Darlene	Brookfield, WI	Weber, Phil	Chisholm
	Vake, Travis	Chisholm	Zlebnik, Dennis	Chisholm
	Valentini's Supper Club	Chisholm		
	VanBaak Agency	Chisholm		
	Varichak, Jim & Jill	Side Lake		
	Walker, Nina & George	Mt. Iron		
	Waters, Mary Jean & Ed	Chisholm		
	Williams Custon & Dotter	Chiahalm		

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Ft. Worth, TX

What better way to perpetuate the memory of a loved one, family member or friend, than by giving a memorial to the Chisholm community foundation

Williams, Custer & Betty

Zalec, Steve & Cathy

Yuretich, Kim

Zobenica, Steven

Zunich, Simone

# 23rd Annual Golf Outing

The Chisholm Community Foundation held its 23rd annual golf tournament on July 30, 2018 at the Mesaba Country Club. One hundred five golfers geared up and participated in a beautiful, fun-filled day on the Links. A delicious buffet dinner was held at Valentini's Supper Club after the tourney. Minnesota Industries came out victorious at this year's tourney—their team consisted of Tony Marturano, Mark Brusacoram, Robert Valentini, Dan Pallin and Tom Gornick.

Thank you to all of our corporate partners, hole sponsors, golfers, businesses and individuals who donated prizes, and all the volunteers who gave their time to assist throughout the day and evening. With your help, we raised over \$10,000.00. Special thanks go out to the Chisholm Area Chamber of Commerce for conducting the raffles at the event and donating the proceeds to benefit the CCF and to E.H. Lawrence Co. for sponsoring the lunches. *Join us for next year's golf outing on Monday, July 29, 2019!* 

# Slide the City 2018

July 14, 2018 was a warm, sunny, humid day—perfect for sliding down Chisholm's Main Street on a 1,000 foot waterslide. Once again, Slide the City brought thousands of people of all ages from across the Range and the United States to our little town. The Chisholm Community Foundation, along with 45 other sponsors, hosted Slide the City, a family-friendly slip and slide water party event. More than 2,000 people went down the slide. All proceeds from local ticket sales benefitted the CCF. Special thanks go out to the City of Chisholm,



Chisholm Police Department, Chisholm Ambulance, City Crew Workers and the over 60 volunteers who helped to make this event a success. Chisholm is a community that is second to none and comes out in droves to support causes—in both good times and bad. The Chisholm Community Foundation truly appreciates everyone's support!

Slide the City is tentatively being planned for Summer 2019!

## **Meet Our Newest Board Member**

The Chisholm Community Foundation is happy to announce that Jessica Rice has joined our board. Jessica is a 2008 Chisholm graduate. She graduated from UMD in 2012 with a major in Elementary Education and a minor in Communication Arts and Literature. After graduation, she worked as a Title I teacher for a year in the Chisholm School District, then became a Kindergarten teacher at the Vaughan Steffensrud. Jessica is in her sixth year teaching Kindergarten and says she loves it. Other jobs she has are the Head Girls' Swimming and Diving Coach for the Chisholm Bluestreaks, Chisholm Figure Skating Club Coach, Director of the Chisholm Summer Rec Program and Secretary of the Teacher's Union. She has also taught a few Chisholm Community Education classes at the Vaughan. Jessica helped with the Chisholm Downtown Revitalization Pocket Park project. She resides in Chisholm and enjoys spending time with family and friends. Welcome to the board, Jessica! We look forward to working with you.

After celebrating the 50th reunion of the Chisholm Class of 1968, it was decided to donate the remaining fund balance of \$1,380 to the Chisholm Community Foundation in appreciation for the good start in life graduates received by living in the community of Chisholm. Our class has had many reunions over the past 50 years. This year's two-day event, held at Tom & Jerry's and Valentini's Supper Club, was described by many as fun, a great time and restorative. It's good to give back to the town that helped shape who you are! Members of the Class of 1968 are pictured below.





Top Row (L to R): Jeff Lundell, Jack Kirk, Victor Bodnia, Chuck Oman, Debbie "Doesken" Verlo, Carol "Petrini" Shanks, Tom Lopac, Tom Varichak, Dale Rapovich, Mike Nelson, Duane Delich.

Fifth Row (L to R): Joanne "Podlogar" Watson, Pat "Verant" Carrels, Barbara "Bodin" Ukura, Janis Niemi, Laura "Oresek" Perry, Charlotte "Oddo" Unseth, Charlotte "Gornick" Nash, Kendra Casey, Jane "Rudstrom" Holland, Beverly "Johnson" Lundorff, Rosemary "Valentini" Lewerer, Jackie "McLeod" Werket, Roxine "Goslar" Lawton.

Fourth Row (L to R): Jim Minerich, Jeanne "Kne" Mueller, Claire "Erspamer" Rupar, Linda "Hendrickson" Bateman, Vicki "Verant" Anderson, Bobbi "Kosloski" McCarthy, Vince Repesh, Larry Cardoni, Dick Tomassoni, Tom Medved, Bruce Anderson.

Third Row (L to R): Larry Stainiger, Bill Hanegmon, Gary Jance, Marianne "Hanks" Johnson, Noah Lindemann, Larry Belluzzo, Tim Franzen, Jerry Janezich, Sam Nenadich, Ernie Deluca.

Second Row (L to R): Gary Vake, David Bicanich, Dianne "Ivanca" Halfen, Tom Salonen, Karen "Lillquist" Midthun, Bettie "Stalker" Leustek, Kathy "Vitali" Mehle, Nancy "Bartolus" Sertich, Jeanne "Kautto" Froemming, Bob Rupar, Joanne "Belluzzo" Olson, Joe Sertich.

Bottom Row (Left to Right): Chris "Arko" Freeman, Connie "Samsa" Peterson, Peggy Yost, Judy "Briski" Stainiger, Patty "Badiali" Levstek, Todd Clark, Gaynelle "Johnson" Lee, Mary "Bonicelli" Gaviglio, Connie "Bradovich" Van Blarcum, Marilyn Mayry.

The Chisholm Community Foundation extends it sincere thanks to the Class of 1968 for their generous donation and encourages other classes to consider giving back to our community.



Pictured are Sam Nenadich, Class President and Joe Sertich, Class Vice President presenting the \$1,380 donation to Jeannie Quirk, CCF Chair and Mary Jo Newbauer, CCF Administrative Assistant.



#### Please check the fund(s) you would like to Yes, I want to invest in the future of Chisholm! donate to: I hereby pledge the amount of: **Payment:** Chisholm Community Foundation Chisholm Community Foundation Enclosed Bill me as follows Scholarship Fund As a memorial for Chisholm Public School Foundation \*\*Chisholm Veterans Memorial Association \*\* (please include maiden name) Robert Jon Corradi Memorial Scholarship Fund Address Catherine Cox Family Fund State Zip Philip Falcone Family Fund Rudy & Mayme Gazyoda Family Class of (please include maiden name) (if applicable) Ron & Carole Gornick Family Fund E-Mail Knights of Columbus Scholarship Fund Please make checks payable to: Chisholm Community Foundation, 4 S.W. 3rd Avenue, Chisholm, MN 55719 Marturano Family Fund \*\*Make checks payable to Chisholm Veterans Memorial Association, 4. S.W. 3rd Avenue, NHS-Northstar Specialized Services Chisholm, MN 55719\*\* Scholarship Fund Dr. Ben Owens Fund

## 2018 CPFS News

**Submitted by Superintendent Janey Blanchard** 



Chisholm Schools are off and running in this new school year. We have had a great start to the year. Our enrollment numbers are up slightly. One big area that we are happy about is adding a Pre-Kindergarten 4-year old program. This program is an all day, four-day a week program. We are still offering a three-day, half-day program also. We have 18 little ones coming to school, learning how to do school. They are so much fun to talk to and watch as they do things like get their lunch.

Chisholm Schools offer a variety of courses and programs. For instance, our carpenter/auto shop uses curriculum from the Carpenter's Union. The students who take this course can receive hours for their journeyman in the union. We also have a great Certified Nursing Assistant Program. Students in this program can earn their CNA and be ready for a position when they graduate. We offer a wide variety of after school programming such as swimming, football and one-act play, to name a few.

The mission of the Chisholm Public School Foundation is to accomplish the donor's charitable objectives which include aiding in the development of intellectual, vocational, physical, creative, cultural and social capabilities of students within the City of Chisholm, Minnesota or its vicinity.

The Chisholm Public School Foundation is always looking for new investors. If you are interested, please send your investment to the Chisholm Community Foundation and note that you would like your donation to go to the Chisholm Public School Foundation. Every dollar invested in this fund goes directly to student activity and has a positive effect on our students and their everyday lives.



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### **Keyboard Liquor to Host 11th Annual Holiday Wine Tasting**

Paul and Suzi Ruper, owners of the Keyboard Liquor Store, will be hosting their 11th Annual Holiday Wine Tasting Festival on Friday, November 30, 2018 at Valentini's Supper Club beginning at 6:00 p.m. Enjoy the music of the Ivo Trio again this year. Cost for the event is \$45.00 per person.

Last year, approximately 100 people attended the event and sampled over 50 different wines. People were able to purchase their favorite wine and receive it in time for the holidays. Valentini's added their flair with an elegant buffet of hors d'oeuvres. Paul & Suzi donated the proceeds from the event to the CCF (\$3,200). CCF Advisory Board Members assisted in



planning and helping with the festival. Thanks so much for your support, Paul & Suzi!

*Join us in celebrating the 11th anniversary of this very enjoyable event!* To RSVP, call Keyboard Liquor at 218-254-7271 or the CCF office at 218-254-1101. Hope to see you there!







The Chisholm Community Foundation would like to extend our sincere thanks to our Corporate Partners.

Your generosity and commitment of \$1,000 per year emphasizes your feelings toward the CCF and Chisholm.

We truly appreciate your support!













