



STORY COUNTY ALLIANCE FOR  
**PHILANTHROPY**

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2023



The **Story County Alliance for Philanthropy** is interested in showing appreciation for all that has been accomplished in the name of giving – and to show that there is still much to do. By celebrating the annual Story County Philanthropy Day, the community will honor individuals, businesses, and organizations that provide essential services to county residents.

**18<sup>TH</sup>** ANNUAL  
STORY COUNTY  
PHILANTHROPY DAY

**THURSDAY,  
NOVEMBER 16, 2023  
11:30 AM to 1:15 PM**

**WELCOME**  
*Jean Kresse*  
President & CEO,  
United Way  
of Story County

**MUSIC**  
*Mike Giles*  
ISU Director of Jazz Studies

**PRESENTATION OF AWARDS**  
**Award Presenters - Gary and Heather Botine**

**Award Winners**

Outstanding Business Philanthropist  
*Story Construction*

Outstanding Philanthropists  
*Lou and Cosette Scallon*

Outstanding Youth Group in Philanthropy  
*Pam Sibbel Music School*

Spirit of Philanthropy  
*Jennifer Garst*

**CLOSING REMARKS**  
*Gary and Heather Botine*

## OUTSTANDING BUSINESS PHILANTHROPIST



### Story Construction

Nominated by  
United Way of  
Story County

Story Construction has been a vital part of the Ames Community for nearly 90 years, leaving an indelible mark through their involvement in various building projects, both large and small. Their headquarters in Ames reflects their profound dedication to our community's betterment.

In 2022, Story Construction hosted the LIVE UNITED Campaign, raising \$20,000 from their employees and matching it with \$10,000, showcasing their generous spirit. These funds support 30 agencies and nearly 90 programs each year, emphasizing their commitment to improving lives. In 2023, they also participated in the LIVE UNITED Food Drive, collecting an impressive 430 pounds of food, and sponsored United Way's Golf Fore Kids event, raising \$25,000 for children and families.

Story Construction's support extends to education foundations and booster clubs for school districts in Story County, and participates in the Ames Chamber of Commerce and its affiliate organizations, highlighting their engagement in local initiatives. They have supported ChildServe for more than two decades, contributing nearly

\$30,000 for capital improvements, fundraising events, and partnering in ChildServe's recent 19,000-square-foot expansion project. Story Construction's unwavering commitment to charitable endeavors sets an inspiring example of community engagement and philanthropy.

### Previous Award Recipients

2005: Pella Rolscreen Foundation, SC

2006: McFarland Clinic PC

2007: Sauer-Danfoss

2008: First National Bank

2009: Burke Corporation

2010: Greater Iowa Credit Union

2011: Alpha Copies & Print Centers

2012: Kreg Tool Company

2013: 3M

2014: Bethesda Lutheran Church

2015: Wilson Toyota Scion of Ames

2016: Country Landscapes

2017: Renewable Energy Group

2018: South Story Bank and Trust

2019: RE/MAX Real Estate Center

2021: Ames Ford Lincoln

2022: Woodruff Construction

## OUTSTANDING PHILANTHROPISTS



### Lou and Cosette Scallon

Nominated by  
Story County  
Community Foundation

Lou and Cosette Scallon have been “silent angels of philanthropy” for many nonprofits in Story County for years. When they give of themselves and provide support, they are not looking for recognition, giving is just a part of who they are.

Lou is a retired Ophthalmologist from Wolfe Eye Clinic where he practiced for 34 years. Cosette is a physician who practiced for 33 years at the ISU Thielen Student Health Services. They not only shared their talents through their work, but also in their free time having touched the lives of many through their charitable work and giving. Lou and Cosette have had significant impact on the following organizations and many others in Story County: YSS, Story County Community Foundation, Friendship Ark, Ames History Museum, Heartland Senior Center/60 Forward, Raising Readers, The Bridge Home, ACCESS, Ames Public Library Foundation, Mainstream Living, Mary Greeley Foundation, NAMI Central Iowa, Center for Creative Justice, United Way of Story County, Ames Swimming and Aquatics Facility, and Ames Education Foundation.

In addition to their financial support, they also give of their time, both having served on numer-

ous boards and committees in Story County and beyond, sharing their talents at medical clinics in Honduras and Tanzania as well. Lou and Cosette embody the spirit of philanthropy in all they do and their impact in Story County will be felt for many years to come.

### Previous Award Recipients

- 2005: Janet S. and Donald R. Payer
- 2006: Marge and Erb Hunziker
- 2007: Ruth and Clayton Swenson
- 2008: Sherry and Lee Sargent
- 2009: Clare and Jim Frevert
- 2010: Janice and Marvin Walter
- 2011: Carolyn and Chuck Jons
- 2012: Jennifer and Brian Dieter
- 2013: Yvonne and Kevin Kinzler
- 2014: Julie and Harold Pike
- 2015: Hertz Family: Randy and Liz Hertz and Tom and Joyce Hertz
- 2016: Bev and Warren Madden
- 2017: Jeff and Peggy Johnson
- 2018: Pat and Louis Banitt
- 2019: Ruth Harris
- 2021: Sarah and J. Ben Buck
- 2022: Al & Karen Hermanson

## OUTSTANDING YOUTH GROUP IN PHILANTHROPY



### **Pam Sibbel Music School**

Nominated by  
The Bridge Home

Pam Sibbel Music Students are the 2023 Story County Alliance for Philanthropy's Outstanding Youth Group in Philanthropy Award winners. Through their countless hours of piano practice during their annual Practice-a-Thon, they have been able to donate over \$64,000 to various human services agencies in the Ames community. Pam's overall goal was to teach care and compassion to her students, but she explains that the annual event is conducted by the youth. The students find sponsors, record and total their practice for a seven-day period, and then collect and turn in their contributions. The students' motivation to connect with others for sponsorship of their practice time shows the quality of leadership and organizational ability that will allow them to continue their philanthropic efforts throughout their lives.

These youth commit to not only improving their musical skills but also improving the lives of fellow Story County residents by using their time, talents, and resources to become young philanthropists. They are proving that "when we face the music together, we make powerful, collective changes!"

### **Previous Award Recipients**

- 2005: Kevin Geiken and Keegan Kautzky
- 2006: Nevada Multiage Program
- 2007: Cory M. Hanson
- 2008: Joe Wallace
- 2009: Central Elementary K-Kids
- 2010: Story County Youth Philanthropists
- 2011: Ames Public Library Teen Advisory Group
- 2012: Nevada High School Key Club
- 2013: Girl Scout Troops; 28 and 150
- 2014: Mrs. Lynn Nielsen's Special Needs Class
- 2015: Kate Hulshizer
- 2016: Pi Kappa Alpha
- 2017: AHS Reggie's Sleep Out Committee
- 2018: Latinx Student Leadership Council
- 2018: Michael Wiechmann
- 2019: Roland-Story Community School District - Student Organizations
- 2021: SHOP (Students Helping Our Peers) Food Pantry
- 2022: Ames Middle School Kiwanis Builders Club



### Jennifer Garst

Nominated by  
The Bridge Home and  
Story County Community  
Foundation

Jennifer Garst was a silent philanthropist in Story County since she moved to Ames. Her impact on our community was large and without anyone knowing the full impact of her generosity!

Jennifer served on many boards of directors and shared her knowledge of fundraising, philanthropy and spreadsheets. Jennifer served on the board of directors of The Bridge Home, Creative Artists' Studios of Ames (CASA), Whiterock Conservancy of Coon Rapids, and American Civil Liberties Union of Iowa and held offices on their boards, as well. Through the years Jennifer also served on other non-profit boards including: Ames Public Library Friends Foundation, Wheatsfield Cooperative, and the Iowa Environmental Council.

Jennifer was an amazing mentor and teacher to so many new development professionals. With her direct honest approach to sharing her knowledge, she cultivated a passion for fundraising work in many local non-profits.

Not only was Jennifer generous with her time and talent and skills, but she was also generous with her resources. Over 45 organizations were recipients of Jennifer's generosity many of them year after year. These gifts were "difference makers" for the organizations receiving them. Jennifer established a Legacy Fund at the Story County Community Foundation which will continue her personal philanthropic legacy and support many of her favorite organizations well into the future.

The world, especially Story County, is a much better place because Jennifer shared and practiced philanthropy every day!

### Previous Award Recipients

2010: JoAnn Mosley

## OTHER PREVIOUS AWARD WINNERS

### Rising Star Philanthropist

2021: Sia Agnihotri

### Outstanding Volunteer Fundraiser

2005: Verne C. Bates

2006: Philip O'Berry

2007: Suzan Shierholz

2008: Linda and Bernie White

2009: Heather and Gary Botine

2010: Neala Benson

2011: Rollie and Willie Struss

2012: Dr. Jay Brown

2013: Jim Black

2014: Roger Kluesner

2015: Monica Porter

2016: Tim Day

2017: Alan & Mary Christy

2019: Sheila Lundt

2021: Georges Niang Golf Outing

2022: Jon Fleming, M.D.

### Outstanding Group Philanthropist

2009: Heartland Senior Services Variety  
Show Committee

2010: Mary Greeley Medical Center Auxiliary

2011: Josephine Tope Community Auditorium  
Capital Campaign Committee

2012: Ames Public Library Friends Foundation  
– Sales Committee

2013: Kiwanis of Story County

2014: Ames Police Benevolent Association

2015: Altrusa of Ames

2016: Ballard Education Foundation

2017: Rotary Club of Ames

2018: Ames Morning Rotary

2019: Story City Friends Endowment

2021: Northcrest Community Residents

2022: Ames Noon Kiwanis Club





### **Gary and Heather Botine**

Gary and Heather Botine have lived in Ames since 1993 where they have been actively involved in the community. Volunteering time and resources has been a shared goal of theirs and they have enjoyed serving on many different boards and committees for local nonprofits and their church. When they aren't working they spend time playing golf, doing home projects for their kids, and traveling. The Botines have two grown children who live in Chicago and the Twin Cities and hope to someday, join the rank of grandparents!



### Gary Winkler

Gary creates hand crafted metal work out of his home shop. Gary plans and draws his designs and cuts them by hand with a plasma cutter. Welds are done with a tig welder. All work is coated with automotive clear coat. Many thanks to Gary for sharing his art and talent with our community.

*Each SCAP award recipient received a beautiful one-of-a-kind piece of artwork made by Gary.*



Event Photographer

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# STORY COUNTY ALLIANCE FOR PHILANTHROPY MEMBERS

## **The Arc of Story County**

Tricia Crain

## **Boys & Girls Clubs of Story County**

Kaitlin Binnebose

## **The Bridge Home**

Andrea Gronau

## **ChildServe**

Rachelle Flory

## **Friendship Ark**

Jennifer Ellis

## **Good Neighbor Emergency Assistance**

Charlie Weber

## **Iowa State Memorial Union**

Kevin Merrill

## **ISU College of Agriculture and Life Sciences**

Lisa Stephany

## **ISU Foundation**

Jodi Knox

## **Mary Greeley Medical Center Foundation**

Melissa McGarry

## **Octagon Center for the Arts**

Heather Johnson

## **Story County Medical Center**

Liz Zuercher

## **United Way of Story County**

Emily Randall, Jean Kresse & Allie Prusa

## **YSS**

Sarina Flathers

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to all who played a role in the Story County Philanthropy Day Celebration. We are grateful to live in communities with people who care and give so freely of themselves to improve the lives of others.

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