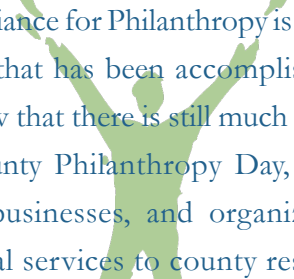




Treasures  
of Story  
County

Story County Alliance for Philanthropy



A green silhouette of a person with arms raised, holding a heart shape. The person is standing with legs apart and arms extended upwards, with their hands positioned to hold a large heart shape that is formed by two curved lines. The entire graphic is a solid green color.

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 an annual Story County Philanthropy Day, the community will honor individuals, businesses, and organizations that provide essential services to county residents.



# Story County Philanthropy Day

November 12, 2009

Welcome

Paul Wierson  
Master of Ceremonies

Music

Ames High String Quartet

Presentation of Awards

Paul Wierson

Outstanding Family Philanthropists Award  
Clare and Jim Frevert

Outstanding Family Volunteer Fundraisers Award  
Heather and Gary Botine

Outstanding Business Philanthropist Award  
Burke Corporation

Outstanding Group Volunteer Fundraisers Award  
Heartland Senior Services Variety Show Committee

Outstanding Youth Philanthropists Award  
Central Elementary K-Kids

Closing Remarks

Paul Wierson





# Outstanding Family Philanthropists Award

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**Clare and Jim Frevert**  
nominated by Michelle Cassabaum,  
Jamie Pollard and Laura West

Clare and Jim Frevert have made countless donations to many programs and projects within Story County. Some of the programs they have supported include: Story County Medical Center Endowment Foundation, S.C.O.R.E. Recreation Complex, Iowa State University Foundation, First United Methodist Church, 4-H Foundation, United Way, Youth and Shelter Services, and many other organizations.

Aside from financial contributions, Clare and Jim have both served in numerous committees at First United Methodist Church, and Jim has held executive positions on boards such as Youth and Shelter Services Foundation, Nevada Rotary,



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Nevada Chamber of Commerce, S.C.O.R.E. Recreation Complex, and Story County Medical Center Foundation. Both Clare and Jim have been recognized by their community for their outstanding efforts and contributions to the community. Their support has gone a long way in helping to implement many programs and stimulate their growth.

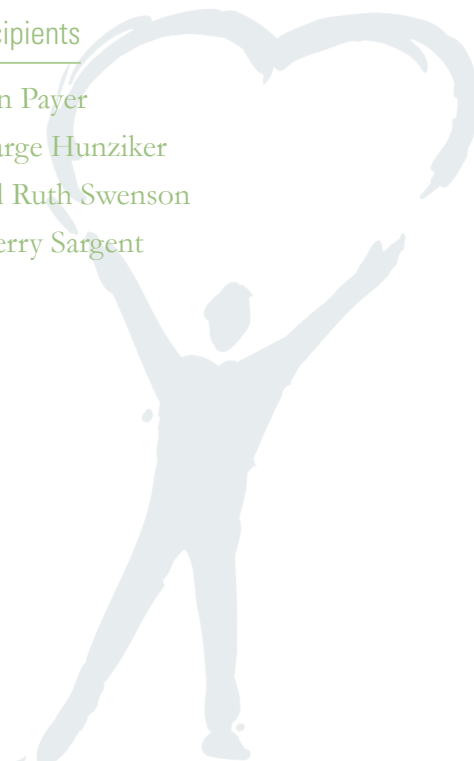
#### Previous Award Recipients

2005: Don and Jan Payer

2006: Erb and Marge Hunziker

2007: Clayton and Ruth Swenson

2008: Lee and Sherry Sargent





# Outstanding Family Volunteer Fundraisers Award

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Heather and Gary Botine have been strong supporters of music and the Ames Public Library for years. To display their interest in each, they have campaigned and raised money for programs such as Let the Band Play On; a fundraising campaign to purchase new instruments for Ames school children in grades 5 through 12, a library program called Project Smyles and a building expansion project for the Ames Public Library.

**Heather and Gary Botine**  
nominated by Ames Education Foundation  
and Ames Public Library



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As of August 2009, their efforts to create music opportunities have allowed them to raise \$280,000 while partnering with the Ames Education Foundation and the Story County Community Foundation. More than 30 new instruments have been purchased to strengthen school music programs thanks to their Let the Band Play On campaign.

The couple has actively participated in and held positions on several committees in the Ames area and due to their time and effort, many campaigns to support music and library funding have grown.

#### Previous Award Recipients

2005: Verne Bates

2006: Phil O'Berry

2007: Suzan Shierholz

2008: Bernie and Linda White





# Outstanding Business Philanthropist Award

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## Burke Corporation

nominated by United Way of Story County

Over the years, Burke Corporation has been recognized for its outstanding employer-employee relationship and support of the Nevada and Story County communities. One of the most important values Burke Corporation holds is that of helping the communities around them. Not only does Burke Corporation donate high-quality meat products and cash donations to philanthropic events but encourages employees to participate in the events as well.





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Throughout the past few years, Burke has accomplished its goal to be a major donor to four significant Story County projects, which include DMACC Ames Hunziker Career Academy, Mary Greeley Medical Center, S.C.O.R.E. Recreation Athletic Complex and Story County Medical Center. Along with these projects, Burke employees have volunteered in countless activities and local organizations. In the past year, Burke employees and company contributed nearly \$33,000 to the 2008 United Way of Story County annual campaign, which was 35% of the very successful Nevada campaign total.

Burke Corporation works extremely hard to make a difference in their community both financially and voluntarily, and continues to search for new ways to help the Nevada and Story County communities each day.

#### Previous Award Recipients

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2005: Pella Corporation—Story City Operations

2006: McFarland Clinic PC

2007: Sauer-Danfoss

2008: First National Bank





# Outstanding Group Volunteer Fundraisers Award

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## Heartland Senior Services Variety Show Committee

nominated by The Story County Community Foundation

Every year, the Heartland Variety Show becomes increasingly popular as performers over the age of 60 celebrate Heartland Senior Services. Those who are involved in the show have given it a good reputation in the Story County community through their energy, commitment and leadership. Thanks to the Heartland Variety Show Committee, each show they have produced has supported Heartland's services to senior citizens in Story County by raising more than \$100,000 over the last 15 years.



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The eight members responsible for the creation and growing success of the show include Mark Forbis, Keith Wirtz, Chuck Jones, Cay Peet, Dottie McGee, Julie Minot, Donna Erickson and Marilyn Johnson.

The 15 years that they have dedicated to the senior citizen community has made them popular among businesses and other groups eager to sponsor the show. Overall, the money raised by the Heartland Variety Show through the committee, volunteers, and actors has allowed a greater improvement in services offered to help support the senior citizens in Story County.”





# Outstanding Youth Philanthropists Award

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Central Elementary K-Kids  
nominated by Sue Seaton

The Central Elementary K-Kids are more than young leaders of the Nevada community – they are role models. They have touched the lives and hearts of Nevada through numerous philanthropic events.

One of the most incredible outcomes of the K-Kids' efforts has been that of the Ashlie Duit Benefit. The children raised \$12,500 for Ashlie and her family as she continued to fight kidney disease. They held a benefit dinner, created publicity and helped community members in any way possible to create awareness. The K-Kids' commitment to help others extends even further as they painted



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the U.S. map on their school's playground, collected coupons for military families, wrote letters to soldiers in Iraq and helped a local animal shelter.

Based on their experience and hard work with the Duit family, the K-Kids plan to create even more awareness of the importance of being an organ donor. The motivation and commitment the K-Kids display is outstanding, and we can be sure to see their successes grow.

#### Previous Award Recipients

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2005: Keegan Kautzky and Kevin Geiken  
Pages of Promise

2006: Nevada Elementary Multiage Community  
Outreach Africa

2007: Cory M. Hanson

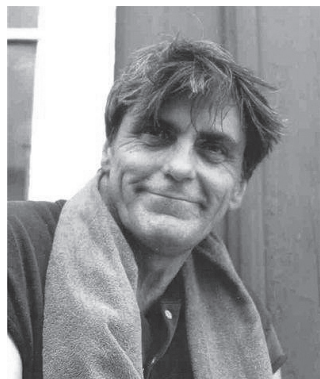
2008: Joe Wallace  
Trains for Kids





# Master of Ceremonies

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Paul Wierson

Paul Wierson enjoys living on the farm near Story City where he grew up after spending his career days in Des Moines.

A graduate of Story City High School and Luther College in Decorah, Iowa, Paul was manager of Job Service of Iowa in Des Moines and later worked as a management consultant on special projects for companies in the private sector. Dynamics of the workplace have always interested him.

Paul has also been involved in broadcasting and performance throughout his life. He was on the air at his college station the day President Kennedy was shot and has worked in radio in Des Moines over the years. He has narrated films and advertising, and

was for a time the voice of The World Food Prize ceremony held annually at the Iowa State Capitol. He has acted in community theater, playing Henry Higgins in *My Fair Lady* and has done a variety of public speaking and MC work.

In these days of retirement, Paul volunteers in public schools and spends many Sundays substituting for pastors around the state. He is also active in Kiwanis and other community activities in Story City.

Most of all, he enjoys playing at his farmstead, in hopes of making it a real showplace.



# Award Artist

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## Rob Wallace, Award Artist

Rob has been a woodworker since his pre-teen years and enjoys all aspects of woodworking, especially woodturning. He has been coordinating the Ames Area Woodturners since 2005 and offers private lessons in woodturning. He holds a Ph.D. in Botany from Rutgers University and is a biology professor at Iowa State University.

The opportunity to expose grain patterns, subtle color or texture differences, and unique features of the wood is an endless source of inspiration for Rob that allows for “instantaneous creativity” and immediate gratification as the spinning form develops on the lathe. Rob states, “with the development of each piece, the mystery of what lies beneath the bark is revealed and the ability to share this beauty with others in the pieces I create is a source of personal pleasure and pride.”



# Photographer

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## David Benna, Photographer

David Benna started Benna Aerial Photography to combine his love of flying and passion for photography. He has been in the photography business for over 15 years and has recently started a commercial wedding and portrait photography business. You may see samples of David's photographs and more information on his Web site: [www.bennaerialphotography.com](http://www.bennaerialphotography.com)

The Story County Alliance for Philanthropy thanks David for generously lending his time and talents to take the photographs for the program, publicity and event.



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Iowa State University Foundation

Lutheran Services in Iowa

Octagon Center for the Arts

Story County Childhood Collaboration

Story County Community Foundation

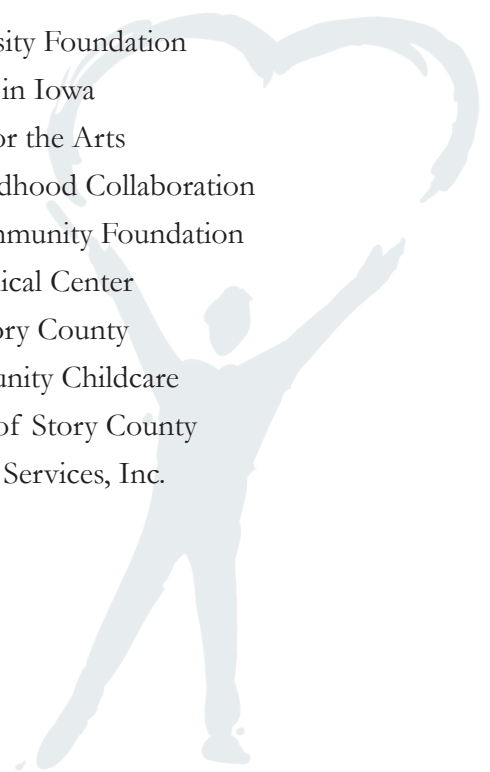
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