

Western Minnesota Steam Threshers Reunion

Endowment Fund

2022 WMSTR Annual Meeting Report

Twenty Years and Growing!

In 2003, the board of directors voted to invest the initial \$5,000 with a five year plan to raise \$25,000. The donations and contributions those first five years totaled nearly \$40,000 followed by more than \$110,000 additional gifts, donations and pledges to date. The committee is currently waiting for word on a sizable annuity from a member who passed away earlier this year in which the WMSTR Endowment Fund was originally named as beneficiary.

Donations continue (from members & non members alike) with nearly 350 investors giving \$10 to \$10,000. Many of these investors generously donate several times each year, many through memorials. However, 2022 has been different. To date, only 14 donations have been received amounting to just over \$1,000. The committee is hopeful for additional donations and an upward swing in the market before year's end.

Since 2003 the grants awarded to WMSTR from earnings on the account have increased from \$25 the first year to **\$7,810** last spring for calendar year 2021. As the chart on the following page reflects more than \$65,000 has been awarded to WMSTR since the Endowment Fund was established.

The grant funds awarded by the FMAF the first few years were used for improvements included small equipment purchases, log cabin maintenance, railcar paint, signage (education, exhibit & directional), and service building improvements.

Each year the board is responsible for determining how the grant funds awarded are designated and to what project as per the Endowment Fund guidelines

"to support the construction, repair and improvement of the building and grounds of WMSTR ... forever!"

The current balance in the WMSTR Endowment Fund as of 9/30/2022 is \$146,784.80. We have nearly 100 members who have or are still participating in the Hartley's Challenge of giving \$100 a year for 10 years.

Arnold Ellingson (chair), Lori Jury, recording secretary and Gary Muhl (all original members of the Endowment Fund committee) continue to serve. New committee members welcome.



**WMSTR Endowment Fund Investors
Are Planting Seeds
For a Future Bountiful Harvest!**

	Donations/Memorials	Grant Awards	Balance Each Dec 31
2003	\$6,900	\$25	\$7,029.50
2004	7,400	345	15,039.72
2005	5,817	615	21,444.93
2006	11,405	670	34,626.14
2007	7,790	980	43,648.56
2008	15,590	1,280	45,551.23
2009	9,683	1,590	64,591.55
2010	6,210	1,950	76,637.19
2011	7,575	2,360	82,392.16
2012	18,030	2,810	105,116.28
2013	4,455	4,455	114,303.51
2014	4,145	4,720	126,078.57
2015	2,725	3,800	128,822.13
2016	5,706	4,190	130,108.53
2017	5,921	4,350	148,216.16
2018	13,055	5,185	141,622.98
2019	2,549	5,805	147,856.72
2020	2,823	6,085	168,049.22
2021	13,615	6,600	194,698.54
2022 <i>(To Date)</i>	1,010	7,810	\$146,784.80
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Totals	\$152,404	\$65,625	

Thank You to These Investors

A I C Maintenance, Inc.	Anonymous (several)	Crystal Aakre	Ellis & Debra Aakre
Ronald/Linda Aakre	Gary/Joan Aery	Laurel/Shirley Aasgaard	Lloyd Alm
Ralph/Barbara Altenweg	Daniel Anderson Estate	Eleanor Anderson	Judy Anderson
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Austin Bachmann	Carl/June Bailey	LaVern Baran	Marilyn Barnes
Richard/Ardelle Barry	James/Carol Batko	John Beck	George Benjaminson
Francis/Rita Benkofske	Hazel Berg	David/Deanne Berger	Jim Bemis
Biewer Tractor Salvage, Inc.	Adam Berry	RA Birklid	Paul Bodlak
Bill Borgen	M/M Curt Borgen	Robert A Brekken Estate	Jim/Lynette Briden
Lellie Brix	Joseph Brosig	Brenda Brown	Brad/Julie Burgum
Irene/Pam Burkhardt	Barton/Roxane Cahill	Brian Carlson	Cindy Carlson
Glenn/Marilyn Carlson	Howard/Theora Carlson	Margaret Carlson	Carpet World
Dennis/Sandi Carstensen	Century Link Employees	Jerome/Jane Christiansen	Ruth Christianson
Bob/Leaha Clarke	David Clark	Bradley Cogdill	Robert/Betty Conklin
Dan Conway	Richard/Inez Coster	M/M Donald Covell	Kathleen Coyle
Cusey Real Estate, Inc.	Lloyd Dahlberg	Lyle/Betty Danielson	Myron/Janice Danielson
Mary/John Dean	Stanley/Lois DeMeyere	Matthew/Shelly Dillon	Jeanann P Dodson
Hiram/Ada Drache	Fern Duval	Ginny Earl	Darwin Ecklund
Brian/Carole Edwards	John/Beverly Eide	Jerome Ekre	Paul/Peggy Ellefson
Arnold Ellingson	Hartley/Erna Ellingson	Craig/Cindy Engelstad	M/M Roger Engstrom
Alice Esbenson	John/Geraldine Esberg	Elaine Everson/Jerry Swedberg	
Gerri Fairfield	Thomas Farnsworth	Roy Faught	Harold Fedt
Fergas International	Doug/Kay Fischer	Robert Fischer	Fitzgerald Construction
Friends at State Bank & Trust	Friends of WMSTR	James/Julie Frisk	Malcolm Frisk Estate
Marc Fritzier	Mark Gagner	Donald/Bonnie Gates	Douglas Geeslin
Alden/Pat Gjevre	Mary Glessner	Ray/Joan Grefsrud	M/M Kee Groshong
Kenneth Grothe	Willard/Arlene Haarstick	Arvin/Beverly Hagen	Rick Halldorson
Tom Hall	Scott/Julie Halvorson	Chris Hamness	Michael/Elizabeth Hannaher
Audrey Hanson	MarJo Hanson	Mark/Kathy Hamre	Rebecca Hauth

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Hawley Lions Club	Hazer's Auto Wrecking, Inc.	Mark & Hella Helfter	Nicholas Heimark
Don/Rosa Hendricks	Jerry/Jean Hendrickx	Richard/Patricia Hermann	Les Hilde
Rose Ann Hoff	Darlene Hogeboom	Hans/Phyllis Hohle	Todd/Nicole Holdman
Rachel Hollstadt	Horvick Inc.	Ellen Michelson Houska	Wayne Houska
Duane/Kristi Hovelsrud	M/M Merle Huhner	Randolph Huppert	James Ihry
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Rhoda Johnson	Robert Johnson	Jon/Lori Jury	Arlen/Roberta Kalvik
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M/M Harold Kasowski	Linus/Margaret Kensok	Mark/Katie Kerkvliet	Joan Kieffer
Lucille Kingsley	Larry Kirl	Mark/Tanya Kirschenman	Dean/Bev Klegstad
Duane/Loretta KLeinjan	Richard/Audrey Kloubec	M/M Jim Koester	Gary/Ahna Kolsrud
Don Kounovsky	Barb Kraft	David/Peggy Kragnes	Margaret Kragnes
Anthony/Diane Krawiec	Keith/Ramona Kuehl	Mark Kuhn	Don Larsen
Arnold/Charmeon Larson	Clayton/Jane Larson	Francis Larson	M/M Fredrick Larson
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Richard MacGregor	Darrell/Roxanne Malland	Jerry Mandt	Peter/Vicki Mandt
Harold Manston	Edward Mars III	Paul/Charlene McCracken	McIntyre Pyle, Inc.
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Merlyn/Gwen Meyer	Roger Meyer	Rebecca Meyer	Georgiann Minkel
Mrs. Gary Mischke	Roger/Rachel Morgan	Donald/Cheri Moos	Pamela Morris
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M/M Leonard Nelson	Marjorie Nelson	Maurice/Aileen Nelson	Paul Nelson
Wayne Nelson	Jeff & Cory Nielsen	George/Frances Nesemeier	Beatrice Nisbet
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Michas/Alma Ohnstad	H. Allen Ohrt	Olive Olsgaard	Nick Olson
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Dennis Powers	James/Patsy Puetz	Harvey/Marlyce Pyle	Leslie/Monica Qvale
RAH	Rudy/Lucy Radke	James/Nancy Rauch	Randy/Joan Rebillard
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Jerry/Joan Sanders	Paul/Cindee Sather	Marlene Schell	James/Paulette Schmitt
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Jason/Janna Wagner	Virgil/Bonnie Wagner	Ray/Joyce Wangler	Darrell/Myrna Wetzel
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Kevin Withers	Clay/Maxine Yost	Nolan Young	

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