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Sherm Carlson,
REA³D President

Twenty-five, the number repeatedly referenced in the forthcoming pages, speaks to the transition from a dream to an established, non-profit educational foundation. REA³D proudly celebrates its silver anniversary.

By all accounts, leadership in bringing this concept to fruition was then school board member Colleen Maiers and the late Kathy Bush. In Colleen's words, "as liaison to the Proctor Area Community Center, I saw it as an important, valuable community resource. That perspective inspired me to find a way to ensure that

such opportunities would be as widely available as possible in perpetuity."

A group of community members embraced her vision: Sharon Jugasek, Jake Benson, Ted Peterson, Jay Belcastro, Stan Kaitfors, Scott Moe, and Barb Zakrajsek. With legal assistance from Larry Stauber Jr., REA³D was "born" on September 11, 1996.

It would take ten years before the organization would reach the threshold of \$100,000, the amount dictated by the Duluth Superior Area Community Foundation, (the original depository of all generated funds) before investment earnings could be expended as grant awards. A \$450 check supporting the "Science Olympiad" was one of the first to be awarded a grant.

Now that \$100,000 endowment is approaching five times that amount, or in keeping with the theme of this newsletter, 25 times \$20,000=\$500,000. And yes, that very first grant given has grown in number to over 25 times 6=just over 150 expanded opportunities.

I invite you to review the next seven pages to get a sense of the community support of our quest, a sampling of fundraising events, diversity of requests supported, in addition to the July 1, 2020-June 30, 2021 contributions by Proctor staff, businesses, and supporters like yourselves.

As Maiers concluded, "helping to establish REA³D was one of my most satisfying experiences. "I embrace her sentiments as president of this foundation.

Left-Right: A message from students involved in REA³D funded projects; REA³D's float entry for Proctor's 2012 All-Class Reunion parade; outdoor learning and athletic projects funded by REA³D.



Thank You ISD 704 Faculty and Staff

The REA³D Board of Directors would like to recognize the **ISD 704 Faculty and Staff** for their generous contributions of \$8,666 during the 2020-21 school year, a 4% increase over the 2019-20 contributions!

Since REA³D's inception ISD 704 faculty have contributed over **\$117,000** to our endowment!

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REA³D's Memorable Community Outreach Events

Since its inception in 1996, REA³D leadership reached out to the Proctor school district communities with relevant and entertaining educational events. These events have included concerts, a feature film, plays, demonstrations and arts activities. Several of these events are pictured below.

Ann Reed Concert

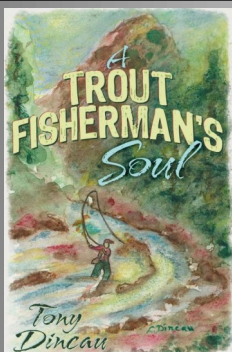
Ann Reed's website describes her as having a rich, dark-chocolate voice. Those who attended her benefit concert experienced her ability to spin stories through her music. Her songs touched audience members deeply, and one board member recalls purchasing her favorite tee shirt at the concert. The concert was yet another REA³D community outreach endeavor.

*Well-behaved women
rarely make history.*



*Older than
America...a powerful
portrayal of the
generational impact
of cultural geno-
cide....*

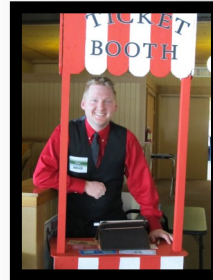
Brought to Proctor by REA³D: On April 18, 2009, PHS hosted the screening of a feature length, award winning movie that had not yet been released to theatres. Georgina Lightning, director and lead actress in the film, had responded to REA³D's invitation to show the film as a fundraiser for REA³D, and appeared in person to introduce her movie and follow up with a question and answer session at its conclusion.



PHS alumnus author Tony Dincan delighted audiences with his book signing event held at Bay View Elementary School. Mr. Dincan not only autographed books, but he also donated the profits to REA³D. He embodied the spirit of giving back to his community. It was a memorable evening for everyone who attended.



REA³D Dinners & Auctions
Raised \$183,355



ISD 704 Staff Payroll Deductions
Raised \$117,033

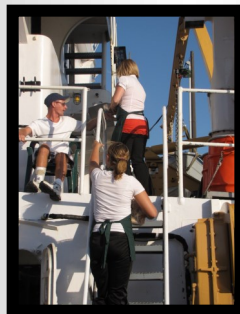


For the past 25 years, REA³D has raised funds through a variety of fundraising endeavors. Our newsletters and direct mail communications alone raised \$112,430. Our generous contributors have made this foundation a viable granting source. Even with a global pandemic, our REA³D supporters answered the call and said, "YES," when asked to support a teacher to assist our youngest learners. Look to REA³D to continue its commitment to our community for another 25 years. We celebrate our silver anniversary and sincerely thank you!!

25 Years of our biggest "Fun"draising events.
We owe our success to **YOU!**



REA³D Community Auction
Raised \$10,239



Sundew at Sunset



Sundew at Sunset
Raised \$10,826



Fall Tasting Events
Raised \$10,826

2020-21 REPORT OF CONTRIBUTORS

Contributions made by those listed are much appreciated and increase our capacity to award funding to academic, art and athletic projects which align with the REA³D mission. Those listed contributed to REA³D between July 2020 and June 2021. We sincerely regret any errors or omissions and ask that if you have a correction, please contact us at: rea3d@proctor.k12.mn.us

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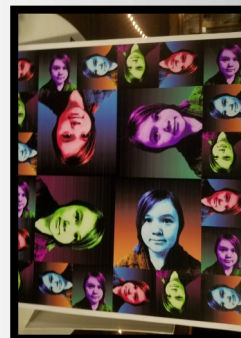
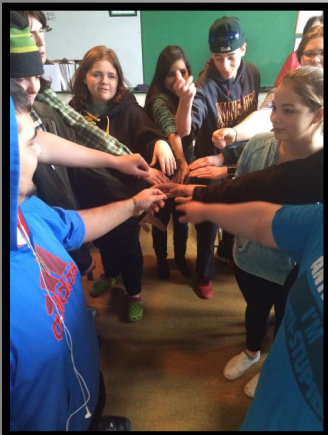
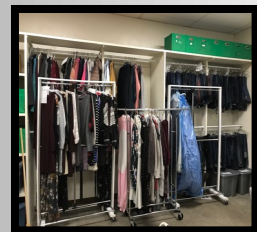
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MEMORIALS AND HONORARIUMS 2020-21

Evelyn Anderson	In Memory of Carol Jean Soderberg, PHS Class of 1956
Clifford Auge	In Memory of Pat Auge (nee Renaud)
Tim and Andre Bijold	In Memory of Auntie Pat Lowe
Tom and Nina Bijold	In Memory of Auntie Pat Lowe
William and Lynette Bonkowske	In Memory of Brian Gilderman, PHS Class of '76; and In Memory of Florence Bonkowske
Wendy Carlberg	In Memory of Pat Lowe
Fleta Carol	In Memory of Leif Sawyer Chilman, PHS Class of 2005
Beverly M. Christensen	In Memory of Warren A. Christensen
Sandra Ruhnke Collins	In Memory of Byron Ruhnke, PHS Class of 1943; In Memory of Cindy Ruhnke Stauber, PHS Class of 1967; In Memory of Lois Ruhnke, PHS Class of 1946; In Memory of Ken Ruhnke, PHS Class of 1972
Roger and Catherine Dahl	In Honor of Linda Hughes and Carlie Anderson, Proctor Educators
Lynn Dart-Nelson	In Memory of Tom Bijold
Lynn Dart-Nelson	In Honor of LTC Kristen Auge' (Army)
Bob Drazich	In Memory of Mike Drazich
Kathy and James Doyle	In Memory of Phyllis Donley, Proctor Teacher
Jack and Nancy Eilefson	In Memory of Duane "Buck" Emberg, PHS Class of 1951; In Memory of Andrew Maeckelbergh, PHS Class of 1997
Tori Eulendorf	In Honor of PHS Class of 1975
Skip and Sandra Fontaine	In Memory of Pat Toor Lowe, PHS Class of 1951; In Memory of Carol Jean Soderberg
Patty Francisco	In Memory of Auntie Pat Lowe
Ron Gajewski	In Memory of Joan Gajewski
Marjory Gonzales	In Memory of Frances Alden
Bill and Kisty Haller	In Memory of Elsa Sorenson; In Memory of Pat Toor Lowe
James and Voula Heffernan	In Memory of Pat Lowe
Sheila Held	In Honor of Palmer K. Peterson, long-time chemistry teacher, Cloquet High School
Bob Higgins	In Honor of Dave Stark and Chuck Martin
David and Debbie Johnson	In Memory of Terry Raycraft
Ron & Sheron Johnson	In Memory of Jean Voltzke, Evie Peterson, LaVonn Peterson, Ruth Gustafson
Julie Kolojeski	In Memory of Gen, Joe, and Dean Kolojeski; Jo Sjodin, Jan Bort
Dale and Bonnie Lindstrom	In Memory of Tom Whittaker, PHS Class of 1959; In Memory of Billy Jugasek, PHS Class of 1958
Phillip and Louise Lind	In Memory of Pat Lowe; In Memory of Joyce Johnson, Barb Steen's Mother
Carol Lonke	In Honor of Laura Condon, Proctor Teacher
John Lozon	In Memory of All Fallen Veterans
Pam Miller	In Memory of Virginia Miller
Lynn McDonald	In Memory of Phillip R. Anderson
Richard Moran	In Honor of PHS Class of 1966
Barbara Olson	In Memory of R. James Melde, long-time Music Educator at PHS
Paula and Ron Peterson	In Honor of PHS Class of 1975 and Grandchildren Emma and Max Martineau, Bay View Students
PHS Class of 1966	In Honor of the PHS Class of 1966
Rich Petersson	In Memory of David Hylla
Peg Rantala	In Memory of Chuck Rantala, Proctor Educator
Steven and Charlene Reno	In Honor of PHS Class of 1970
Gerald and Karen Ruona	In Memory of Pat Lowe
Jim and Jackie Sathers	In Honor of Jackie (former teacher) and Jim (PHS Class of 1959)
Larry Stauber	In Memory of Cindy (Ruhnke) Stauber
Todd and Barb Steen	In Memory of Terry Raycraft
J.R. and Sarah Walker	In Honor of Connie Stanley
Jim and Cher Ward	In Honor of John Reitz, PHS Chemistry and Physics Instructor
Rep. John and Sally Ward	In Memory of Coach Terry Egerdahl
Dale and Mary Jo White	In Memory of Auntie Pat Lowe

Over the past 25 years, REA³D has awarded 158 grants totaling \$95,805 to academic, art and athletic projects that align with REA³D's mission, and serve learners of all ages across the Proctor school district communities. Featured here are just a few of those projects. Thanks to sustained donor contributions, REA³D has been able to increase grant awards from an average of \$200 to over \$1,000.





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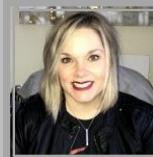
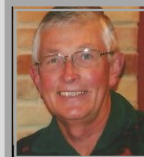
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***REA³D by Candlelight
'Fun'draising' Event***

***We guarantee a program!
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AND we guarantee a good time!***
February 25, 2022

Join our REA³D Team!

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***REA³D invites YOU to consider
membership in this important and
growing community institution!
Do you have:***

- A passion for community learning projects?
- A desire to be involved in local grantmaking and fundraising?
- A "can do" attitude and optimistic vision for REA³D's future?



Go to www.rea3d.org to APPLY!

