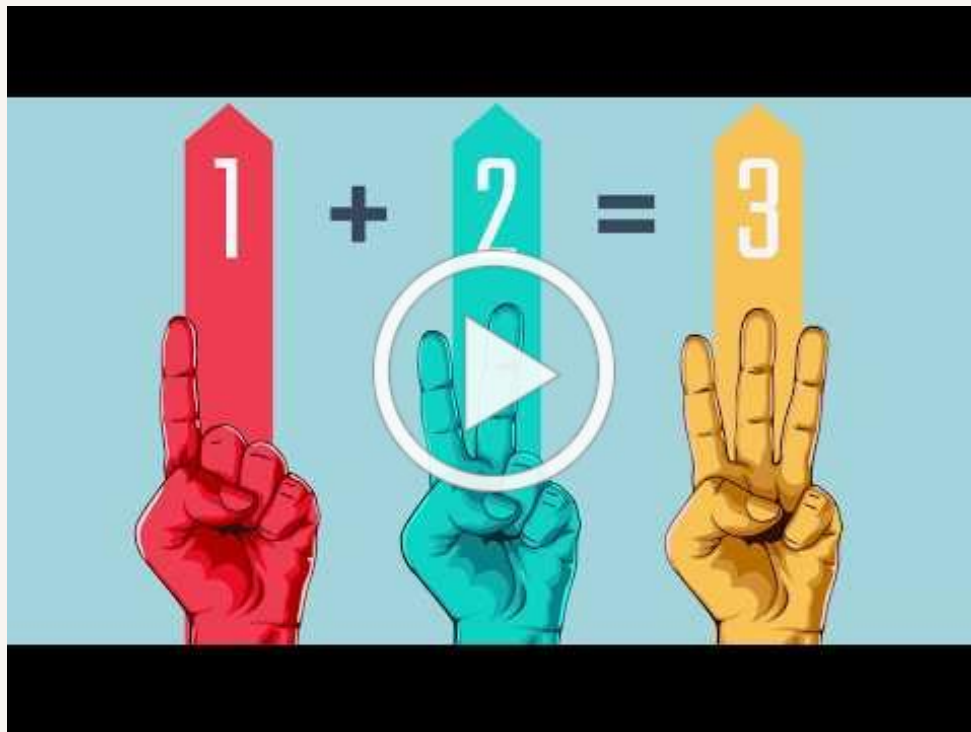




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**\$100,000 in Matching Dollars Remains!**



Nearly 200 donors have taken advantage of the RCCF's \$2 : \$1 matching opportunity. NOW is your chance to make an impact in Rush County: for a limited time, your gift to unrestricted funds is tripled, thanks to a grant from Lilly Endowment Inc.'s GIFT VII!

Since the announcement of GIFT VII in October, the RCCF has raised \$150,000 in unrestricted funds. We have welcomed 4 new named funds and received a multitude of generous contributions to existing funds. These incredible dollars will give back to the changing needs of the community forever.



## \$1 = \$3 OF COMMUNITY IMPACT

Make a gift to one of our existing unrestricted funds - **for every \$1 given, \$2 will be added**. Have you been interested in beginning your own named fund? Now is the best time we've ever had for such an opportunity!

\$100,000 in matching funds remains! The dollars are available until exhausted, or until December 31, 2020.

If you are interested in maximizing your dollars or beginning your own named fund you can **donate online** or contact our office to learn more!

## RCCF's Five in 50 Cycling Event is Rapidly Approaching



The **Five in 50 Covered Bridge (bicycle) Ride** is rapidly approaching - and there's no time like NOW to sign up to join a day of fun!

Join riders from near and far to ride one of the routes (12, 24 or 50 miles) through Rush County's historic covered bridges on September 21, 2019. The Five in 50 Covered Bridge Ride provides more than an opportunity to get in shape: your registration and any other funds raise directly support the RCCF - and **all tax-deductible contributions are matched \$2 for \$1!**

Not interested in cycling? You can still help! Volunteer at one of the bridges, help before, during, or after, sponsor, or simply raise money. Learn all of your options, register to ride or volunteer, and preview the Willkie Days weekend details at [www.willkiedays.com](http://www.willkiedays.com).

## June Gifts In Memoriam and In Honor

Thank you to the donors who selected to give to Rush County Community Foundation in memory or in honor of a loved one or friend. This month, the following individuals were recognized through gifts to the Foundation:

- Gordon Beck
- Glenda Cregar
- Fred Earnest
- Rick Eckel
- Larry Gordon
- John S. Green
- John Gridley
- Richard Henderson
- Jim Hoeing
- Dale Jones
- Jeff Knecht



- Neal Kuhn
- Jerry Petty
- Jim Ponsler
- Charles Ralston
- Jim Shanahan
- Gwen Walters
- Alice R. Wiley



## RCHS Class of 1969 Celebrates 50 Years with Fund



The RCHS Class of 1969 celebrated their 50th reunion the weekend of June 21-23. To commemorate the special milestone, class representatives Jennifer (Harcourt) Buchanan, Michael and Susan (Schneider) Howard, and Steve and Lynda (Curtis) Solomine elected to begin a named unrestricted endowment fund at the RCCF.

The "RCHS Class of 1969" Fund has quickly raised enough funds to become permanently endowed. Since inception, the fund has received 18 gifts totaling \$11,795. With the current \$2 : \$1 match, the fund assets now total \$35,385!

The class is excited about the opportunities that their fund will make possible for future generations of our community. Unrestricted endowment funds support the RCCF's community grants program, which has enabled \$1.3 million in community programs, projects, and initiatives since 1993. Ongoing donor support and the Foundation's investment strategy will only further the impact of these funds in the community.

As Mike Howard said at the Friday night class dinner, "We are all from Rush County. It gave us our solid start in life. Many of us still have family here. Let's all join together in supporting this



community who first supported us."

If you are interested in supporting the community via the **RCHS Class of 1969 Fund**, any of the **existing** unrestricted funds, or beginning your own unrestricted fund, there is no better time than now! The impact of your donation is tripled thanks to the \$2 : \$1 match, made possibly by Lilly Endowment Inc.'s GIFT VII initiative.

## Support Your Community Foundation

### It's like Christmas in July (and all year round!) when you shop and support RCCF!



amazon smile  
You shop. Amazon gives.

Maximize your dollars while shopping this holiday season. Whether you like to shop online or in a store, Amazon and Kroger make it easy for you to support RCCF without actually donating a penny!!



Shopping via **Amazon Smile** can give 0.5% back to RCCF!

Enroll your **Kroger** Plus Card in the Community Rewards Program- and we'll receive based on percentage of sales each quarter!

Signing up for both programs take less than a minute. [Learn more](#)

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Stay up-to-date on the latest RCCF happenings by visiting our **website** and following us on social media. Our website serves as a comprehensive informational source for all things related to our work, as well as offering fun features such as donor stories, board member bios, and scholar updates. We often share news and features on our **Facebook page**, which we encourage you to follow if you use social media! The more you "like" and "share" helps share our message and inspire future content.