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# Foundation Times

NEWSLETTER



## Greater Menomonee Falls FOUNDATION

The Greater Menomonee Falls Foundation transforms donor's dreams and desires into reality by providing an effective means for investing in their community, meeting needs now and in the future.

### DID YOU KNOW?

You can make secure donations online at [FallsFoundation.org](http://FallsFoundation.org)

## \$25,000 IN GRANTS AWARDED At 25th Anniversary Celebration



Community Memorial Hospital



Easter Seals of S.E. Wisconsin



The Kindling - MF Fire Dept.



NAMI



Wildlife in Need

At the "Touch of Spring" Reception, held May 11th at North Hills Country Club, the Greater Menomonee Falls Foundation awarded \$25,000 in grants for its silver anniversary.

Since 1991, GMFF has provided a way to invest in the future of Menomonee Falls, bringing together donors and then awarding grants annually to support area civic groups. Our donors recognize the value of the community foundation and the non-profits that do so much in the greater Menomonee Falls area.

Kevin Wolf, Board Chairperson, started the formal program by thanking event sponsors: Town Bank, Malkin's Flooring, and First Bank, and then recognized ten local non-profits who received grants.

- Community League - \$1000
- Easter Seals of S.E. Wisconsin - \$1000
- Hope Network - \$2000
- The Kindling, MF Fire Dept. - \$4000
- NAMI - Ending the Silence - \$2500
- Falls Patio Players - \$5000
- Tri-County YMCA - \$2000
- Community Memorial Hospital - \$2000
- MFHS Booster Club Capital Improvement Campaign - \$5000
- Wildlife in Need - \$2500



Community League



Hope Network



MFHS Booster Club  
Capital Improvement Campaign



Falls Patio Players



Tri-County YMCA

**" We've never seen an award like this. "**  
- Laura Ciletti  
Menomonee Falls Patio Players



# Greater Menomonee Falls F O U N D A T I O N

Award Winners  
pictured L to R,  
LeRoy Buelow,  
Larry Hebbring,  
and  
Roger Bochek



Event Chairpersons, Robyn Turtenwald and Sue Jeskewitz are pictured with Award Recipient Roger Bochek. Ann Wanke (not pictured) also chaired the event.



*Do you know an individual who has made a difference in Menomonee Falls? We are now accepting nominations for 2017. Contact [awards@fallsfoundation.org](mailto:awards@fallsfoundation.org) or call Sue Jeskewitz at 262-250-9595.*

## LARRY HEBBRING HONORED FOR LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT

GMFF recognized Larry Hebbring with a Lifetime Achievement Award, LeRoy Buelow, with an Unsung Hero Award, and Roger Bochek with the Shining Star Award.

**LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD** is given to an individual who possess outstanding leadership qualities and will have contributed to the benefit and betterment of the greater Menomonee Falls area and its citizens.

**Larry Hebbring** was honored for leading many charitable causes during the 45 years he has lived in Menomonee Falls. His family ran the Honey Bucket and the Hebbring Hotel and formed the non-profit Honey Bucket Recreational Club. The Hebbrings raised \$400,000 that was used to support the YMCA, parks and schools. Through the Jaycees Club, Hebbring helped start the Falls Christmas Parade. He has also been involved with the Optimists Club for twenty-four years, organizing many events, tournaments and contests and also leading the group as president.

**THE UNSUNG HERO AWARD** is given to an individual who is is an inspirational role model. Through caring actions and outstanding acts of humanitarianism, he or she has contributed significantly to other's quality of life and has positively impacted the community.

**LeRoy Buelow** has been actively involved in the community through the Lions Club since 1963. LeRoy and his wife were among the the original contributors to the Menomonee Falls YMCA. He is also involved with Bethlehem Lutheran Church and the Lions supported blood drive at Community Memorial Hospital.

**THE SHINING STAR AWARD** recognizes a member of a local group who has dedicated their time and talent and made a generous commitment to that organization. Through his or her acts of volunteerism, the organization makes a significant impact on our community.

**Roger Bochek** has generously given his time and talent to Falls Patio Players for the past thirty-three years. First starting as a costume designer, Bochek now is artistic director for Patio Players. Laura Ciletti of Falls Patio Players shared, "He's got great vision, and we appreciate Roger."



"GMFF transforms donor's desires into reality by providing an effective means for investing in our community," said **GMFF President Kevin Wolf**. "Through the generosity of local residents, we have been able to provide critical funding for a wide variety of local causes. We provide a way to make an investment in the future of Menomonee Falls."

## WHY YOU SHOULD SUPPORT GMFF

Now is the perfect time to review your year-end giving plans. The Greater Menomonee Falls Foundation makes it easy to support area non-profits, benefiting you, the donor in the following ways:

**1. Unifying Donors:** Smaller donation amounts are pooled with other donations to support causes and non-profits that benefit Menomonee Falls without the administrative burden of establishing a private foundation. Gifts to the GMFF receive the maximum tax advantages for income, gift and estate tax purposes.

**2. Objective Selections:** GMFF carefully screens all organizations that apply for funding for their impact on Menomonee Falls and for their organizational stability. As a donor, you can choose to designate funds to benefit your favorite causes, or provide unrestricted funds are to support the community's most important needs and opportunities.

**3. Leaving a Legacy:** GMFF provides a meaningful opportunity for caring people to give back to our community and to leave a legacy to preserve and support Menomonee Falls after they are gone.

## NOW ACCEPTING 2017 GRANT APPLICATIONS

December 1, 2016 marks the beginning of GMFF's new grant application cycle. Non-profits have until February 17, 2017 to submit their application. Spread the word – let area non-profits know about our grant cycle! For more information regarding grant instructions and the application process, please email [info@fallsfoundation.org](mailto:info@fallsfoundation.org).



*Did you receive our Fall Financial Appeal?  
Have you sent it back to us yet?  
If you didn't get it, but would like to make a financial contribution, please call 262-617-7641 or email us at [info@FallsFoundation.org](mailto:info@FallsFoundation.org)*

## MEET GMFF TRUSTEE RIC HARTMAN

Visionary, entrepreneur, graphic designer, art collector and dog lover are but a few attributes that personify Richard (Ric) Hartman. A recent addition to the GMFF Board, Ric brings a trove of valuable creative and business acumen to Board processes and initiatives.

Until recently, he was President of Hartman Design, Inc., in Menomonee Falls - a graphic design and advertising agency he conceived and successfully developed. The company was recognized as an outstanding start-up by George W. Bush during his 2004 campaign. Today, he provides creative consulting for select clients and plans for a new art venture.

An energetic and committed volunteer with strong ties to both the business and civic community, Ric has long volunteered his expertise to local organizations such as Rotary, and the Chamber of Commerce. He also serves as a Board Director for the Friends of Sculpture, and Enchantment in the Park in West Bend.

A listener, communicator, and problem solver, he's a "let's get it done" person who likes to have some fun along the way.

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