



A Little Help Can Go A Long Way...

On June 24, 2009, the first **Golden K Kiwanis Club Scholarship** was presented to Tyler Scherer of Decatur, Illinois. Tyler is a 2009 graduate of St. Teresa High School of Decatur and plans to attend the University of Illinois in Springfield in the fall. Tyler was unanimously chosen for this award by the selection committee not only for his academics and extracurricular activities, but also his extensive amount of volunteer work. Some of his volunteer activities include: donating blood, working for a food drive, volunteering time at the Good Samaritan Inn, helping with youth sporting events, holding multiple positions in his church, and volunteering with the Springfield Shriners, among many others. Tyler was also very involved with school activities which include class council, chess club, as well as winning letters in both golf and tennis.



The Community Foundation of Decatur/Macon County distributes scholarships every year from over 30 funds like the Golden K Kiwanis Club Scholarship Fund. Pictured presenting the 2009 check from left to right are Gary Goeken (President), Missy Batman (from the Community Foundation), Larry Bechtel, Tyler Scherer (recipient), Jim Rector, Claude Mosher, and Leon Langhauser.

The **Golden K Kiwanis Club of Decatur** scholarship fund was created in June of 2007. The purpose of this fund is to provide financial assistance to students in the Macon County region who are attending or plan to attend an accredited college or university. Kiwanis is a worldwide service organization for people desiring involvement in the leadership and improvement of their communities. The motto is “serving the children of the world.”

The **Community Foundation of Decatur/Macon County** is pleased to be able to offer this award on behalf of the Golden K Kiwanis Club. Contributions to this fund are welcome. Checks may be made to the Community Foundation of Decatur/Macon County and indicated for the Golden K Kiwanis Club of Decatur Scholarship Fund. For more information please contact us at (217)429-3000.

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“How fine it would be if a man about to make a will could go to a permanently enduring organization and say ‘Here is a large sum of money that I shall no longer need. I want to leave it to be used for the good of the community, but I have no way of knowing what will be the greatest need of the community fifty years from now, or even ten years from now. Therefore, I place it in your hands because you will be here, you and your successors, throughout the years, to determine what should be done with this sum to make it most useful for people of each succeeding generation.’ “

~Fred Goff, 1914, donor to the first community foundation

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