



como friends
annual report

2010

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Como Friends is a nonprofit organization that **promotes, supports, preserves and enhances** Como Park Zoo and Conservatory.





Dear Como Friends Supporters:

As we look back on everything we accomplished at Como in 2010, there's one date on the calendar that rises above all others—June 3. On that red-letter day, Como Zoo unveiled *Polar Bear Odyssey*, the great new state-of-the-art habitat for Como's twin bears, Neil and Buzz.

Five years in the planning, two years in construction, this exhibit has set a new standard for both animal care and conservation education. Every day since its opening, *Polar Bear Odyssey* has been filled with children, their faces pressed to the windows, watching Buzz roll in the dirt near the new digging pit, or touching their small hands to Neil's large paws as he turns somersaults in his new salt water pools.

Polar Bear Odyssey has provided a truly amazing window into the natural behaviors and native intelligence of this vulnerable species—but it's also given the public an important glimpse of the great things to come at Como. In fact, *Polar Bear Odyssey* is only the first project in a thoughtful master plan that will transform Como over the next two decades, allowing us to welcome more than two million annual visitors, and serve the needs of a 21st century audience in new and engaging ways. Next up will be *Gorilla Forest*, an enlarged and dramatically improved new habitat for Como Zoo's western lowland gorillas. At the same time, the Marjorie McNeely Conservatory will soon break ground on *The Japanese Gardens Experience*, a new wing that will finally give visitors what they've long wished for—year-round display space for Como's beautiful and nationally-ranked Bonsai collection, and wonderful new access to the Como Ordway Memorial Japanese Garden, Como's most beloved exterior garden.

These improvements could be undertaken only because of the tremendous support provided by the individuals, corporations, and foundations whose names appear in this annual report. Each of you carries on a long tradition of community involvement at Como, which was created more than a century ago by volunteers and visionaries who saw the need for a great public space where families could come to renew their connections with nature—and with each other.

We thank you for everything you do to carry on this great mission, and for helping us to bring Como's wild and precious natural resources even closer to our visitors.

Jackie Sticha
President

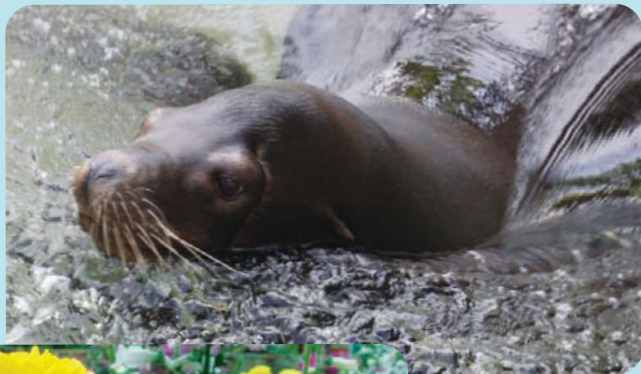
Jackie Sticha

Wendy Rubin
Board Chair

Wendy Rubin

contributions

2010 Contributions to Como Park Zoo and Conservatory Total Contribution = \$3,919,849



Marjorie McNeely Conservatory	\$469,886
Annual Program Support	\$65,795
Contribution to McNeely Endowment	\$248,823
Grant from McNeely Endowment	\$155,268
Como Zoo	\$102,348
Annual Program Support	\$91,050
Orangutan Conservation and Primate Improvement Grant	\$7,500
Staff Development	\$2,750
Wyoming Toad Project	\$500
PBI Leadership Camp	\$548
Education	\$78,035
Annual Program Support	\$71,200
City Council Ward 5 Scholarship Fund	\$5,000
Cheney Scholarship Fund	\$1,835
Volunteer Services	\$31,000
Annual Program Support	\$31,000
Campus Projects	\$57,417
In-kind Marketing, Public Relations & Publications	\$39,901
Conservation Affiliations	\$10,000
SaveNature.org Conservation Contribution	\$2,516
Annual Program Support	\$5,000
Capital Campaigns	\$3,181,163
Campaign Payments	\$1,265,000
Donations Secured for Capital Campaign	\$1,916,163

como by the numbers

Visitors

Total visitors in 2010	2,223,936
Cost per visit, based on 2010 operating budget.	\$2.98
Suggested donation	\$2 for adults; \$1 for children
Actual donations made at gate in 2010.	\$1,312,122.33
Busiest day of the year.	July 31, 2010 (estimated total visitors: 19,568, high temperature: 84°)
Least busy day of the year.	December 11, 2010 (estimated total visitors: 10, snowfall: 17 inches)



Top 10 Frequently Asked Questions in 2010

1. "Where are the polar bears?"
2. "Where are the butterflies?"
3. "Where is the Conservatory?"
4. "What are your hours?"
5. "Do you have strollers?" (or wheelchairs)"
6. "What time is Sparky?"
7. "Where is the baby giraffe?"
8. "Is that real?" (pointing to Chloe the sloth)
9. "Where is the Cafe?"
10. "Can I have a map?"



2010 Totals

Cubic yards of potting soil delivered to the Conservatory in 2010	150
Gallons of Elmer's Glue used in Como's education programs	2
Crickets shipped to Como to feed amphibian collection	416,000
Plants grown for five Sunken Garden shows	25,000
Visitors who took part in free, value-added education programming	450,907
Beneficial bugs released into Conservatory gardens	2,573,300
Como Friends member households, as of December 2010	2,989
Average length of Como Friends membership	8 years
Como Friends animal sponsorships	712
Percent rise in Como Friends memberships and sponsorships since 2005	67
Most sponsored animals in 2010.	polar bears and baby giraffes
Least sponsored animals	bison and sloth
Total number of volunteers in 2010.	1,232
Total number of hours donated by volunteers	50,389
Estimated number of interpretive touches visitors shared by Como volunteers	229,900
Total number of weddings performed at Como in 2010	365
Percentage drop in trash taken to landfill with the addition of recycling program	33
Slices of pizza consumed at Como birthday parties in 2010.	2,136
"Camp Como" t-shirts distributed in 2010	800
Sheets of construction paper used in education classes.	2,250
Sheets of paper towel use to clean tortoise, rabbit and chicken poop off of Sparky stage after new "Creature Feature" program.	500





Como Zoo

Improving Como Zoo's nearly 30-year-old polar bear exhibit has been among Como Friends' highest priorities, and 2010 saw the realization of that dream—*Polar Bear Odyssey*.

After a two-year "vacation" in Detroit, polar bears Neil and Buzz returned to St. Paul in March to discover an extreme home makeover that had more than quadrupled the size of their previous habitat, providing natural substrate for digging, 120,000 gallons of salt water for swimming, and engaging new education and classroom space for visitors to learn about this vulnerable species. Opened to the public in June, this world-class habitat is now the new standard for polar bear care, earning the top "three diamond ranking" from the conservation group Polar Bears International.

Polar Bear Odyssey was the most public improvement at Como Zoo this year—but it was just one of the critical projects that your contributions helped to fund. Support from Como Friends continued the shift toward operant conditioning training for more of the animals in Como's care, while improving the enrichment resources that keep more than 1,200 animals healthy and curious. Como Friends' growing sponsorship program also paired donors with the animals they care about most in Como's collection, from penguins to Panamanian golden frogs to puffins. The strong partnership between Como Friends and the campus,

as well as a growing commitment to worldwide conservation projects, helped Como Zoo to once again achieve the rigorous accreditation standards set by the Association of Zoos and Aquariums.

Grants secured by Como Friends made it possible for Como Zoo and its professional keepers to take part in special projects that carry on Como's century-long mission of conservation. In 2010, that funding allowed the Zoo to retrofit a special room for the Wyoming Toad Project, an aggressive species repatriation plan for North America's most critically endangered amphibian. It also made it possible for primate keeper Megan Elder to share her expertise as the International Orangutan Studbook Keeper with experts in Borneo and Sumatra fighting to ensure the survival of threatened orangutans.

Recent updates to Como Zoo's Primate Building were also made possible through your investment in Como Friends, paving the way for even more improvements to come in *Gorilla Forest*, a new state-of-the-art habitat for the zoo's western lowland gorillas, breaking ground in 2011.

Total gifts to Como Zoo: \$102,348

2010



“The crowd let out a collective ‘Oooh’ Wednesday when the polar bear jumped into the water.”

– Star Tribune



marjorie mcneely conservatory

The Marjorie McNeely Conservatory has grown into one of the country's top botanical collections, recognized not only for the natural beauty of its gardens, but also for the best practice horticultural care that goes on behind the scenes.

In 2010, the Conservatory was chosen as an official All-America Selections Flower Display Garden—an honor reserved for fewer than 200 of the country's leading public gardens. Such recognition would not be possible without the private support that keeps the Conservatory's deep roots in our community growing strong.

Your investment in Como Friends provided the funding for the 25,000 plants visitors saw in five Sunken Garden shows—a Como tradition since 1925. Your support also paid for professional training for Como's talented horticulturists, new species orchids for Como's award-winning

collection, and more than 2 million beneficial bugs that provide sustainable pest control across Conservatory gardens. Como Friends' new Sponsor-a-Garden program also paired committed donors with the collections they care about most, from the misty Fern Room collection, to the economical plants of the North Garden, to the butterfly-friendly Enchanted Garden.

Support from Como Friends also enabled the Marjorie McNeely Conservatory to expand Como's Bonsai collection, ranked among the top ten in North America. These hidden gems will soon be available to visitors year-round in *The Japanese Gardens Experience*, the new wing and exterior terrace, set to break ground late in 2011.

Total gifts to MMC: \$469,886



2010



"We do have a really significant resource here – a much beloved resource – and I think that spurs us in our passion to do the best that we can do at Como."

–Tina Dombrowski,
Horticultural Curator of the
Marjorie McNeely Conservatory



education

“Inspiring our public to value the presence of living things in our lives” is Como’s mission, and visitors see those values in action every day in Como’s growing education programs. From free daily keeper and gardener talks, to award-winning summer camps, to innovative partnerships with area schools and educators, Como’s education programs reached more than 450,000 children and adults in 2010.

For young children, Como provides a first point-of-entry to the wonders of the natural world. For older students, Como functions as a living classroom where they can see everything from rare orchids to endangered orangutans up close. As the last completely free metro zoo and botanical garden, schools and funders are recognizing the growing role Como plays in this community as a non-traditional destination for STEM education, providing hands-on lessons about natural science and the environment, and

real-time conservation education to engage students on topics that range from preserving endangered species to understanding climate change.

Your support of Como Friends made it possible to provide scholarships for school groups and summer camps, and to underwrite the true costs of bringing outreach programs to area libraries, rec centers, and schools reaching more than 8,000 students in 2010. Your investment also allowed Como to expand its roster of free daily education programs to include twice-daily polar bear training demonstrations and “Creature Feature,” a new amphitheater offering that entertained nearly 80,000 visitors in its first summer.

Total gifts to education: \$78,035



2010



“I've been
waiting my
WHOLE LIFE
to see the
bird yard!”

– overheard from Camp Como student,
summer 2010



special events

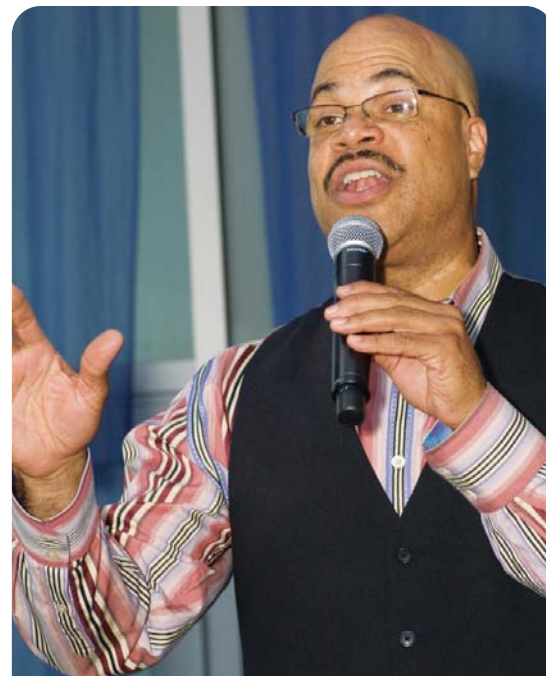
For five nights in October, Como Park Zoo and Conservatory transformed into a furry and fairy-tailed wonderland, attracting more than 18,000 visitors to the 23rd annual ZooBoo—a 29 percent increase in audience over the previous year.

Assembled each year by a team of more than 800 volunteers who create everything from costumes to lighting effects, and community partners who donate more than 180,000 items for treat bags, the event raised more than \$83,000 for programs and projects at Como Park Zoo and Conservatory in 2010.

Though ZooBoo is the longest-running fundraiser at Como, it was just one of a full calendar year of special evenings and cultivation events Como Friends sponsored in 2010 to share Como's mission with the community, and to show supporters *Polar Bear Odyssey*, the first project created through the vision of a transformative new Master Plan. The just-opened exhibit inspired a *Glacier Nights* theme for the 2010 Travelers Sunset Affair, inviting more than 400 guests to enjoy an elegant, after-hours experience of the newly opened exhibit. In

December, another capacity crowd came to the Marjorie McNeely Conservatory to savor the first glimpse of the Holiday Flower Show in the Sunken Garden while sampling the fruits of global vintners at the 7th annual Bouquets, Como's annual wine tasting event.

Como Friends is grateful to the volunteers, sponsors, and donors who give generously of their time, talents and resources to make these Special Events so successful. We also thank the more than 20,000 guests who took part in these events in 2010, supporting Como's century-long mission of "inspiring our public to value the presence of living things in our lives."



2010



“Last year was the first time in over six years we missed ZooBoo. Our youngest complained all year.”

– from a visitor comment card



capital improvements

The first project in a Master Plan that will transform Como over the next two decades, *Polar Bear Odyssey* got great reviews from the press and the public at its opening in June. In just the first three months of operation, nearly a million visitors had a chance to see Como's twin polar bears, up close and personal, in a state-of-the-art habitat that is the model for future improvements across the campus.

The Campaign for Como, the \$18.8 million public/private partnership behind these improvements, was also well received by Como's community of donors in 2010, who have committed more than \$16.9 million in capital gifts in spite of a challenging economy. This investment made it possible for Como to complete *Polar Bear Odyssey* on budget and on time, while moving forward with plans to begin *The Japanese Gardens Experience*.

This long-planned improvement will create a new wing to the historic Marjorie McNeely Conservatory where visitors will be able to enjoy Como's top-ranked Bonsai collection year-round. An outdoor terrace and improved pedestrian access will further

beautify the path that invites visitors to explore the Como Ordway Memorial Japanese Garden, Como's most beloved and historic exterior garden.

Though much work remains for the all-volunteer effort to complete the \$1.85 million in funding for the Campaign for Como, the surge in capital gifts in 2010 was an important sign of Como's enduring value, and the high return this community treasure gives to our community of two million visitors.

Total Gifts to the Campaign for Como: \$3,181,163



2010



“Life is good for Buzz and Neil in their brand-new home.”

– Pioneer Press

balance sheet

As of December 31, 2010



ASSETS

Current

Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$752,062
Investments	\$1,089,346
Contributions Receivable	\$665,440
Inventory	\$177,469
Prepaid Expenses and Other	\$29,672

Total Current Assets \$2,713,989

Other

Contributions Receivable, Net of Current Portion	\$3,302,668
Property and Equipment, Net	\$13,239
Beneficial Interests in Assets Held By Others	\$5,117,693

Total Assets \$11,147,589

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

Current

Accounts Payable	\$26,261
Accrued Expenses and Other Liabilities	\$67,988
Total Current Liabilities	\$94,249

Net Assets

Unrestricted	
Board designated	\$816,810
Undesignated	\$500,291
Total Unrestricted	\$1,317,101
Temporarily Unrestricted	\$5,159,244
Permanently Restricted	\$4,576,995
Total Net Assets	\$11,053,340

Total Liabilities and Net Assets \$11,147,589

financials 2010



Revenues

Capital Project	\$1,667,968
Gift Shop Sales	\$1,183,639
Contributions	\$244,915
Contributions-Restricted	\$182,527
Special Events	\$325,282
Membership	\$194,395
Investment Income & Other	\$56,543
Investment Income & Realized & Unrealized Gain on Investments Held for Endowment	\$563,328
In-kind Contributions	\$270,070
Total Revenue	\$4,688,667

Expenses

Capital Project	\$342,157
Gift Shops	\$857,958
Contributions	\$182,195
Special Events	\$135,630
Membership	\$55,625
Management & General	\$346,254
In-kind Contributions	\$270,070
Total Expenses	\$2,189,889

Change in Net Assets Before Grant to Como	\$2,498,778
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Grants to Como Park Zoo and Conservatory

Programs & Improvements	\$451,836
Publications, Public Relations & Marketing	\$39,901
Capital Projects	\$1,265,000

Total Contribution	\$1,756,737
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Change in Net Assets	\$742,041
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donors

Community support makes it possible to bring
Como's wild and precious resources even closer
to our visitors.

thank you

\$500,000+

Katherine B. Andersen Fund of The Saint Paul Foundation

\$250,000 – \$499,999

Russell Cowles and Josine Peters
The Marjorie McNeely Conservatory at Como Park
Endowment Fund of Como Friends

\$100,000 – \$249,999

Huss Foundation
Mardag Foundation
Donald McNeely Family
Carl and Eloise Pohlad Family Foundation
The Saint Paul Foundation
Wells Fargo Foundation Minnesota

\$50,000 – \$99,999

Andersen Corporate Foundation
Ecolab Foundation
F. R. Bigelow Foundation
Huelsmann Foundation
Russell King
McCarthy Bjorklund Foundation
The Nicholson Brothers Fund of The Saint Paul Foundation
Mr. and Mrs. John G. Ordway, Jr.
Toro Company Giving Program

\$25,000 – \$49,999

5 Eyewitness News
Anonymous
E. M. Pearson Foundation Fund of Como Friends
Hubbard Broadcasting Foundation
John and Nancy Lindahl
Darwin and Geri Reedy
Securian Foundation
Travelers Foundation

\$15,000 – \$24,999

Fred C. and Katherine B. Andersen Foundation
BBDO of Minneapolis
Boss Foundation
Coca Cola Bottling Co Midwest, Inc.
Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community

The Sumasil Fund of The Saint Paul Foundation
US Bancorp Foundation
Xcel Energy Foundation

\$10,000 – \$14,999

Association of Zoos & Aquariums
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Berger Transfer & Storage
Best Buy Children's Foundation
Martin and Esther Capp Family Fund of The Saint Paul Foundation
D'Amico & Partners, Inc.
Event Architects, Inc.
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Doug and Laura Jaeger
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McGough Companies
Brock and Martha Nelson
John and Marla Ordway Charitable Lead Trust

\$5,000 – \$9,999

Athwin Foundation
Steve and Gail Brand
Bob and Gerry Bullard
Channel 45
CID, INC.
City of Saint Paul City Council Ward 5
Cremation Society, Inc.
Cub Foods
David and Vanessa Dayton
Mike Eckhardt and Mary Pat Blowers
Faegre & Benson LLP
Vicky and Silas Ford
Frog Crossing Foundation, Inc.
Gordon and Margaret Bailey Foundation
H.B. Fuller Company Foundation
Deb and Mike Hogenson
Bettina and Dennis Hoyer
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KSTC- TV, Channel 45
Greg McNeely
Mom's Landscaping & Design, LLC.
Justin and Krista Morneau
Navarre

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Joe Poppel
Kari and Daniel Rominski
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Joe Tashjian and Kay Savik
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Weck Charitable Trust

\$2,500 – \$4,999

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CPMI
Jennifer and Carl Denys
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Carla Heyl
Jennifer and Stanley Hubbard
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Marketing Werks, Inc.
Jim and Peggy McIntyre
Paddy and Susan McNeely
Larry Moody and Cairn Hummingbird
William Paddock
Michael and Treva Paparella
Pearson's Candy Company
Edward Reed
Wendy and Steve Rubin
Kathleen Schubert
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Trend Enterprises, Inc.
Cindy Werner

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Au'Some Candy, Inc.
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T.C. Field and Company a Bearence Management Group Company
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Hubbard Broadcasting Inc.
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 Labeken, Inc.
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 William Lipschultz
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 Edwin and Susan McCarthy
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 Douglas and Ann McMillan
 Mello Smello, LLC.
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 Joel and Shelly Moryn
 James and Melissa Murphy
 Nicky and Tim Nagle
 Nancy and Russell Nelson
 Nelson, Tietz & Hoye, Inc.
 Old Dutch Foods, Inc.
 John and Marla Ordway Charitable Lead Trust
 Lynette and Robert Palmgren
 Pool and Yacht Club, Inc.
 Renee Riedel
 David Roeker
 Saint Paul Garden Club, Inc.
 Sam's Club Foundation
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 Catherine and Ward Schendel
 Arlene and Joe Scheunemann
 Corinne Seltz
 Robert and Pam Senkler
 Joe and Kristina Shaffer
 Slaggie Family Foundation
 Richard Sonnen
 David and Robin Sternberg
 Jackie Sticha
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 Sun-Rype Products, Ltd.
 Martha Sweeney
 Synergy Events
 Monty L. Talbert
 Tastebud
 TCF Foundation
 The Allegro Fund
 Tiffany & Co.
 Jerrol and Alleen Tostrud
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 Michele Vaillancourt and Brent Wennberg
 David M. and MaryAnn Barrows Wark
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 Wells Fargo Community Support Campaign
 Keith and Colleen Wietecki
 Leonard Wilkening
 Winthrop & Weinstine
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 Betty Wold Johnson

\$500 – \$999

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 Jack and Carrie Ann Beckman
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 Vicki Bougie
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 Richard Brennan
 Jim and Blenda Bullard
 Buona Sera
 Cat and Fiddle Beverage
 Kim Christianson
 David and Margaret Cochrane
 Robert and Diane Coderre
 Cragun's Golf Resort & Conference Center
 David and Gretchen Crary
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 Fay and Robert DeBellis
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 Nancy T. Field
 Carol and Michael Fix
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 Sherry Fonseth-Lais and Charles Lais
 Gingko Coffeehouse
 Christine and Chris Gohl
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 Peter and Julie Goodwin
 Grape Beginnings
 Greystone Foundation
 Tom and Pat Grossman
 Jack and Joan Hansen
 Glenn Hardin
 Wesley Haut
 HealthEast Care System
 Cynthia Heelan and Richard Fadell
 John and Dinah Heneman
 Brad and Kathy Hepp
 Jon and Diane Herrmann
 Jennine Hnida
 Ronald Hockin
 Tom and Nancy Hodnefield
 Java Train Cafe
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 Tamara Kampfe

Thomas and Marlene Kayser
 Sandy Kiernat
 Karen Cooley-Kistler and Stephan Kistler
 Arthur and Bethany Klebanov
 Paula C. Kocken Family
 Trell Kulju
 Land O'Lakes
 John and Colles Larkin
 Elaine Larson
 David and Elizabeth Lee
 Lucinda Legel
 Linder's Garden Center
 Little Caesar's Pizza
 Luna Rossa
 Lutheran Community Foundation
 MT Global
 Marcy Construction Co.
 Marquette Real Estate Group LLC
 John and Jennifer Marshall
 Suzanne Matthiesen
 Maridee McEvoy
 Mead Witter Foundation, Inc.
 Medtronic Foundation
 Rob and Marita Metcalf
 Minnehaha/Lake Wine and Spirits
 Minnesota Wire & Cable Co
 LeAnn Montgomery
 George and Judy Murakami
 Nick Nelson
 New France Wine Company
 North Oaks Garden Club
 Paustis and Sons
 Dan and Sallie O'Brien
 Gary J. Olsen and Lael Pickett
 Michael and Marie Porcaro
 Brian Roeker
 Roseville Visitors Association
 Shelly and Steve Rucks
 Salon Ave
 Bill and Susan Sands
 Sue and Dan Schmitt
 Renate Sharp
 Susan and Brian Smith
 St. Paul Saints
 Susan and Stephen Stedman
 Donald Steinkraus
 Andrew and Marlene Stiehm
 N. Stewart and Caroline Stone
 Rupert and Jeanne Strobel
 Steve Suess
 Sun Country Airlines
 Paul and Margaret Sween
 The Sweet Swede Candy Shoppe
 Tankenoff Families Foundation
 Harry and Alice Tashjian
 The Tea Garden
 The Spiller L'Chaim Fund

Peter and Mary Jo Thrane
 Thrivent Financial for Lutherans
 Paul and Janet Tolzmann
 Traditions Furniture
 Truist
 University of Minnesota-Farm & Grounds Maint.
 Helen Van Slyke
 VinoCopia
 Wal-Mart Foundation
 Edy Ward
 David and Ann Wasson
 Mary Werbalowsky
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 Debra and Richard Wicka
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 The Wine Company
 Wirtz Beverage of MN
 Brad Wood and Colleen Wood
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\$250 – \$499

Roger Aalund
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 Sarah Curfman
 Brent and Jennifer Davis
 Robert and Joan Demma
 Deb Dickey and Manny Esguerra
 Danielle DiRe and Mark Baum

from
 our
 visitors

"We take our grandchildren to preschool classes—such wonderful instructors and a great introduction to the zoo."

Florene Dougherty
Emily and John Douglass
Jennifer Downham and Andrew Williams
Joan Duddingston
Paul and Donna Edstrom
Larry Englund
Gordy and Laura Engstrand
David Evans
Margaret Everist
Rebecca and Eric Everman
Ruth Fagen
Steve Finnie
Richard and Mary Fowler
Rebecca Fredricksen
Patricia Freeburg
Richard and Barb Gabriel
Lisa Gangl
Gabriel Garbow
Tom and Joan Geinsen
Saleem Ghani
Mardell Graack
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Brighid and Bruce Hansen
Harriette Hanson
Kris Hanson
Pegi and Thomas Harkness
Kim Hartfiel and Tom Shay
Rosemary Heintz
Dennis and Phyllis Hepp
Duane Herberg and Janet LaBarre
Justin and Natalie Heyl
Andrea Hjelm
Bethany Hoffman and Ted Zukowski
Diane and Tony Hofstede
Jean Hudson
Worth Hudspeth
Peter and Kay Jamieson
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Kurt and Jeanine Johnson
Sara Johnson
Gail Jones
Charles and Mary Jungmann
Judy Karbo
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Anthony and Laura LaCroix-Dalluhn
Gary and Carol Langess
Anne and William Langford
Kevin Lapp
Vanessa Larrea
Michael Lasser and James R. Horst
Jan Lawrence
Rob and Seale Lea
Peter Leach and Nan Skelton
Mary Levins
Laura Lewis
Richard and Peggy Lidstad
Chad Lindberg
Georgia Lindeke
Frank Loth
Matt and Sara Lovat
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