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VHS Class of 1959 Class Gift

The VHS Class of 1959 made a class gift to the Vermillion Public Schools Foundation for the benefit of teacher mini-grants. This gift will fit nicely with the Foundation's partnership with the Vermillion PTA and enhance the PTA's successful teacher grant program. Thank you to the Class of 1959!

Green Eggs & Ham Day at Austin School

For Literacy Week, the Foundation hosted a *Green Eggs & Ham Day* for the first graders at Austin School. Board member Jim Peterson and Austin Principal Kim Johnson organized the first annual event. The students enjoyed listening to readings from the many works of Dr. Seuss. Each student received a Dr. Seuss hat and book to take home. Special thanks to the Vermillion Rotary Club and the Vermillion Community Foundation for their support of this event.

Funded Projects

The Foundation funded several requests this year. The Music Department purchased a set of versatile flipFORM portable risers through the Siegrist Music Fund. The Siegrist Library Fund financed two visiting authors – William Durbin and Ben Mikaelson – who worked with middle school and high school students on the process of writing. The Foundation awarded a grant to the Vermillion Area Robotics Club to cover their trip expenses to their regional competition in Fargo, ND. The Foundation also provided money toward tee shirts for the annual VHS Tanager Volunteer Day.



The Foundation is not the only group working to fund important supplemental projects for the students and teachers. Many members of the Vermillion School District are hard at work as well. For example, Natasha Gault, an 8th grade science teacher, received a grant from the South Dakota Community Foundation to study food insecurity; a school parent has coordinated the Vermillion Area Robotics Club for high school and middle school students; and the Vermillion PTA organized many events, such as the Second Annual Fun Run for elementary kids. If you are interested in learning more about these and other Foundation programs, please contact president@vermillionpsf.org.

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