Gerard Circle Spotlight: Jim and Judy Fogdall
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Jim and Judy Fogdall took an interest in nursing education after an interaction with a caregiver at Allen Hospital. They were particularly impressed with the Allen College graduate, who had only worked as a nurse for one week. Her attitude, good nature and level of professional competence inspired the Fogdall’s to create an endowed scholarship at Allen College in 2015.

The recipient of this scholarship must be a Bachelor of Science in Nursing student and have a financial need. They should also demonstrate good character and leadership skills.

Jim and Judy are also involved with other initiatives of the Allen Foundation. They were among the first supporters when the Foundation established the Allen Legacy Program, an incentive program aimed to keeping graduates in the community and working at Allen Hospital.

The Fogdall’s have also been open to needs at Allen Hospital, giving generously to a medical device needed by the Cardiovascular Services department. Additionally, in 2023 they offered a matching gift to encourage others to join them in bolstering Allen College’s scholarship fund. And in 2024 they are offering a matching gift for further development of the Simulation Program at the college.

As donors, Jim says, “We continue to be impressed with the Foundation’s ability to put our gifts to work in an efficient and useful way.”

Jim and Judy were leaders through their own business, Fogdall RV, for several decades. Their perspective from the vantage point of business owners certainly helped shape their charitable giving habits – with Allen, as well as other causes in our community.

Allen Hospital and Allen College greatly appreciate not only Jim and Judy’s gifts, but also their advice and advocacy.

To learn more about the Fogdall’s current matching gift for the Allen College Simulation program, contact the Allen Foundation at (319) 235-3960.

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I love the summer! I mean, what is not to love? The weather is nice, there are all kinds of fun activities and events to do, there are trips to take and my favorite, watching baseball.

At the Allen Foundation we also take this time to thank and appreciate those who support us so generously. I routinely spend the summer time meeting with Foundation board members to thank them for their service and generosity.

We also host a few recognition receptions in the summer. Typically in June, we host an Allen Legacy Program Reception to show our gratitude to the many donors that support this important program. This event also gives us an opportunity to hear from Allen College students who will soon be Allen Hospital nurses through the program.

Additionally, on July 18th we’ll welcome our most generous and loyal donors to the annual Gerard Circle Recognition Reception. Much of the summer is really about gratitude and who doesn’t love showing and receiving thanks?

I hope we are able to connect with each of you in some way this summer to personally share our appreciation for the many gifts that our donors offer to make Allen such a great place.

Thank you!

Mike Lind, Executive Director