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First George R. Davis Grants Awarded for Lowville

The first grants from the Northern New York Community Foundation's George R. Davis Fund for Lowville were approved today. Through his will, Judge Davis provided a permanent funding source for projects benefitting the Village and Town of Lowville. "This is a tremendous lasting legacy that will support meaningful projects in Lowville in perpetuity. Geographic-specific funds such as the one established by Judge Davis have the ability to fund projects that might not otherwise become a reality," said Rande S. Richardson, Community Foundation Executive Director. Judge Davis died in 2010 after living nearly his entire life in Lowville.

Selections were made by a committee consisting of the Court Attorney/Clerk for the Lewis County Judge, the Superintendent of Lowville Academy and the Mayor of the Village of Lowville. A total of sixteen proposals were received. The four recipients, for projects totaling \$9,000, are:

- **Lewis County Office for the Aging - \$3,000** toward the purchase of a commercial freezer for the Maple Ridge congregate meal site kitchen.
- **Town of Lowville - \$3,000** toward the repair and resetting of the retaining wall at the Old Lowville Cemetery.
- **Arts Community of Lewis County - \$2,000** for a four-part film series.
- **Double Play Sports Community Center - \$1,000** to provide scholarships for their summer enrichment program.

The Northern New York Community Foundation makes grants to support the work of non-profit organizations and provides scholarships to individuals in Jefferson, Lewis and St. Lawrence Counties. This work is made possible by donors who have established permanent, charitable funds with the Foundation during their lifetimes or through their wills.

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