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Seven Projects Receive Support Through George Davis Fund for Lowville

The George R. Davis Fund of the Northern New York Community Foundation will provide \$10,000 in total grant support for seven projects in the Lowville area.

The geographic-specific fund serves as a permanent resource for projects that will enhance the quality of life in the village and town of Lowville in perpetuity.

This year, a \$4,000 grant was awarded from the Davis Fund to the Lowville Lions Club in support of a collaborative effort with the village of Lowville on a beautification project on Dayan and South State streets. The project also includes the installation of a decorative clock.

The Foundation's Board of Directors also approved a \$2,500 grant to assist with the beautification project from the **Michael Brown Fund of the Northern New York Community Foundation**.

"Both George Davis and Michael Brown cared so deeply about Lowville and Lewis County. It is wonderful that their love of this area continues to make a difference and enhance their hometown communities. It is a meaningful, lasting legacy and we are honored to help steward it," said Rande S. Richardson, Community Foundation executive director.

A three-person committee reviews the grant applications from the George Davis Fund each year. The other six approved grants are:

- **Town of Lowville - \$1,350** for continued restoration of gravestones at Jackson Street cemetery.
- **Lewis County Search & Rescue - \$1,250** to assist with upgrades for new outdoor signage.
- **Double Play Sports Community Center - \$1,000** to augment the organization's scholarship program.

- **Mountain View Prevention Services - \$1,000** to help purchase a “Buddy Bench” at the Lowville Academy’s elementary school to promote student inclusion and kindness.
- **Cornell Cooperative Extension of Lewis County - \$900** for a STEM-related collaboration experience between the agency’s 4-H club and Lowville’s Heinz-Kraft company.
- **Hand in Hand Early Childhood Center - \$500** to assist with renovations and maintenance at the center’s playground.

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. The Foundation has been built and added to from gifts (both while living and through their legacy plans) by individuals and organizations committed to meeting the changing needs of Northern New York, as well as supporting specific charitable interests and passions.

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