PCF awards $4,400 in community grants

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PLAINVILLE — The Plainville Community Fund recently awarded several Plainville community based grants totaling $4,400 in a second distribution of funds this year. Grant recipients include: Linden Street School — to support the student initiated environmental committee to purchase earth boxes and supplies to grow vegetables, the New Britain Symphony — to support the Annual Young Peoples Concert for fifth-graders from Plainville, the town of Plainville — to support resurfacing of the walking track at Norton Park, and Plainville Community Schools — to support the purchase of materials for Family Math Night at the three Plainville elementary schools.

“When the idea of having a fund like the Plainville Community Fund developed, we felt it would be another good tool to enhance the lives of Plainville residents now and in the future. Since 2008, when grants were first given out, the Fund has giving over $23,000 to 23 organizations and projects. We thank all those who have made this possible,” said Plainville Community Fund Chair, Dolly Chamberlin.

The Plainville Community Fund was established in 2006 by a group of Plainville leaders to create an additional resource for charitable projects and programs that would enhance the lives of Plainville residents. Grants are made to either a public institution or private tax-exempt organization engaged in charitable activities defined by Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Either the organization or the program for which funding is requested, must be located in Plainville and be of benefit to Plainville residents.

Thanks to donors, contributions to the fund are approximately $150,000 with a goal of $200,000. In June 2008, six organizations were selected as the first grant recipients of the Plainville Community Fund Council, with subsequent grants bestowed annually.

The Plainville Community Fund grant administration is overseen by the Main Street Community Foundation, Inc., a public charity committed to partnering with individuals, families and businesses who wish to build permanent charitable connections, now and for generations to come, to support and better the communities of Bristol, Burlington, Plainville, Plymouth, Southington and Wolcott, Connecticut.

If you are interested in making a donation to the Plainville Community Fund, send it to: Plainville Community Fund, P.O. Box 156, Plainville, CT 06062.