



**BUILDING THE FUTURE ONE STEP AT A TIME!**

## **June 2023 Newsletter**

Sarah Haverkamp awarded

Kathy L. Schmelzle Academic Scholarship



In 2005, Pat and Patty Schmelzle and family established the Kathy L. Schmelzle Academic Scholarship with the Nemaha County STEP Foundation in memory of their daughter. The Kathy L. Schmelzle Academic Scholarship for \$750 is awarded to a graduating senior from Nemaha Central High School who plans to enter a degree program with a major in teacher education.

The 2023 recipient of this scholarship is Sarah Haverkamp daughter of Mark and Francine Haverkamp. Haverkamp gained a passion for being in a classroom at an early age. Her mother and oldest sister, both teachers, were wonderful role models for her. Because of her family's influence, she has decided to go into the education field. Haverkamp plans on majoring in Early Childhood Education with a minor in modern language at the Wichita State University. After getting her degree, she plans to teach overseas.

## Marcus Heinen Receives First United 4 Youth Scholarship



The Nemaha County STEP Foundation is excited to announce the new United 4 Youth Scholarship. United 4 Youth provides prevention tools to assist and empower all Nemaha County youth to reduce destructive decisions and encourage physical and mental health by making positive choices. The scholarship is being awarded to a student who is a member of SADD (Students Against Destructive Decisions).

The first recipient of this scholarship is Marcus Heinen son of Ron and Chantel Heinen. He is currently a CNA who became interested in the medical field because his grandmother

was a nurse practitioner. Heinen will attend the University of Kansas to study Human Biology and has goals of getting accepted into a PA or medical school.

## STEP Announces Third Match Day



The Nemaha County STEP Foundation representatives graciously accept a check from Rainbow Communications in the amount of \$3,000 for the upcoming Match Day. Match Day will be held online at [www.stepupnemaha.com](http://www.stepupnemaha.com) and in person at the Seneca Free Library on Friday, August 25, 2023.

Left to Right: Tim Rottinghaus, STEP Treasurer; Angie Kreider, Rainbow Director of Business Development; Julie Bergman, Senior Business Development Specialist; and Marceil Hasenkamp, STEP Board President.

2023 Match Day STEP-Up Supporters



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## Meet the VP



Dan Heiman from Baileyville Kansas, has served on the Nemaha County Step Foundation for six years and has been vice president for the last three years. He has been a Nemaha County resident all of his life. He graduated from B & B High School in 1979. Dan enjoys farming which consists of cattle and row crops.

He has been extremely active in the Baileyville community. He served on the Parish Council at Sacred Heart for three years and was Grand Knight for the Baileyville Knights of Columbus Council #13087 for two years. Additionally, volunteered in the building of the Baileyville Ballfield and served four years on the Baileyville Benefit Board and numerous years volunteering at the benefit. Dan is also a member of the Sacred Heart Church Choir.

Dan married Gloria (Ronnebaum) in 1995. Their children Donovan (27) and wife Shania live in Topeka, and Zach (24) lives in Baileyville.

He has enjoyed serving with and getting to know the people on the STEP board. While serving on the grant committee, he has seen many great projects happen in the county to make it a better place to live.

Dan shared, "I really like the community I live in and am always willing to give back."

**Thank you for serving on the STEP Board!**

**Membership Renewal Update: Eileen Love - We appreciate your continued support!**

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