



# Fairy Godmothers



**2012 Annual Report**  
for Fiscal Year 2011

**Women Helping Women**

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## Letter From The Head Fairy by Polly Stoecklein



This fairy tale has a beginning but no ending...

In early 2006 when we began to consider creating a group to help women who were falling through the cracks of other conventional organizations, would we have dreamed what we could become 5 years later? We knew something needed to be done to fill the gap in our community. I reached out to the leadership skills of Sue Maes; and we brought the talents and leadership of Lee Taylor, Joleen Hill and Lucy Williams to form the first Advisory Board.

Our invitation to women in the community read, "The Manhattan Community Foundation is hosting a Wine, Women, and Philanthropy" party at the Union Pacific Depot on August 6, 2006. We had learned that a group in Lawrence had a similar mission, and we invited its representatives to speak about their successes to a packed house. They also graciously allowed us to use their Fairy Godmothers' name which we adopted in 2007. Shortly thereafter, Nancy Raleigh and S&N Design created our logo and later gifted us the rights to it. The Fairy Godmothers' logo has been officially trademarked in the state of Kansas. At our official Kick-Off on February 27, 2007, our members totaled 180 women and 1 man; and our endowment had grown to \$92,000! That night when addressing the group I stated, "This fairy tale has a beginning but no ending."

The entire story, history and legacy of the Fairy Godmothers' group will be documented in our new upcoming web site which will be rolled out later this year. Our intent is to create a scrapbook of how we began and prospered, but more importantly where we are going. It will keep you up to date on each new chapter of the Fairy Godmothers' story.

Who helped us grow? For 5 years Central National Bank has sponsored our annual Golf tournament, raising at the 2011 event \$25,000, and it has committed to the 6th this fall. Community First National Bank sponsored our first Tinis, Tapas, and Trinkets raising \$14,000 and has committed to 2012 for another. Capitol Federal continues to be supportive by being a corporate golf sponsor and underwriting the Lingerie Luncheon. I hope you will look at our Event Sponsors as well as other significant supporters on the back page of the annual report.

The combined total of the golf tournament and Tinis and Tapas raised was approximately \$39,000. The Advisory Board voted to endow \$19,500 of those proceeds, but to use the remaining \$19,500 for grants evenly distributed through the four quarters of 2012. This provides our Grants' committee funds available throughout the year. Growing the endowment is fundamental to the core of what we are about. That being said, I believe making grants to women in need has been the reason for the growth, the success, and the enthusiasm for the Fund.

On February 28, 2012 we are going to celebrate our 5th year anniversary after reaching our goal of \$250,000 and a membership of more than 550 fairies. This is tremendous, but the purpose of a goal is to reach it and then establish new ones. Our new goal is to reach \$500,000 in the endowment and 1,000 Fairy Godmothers by 2015.

I am humbled by your generosity and your continued support. Saying thank you only begins to express my gratitude to each and every one of you for what you have accomplished and what is yet to come. It has been my honor to serve as your Chair this year.

And remember, we are all part of this fairy tale that has no ending.....



## Financial Report



	2011	2010
<u>Fairy Godmothers' Endowment</u>		
Revenues & Contributions	\$ 48,906	\$ 33,293
Investment Income	\$ 3,497	\$ 22,618
Distributions/Fees	\$ (5,620)	\$ 4,866)
Net Change	\$ 46,783	\$ 51,045
<b>End of Year Total Assets</b>	<b>\$260,029</b>	<b>213,246</b>
<u>Fairy Godmothers' Operating Fund</u>		
Revenues and Contributions	\$ 58,476	\$18,584
Investment Income	\$ 18	\$ 15
Expenses and Transfer	\$(65,465)	\$(6,356)
Net Change	\$ (6,971)	\$12,243
<b>End of Year Total Assets</b>	<b>\$ 11,573</b>	<b>\$18,544</b>
<u>Fairy Godmothers' Grant Fund</u>		
Revenues and Contributions	\$ 26,314	\$ 15,781
Investment Income	\$ 15	\$ 15
Grants/Fees	\$(21,266)	\$(14,272)
Net Change	\$ 5,063	\$ 1,524
<b>End of Year Total Assets</b>	<b>\$17,746</b>	<b>\$12,683</b>
<b>Total Fairy Godmother Assets</b>	<b>\$289,348</b>	<b>\$244,473</b>



Donna Erpelding and Dee Johnson  
Co-chairs of Finance Committee

**GOAL: \$500,000 in Fairy Godmothers' Endowment Fund by 2015!**

### Do We Have Your CURRENT Contact Information?

With nearly 600 Fairy Godmothers and growing, a single mailing can cost hundreds of dollars! Money that could have been better spent making another much needed grant. That is why we would like to notify you electronically whenever possible. E-mail is free and our goal is to use it to send out newsletters, event invitations, & updates. So please, if we do not have your e-mail address or if it changes, please notify the Greater Manhattan Community Foundation at [foundation@mcfks.org](mailto:foundation@mcfks.org). Also, it is important to notify the foundation if you move or change your phone number. Thank You!

*In the Business of Making Wishes Come True!*

## **5<sup>th</sup> Annual Fairy Godmother Golf Tournament Report Sponsored by Central National Bank**

The 5th annual golf tournament was held at Colbert Hills. Total proceeds from the golf tournament this year were \$25,500. Each year, Central National Bank continues to be more committed to the success of this benefit. We are grateful for their continued leadership in making this one of the most successful charity golf tournaments in Manhattan. Special thanks to our golf committee members: Sharon Snyder, Rose Pritchard, and Polly Stoecklein.

The Fairy Godmothers' Fund is an endowed fund, which means we are committed to growing the principal and only using earnings from the fund for grants. This year, the Advisory Board again unanimously voted to allocate approximately half of the golf proceeds to be available for grants in 2012, with the remaining balance going to grow our endowment and help with operating costs.

The date of the upcoming 6th Annual Fairy Godmother Golf Tournament has not been announced, so watch for the date. All fairies can help with this event in many ways, including: golfing, being a sponsor, attending the dinner after golf, and joining in the fun of the raffle and silent auction.

### **Special Thanks to the following for sponsoring this event!**

**Capitol Federal  
Stoecklein Financial Services  
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### **Tinis, Tapas, & Trinkets Report Sponsored by Community First National Bank**

The 1st Tinis, Tapas, and Trinkets was held July 21, 2011, at the Manhattan Country Club. Special thanks go to the Cindy Sloan, the committee chair and her committee members: Gail Urban, Phyllis Nash, Cam McCracken, Larie Schoap, Lucy Straily, Kim McAtee, Cam Feltner, Dee Johnson, and Misty LeMoine. This was an extraordinary affair and we will continue this event for fairies to enjoy in the summer months.

Over \$13,000 was raised from this event. Of the money raised, \$6,350 was transferred to Grants, and \$6,350 was transferred to our endowment. Please look for information regarding the 2nd Tinis, Tapas, and Trinkets event coming this summer!

### **Special Thanks to Community First National Bank for sponsoring this event!**

**Gayle Spencer and Angie Herbers Zink  
Co-Chairs of the Events Committee**



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### **Lingerie Luncheon Report**

The year 2011 marked the occasion for our 5th Annual Lingerie Luncheon which was collaborated with the Crisis Center, Big Lakes Developmental Center and the Manhattan Emergency Shelter. The event was held on November 17 at the Manhattan Arts Center. Capitol Federal served as the corporate sponsor.

More than 100 Fairy Godmothers attended the Luncheon. The estimated value of the items donated totaled approximately \$4,800.00. Items donated included; pajamas, undergarments, socks and toiletries. Our committee also received generous support from local and area department stores in the form of discounts on luncheon items or lingerie purchases for the event. Those businesses were; Dillon's grocery, Dillard's and JCPenney's at the Manhattan Town Center, as well as Katherine's of Topeka!

Membership pins were presented to new Fairies in attendance and the "Wishing Well" drew more Fairies, renewal contributions and donations to the Fairy Godmothers' Funds.

The focus and direction of the Connections Committee continues to be dedicated to seeking to engage our new and existing Fairy Godmothers through event participation and membership renewal.

**Cheryl Grice and Judy Hughey, Co-chairs of Connections Committee**

## Wishes Granted!

- A woman, who recently left an abusive husband, now faces financial struggles. She needed a root canal and crown for a tooth that was causing a great deal of pain. \$500
- A mother of two boys, who is working on her Certified Nurses Assistance license, needed glasses for classroom and microfilm work. She was able to pay for her eye exam but needed the remainder due on her glasses. \$345
- Because her car stalled repeatedly, a woman who had been unemployed for two months was unable to get to job interviews. \$284.99
- A single mother of one daughter lost her in-home daycare business due to an illness. In order to look for a job outside her home she needed car repairs totalling \$780. She was able to pay \$280 and the Fairy Godmothers paid the rest. \$500
- On-going medical issues prevent one woman from taking a full-time job. She owns a home, has two school aged boys, and usually can pay her bills. When her oven quit working she needed some help with the repair costs. \$98.12
- Recently, a mother and her child were able to move into their own apartment. The mom has a part-time job at a local fast food restaurant and receives food stamps and some SRS funding. The very hot summer became unbearable for them because the apartment had no air conditioning. The Fairies provided funds for a window unit. \$310.07
- A non-traditional K-State student with two teen-aged children works part-time and attends classes. She will soon have her degree and has emphasized to her children the importance of getting a good education. She needed some help with a wobbling and vibrating car. \$387.15
- A single mom with 4 young children works part-time, receives a very small amount for child support, and has food stamps to help feed her family. One of her children has an extreme asthma problem requiring medications and frequent doctor's visits. Also, she transports her children to many school activities. Her car needed repairs. \$493.94
- In the last five years one woman has had 2 strokes causing her some health limitations. Ft. Riley has been willing to employ her in a job where she does not have to deal with the public. She needs to keep this job because it is her only source of income. Her car needed repairs. \$480.87
- A single older adult with some disabilities is the sole caretaker for her adult special needs daughter and will continue to be for the rest of her life. Her car was diagnosed as needing a new fuel pump and HVAC repairs costing \$691. She covered \$191 of this cost. \$500
- A single mom with 3 kids and limited child support is working to complete college courses online. When she is finished, she will be able to complete her student teaching and hopes to find work in the Manhattan school district. Her aging computer would not take the software required for her course work and the cost to update it was \$639. She paid \$139. \$500
- A mother of one recently attained a job that gives her limited income. She could not afford the unexpected expense for new tires. After visiting several vendors to find the best price she asked the Fairies for help. She said "I am deeply grateful for the opportunity to apply for a grant. With new tires I will be able to travel to work safely and have my mind at ease." \$300

**Total Grants in 2011 - 64**

**Total monies given out in 2011 - \$22,111.92**

**Average grant \$345.50**

Our grants have been primarily for car repairs, tires, car insurance, etc. It is rewarding to be able to help get these women on the road again. Our work as Fairy Godmothers will always be needed in the Manhattan community because public transportation is not available. When you consider the women we help and the impact we have made on the community in the five years we have made grants, it is tremendous. Thank you to all the Fairy Godmothers and their continued support of the Grants Committee!

**Sandy Bussing and Shirley DeLano, Co-Chairs of the Grants Committee**

## Our Wand-erful Committee Members!

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As a Fairy Godmother, we ask that you:

- actively solicit new members ~ the more the merrier!
- make an annual contribution to the endowment fund so that we can continue to grow and grant wishes.



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