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Scholarship Program Creates Legacy for DHS Class of 2004 and Former Educator

Danville – Desiree Keefer, a recent Danville High School graduate, is the first recipient of the Buehner Danville High School Class of 2004 Scholarship, awarded to a student pursuing a career in education.

The scholarship, named for Robert W. Buehner, Sr., long time Danville High School Principal and educator, will be awarded each year to a DHS graduating senior who will attend a four year public university. The individual will show a high academic standing, an interest in music and community involvement. In addition to the Buehner family, the DHS class of 2004 combined funds to establish this scholarship to create a lasting legacy for Buehner and the class of 2004.

Desiree is a former member of the DHS marching and concert bands, where she played the flute and piccolo. She will attend Indiana University of Pennsylvania in the fall majoring in music education.

Montour County District Attorney Robert Buehner Jr., whose father is named for the scholarship said of Keefer, “Desiree is one of the many outstanding students at DHS, but most closely exemplifies the criteria to honor my father. She is very deserving of this scholarship and we are pleased to name her as this year’s recipient.”

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Robert Buehner Sr. grew up in the coal regions of PA during the depression. He was the first in his family to pursue higher education and attended West Chester State Teacher's College. His only mode of transportation back and forth to college was by hitchhiking. After a stint in WWII as a fighter pilot, Buehner settled in Danville as an English teacher at DHS and later became Principal, a position he held for 22 years.

"Creating a scholarship program is an excellent way to honor an individual and invest in your community's future" said Eric DeWald, Central Susquehanna Community Foundation CEO. The CSCF houses the Buehner DHS Class of 2004 Scholarship as well as many others.

The CSCF's purpose is to encourage increased philanthropy that will benefit the charities and communities located in this region, improving the quality of life today and for generations to come. The Community Foundation provides a vehicle for individuals, businesses, and nonprofit organizations to help their community through charitable giving.

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