



Igniting Impact

**Congratulations to our 2023
Making A Difference
Award Recipients!**

Individual: Theodore "Ted" Ripke
Business: Care & Share
Organization: Kamco (not pictured)



Letter from the Foundation Executive Director...



Not only does Spring/Summer usher in the beauty of the seasons; it also is a time when the NSCC Foundation is fluttering with activity. We truly did see how impactful dollars raised towards scholarship opportunities for students comes full circle with our Scholarship Reception held on April 20.

May brought us five new Distinguished Alumni recipients who were celebrated at a special luncheon prior to commencement on May 13. Of course, we can't forget the annual Green Carpet Event and three new Making A Difference award receivers!

June 30 will mark NSCC Proud Day. This is an opportunity for alumni, students, faculty/staff and the community to display their pride in their NSCC roots. P.S. Don't forget to send us your photo to share on social media - hint, hint. Enjoy your summer AND thank you for your continued commitment to our student community.

Robbin Wilcox

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NSCC Executive Foundation Director



NSCC Golf Outing - September 15 @ Hickory Sticks Golf Club, Van Wert

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PROUDLY GIVING back

NSCC Proud Day – June 30, 2023



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The mission of the Foundation is to enhance, expand and sustain Northwest State so that it can continue to fulfill its mission of creating opportunities for transformational learning.

Save the Date! DESIGNER PURSE BINGO

November 3, 2023

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Benefiting NSCC
student scholarships



NSCC PROUD NSCC Proud Day 2023

Each year, on June 30, Northwest State celebrates NSCC Proud Day. It's a day where alumni, students, faculty and community members come together to share their pride and what makes them NSCC Proud.

Below are some ways you can help us celebrate and share your NSCC Proud moments with us:

- Post photos on NSCC Facebook page - share it by using #NSCCProud and tagging us
- Email us a message and photos to Alumni@NorthwestState.edu and we'll gladly post on social media
- Wear your NSCC swag to display your NSCC PRIDE!



"Oh, What a Night!": 2023 Green Carpet Event



The 13th Annual Green Carpet event was held on Thursday, May 18th and what a night it was! Once again, the NSCC Foundation rolled out the Green Carpet to guests to raise funds for student scholarships and celebrate the newest recipients of the Making a Difference Award.

Entertainment for the evening was provided by The Motor City Sensations and Chuck Summers. During the festivities, guests enjoyed heavy appetizers, prime rib, shrimp cocktail and a variety of dessert options. A lively silent auction was packed with generous in-kind donations from community members and businesses for attendees to bid on.

This year, Felisha Zimmer was chosen as the student speaker. Felisha shared the many obstacles she has overcome in her life and how impactful being part of the NSCC community has positively transformed her life. To hear her full story visit: NorthwestState.edu/Green-Carpet.

The evening concluded with honoring this year's Making a Difference Award recipients Theodore "Ted" Ripke, Care & Share and Kamco. The Making a Difference Awards are presented by the NSCC Foundation Board to recognize excellence in the betterment of the communities served by Northwest State Community College.

Thank You Sponsors!!

Thank you to the following sponsors for their generosity in making the Green Carpet Event a HUGE success!

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Distinguished Alumni Recipients Announced:

The Distinguished Alumni Award represents the most prestigious award presented by the Alumni Association of Northwest State. This award was established in 1998 to honor graduates of Northwest State Community College who have achieved recognized prominence in their chosen career and have made significant contributions to their profession, community, and the lives of others. Congratulations to the newest Distinguished Alumni Award recipients:

Jim Drewes Class of 1983 Tara Garza Class of 2002 Elizabeth Grimes Class of 1997

Orlando Santiago Class of 2005 Christina Switzer Class of 2010

Distinguished Alumni

2023
Jim Drewes
Tara Garza
Elizabeth Grimes
Orlando Santiago
Christina Switzer

2021
Heidi DeSota
Tiffany Johnston

2020
Terika Elston
Ruth Kauffman

2019
Brad Hurtig
William (Bill) Lammers
Dr. Michael Sawvel

2018
Todd Grisier
Danielle Spring
Anna Trubey
Janette Wagner

2017
Jennifer Behnfeldt
Dennis Clapp
Mary Clapp
Colin Doolittle
Andrew (A.J.) Genter
Stefanie Rockey

2016
Diane Hoops

2015
Patricia Frank
Niki Mosier
Wendy Munk
Jason Sprow

2014
Dr. Jana Bourn
Travis Starbuck

2013
Kim Feehan
Dennis Postema
Carol Vasko
Trevor Weaver

2012
Nicole Baden
Julie Leatherman
Kevin Sonnenberg
(posthumously)†

2011
Suzanne Bailey
Mary Beth Royal

2010
Janet Engler
Terice Warncke†

2009
Leon Smith
Daryl Stockburger
Jeffrey Wilson

2008
Deanna Sue Kohl
Nicholas Vajen

2007
Jim Barnes
Alicia Buehrer
Jan Lauro
Scott Sallows

Mary Schroeder
Kevin Schwiebert†
Kathryn Soards

2006
Judy Thrasher
James Rufenacht

2005
Dale Becker
John Daeger
Kathryn Smith
Mindy Stayner

2004
Tanya Brunner
Stephen Casebere
Lynn Elston
Antoinette Thomas

2003
Deborah Buchenberg-
Chandler
Gina Fernbaugh
Bette Hughes
Denise Leu

Kevin Maynard
Rebecca Thatcher

2002
John Moon
Francisco Sanchez
Mickey Schwarzbeck
Robert Wisler

2001
Alex Brandt
Ron Coles
Michelle Eisel
Lynda VonDeylen-Cramer

2000
Joyce Combs
Darrell Handy
Dr. Terry Holman

Robert Kroeger
Thomas Snivley
Patrick Weidenhamer

1999
Judy Brubaker†
Patricia Dailey†
Dale Mathys†
Kurt Nofziger
Eugene Schubert

1998
Dr. Randall Frey
Tim Kline
Von Plessner
David Shaffer
David VonDeylen

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† Denotes alumni is deceased

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