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TIM & DEBBIE RENNES PLEDGE MATCHING FUNDS TO
PESHTIGO AREA FOUNDATION

Mr. & Mrs. Timothy Rennes announced Sunday, April 29th that they will match donations received to the Peshtigo Area Foundation over the next three months dollar for dollar up to \$10,000. Tim & Debbie are strong advocates for their community and were responsible for kicking off a campaign to raise additional funds for the Foundation by donating \$5,000 last September at an informational reception hosted at their home. At the reception, Tim stated "Debbie and I live in this community. We believe that this Fund will help Peshtigo remain a great community now and in the future. It is our home and we want to see it continue to be a great place to live."

The Peshtigo Area Foundation is a permanent, separate account within the M&M Area Community Foundation created for the purpose of assisting and promoting charitable activities in the Peshtigo area. Once the Rennes' learned about the fund, they not only supported it financially, but graciously volunteered to participate on the Advisory Board.

Donations are directly put into the Peshtigo Area Foundation and the earnings from the fund are used to make grants addressing Peshtigo community needs. The local Advisory Board reviews grant applications and recommends awards to those community organizations and programs that are making a difference in the Peshtigo area. This year a total of \$1,000 in grants has been awarded to 2 non-profit and charitable groups.

Organizations that received awards during the annual Peshtigo Chamber of Commerce Dinner on Sunday were:

- Peshtigo Chamber of Commerce - \$500 to help refurbish the Peshtigo Chamber of Commerce Information Center.
- Peshtigo School District/Peshtigo Elementary Learning Center - \$500 to help purchase Dance Dance Revolution equipment for physical education classes.

Elected officers of the Advisory Board are Chair Dick Omdahl and Secretary Deb Fisher. Board members include Dale Berman, Teresa Brostowitz, Bill Clement, Sue Martin, Dick Podraza, Debbie Rennes, Steve Schuelke and Ed Sedor.

For additional information about the Peshtigo Area Foundation or to make a donation to the Foundation, please contact the M&M Area Community Foundation at (906-864-3599) or any Advisory Board Member. All contributions to the Foundation are tax deductible.