

# 25

years of...

Leadership

Community

Inspiration

Optimism

Caring

Growth

Legacy

Dreams

Service

Impact

**Giving**

Flexibility

Empowerment

Integrity

**Opportunity**

Passion

Grants

Engagement

Strength

**Family**

**Purpose**

Endowment

Inclusion

Possibility

Collaboration

**Philanthropy**

## RICHARD C. & VINA L. SAUER CHARITABLE LEADERSHIP AWARD

### 2008 Recipients: Dr. Kathleen McGrady Family

Fifteen years ago the Richard C. and Vina L. Sauer Charitable Leadership Award was established at the Community Foundation to honor local philanthropists who provide outstanding leadership or make significant contributions to benefit Henderson County.

In this milestone year for the Community Foundation, it is fitting that the award recognize a legacy that spans generations. This year the Sauer award honors a family that demonstrates humility and modesty while also living the values instilled in them at a young age.

The Dr. Kathleen McGrady family has collectively demonstrated a commitment to the Henderson County community and beyond by helping to establish the Elizabeth House and the Elizabeth Reilly Breast Center at Pardee Hospital, both named in honor of the family's matriarch, Elizabeth Reilly. Other significant family contributions include helping to create and sustain the Children and Family Resource Center, the Free Clinics, the Mountain Community School, and many other causes.

A quote from James Cash Penney, founder of JC Penney, could easily be the motto of the McGrady Family: "How can we expect our children to know and experience the joy of giving, unless we teach them that the greater pleasure in life lies in the art of giving rather than receiving?" The words and deeds of the McGrady family remind us that we all can make a difference. A \$1,500 grant was awarded to The Free Clinics in their honor.