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"What Do I Stand For?"

A "closeted book nerd," Chelsey McClelland knew the three branches of government by first grade. Studying We the People: the Citizen and the Constitution during the 2016-2017 school year, her interest in politics, government, and history "exploded."

"It was the most meaningful class I took in high school," said the Franklin Central High School graduate. "We the People helped me think about 'what do I stand for'"

You can have a conversation with bright students like Chelsey at any one of the nine We the People competitions happening around the state this November. Sign up today!

High School Mock Trial Professional Development Seminar

On October 1st the Foundation held its first High School Mock Trial professional development seminar in Evansville. Fifteen teachers from 12 southern Indiana schools participated. The Foundation is excited to incorporate these schools in its new Evansville mock trial regional this February. Special thanks to Janice Houghton, Heritage Christian School, for presenting at the seminar and to Julie Moore Holtz, Evansville Bar Association, for hosting.

2018 Fellows Class, Award Winners Announced

The Foundation is excited to announce this year's civic education and civil justice award winners as well as the new Fellows class. A dinner honoring the award recipients and 2018 Keystone Society members will be at the Crowne Plaza Union Station, Indianapolis, on Sunday, December 9. Register
online by November 30th. Contact Kayla O'Brien, 317-608-6502, for more information.

Donor Who Helped in So Many Ways
IRA's, RDA's, Donors 70+ Can Benefit Charities

The Foundation recently learned of the death of Jane Baker, New Castle. Jane and her husband Bill Baker were early supporters of the We the People program nationally and in Indiana, and Jane had continued to support the national teams for many years making donations in Bill's honor.

Jane was a kind woman, a Quaker, who asked for nothing in return for her gifts. She wanted neither recognition nor attention of any kind. The board and staff were sad to learn of her death. Her kindness and generosity always spoke volumes.

Jane shared this column (edited) from her church last winter. She thought it might help the Foundation's mission. It describes how donors over age 70 can give from their retirement accounts and reduce their income taxes. As always, talk to your tax advisor and/or retirement provider to ensure your situation allows for a donation without tax implications.

Your favorite charity will thank you, and if you need the Foundation's EIN number or other information to help you rollover a donation to aid students studying the Constitution or trial processes, contact Theresa Browning, 317-269-7864.

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