

# THANK YOU!

## Diana and Scott Hatfield



*Diana and Scott Hatfield have deep West Des Moines roots.*

Both of their grandparents moved from Iowa farms to Valley Junction in 1800's to work for the railroad. As a young man years ago, Scott's father would go squirrel hunting on the Jordan property with one of James Jordan's sons. Today their grandchildren are the fifth generation of Hatfields to live in West Des Moines.

Diana and Scott are longtime West Des Moines Historical Society volunteers with Scott having served multiple terms on the Society's board of directors, including three years as board president. "They certainly have been generous with their time and talent," said Gale Brubaker, Executive Director of the Historical Society. "And their dedication to our efforts is a role model for others."

Earlier this year, and shortly after the Historical Society established the Baker-McFadden Legacy Circle to recognize those who have chosen to remember the organization with future estate gifts, the Hatfields informed the Historical Society they have named the organization as a beneficiary on a life insurance policy they own.

"The Historical Society means a great deal to us, and we found this to be a simple and efficient way to remember and support the organization after our lifetime," Scott said. "Vicki Baker and Bonnie McFadden were visionary volunteers and instrumental in saving the Jordan House from demolition. Bonnie and Vicki set a high bar for others to follow and the least we can do is help remember them and the organization with a future planned gift."

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# THE BAKER-MCFADDEN LEGACY CIRCLE



Naming the West Des Moines Historical Society in your estate plans is a simple way to preserve our rich history for future generations.

Charitable donations received through life insurance policies, IRA's, wills or trusts may provide your estate with deductions or credits that can help reduce your tax liability. In addition, life insurance proceeds typically pass directly to beneficiaries outside of the probate process, which means can be transferred quickly and efficiently to the charity without the delays and expenses associated with probate.

"Planned gifts will help assure that the Historical Society will have future funds available to preserve and share the stories and artifacts celebrating West Des Moines rich history," Gale says. As for the Hatfield's, Diana says, "We have been very blessed and fortunate in our lives, and we are grateful we can make a legacy donation to an organization that is near to our hearts."

Members of the Legacy Society are recognized (unless anonymous) in newsletters, annual reports, website and appropriately on social media. In addition, members will be listed on a plaque proudly displayed at the Jordan House for all those who enter to see and receive recognition at our Baker-McFadden Legacy Circle sponsored events.

Before making decisions about naming a charity as a beneficiary, we recommend consulting with a financial advisor or legal counsel. To learn more about the Baker-McFadden Legacy Circle, please visit <https://www.wdmhs.org/west-des-moines-historical-legacy-society/>

