

# About Nathan...

*The Nathan Weidner Foundation* was established to support the higher education of the financially challenged youth of Bay County.

The foundation was formed by Jack Weidner and several of his friends, to honor the memory of his son, Nathan Weidner. Nathan was an exceptional child in many respects, and one of his most striking personality traits was his ability to draw children to him who were less fortunate than himself, and he would help them in any way he could. The reason this was exceptional was the fact that he himself was a child, and his caring for other children left those who knew him to realize that he was indeed a special person. A tragic accident occurred, and Nathan had to leave this world far too early in his life. *The Nathan Weidner Foundation* was formed to continue his efforts to help those in need: the economically disadvantaged, abused, and neglected children of Bay County.

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*“Nathan was always bringing home children that had parents that abused them, that were hungry, or were in some sad way in need of some kindness in their life. He brought them home with him where he knew there was kindness and a warm meal” – Jack Weidner*

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NATHAN WEIDNER

FOUNDATION

Dear Friends,

We would like to take a moment of your time to talk to you about The Nathan Weidner Foundation and the good works we do. As a result of the tragic death of Nathan Weidner, the foundation was established in 1995. We are a completely volunteer 501c3 corporation. The foundation has two main objectives. We provide college scholarships for the financially challenged youth in our community. To date, we have awarded over 150 scholarships to Delta College, and hope to expand our program to four-year institutions.

The second objective is to help the abused and neglected children in our community. The foundation helps fund The Can Council Great Lakes Bay Region, Nathan Weidner Center located at 715 N. Euclid Avenue in Bay City. The center aids approximately 200 abused children a year. The center is sadly needed to reduce the trauma these children have to go through. We would strongly encourage your visitation of this state of the art facility.

This year is the 18th Annual Nathan Weidner Foundation Chicken BBQ fundraiser held Sunday, August 3rd in Veterans Memorial Park in Bay City. This event features a great family picnic atmosphere and culminates our fundraising efforts from several months before the event. We give away door prizes; have raffles, rides, games, children and adult entertainment and a fabulous charcoal BBQ chicken dinner with all the trimmings. We proudly acknowledge our corporate money donors and prize sponsors prior to, during, and after the event. We accomplish this through the generosity of our television, cable, radio, newspaper and magazine media friends who help us spread the information about our foundation. There are over 100 volunteers serving on committees, selling dinner and raffle tickets and assisting with the event itself!

We thank you for taking the time to listen. If you or your organization would be willing to help support our cause in any way, it would be greatly appreciated. Remember, “A HELPING HAND MAKES A DIFFERENCE.”

Yours truly,

Nathan Weidner Foundation

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