As Steve Corbin says, giving back is an important concept his parents, Lester and Norma Corbin, of Nevada, Iowa, taught him and his two brothers. “Whether it was volunteering for the church, helping neighbors less fortunate than us, rolling up our sleeves to help with city projects or giving to Story County endeavors, we learned that by giving we ‘received’ more than we already had,” Corbin says. “Why do we give back? For many, it is sharing a portion of the time, talents and treasures they’ve accumulated. For some, ‘paying it forward’ is a sign of appreciation for what others gave them.”

That’s why when his Nevada High School Class of 1966 held its 50th class reunion Corbin challenged his classmates to establish the Nevada High School Class of 1966 Legacy Scholarship Fund to give back to their community. The scholarship will help two distinguished high school students advance their career aspirations. By choosing to establish the designated fund through the Story County Community Foundation, the Class of 1966 ensured their gifts would have permanence. “With the assistance of the Story County Community Foundation and their professional investment advisors, $2,000 will soon be awarded at every Nevada High School graduation ceremony in perpetuity. Our gift will allow the Class of 1966 to make a positive impact in the Nevada community long after the passing of our last classmate,” says Corbin, a professor emeritus of marketing at the University of Northern Iowa. “Giving back in this way allowed us to establish a legacy in perpetuity.”

Positively impacting the Nevada community for generations

DESIGNATED FUND: An individual or group of individuals establish a fund to provide support to a specific charitable organization or to a scholarship for deserving students.