The Bill Fleming / Dennis Streets Scholarship has been established this last summer. Bill Fleming and Dennis Streets are Maquoketa Community High School former teachers and coaches. Bill Fleming was the head basketball coach at MCHS for 33 years (1967-2000). His resume as the head basketball coach is exceptional. Briefly, his resume includes 500 victories, 17 conference titles, 11 times runner-up, 6 State Tournament appearances, 27 years ranked in the IHSAA top ten, 40 All State players and 4 All American players. Coach Fleming has been inducted to the IHSAA Basketball Hall of Fame, the Mid-American Nazarene Hall of Fame and the MCHS Hall of Fame.

Coach Fleming’s statistics are impressive as you can see. What these statistics do not tell you is the story behind them. Coach Fleming was also a great educator and friend of the community. There are countless stories of how Coach Fleming reached out to students, players, managers and community members to help them with physical and financial needs. Most of these stories are not common knowledge as coach Fleming preferred not speak about them. These stories are numerous and are amazing. Coach Fleming has touched positively the lives of so many.

Dennis Streets was a teacher and coach at the Maquoketa Community High School for 44 years. Coach Streets served along with Coach Fleming for 33 years and was the Sophomore Basketball Coach. His resume is equally impressive. Coach Streets’ record as Sophomore Basketball Coach was 503-234 with 11 conference titles and 5 undefeated seasons. Coach Streets served also as the varsity assistant coach and was on the bench with Coach Fleming for his 33 seasons. He coached many other sports including a stint as Head Baseball Coach.

Dennis Streets’ basketball coaching record is unpresented at the sophomore level. But, more impressive is his career as an educator and administrator. Dennis was a math teacher and later Dean of Students during his 44 years at MCHS. His work with students, faculty and administrators has been recognized and applauded by so many in the district and community. Dennis was the “father” of the high school and a voice of common sense and sound reasoning to all. He spent countless hours working with students on their math skills and working them through difficult times. Countless students have benefited personally from his wise counsel.