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## INVESTING IN THE FUTURE

2015 is going to be a year of investing in our Lochland community. We are grateful to have opportunities such as these and I have found myself reflecting on what has given us these opportunities. My reflections take me to a place where I think about how Lochland is a community within the bigger community of Hastings. Here at Lochland the Board, Management Team and staff are always trying to invest in the community by spending our time and money in our organizations and businesses because these resources stay local. This is a focus for both the direction the club is headed as well as personally for many of our Lochland Team Members.

A recent example is when Hank visited our local grade schools to share the game of golf with our youth (visit www.lochlandcc. com to watch the KHAS TV news story). Not only do these visits plant seeds for potential future members of Lochland but also offer life lessons through the great game of golf. Another Management Team member who shares a passion for investing in the community is our Membership Director. Currently, Danielle is serving on both the Leadership Hastings and NETwork Hastings boards which are all about sharing the Hastings experience. And what a great experience it has been to be a part of this community!

I also believe that you, our members, share this passion for giving back to the community. I think about how our membership invests countless dollars and hours in the community by participating on school boards and organizations like the Hastings Public Library, the YMCA, the Community Foundation, Prairie Loft, the Hastings Museum, City Council, religious organizations, Hastings Chamber, Economic Development and Downtown Council just to name a few. We are proud to say that our members lead the community through these organizations and the many others not listed. I am truly grateful.

In the future, I ask you to think about where to host your business or social functions. Think about buying local and investing in your community. Thank you for choosing Lochland. Thank you for continuing your



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membership and giving Lochland the opportunity to continue to improve our Lochland community with projects such as PROJECT EMERALD, coming this fall. Keeping our facilities updated and polished is part of our mission and must be done to stav relevant and to continue to be a leader in the Country Club community. Projects such as PROJECT EMERALD are the right thing to do now and for future generations. So many times, we get caught up in the right now. If our parents and grandparents entertained only the "right now," we would not have the many opportunities that we do and we would surely not have the beautiful club that we do. Thank you for your support of the Lochland community and the greater community of Hastings. Hastings is truly one of the happiest places to live because of you and I am lucky that my life's path has led me here.