Classroom Teachers’ Expenses Offset by Generous Gift

Teachers, who spend an average of $350 of their own money on classroom supplies each year, soon will feel some relief thanks to funding available through the generous gift of a former teacher educator and Kappa Delta Pi chapter counselor. The funds for the purchase of classroom supplies and materials for activities that enrich the learning capacity of their classroom will impact 350 teachers, touching the lives of nearly 9,000 students. Dr. Judith F. Evans and her husband Ralph M. Evans of Greenwich, Connecticut, announced a multi-year partnership to offer Classroom Teacher Grants nationwide through the Kappa Delta Pi International Honor Society in Education.

With 40 years of experience as an educator in a variety of settings, Dr. Evans understands the passion within every teacher to make a difference in the lives of children. “We believe in the power of the individual teacher to transform lives on a day-to-day basis,” stated Dr. Evans. “We applaud teachers willing to take risks in creative ways to enhance their teaching and their students’ learning.” To encourage this type of creativity, Classroom Teacher Grants fund innovative and unique programs in the classroom as well as provide teachers with much-needed classroom supplies.

Motivation for this timely and valuable gift stems from the Evans’ vision of creating a groundswell of benefits for ever-increasing numbers of students whose teachers receive Classroom Teacher Grants. The donors also hope that their gift will encourage others to think of innovative ways they too can support educators through Kappa Delta Pi.