The following businesses and individuals played a key role in supporting this year’s ND State Science and Engineering Fair. Feel free to drop them a letter or card whether you are a teacher, parent, or student. Not only were they important to the success of this year’s fair, but if they believe this is a good investment, they may continue to support state science fairs. Your thank yous will help future fundraising efforts!
I’ve listed them in the order of the size of their contribution.
… Kathy Coyle, NDSU Host Committee member

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(Doug was the president of Great Plains and is now a vice president in MicroSoft because GPS was officially sold the day of the science fair. Although Christine Anderson from his Education Department was our actual contact, it was Doug’s company supporting us. They will provide tours in the future but couldn’t this year due to the sale.)

Christine Anderson  
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David Martin  
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(David helped us with fundraising because he totally believes in our mission, that the economic future of our region is in the hands of the science teachers and their students. You heard him speak at the banquet)

President Joseph and Mrs. Gayle Chapman  
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