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Hulsman Endowment to benefit forensics

BIG RAPIDS – Remembering a faculty advisor's role in his education has led a Ferris State University alumnus to establish an endowment fund benefiting forensics.

"I always appreciated the role my forensics advisor, the late Professor Richard Cronk, played in my educational experience while I was completing my Bachelor of Science degree in Business Education," said Howard J. Hulsman, a 1962 graduate of then Ferris State College. In gratitude, the Hulsman Endowment Fund will be used to support the activities of Ferris' Forensics Program.

The fund will support opportunities for students to participate in dynamic forensic programming, including tournament expenses such as entry fees and travel as well as scholarships for debate team members. Candidates for Hulsman Forensic Scholarships must have a minimum 3.25 grade point average, leadership abilities and a commitment to the advancement of the debate program. Recipients will be chosen by the debate coach in consultation with the chair of the Humanities Department.

College of Arts and Sciences Dean, Matt Klein, is thankful for the new opportunities that the endowment fund will create. "Our students have a superb record of achievement with debate team performances and activities, and Mr. Hulsman's generosity will make it possible to develop even stronger undergraduate opportunities and a stronger debate program. The faculty, students and I are pleased and grateful for this gift," said Dr. Klein.

Further information or gift forms for the Howard J. Hulsman Endowment Fund are available by contacting Debra Jacks, director of planned giving, at 231-591-3817 or jacksd@ferris.edu. Details about establishing scholarships or endowments may be obtained from the Advancement Office at 231-591-2391.