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Report to the Community



Community Foundation
for Kingston & Area

Issue Number 35, Spring 2015

Can you guess Who's Who? (See p. 8).

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Chris West

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*"At **Empire Life**, we are fiercely proud to call Kingston home and to help build, support and share a vital, caring community."*

All Shook Up about our Record Fundraiser!

A fitting celebration of the Community Foundation's twentieth anniversary, *Jailhouse Rock* made history in the one-night-fundraiser category with a net profit of \$300,000.

It was only made possible by the generous contributions of almost 100 volunteers; countless donors, 250 guests and fifty

sponsors who joined together for a noble purpose – building a smart and caring community. (See p. 3).

Our major sponsors demonstrate Kingston's healthy culture of giving. The photos on this page tell the other half of the story - an evening of fun and fond memories as everyone was transported

back to the fifties by fantastic decorations created by co-chair Michelle Skolnick, comfort food, and attention to detail.

The spirit of philanthropy also prevailed as we launched our new **Smart & Caring Community Fund**. (See p. 8).

Gini Rosen, Chair

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Since 1995 CFKA has distributed over **\$8,000,000**

Message from the President



Michael Bell and Geoff Sandiford

Our year ending in December 2014 was one of the Foundation’s strongest years ever!

Donations to our endowment funds exceeded \$1 million (only the fifth time in our history) and our endowment funds recently surpassed \$17 million, thanks to these generous donations and healthy investment returns. What a way to head into the Foundation’s 20th year!!

This means that we have more money available to invest in our community. **In 2014, we granted \$610,433 (up 73% from 2013), including funding 58 projects (by 53 different local organizations) through our Community Grants Programme.**

This was only possible with the support of our donors, Community Partners,

volunteers, the dedication of the members of the Foundation board, and the staff led by our Executive Director, Tina Bailey. We couldn’t do it without all of you – so thank you! We are now in the midst of 2015, having just completed our major fundraiser, *Jailhouse Rock*. A special “*Thank you, thank you very much*” (please read with Elvis’ accent) to Regina (Gini) Rosen for her leadership, and to the committee that made this fantastic event come to life! Thanks also to our generous sponsors (*see p. 3*) and all of you who attended the event to make it a tremendous success. We certainly ‘rocked’ *The Isabel*.

Jailhouse Rock was the signature event for the launch of the Foundation’s new **Smart & Caring Community Fund** to mark Canada’s 150th birthday in 2017.

Of the total funds the Foundation manages, only 15% is totally unrestricted; meaning 85% fully at the discretion of our Grants Committee to grant to high-priority, high impact projects. Community needs, many identified in our annual *Vital Signs*® Report, are great. In 2014, the Community Grants Programme requests totalled over \$600,000: and, although we were able to grant an impressive \$211,800, there is clearly more that we can do. With this new **Smart & Caring Community Fund**, we will strengthen our capacity to fund more great projects. The fund’s focus areas in the near term are: Getting Started; Food Security; and Community Engagement. Our Fall 2015 Grants Round will have some exciting opportunities for larger-than-normal granting in these areas. Watch our website for more information soon!

In closing, you may have noticed that I have been serving as Acting President for the Community Foundation since November. In your Fall *Ripples*, Geoff Sandiford delivered the President’s Message. Shortly thereafter, Geoff asked to be relieved of his President’s duties in order to focus on a serious health issue. I am happy to report that he is responding well to treatments, and continues to contribute to the Foundation as his health permits.

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The “Fifties” were alive and well as a festive crowd arrived at **The Isabel** on 2 May 2015 for CFKA’s 20th Anniversary Gala: **Jailhouse Rock**.

A spirit of fun and philanthropy prevailed as we launched our new **Smart & Caring Community Fund**.

This new fund is designed to be nimble and flexible, putting more money, more quickly, out in the community where it is most needed. Building this fund will be our community’s legacy birthday gift in celebration of Canada’s 150th birthday in 2017.

“Thank you, thank you very much” to our donors, sponsors and guests for providing everyone with a memorable night of camaraderie in the spirit of giving.

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A Behind the Scenes Look at the Grants Review Process

Have you ever wondered why it takes a good three months from the Letter of Intent (LOI) deadline to the announcement of grantee awards? Here is a behind-the-scenes look at the Community Grants review process from start to finish.

Imagine a single desk stacked with five copies of up to sixty Letters of Intent (LOIs)!

That is what our Grants Coordinator's desk looks like by 4:30 pm on deadline day.

Before assigning the LOIs to members of the committee for review, however, she does a thorough check of each submission for a valid charitable registration number, directors'

signatures, letters of support, proof of local presence, location within CFKA granting area, budget, information about other funders, project start date AND must make sure that there are no blank spaces! Unfortunately, some LOIs don't make it past this stage and, instead, are invited to reapply during a future round.

Eligible letters of intent are then grouped by field of interest and assigned to review teams. You may be surprised to know that each reviewer can devote up to twenty hours to the process during each grants round. Individual reviews and team meetings precede a meeting of all reviewers, at which time each LOI is presented, discussed, and voted upon.

Successful applicants have several weeks to complete the full application before the second stage of the review process, again starting with individual reviews, and team meetings leading up to the full committee meeting. Unsuccessful applicants are again encouraged to apply to a future grants round.

Once the review committee has determined which applicants will be recommended to the board, the Grants Coordinator begins the complex task of matching projects with forty-plus funds, some unrestricted and others designated to a specific field of interest, consulting with donors as needed. This step is reminiscent of a giant jigsaw puzzle.

Once the matching is complete, the Committee Chair presents our recommendations to the Board of Directors for approval.

Lastly, grantees are notified and cheques are presented at a joyful ceremony that also enables grantees to share their passion and vision for their projects. Yes, the process is lengthy and labour-intensive for everyone – applicants, grants committee reviewers, and staff – but the outcomes are win-win for grantees and the residents of our community.

Linda Lysne

Fall 2014 Grant Recipients: The following 30 projects have received grants totalling **\$107,272.**

Arts & Culture



Kingston Community Health Centres, Rising Artists Programme, Rising Artists- Dance and Drumming:

Alcan Endowment Fund, Community Fund

\$5,000. The Rising Artists Programme, launched in 2014 with hip-hop dance and bucket drumming classes, is expanding to include visual arts and healthy cooking. Free to children in Grades 4 through 6 in the Rideau Heights neighbourhood, offered Sunday afternoons for forty weeks at KCHC, and taught by professional artists and Loving Spoonful's chef. CFKA funding goes towards human resource costs.

Autism Ontario, Arts on the Spectrum:

McArthur Connidis Arts Fund, Community Fund

\$4,000. A partnership of Autism Ontario Kingston and accomplished Artist/Educators offering eighteen week, free fine arts exploration to children, youth and adults with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD). Designed & facilitated by visual artists, published poets, dancers, musicians, and songwriters to promote awareness of ASD.

Kingston Canadian Film Festival, Youth Shorts Programme:

Edward Ratcliffe Fund, Ontario Endowment for Children and Youth in Recreation Fund, Marion and John Dunn Fund

\$3,500. The 15th annual Kingston Canadian Film Festival (26 February to 1 March) included a ninety minute prime-time screening devoted to about a dozen short films produced by youth aged seventeen and under. A professional jury chooses the films to be screened following an open call for submissions, with notes and feedback provided for all submissions. A cash award and mentorship programme went to the winner of "Best Youth Short."

Youth



Northern Frontenac Community Services Corporation, First You Plant the Seed:

The Tragically Hip Community Fund, Community Fund

\$4,750. NFCS provides Aboriginal programming to preschoolers and is ready to expand into the second phase.

The purpose of the project is to provide inclusive opportunities for Aboriginal/ Non-Aboriginal children ages four to ten to maintain pride and appreciation in First Nations culture, and increase a sense of belonging and self-worth through programmes that celebrate our unique characteristics. There will be monthly Aboriginal story-telling circles in four local public schools for kindergarten students; for youth aged six to ten, a weekly Cultural Connection Club. Special community events are a Strawberry Moon Festival and Great Outdoor Adventure. Local elders provide guidance and support for events.

Easter Seals Ontario, Send a Kid to Camp:

Ontario Endowment for Children and Youth in Recreation Fund, Anonymous Fund

\$5,000. Children with physical disabilities often experience social isolation and are not presented with the same access to social programmes as their peers. Attending camp provides an opportunity to establish independence, explore physical abilities through recreational and creative challenges, and develop and nurture friendships. All children deserve the opportunity to benefit from camping and recreational activities. Funds will be used to send kids to Camp Merrywood, a fully subsidized, fully accessible camp for children with physical disabilities.

Queen's Kaleidoscope, Queen's Kaleidoscope Carnival:

Ontario Endowment for Children and Youth in Recreation Fund

\$2,500. Throughout the year, Queen's "Big Buddies" visit "Little Buddies" once a week for an hour, providing one-on-one academic and social support to children in the programmes. Many struggle academically, have trouble fitting in or have a difficult home life. Our year-end carnival, supported by the CFKA grant, allows the children to have fun and to thank "Big Buddies" for their hard work over the previous year.

Boys and Girls Club of Kingston and Area, After-School Connections Through Transportation:

Alcan Endowment Fund

\$4,000. Children registered in After-School Connections receive free after-school bus transportation to the Robert Meek Community Centre in the fourth year of a four-year recurring grant.

Limestone Learning Foundation, FIRST Robotics Team 2809, K-Botics:

Bill and Gladys Kelly Community Fund, Kingston Youth Science and Technology Fund, Marion and John Dunn Fund.

\$2,500. The mission of K-Botics is to build a FIRST Robotics Competition robot, partnering high school, post-secondary education, and industry and community volunteers. Student participants are inspired to pursue careers

Grants

in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. It is important to run a comprehensive pre-season that engages and empowers new students to actively participate in the team. CFKA funding will cover fifty percent of the registration fees for our first regional competition.

Environment



Sustainable Kingston, Target-Based Sustainability Programme:

Ruth and Stu Barton Environmental Fund, Community Fund

\$5,000. Sustainable Kingston is working to launch a target-based Sustainability Programme for businesses. Based on the approach developed by Sustainable Waterloo Region, the Programme helps businesses achieve sustainability goals, with a focus on reducing carbon emissions. The CFKA funds provide support to help license a greenhouse gas accounting software that will allow local businesses to assess their carbon footprint. Sustainability CoLab leveraged economies of scale and partnered to obtain the software at a discounted license fee of \$5,000 compared to \$25,000 without partnership.

Frontenac Stewardship Foundation, Frontenac Stewardship Seminar and Workshop Series:

Ruth and Stu Barton Environmental Fund, Cyril and Evelyn Wharrie Fund

\$5,000. Frontenac Stewardship Foundation will host a series of four evening seminars (three wetland seminars and a grassland seminar) and two day-long workshops (Permaculture; Invasive Species). The intent is to raise the level of awareness of local residents of the natural wonders in their neighbourhoods and threats to those natural areas, or realistic eco-friendly alternatives to traditional land uses. CFKA funds help cover expenses including hall rentals, speaker and related expenses, subsidize lunches (for two day-long events), advertising, and project related administrative costs.

Health & Social Services



Kingston Interval House, Food and Files Risk Management:

Woodbury Enterprises WE Care Youth Fund, Russell and Susan Park Memorial Fund, William Cherry Fund

\$3,900. We are an emergency shelter and second stage housing provider to the City of Kingston. File storage consists of cardboard boxes and our kitchen residential refrigerator is failing. Each of 250 residents who use the shelter annually has a file with critical documentation. Major plumbing issues have severely compromised storage. The CFKA grant allows purchase of four lateral filing cabinets and a commercial refrigerator. Over 2,000 meals and 2,000 plus snacks are served monthly.

The Salvation Army Community and Family Services, Christmas Hamper Database:

Russell and Susan Park Memorial Fund, Larry Gibson Community Fund

\$6,000. The Salvation Army Kingston Community and Family Services oversees the distribution of Christmas food hampers to over 3,000 households annually. Over 2,500 children up to age twelve receive new toys and youth between thirteen and sixteen receive a \$25 gift card. Working with fifty local agencies, family details are collected and entered into a central database. The Salvation Army reviews and collates the information for use during hamper pick-up and delivery and provides pertinent information to sponsors of families.

Winter Warmth Programme, Winter Warmth Fall 2014-Spring 2015:

Dr. Samuel Robinson Foundation

\$5,000. Winter Warmth fundraises to purchase clothing and footwear for children identified by social and youth workers from local schools in Kingston and area. Many children live below the poverty line. As much is spent on socks, underwear, jeans, shirts, and shoes as coats and boots. Kids are enabled to participate in co-op programmes to achieve high school credits (work boots, clothing) and sports (running

shoes, shorts). Many rural high school students are unable to obtain employment (lack of public transportation and few or remote employers) and are unable to help with their clothing/footwear needs. By providing appropriate clothing, the programme helps them stay in school.

Queen's Good Times Diner, Good Times Diner Soup Kitchen:

Dr. Samuel Robinson Foundation

\$1,000. A student-run organization, Good Times Diner provides free and nutritious meals to low-income members of the Kingston community. The soup kitchen serves balanced meals to thirty to sixty patrons twice weekly, year round. CFKA funding was applied to the purchase of food, cooking utensils and cleaning supplies.

Independent Living Centre Kingston, The Registered Disability Savings Plan and You:

Cyril and Evelyn Wharrie Fund, Larry Gibson Community Fund

\$6,096. Independent Living Centre Kingston will provide one-to-one support to individuals with disabilities and their families to successfully obtain a Registered Disability Savings Plan. Intended to help individuals, parents, and others, save for the long-term financial security of a person who has a disability, the application process can be difficult, lengthy, and confusing. CFKA funding goes towards hiring a programme facilitator for five hours per week, working directly with individuals, including attending meetings at banks. A work plan and project outline will be created; a final evaluation of the project will assist in seeking sustainable funding.

Alzheimer Society of Kingston, Frontenac, Lennox & Addington, Drop In Centre:

Dr. Samuel Robinson Foundation

\$2,000. A three hour respite service once a week for the care partner and a socially engaging opportunity for individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related dementias will be provided, facilitated by an Education & Support Coordinator and volunteers. Recreational activities include physical, intellectual, social, spiritual, creative, humour, and vocational activities. CFKA funds will be used to pay for staffing one day a week to run the programme, and programme supplies.

Kingston Revved Up, Revved Up Circuit:

Larry Gibson Community Fund, McNevin Family Fund and Community Fund

\$2,300. Revved Up Circuit is a weekly strength and aerobic exercise programme for adults with developmental disabilities. Potential clients face transportation and accommodation barriers and are unable to attend Revved Up Circuit. Barriers will be overcome by introducing a satellite programme at a partner location, Ongwanada Resource Centre. CFKA funds will cover operational costs such as transportation and salary for a programme coordinator.

Did you know? It is inspiring to see a group of older adults participating in an exercise class. They are doing everything in their power to stay active.

– Seniors Association Kingston

Hospice Kingston, Music Therapy in Hospice Palliative Care:

Assante Financial Management Fenlon Division Fund, Michael Potter Memorial Fund, Community Fund

\$2,500. One-hour group music therapy sessions every six weeks via a day programme and one-hour with hospice clients in their homes is made possible by a CFKA grant towards hiring a Music Therapist and providing supplies. Music applied in a therapeutic context enhances the bio-psycho-social needs of clients.

Southern Frontenac Community Services Corporation, Food Bank Expansion:

Dr. Samuel Robinson Foundation

\$1,800. There has been a surge in demand witnessed by SFCSC's Food Bank. Over 762 households sought support last year. An average of 63 households a month depend on the food bank; over 115 adults and seventy children. To accommodate projected growth, the CFKA grant went to the purchase of two new stainless steel shelves, two stainless steel tables to handle and divide produce from the garden and greenhouse, and the removal and replacement of carpet with vinyl flooring in the new food packing and distribution area.

Children's Mental Health



Kingston Community Health Centres, Dare to Stand Out: Kingston Youth Diversity Conference:

Sunnyside Children's Fund

\$3,110. A full day of engaging workshops, speakers, activities, and resources designed to develop youth leadership skills and to deal with and address issues of homophobia, transphobia, exclusion, discrimination, and inter-sectorial violence. Funds go to buy materials for workshops, transportation for facilitators and participants, honoraria for Immigrants Services Kingston and Area youth in charge of planning and organizing the conference, snacks, lunch, t-shirts for organizers, swag bags, sound system, and printing.

***Did you know?** We wish to trigger a child's imagination in a fun, recreational way...the (Play Train) structure will convey an image of a bygone era to encourage children to explore in greater detail their local history.*

– Central Frontenac Railway Museum Heritage Play Train Structure

The Canadian Mental Health Association Kingston Branch, Enhancing Youth Social Skills: Let's Talk Sex:

Sunnyside Children's Fund

\$3,426. Our agency is partnering with the Kingston Chapter of Autism Ontario to facilitate groups for youth with ASD encountering developmental stages transitioning into puberty. Issues addressed in sexual behaviour include self-image, emotions, values, attitudes, beliefs, behaviours, and relationships. A guide will be developed for future groups and used as a tool for parents and caregivers. Programme materials, supplies, and a paid volunteer coordinator for three hours per week to train other volunteers, supervise, and coordinate services will benefit from CFKA funding.

Community Development



Code the Change Queen's Chapter, Code Jam:

Assante Financial Management Fenlon Division Fund

\$1,500. Code Jam 2015 is a twelve hour event where Queen's students work in groups to develop computer programmes for local non-profit organizations requiring support with mobile applications or web development. CFKA funding offsets operations costs: venue, meals, prizes, advertising, and preparatory programming workshops in the 2014 fall semester.

Queen's Conference on Philanthropy, Queen's Conference on Philanthropy:

Community Fund, Anonymous Fund

\$500. Queen's Conference on Philanthropy is Canada's first undergraduate philanthropy conference, with 150 delegates from Queen's University and universities across Canada. Students will leave the conference educated about philanthropy and ways to get involved in their communities, inspired through speakers (leading philanthropists), panelists from philanthropic organizations, and other delegates.

CFRC Radio, Queen's University, Homelessness Marathon:

The Alcan Endowment Fund

\$1,700. The Homelessness Radio Marathon annual event, broadcasts live from the street for one full-night each February, via campus and community radio stations nationally, to raise awareness about homelessness in Canadian communities. CKUT in Montreal and CJSR in Edmonton are previous coordinators of the live broadcast. In 2015, CFRC in Kingston took the reins, working with community partners to highlight the impacts of homelessness in Canada. Late in the evening, the Mayor was an unexpected and welcome drop-in visitor to the live broadcast, which had moved outside to the street.

Cycle Kingston, Safe Cycling for Kingston's New Immigrants:

Eddie Bak Memorial Fund, Gordon Barr Ltd. Fund, Community Fund

\$3,450. Cycle Kingston will offer safe cycling workshops and clinics to new immigrants this summer. Session options will include lecture-style presentations and on-road cycle training. Funding will cover additional student hiring hours, four months of liability insurance and promotional costs, and directly-related programme expenses. Cycle Kingston will partner with new immigrant-serving organizations as well as post-secondary institutions.

Kingston and Area Seed System Initiative (KASSI), Building Capacity for a Regional Seed System:

Neil Currie Davis Memorial Fund, Frank and Sarah Good Memorial Fund, Community Fund

\$3,500. This project will enhance KASSI's ability to raise sufficient funds to further its goals, train two educators in seed saving techniques, grow out and document the seed collection in 2015, and increase board efficiency, enabling KASSI to distribute seed to the community and continue working towards the creation of a Kingston Seed Bank.

Recreation



Able Sail Kingston, Adapting a Paralympic-class Sonar sailboat for integration into the Learn to Sail Programme:

Assante Financial Management Fenlon Division Fund, Community Fund

\$4,000. Able Sail Kingston has received a donation of a Sonar sailboat, making it possible to sail in groups, and with people who do not want to learn to sail solo but who enjoy the water experience. CFKA funds will be used to purchase custom seating: a "lazy Susan" seat for the forward section that allows a crew member to adjust the lines and transfer back and forth and numerous other necessary enhancements.

Those with severe disabilities, who sailed using a "sip and puff" system in the Martin 16, will be able to sail without electronics.

Kingston Open Chess Group, 2015 Kingston Open Chess Tournament:

The Alcan Endowment Fund

\$1,060. As part of the Eastern Ontario Chess Association's circuit of ten events, a Kingston stop was scheduled in February. The five matches drew players from Greater Kingston and beyond. Prizes were awarded for first, second, and third place in both Junior and Senior Divisions. The grant helped cover a tournament director, a master level player, and other expenses.

***Did you know?** Gleaning gets the produce out of the field at no expense to the farmer, gives them a donation receipt for a tax credit, engages volunteers in fun, healthy ways, and provides thousands of pounds of food to those who need it most. We have wanted to do this for years and we can't wait to finally get started! Gleaning: Increasing healthy food access from farm to fork.*

– Loving Spoonful

Kingston Community Health Centres, Natural Play Area:

Ontario Endowment for Children and Youth in Recreation Fund, David Middleton North Kingston Development Fund, Tragically Hip Community Fund

\$10,000. The location of Better Beginnings for Kingston Children in our new facility accesses a large parcel of outdoor space we plan to develop as a natural play area. On average, 130 adults and 160 children attend our programmes weekly, mostly families with children under the age of five, with income under \$20,000. A natural, year-round outdoor space will be created with the CFKA grant, providing opportunities to experience nature, the outdoors, possibly gardens our dietician will use to form the basis for cooking groups and eating experiences that include fresh vegetables.

Education & Literacy



Spelling Bee of Canada Kingston Chapter, Outreach for Kingston Spelling Bee:

Alcan Endowment Fund, John and Marion Dunn Fund, The Kingston Whig-Standard Literacy Endowment Fund

\$2,900. Increasing numbers of participants in the Kingston Region Spelling Bee to sixty local youth, to compete in one of three age categories – Primary, Junior, and Intermediate – is a primary goal. Top spellers in each category proceed to the Provincial Championship in Toronto. CFKA funds will cover costs of advertising, printing and mailing a flyer to 110 local schools, providing free subsidies where the registration fee poses a challenge, and gifts for guest speakers.

Kingston Community Health Centres, Pathways to Education, Go F.A.R.:

Community Fund

\$4,281. The prevention of drop-outs in the first year of post-secondary education, through the ongoing support of alumni who re-engage as volunteers and mentors, is a core goal. Academics, social and emotional needs, and life skills are addressed. The Facilitator of Alumni Relations, which the CFKA grant is helping fund, spends a day each week at St. Lawrence College meeting with P2E alumni participants as they pursue initiatives designed to help current students succeed.

Did you know? Now is the right time to plan for what will be a new Kingston fixture – a year round, all local market that patrons can rely on for their fresh local food needs!

– Farmers Market Association Making a Year-Round Market

Thirteen is a Lucky Number for Stark Family Fund Grantees

Thirteen applications were successful when reviewed by the Stark Family Fund Committee at its March, 2015 meeting in Bloomfield: grants totalled **\$77,906.**

\$5,000. Recreation Outreach Centre, *Community Resource Development Project.*

\$5,000. Prince Edward Fitness & Aquatic Centre, *Pool Chair Lift.*

\$5,000. Festival Players of Prince Edward County, *Made in the County Play Development Programme.*

\$896. County of Prince Edward Library & Archives, *Making Space Project.*

\$15,300. Trenton Memorial Hospital Foundation, *Be Clear on Bladder Cancer.*

\$19,950. Prince Edward County Memorial Hospital Foundation, *Priority Medical Equipment Replacement in Cardiology and Emergency.*

\$6,000. Quinte Children's Foundation, *Programme Expansion into Prince Edward County.*

\$3,300. The Prince Edward County Community Care for Seniors Association, *Meals on Wheels Delivery Equipment.*

\$763. Prince Edward Point Bird Observatory, *Prince Edward County Spring Birding Festival.*

\$3,117. Community Living Prince Edward, *Home of My Own.*

\$5,750. Rotary Club: *Scholarships.*

\$3,030. Brain Injury Association Quinte District, *Youth Programme for Family Members of ABI Survivors.*

\$4,800. Canadian Diabetes Association, *Camp for Children in PEC with Type 1 Diabetes.*

Data-Smart Cities: Speaker Series Goes Digital!



Mayor Bryan Paterson on-line with Susan Crawford

There were a number of firsts achieved at the April 1st Speaker Series luncheon: first speaker beamed in by video (Professor Susan Crawford, from Harvard); first live streaming of a CFKA event (reaching 177 off-site attendees); first speaker series luncheon to be recorded, archived, and viewable on the CFKA website; and first speaker series luncheon with a dedicated Tweeter throughout (thanks Brenda Slomka! – 65,000 Twitter accounts reached and 625,000 Twitter 'impressions' registered).

As hoped for, the City of Kingston was well represented, including Mayor Bryan Paterson, the CAO, the Chief of Police, and a passel of City commissioners and officers. Committee organizer and moderator, Chrystal Wilson, introduced Professor Crawford – smiling down from a giant screen at the front of the room – as the co-author of *The Responsive City*, the book which inspired the event. Professor Crawford outlined the chief element of her thesis which is that all cities in the modern era absolutely need to be data-smart.

Campbell Patterson, of CP Communications and a consultant to Utilities Kingston, spoke next about the challenges of implementing such a vision of 'data-smartness' for Kingston while Constable Steven Koopman rounded out the panel with an eye-opening overview of current City of Kingston Police Force data-smart initiatives.

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Emcee Chris West thanked the speakers and acknowledged the players and sponsors who made the ground-breaking day possible: moderator Chrystal Wilson, Utilities Kingston, jNetrix Systems and the Residence Inn by Marriott. Anyone who's curious to learn more should start with Professor Crawford's book and consider accessing the entire proceedings of the luncheon which, as aforementioned, are archived at the Community Foundation's website, www.cfka.org.

Chris West & Chrystal Wilson

THANK YOU TO OUR CFKA SPEAKER SERIES SPONSORS



Welcome

Chris Chard, a new board member, who is taking over as Chair of the Investment Committee. He is the President of Stonehouse Financial Advisory Services, an independent personal financial planning organization.



Peter Hartel Community Fun...d

A new fund honouring the memory of past board member Peter Hartel, has been created. Peter was a firm believer in the compounded benefit of supporting those with need and how this support will continue to make Kingston an even better place to live. Priorities for this Smart & Caring Community Fund will include Getting Started, Food Security and Community Engagement. Donations to the Peter Hartel Community Fun...d can be made directly to the Foundation.

Grant applicants invited to THINK BIG!

Due to strong investment returns and the generosity of donors, this fall CFKA is in a position to grant more money than usual. Applications are encouraged in all of our areas of interest. Additionally, we are inviting project proposals of up to \$25,000 that align with our Smart & Caring priority areas. Letters of Intent due September 9th. Details at www.cfka.org

Announcing New Loan Programme

CFKA is launching a new loan programme designed to help qualified applicants establish or grow businesses in the Kingston area. This programme, targeted to local entrepreneurs who for various reasons do not qualify for financing through traditional channels, is made possible by a donation from First Capital Challenge Inc. in partnership with Alterna Savings. CFKA will provide loan-guarantees of up to \$10,000 to be administered through the local credit union Alterna Savings. Public launch event will take place on June 18th from 6-8pm at Kingston Community Health Centres, 263 Weller Ave. Visit www.cfka.org for details.



The Mess Artwork for Sale

At *Jailhouse Rock*, we were pleased to feature an art show and sale, “*Breaking Down Walls*” presented by The Mess – an open arts studio that provides opportunities for people struggling with issues of brokenness and poverty to create art and relationships. Proceeds have been used to establish a named endowment fund to provide the programme with a steady source of annual income. The sale continues at the CFKA office, where we will be displaying and selling the remaining artwork. Each 8”x8” canvas sells for \$100. Come by the office to check them out!

New Smart & Caring Funds!

Proceeds from *Jailhouse Rock* provided a BIG jump-start to launch CFKA’s new Smart & Caring Community Funds. Tina Bailey explains: “Our new family of funds will allow us to invest more in priority areas in our community. The priorities are derived from evidence emanating from our *Vital Signs*® reports and conversations with donors, community partners and leaders.” Many, many generous donors supported this initiative by attending *Jailhouse Rock*, by making a donation to the Smart & Caring Community Fund, or by creating their own named fund. Together, we are making a difference!

Smart & Caring Community Family

- Bill & Nancy Gray Fund
- Peter Hartel Community Fun...d
- Jim & Julie Parker Fund
- Sandiford Family Fund
- Michelle Skolnick Fund

We thank them, and other donors, who have chosen to establish new funds, or supplement existing funds supporting causes they are passionate about that fall within the Smart & Caring priority areas.

Stay Connected, Keep in Touch...

Between issues of *Ripples*, you can read about everything that’s happening at CFKA through our e-newsletter and our social media. Sign up to receive the monthly e-newsletter as well as invitations to Foundation events at www.cfka.org, or just call us at 613.546.9696. You can also find us on Facebook, Twitter, and LinkedIn.

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The Community Foundation for Kingston & Area (the CFKA or the “Foundation”) is a public charitable institution supported and run by citizens of Kingston and the area.

What do we do?

The Foundation encourages individuals and organizations to establish and build permanent endowments and other funds from which worthwhile community projects are then supported.

Where do I get more information?

Contact the Foundation office at 613.546.9696, see the web site at www.cfka.org, or email us at foundation@cfka.org.

Who’s Who (From p. 1).

1. (l – r) Phillip Brown, Gini Rosen, Matt Cage aka *Elvis*, Monica Brown
2. (l – r) Michelle Skolnick, Dale Albert Fox, Robin Warner, Gina Karkoulis, Kelly Miles, Marla Rosen
3. Entertainers: Susie Del-Mei, Becca Posamentier, Meagan Shea, Mike Bullett as *The Big Bopper*
4. Adam Koven, Master of Ceremonies/ Auctioneer
5. Rob Baker



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A charitable receipt will be issued for your donation under Charitable Registration Number 89143 2395 RR001.

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