



September 2017 Issue

Drugs & Alcohol: A Community Collaboration

On Tuesday, Oct. 3, residents of Hudson have a unique opportunity to gather in a small group for a discussion about the ways in which drug and alcohol abuse affect our community. *On The Table* is a powerful event that brings voices of all ages and backgrounds together from throughout the Greater Akron community to listen and learn from one another in a manner that leads to effective solutions. Hudson Community Foundation will serve as a local “Super Host” for *On The Table*, with additional conversations simultaneously being hosted by the Hudson City School District, Community of St. John, Hudson Library & Historical Society and Day Ketterer, to name a few. Hudson Community Foundation will host two sessions – a continental breakfast from 8 to 9:30 a.m. or dessert and coffee from 6:30 to 8 p.m. on Oct. 3. Both will be held in our board room located in the historic Baldwin House, 49 E. Main Street. This is your chance to have a voice in addressing one of the most vexing issues facing Hudson and surrounding communities. RSVP to Tricia Johnstone at triciajohnstone@myHCF.org. Space is limited and RSVP is required.

Hudson NOW at Work

HCF awarded foundation grants to eight recipients for fall 2017. They represent more than \$20,000 in investments in local Hudson community not-for-profit organizations and programs. The following organizations and programs are receiving HCF grants in fall 2017:

- Greenleaf Family Centers for an adolescent suicide prevention program administered through Hudson High School and Western Reserve Academy
- Hudson City School District for support of the Drug Free Clubs of America
- Hudson Community Chorus for its annual holiday concert on Dec. 3, 2017
- Hudson Heritage Association for reprinting brochures on local architecture and history
- Destination Hudson as it prepares a new community picture book
- Destination Hudson for the “Bye Bye Barrels” event to support the reopening of Main Street
- The Habitat for Humanity Hudson Coalition for its 26th sponsored home project
- Hudson Special Olympics for a local recreation program.



Give to our NOW Fund

HCF Annual Fund Campaign Launching Soon

Grants provided three times each year by HCF are funded in part through donations to the Hudson NOW Fund. Dozens of Hudson residents, businesses and organizations come together to contribute to the Hudson NOW annual campaign to help support worthwhile initiatives for the benefit of the entire community.



Welcome New Board Members



John Dearborn is the President of StreamLink Software, the leading grant management technology provider for nonprofit and public sector organizations, based in Cleveland, Ohio. John has served as chair and board member for organizations involved in regional economic development, in addition to two nonprofits working to advance educational attainment efforts. John moved to Hudson with his wife Cindy and their two children 16 years ago.



Linda McDonald, PhD sits on Kent State University's National Council for the Arts, and National Public Radio's WKSU Community Advisory Council. Her professional career in education included teaching and administrating elementary through graduate and undergraduate experiences at the university level. She and her late husband Peter participated in Hudson life through serving on many community boards. Linda has lived in Hudson since 1982 and has one adult son.

Jim Sluzewski retired in 2016 as Senior Vice President for Corporate Communications and External Affairs for Macy's, Inc., a leading fashion retailer based in Cincinnati and New



York. In that role, he also previously served as President of the Macy's Foundation. A native of Cleveland, he holds a bachelor's degree in journalism from Bowling Green State University and a master's degree in business administration from Xavier University. Sluzewski and his wife, Kathy, first moved to Hudson in 1988. They have two adult children.



Estate Planning Boot Camp Standing-Room-Only Crowd

An Estate Planning Boot Camp, a free two-session seminar sponsored by HCF in August at the Hudson Library & Historical Society, drew standing-room-only audiences of 150+ Hudson residents each evening. The response was enthusiastic.

At the boot camp, highly regarded attorney Matthew F. Kadish, a Hudson resident and named partner of Kadish, Hinkel & Weibel in Cleveland, presented a broad range of information on estate planning strategies, opportunities and documents in an engaging and understandable manner. He also answered specific questions posed by members of the audience.

In part, Kadish addressed ways that individuals and families can achieve their charitable and philanthropic goals in the process of planning how to share their resources in the future. If you have questions about options for tax-advantaged charitable giving – either short-term or long-term – feel free to contact Lori McCleese at HCF at 330/655-3580 or lorimccleese@myHCF.org

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