



The Cheboygan Communities Foundation would like to congratulate and thank everyone who helped make the 1st Annual Soup, Sliders & Sweets a wonderful success!

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ARE YOU CONCERNED ABOUT OUR ENVIRONMENT?

Cheboygan Communities Foundation is in search of dedicated people to help coordinate our **Northern Steel Initiative** which focuses on cleaning up discarded metal items in Cheboygan County. To become a **Northern Steel** volunteer, please call Joanne Welihan at 231-818-3838.

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Help the Cheboygan Communities Foundation Bring Jobs to Cheboygan with your receipts from Family Fare!

The Cheboygan Communities Foundation is now qualified for the Direct Your Dollars™ funding program through Family Fare and Spartan Nash and needs your help.

When you shop at any Family Fare Market, please save your receipts!

You can then:

- Mail them to the Cheboygan Communities Foundation, P.O. Box 494, Cheboygan, MI 49721.
- Drop them off at Purple Tree Bookstore, Straits Area Printing, Wheeler Chevrolet Buick, Burt Lake Marina or Michigan Lake Products.
- Get them to any CCF Board Member.

For more information on this easy way to support the Economic Development work of the Cheboygan Communities Foundation go to www.spartannash.com/corp-responsibility/social-responsibility/direct-your-dollars/direct-your-dollars-faqs/

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!



The Cheboygan Communities Foundation has joined the Indian River Chamber of Commerce. We look forward to working with the Chamber to improve the quality of life for the residents and citizens of Cheboygan County.



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Economic Development Continues to Move Forward in Cheboygan County

Summer 2017

An Active Foundation

I must admit that an “active” foundation is a bit of an oxymoron. A foundation is something solid – so how can it be active? But I am thinking of a foundation as something reliable – dependable.

And an active foundation is one you can count on to get things done!

Those that are familiar with the Cheboygan Communities Foundation know that the overall purpose of the foundation is to raise money so

that we can appropriate those funds to deserving projects or businesses that will bring jobs to the area, increase educational opportunities, increase tourism, and help increase the overall economic health of Cheboygan County and its residents. Founded in 2011, the original founders were Jim Conboy, James “Bud” Darnell, Sue Eno, Richard Sanford, and Chris Sangster. Every successful venture needs individuals with foresight and the skills to carry out their plan. We are fortunate to have founders with these qualities.

Cheboygan Communities Foundation has awarded \$100,000 in grants to groups such as the Cheboygan Port Authority Marketing Initiative, Digital Works, Straits Area Education Center, NCMC Community College, and Industrial Arts Institute.

In addition to making direct grants, CCF serves as fiduciary agent for Pure Michigan funds for the Greater Up North Marketing Alliance and fiscal agent of the Wanigan funds for the Cheboygan Jaycees.

The biggest source of income to the Foundation is our regular donors. Those in the Admiralty Society give generously over \$500 each year. But all contributions are welcome – big or small – and it all will be put to the purpose of furthering business,

educational and tourism opportunities for the citizens of the Cheboygan Community.

Our two main fundraising projects for these purposes in 2016/17 were Northern Steel and the Soups, Sliders & Sweets event.

Northern Steel is a win-win for the Cheboygan community. The community can get rid of unwanted metal boats, vehicles, metal hoists, pipes-culverts, old farm equipment and donate it to the Cheboygan Communities Foundation. Kling's Auto Recycling will pick up your metal items for recycling (2,000 lb. minimum requirement). Kling's returns a percentage of the metal sales back to CCF. CCF in turn uses that money to vitalize the community.

Soups, Sliders & Sweets was held this past January and it was a very successful fund-raising event. It took many people with donations of food, drink, auction items and time to bring this event to fruition. SS&S was attended by about 200 people and was extremely successful due to the generosity of many sponsors in the Cheboygan

Community. This money will be used to fulfill grants from citizens who need assistance with a project or a new business. The beauty of this event was that everyone in attendance had a wonderful evening and Cheboygan County benefits as well.

Soups, Sliders & Sweets

So, for those who were well-acquainted with CCF and those who now know some of what we do, I hope you will all watch for our fund-raising events and also news for those individuals and companies in Cheboygan who receive grants to start a new business or enhance an old one. There is a lot more action to come...

Joanne Welihan, President



Northern Steel in Action!



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The Application



In order to request funds from the Cheboygan Communities Foundation (CCF) an application must be submitted. The application form can be found at our website at www.cheboyganfoundation.org. The application requests information about the group applying including its organizational status, its mission, the purpose for which the funds are being applied for, its leadership, and its finances. It is our hope that by completing the application, the group making the request will have an opportunity to give full thought to what it hopes to achieve with the money it is seeking. We stand ready to help if questions arise in completing the application. There may be questions that are not really applicable to the applicant’s organization and we understand that and can discuss how those may be addressed.

While applying for any grant may seem cumbersome, organizations like CCF have a duty to their donors to make sure funds are wisely used and within the parameters permitted by the tax and non profit laws that apply to charitable organizations. Donations given to CCF are tax exempt but only if we run the organization in accordance with state and federal law.

As with any foundation CCF has a specific mission and grants must serve that mission. CCF was formed in 2011 to support projects which create jobs, improve local educational opportunities, increase tourism visits, expand retail and commercial offerings, and enhance the overall economic health of Cheboygan County. In deciding whether to submit an application these goals must be kept in mind since applications

By: Jim Conboy, CCF Board Member

which do not meet them cannot be approved notwithstanding how good the project is. In the past, projects approved have included funds related to studies to show the viability of the Cheboygan Port as well as more recently funds for its marketing, funds for a high school construction class to go to Detroit to learn more about trades, scholarships for middle school students to attend summer seminars introducing them to building trades, and funds for call center training. More recently CCF has funded leadership training for high school students through the a local golf academy, and funded an artist in residence program which will employ a local artist and provide funds to help create events which will attract tourists and local residents alike.

Once an application is received it will be reviewed by the board member whose responsibility it is to make sure it is complete. If not, the applicant will be contacted and requested to provide any missing information. It will then be acted upon at the next executive committee or board of directors meeting which occurs after the application is received. Depending on the meeting schedule this can be vey quickly or take a number of weeks. Once a decision is made the applicant will be notified of the decision.

Applications approved do include an agreement by the grantee that any publicity related to the project include credit to CCF for its grant. The purpose for this requirement is public awareness of CCF which is a really important component of our fundraising efforts. When people are aware of a foundation’s good works they are ready to financially support it.

Port of Cheboygan Update

The sale of Cheboygan's port property to Kokosing/Durocher Marine and Ryba Marine has been completed and the city's land contract has been satisfied. Marketing and Promotional agreements are in place stating that Kokosing and Ryba are Port Operators representing the City and allows for marketing of both the companies to potential manufacturers looking to move to the City.

Both have federal required "Port Facilities Plans' with licensing and permits completed. Ryba has their fenced in area completed and Kokosing will complete theirs this summer.

The City Port Commission has approved moving forward with the 'Port of Cheboygan' (501-C4, non-profit) acting as Marketing agents in behalf of the City and Kokosing/Ryba as Port Operators. There is also existing authorization from the City Council for the non-profit to promote the Port. Kokosing has started some of their own marketing to promote shipping and receiving.

Next steps are now to get the Road Show started to get manufacturers into Cheboygan, locating their business and utilizing the Port. There is City owned property and adjoining areas right next to the Port along with the Industrial Park that is nearby.

Thanks to the Cheboygan Communities Foundation funding, the Port of Cheboygan (501C-4) has many materials ready to hit the road, including presentations, data boards, pamphlets, brochures , and feasibility studies. They have a top ten manufacturers list already developed and will be putting together teams consisting of the Port of Cheboygan non profit and representatives from Kokosing and Ryba acting as subject matter experts to meet with each potential manufacturer.

Meetings with Kokosing and Ryba to review plans and prepare for the kick off of the Road Show are scheduled. Kokosing's meeting took place June 14th and Ryba is scheduled for June 28th. Then we 'hit the road'!



CCF President and CEO Richard B. (Dick) Sanford and board members Joanne Welihan and Jim Conboy are shown here presenting \$5800 to Cheboygan Economic Development Group (CEDG) President Mark Lorenz and board member Patricia Gildner.

“This generous donation from the Cheboygan Communities Foundation will enable the CEDG to develop dynamic internet and marketing tools. These will greatly assist in successfully selling the economic opportunity assets we have,” said Lorenz.



CCF President and CEO Richard B. (Dick) Sanford and board members Joanne Welihan and Jim Conboy are shown here presenting \$1000 to Cheboygan County Jr. Golf Academy Executive Director Pam Phipps and board members Kevin Tucker and Chris Sangster.

The Cheboygan Communities Foundation is pleased to support a program that teaches life skills and promotes character education to young people through the game of golf.



Join The Admiralty Society in 2017 to Become a Founding Member!

Donate \$500.00 or more and join a distinguished list of community leaders by becoming a founding member of the Cheboygan Communities Foundation Royalty.

Member benefits include an invitation to the CCF Annual Meeting, recognition on website, at donor events, in community announcements and other CCF communications.

For information, please call 231-420-5710.



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