



BIG IDEA Grant Celebration

On March 10th, the Crown Point Community Library celebrated the completion of their Big Idea Big Impact grant. The James C. Conlon Community Literacy Center (CCLC) opened January 23rd. The purpose of the CCLC is to provide life-changing programs for patrons needing help in developing their personal literacy skills.

The room will be used by the Crown Point Adult Learning Center. The Learning Center offers free programs that prepare students to successfully complete the High School Equivalency exam, formerly the GED, by providing concentrated and focused instruction. In addition, they offer English as a Second Language (ESL) classes and brush up skills training with basic reading, writing, and math.

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The Center is already experiencing a huge increase in their visits of new students since the transition into the library.

“Collaboration was one of the key goals that the CPCF Board of Directors were hoping to see formulate between nonprofits throughout the BIG IDEA grant process.” said Linda Armstrong, CPCF 1st Vice Chair.

The library’s grant also included Outreach to the Community and Underserved Populations Mobile Library. The grant provided funding for a utility van to enhance outreach library services for the Crown Point and Winfield locations. Another facet of the outreach service is to provide “Books in a Box” for day cares, senior centers and other facilities, making books and library resources available to all.

Ben Ballou, CPCF 2nd Vice Chair, explained **“grants are made possible because of our donors who entrust the Foundation to allocate those dollars.”**

For more information and updates about the Big Idea grant, visit thecpcf.org

Unrestricted Community Grants: February Cycle \$84,523

Unrestricted grants are made possible by donors who create funds to support South Lake County community causes and entrust the CPCF to allocate those funds to the greatest need.

The Cedar Lake community has joined efforts with the CPCF to increase grant making potential in South Lake County with the creation of the **Cedar Lake Community Fund**. The jointly funded grants indicated below are a prime example of communities working together to make a positive impact.

American Cancer Society \$3,500
help reduce costs for Relay for Life events

Boy Scout Troop 129 \$2,826 Jointly Funded
support to purchase supplies and trailer improvements

Cats of St. Francis Rescue \$1,000
support general and emergency vet expenses

Cedar Lake Chamber of Commerce \$2,350 Jointly Funded
removal of old flag pole and replace with 3 flagpoles in State Senator Sue Landske Memorial Park

Challenger Learning Center \$2,100
purchase office chairs to center staff and new projection screens for simulators

CPHS AP Testing \$3,000
financial assistance to pay for AP exams for students with financial need

CPHS Lead the Way Project \$408
17 white lab coats presented to the PLTW graduating biomedical class

CPHS Transition Program \$1,000
provide Exceptional Learners the financial support for the "Bulldog Bucks" incentive program

CPCSC/Ike Robotics \$847
support Robotics team by adding a kit and game board pieces

CPCSC/Taft Middle School \$2,400
computer parts for the Robotics Club

Crown Point Community Library \$3,500 Challenge Match
enhancements to the new Winfield Branch

Crown Point RoboDogs Sponsors \$3,500
robotic parts and competition entry fees

Crown Point Swim Club \$4,398
3 laptops and 1 desktop computer

Down Syndrome of NWI & Chicagoland \$4,300
help provide children, adults and their caregivers with a unique camp experience

Franciscan Health Foundation \$3,000
help sponsor the "Safe Kids Day" program to encourage injury prevention among children

Indiana Ballet Theatre NW \$12,000
provide funds to complete exterior work on the old nurses building to meet a deadline for opening

Jane Ball Elementary School \$4,370 Jointly Funded
provide students with sensory and focus needs equipment to improve learning in the classroom

Jane Ball Elementary School \$1,000 Jointly Funded
underwrite costs for 5th grade students to attend Challenger Learning Center

Pack Away Hunger \$5,000
purchase ingredients for assembling, packing and distributing nutritious meals for families

Pathway to Adventure Council, BSA \$2,436
assist with costs of "Blast into Scouting Membership Campaign" in CP Schools

Phil's Friends \$5,000
support for a new Phil's Friends Hope Center in CP

Rotary Club of Crown Point \$3,700
help fund the Imagination Library program supplying books to CP children under 5

South Shore Arts, Inc. \$4,500
assist in relocation costs of moving to a new location in Crown Point

Southlake YMCA \$3,000
support Hub Run

City of CP Interactive Art Project \$2,400
support of a Seward Johnson statue

"On My Way" Pre-K Pilot Program \$2,988
support Indiana's pilot pre-kindergarten program for qualifying students

Pro Active Grants



Region of Service!

The CPCF Annual Volunteer Fair and Blood Drive brought nonprofits from all over Northwest Indiana together for the 8th year. Over 350 people attended the event and sought opportunities from the 93 nonprofits in attendance. **All nonprofits exhibiting at the Volunteer Fair have a chance to be randomly selected for a \$1,000 grant!** Read a full listing of nonprofits who exhibited at the fair by going to thecpcf.org

Congratulations to the nonprofits who received grants this year!

- Camp LRCA
- CP 4th of July Celebration Committee
- Thomas Cellini Huntington's Foundation
- Power Paws for Kids
- NWI Parkinsons, Inc.

WE ASKED.. Why do you Volunteer?

"I MEET NEW PEOPLE AND MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THE COMMUNITY"

"VOLUNTEERING MAKES ME FEEL ALIVE"

"WHEN I NEEDED HELP, SOMEONE HELPED ME"



Memorials & Honorariums: October 20, 2016 - February 9, 2017

Marcile Allison

Charles & Susan Kerr

Ed & Clara Bapple

Matthew & Sandra Bapple

Ron Borto

Mary Ann Abraham
Joseph & Annette Allegretti
American Community Bank
Joseph & Lori Amodeo
Robert & Judith Backe
Matthew & Sandra Bapple
John & Ann Barney,
JRB Properties, LLC
Mark & Lindsay Bates
David & Helen Batusic
Robert Bernacchi
Tony & Julie Bieszczat
John & JoAnn Birdzell
Matthew & Dara Borto
Maureen Borto
Richard Borto
Roy & Ann Borto
William & Bonnie Bosse
Bridget Bowman
Robert & Barbara Budgin
Carl Carlsson
Elizabeth Carlsson
Linda Carlsson
Carmel High School
Counseling Department
Fred & Katherine Chariton, KBCPA
Accounting & Computer Service
Adam Clevenger & Jessica Trimble
Thomas Corsiglia
James & Sue Crisman
Crown Point Rotary
Bryan & Meredith Davis
Michael & Karen Dexter
John & Louise Diederich
David & Lorna Estes
Lawrence & Jill Gallas
Larry & Kim Geisen,
LK Properties, LLC
Cheryl Geras
Michael Green
James & Mary Ann Greiner
Dennis & Lauren Gutowski
Tracy Hadden
Greg & Diane Handley & family
F. David & Margaret Hein
Donald & Karen Highsmith
Howard & Joan Hilbrich
Patricia Huber
Paul & Sheryl Ihle
Gene & Jacqueline Ann Johnson
Joseph & Barbara Kacmar
Marilyn Kazwell & Sarah Vicari
Maureen Keller
Kielman Austgen & Sinal PC

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Mary Klepsch
Ken & Fran Knaga
Kortenhoven Builders, Inc.
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Thomas & Karen Pavel
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Jane Rouge Martin
Joe & Regina Rurade
Khalil & Mariah Samara
Dean & Vel Sangalis,
Dean Sangalis & Associates
Jeffery & Martha Sapp
Dennis & Linda Shawver
Paul & Maria Elena Shook
Ronald & Debra Simko
Stuart & Susan Sinisi
Darrell & Sharlyn Stock
Wanda Swantko
Ian & Christine Taliani
Beth Teibel

Tiebel's The Ideal Family Restaurant
Robert & Norma Jean Tippy
Thomas & Cyndi Tippy
Chuck & Cathy Tomczak
Steve & Cathy Trimble
Richard & Judith Usen
Ronald & Debra Waisnora
Robert & Janine Walla
Karen Walski
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Daniel & Mary Lou Zurawski

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Gerald Caravana

Betty Jane Buth

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Pat Carden

Maxie Scott

Joyce Carnahan

Diana Gullett & Lindsey Gullett

Brad Clough

Alvin & Kathryn Schmidt

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Mary Ann Abraham
Herman & Jan Barber
Gemma Brandt
Thomas Brown
Donald & Jacquelyn Corning
Bernard & Valarie Gerlach
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Kors Engineering
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Christopher & Helen Sibley
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Southlake, Griffith, Hammond,
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Richard & Myrene Gordon

Charlie Scott

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State University
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Marcello & Annette Borgetti
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Craig & Janet Duchossois

Pene Castor

Dale & Terri Williams

Jim & Marge Forsythe

Barry & Margaret Wood

Larry & Kim Geisen

at Christmas

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Jamie & Jennifer Constant
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James & Tammie Holzhauer
Beverly Huber
Lowell Killion
Kevin & Amber Knaga
Daniel & Beverly McLeod
Ron & Janet Mesarch
Thomas & Cathy Neuffer
Frank Rettig
Ernesto & Raquel Santos

Troy & Lisa Grady

at Christmas

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Hilbrich Law Offices

at Christmas

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Cornel & Karen Raab

Dean & Jamie Ricci

Daniel & Carol Root

Joe & Mary Kay Rowe

Dick & Laura Sauerman

Dale & Terri Williams

Penny Huddleston

Bordui's Birthday

Jeanne Huddleston

Natalie Huddleston -

VanAmstel's Birthday

Jeanne Huddleston

Makeshift Up Improv Team

Diane WeissBradley

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at Christmas

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Maxie Scott's Birthday

Marge Kerr

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Sunny's 50th

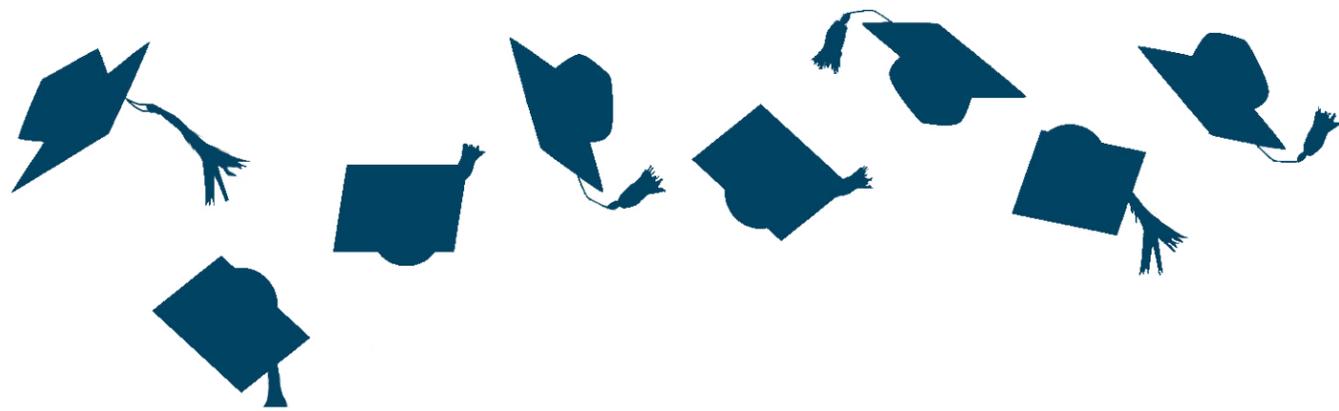
Wedding Anniversary

Eugene & Edith Bujdoso

Robert "Bob"

VanSlyke's Birthday

Jeanne Huddleston



Because of you, over 100 students received scholarships last year. Please consider supporting the **Community Scholarship Campaign**

These dollars are used to fund scholarships for students attending college or vocational studies. We hope you will participate by sending your check in the envelope provided with this newsletter or donate online!



Matching opportunities available!

Maximize your giving by supporting local initiatives

Support Cedar Lake Programs.



Cedar Lake Historical Association received a grant from the Cedar Lake Community Fund to assist with the repairs of windows and public restrooms.

GIFTS OF ANY SIZE WILL BE MATCHED \$1 FOR \$1

The Cedar Lake Community Fund was established in 2016. This fund will forever support Cedar Lake projects and programs. Since launching last year, the Cedar Lake Community Fund has supported the CL Historical Association, CL Ministries, CL Chamber of Commerce, CL Police Department, Project Love Food Pantry, Boy Scout Troop 129, and Jane Ball Elementary School. The CL Advisory Committee and CCPF Grant Committee reviews and approves applications.

The matching opportunity is made available by the generosity of a group of citizens who believe in the future of Cedar Lake.

Support the **CEDAR LAKE COMMUNITY FUND** today and double your impact in the community!

Help local First Responders.



GIFTS OF ANY SIZE WILL BE MATCHED .50 ON THE \$1

The Honor Fund was created by John and JoAnn Birdzell in 2016. The Honor Fund will provide tangible assistance to first responders or their immediate families who are in need of a helping hand. The fund can also assist with special programs or equipment that would directly benefit the first responders. The Honor Fund Advisory Committee reviews and approves applications.

Making a gift to the **HONOR FUND** is a great way to show support and appreciation for Crown Point first responders.

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