



Kenosha Community Foundation

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MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

It has certainly been an active summer and fall for the supporters of the Foundation's field of interest endowment funds.

This August, volunteers from the Mary Lou and Arthur F. Mahone Fund organized another successful **HarborPark Jazz & Blues Festival** with record attendance – the joyful sounds helped to fight off the raindrops.

Then, in August and September, the Arts Fund realized a long time dream and installed the inaugural exhibition of **Sculpture Walk-HarborPark**. For the next two years, Kenosha residents and visitors will enjoy year-round the works of nine artists, including Kenosha County's own, Bruce Niemi. See the separate story for details.

Now, the Women's Fund is gearing up for the return of the popular **Power of a Purse** fundraiser on Nov. 4. We have received many inquiries asking when this unique event would return. In my over 30 years of involvement with community organizations in Kenosha, I cannot remember a fundraiser where past attendees have asked that it be held again. Better hurry, tickets are going fast!

The action continues on Nov. 16, at the Civil War Museum, when we will present a new initiative: **Mapping your Future**. This informational breakfast meeting will cover the basics and options with wealth management and estate planning. We are proud to partner with the Kenosha Area Family and Aging Services, Inc. and the Kenosha Public Museums Foundation on this initiative.

At **Mapping your Future**, we plan to present details on estate planning and wealth management in plain English. We will stress the importance of planning ahead and that you don't need to have Warren Buffett's wealth to ensure your legacy and maximize what you leave to loved ones and the charities and causes that are important to you.

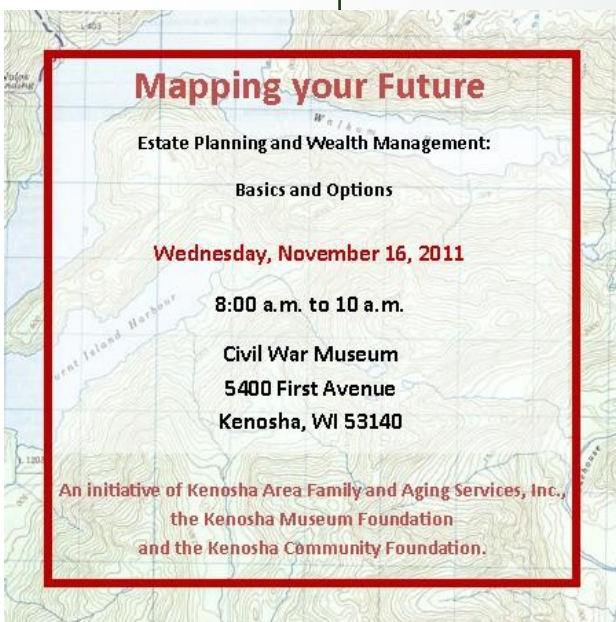
"Mapping your Future" is a free event, open to the public. An RSVP is required. To learn more or to RSVP for the event, contact the Foundation office at (262) 654-2412 or email@kenoshafoundation.org.

Finally, I want to note the recent passing of one of Kenosha's "crown jewels" – Florence Parry Heide. While we mourn her loss, let us also celebrate her life and work. Florence inspired so many - not just through her books, but also by her commitment to the Kenosha community.

As Florence used to say: "All things are possible."

Let me know what you think, you can contact me at rschneider@kenoshafoundation.org.

Robert Schneider
Executive Director



About "Mapping your Future"

The breakfast session will highlight:

- Estate Planning: Power of Attorney and other matters (presentation by Tom Aiello of the KAFASI board).
- Gift Annuities as a wealth management option (delivered by the Foundation's Robert Schneider).
- A question and answer period on estate planning and wealth management (moderated by Jane Harrington-Heide).

The session is free, but an RSVP is required. Contact us at:

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LAST CALL FOR "POWER OF A PURSE" TICKETS

The Women's Fund of the Kenosha Community Foundation announces a final call for tickets for its **Power of a Purse** fundraising event.

Power of a Purse

6:00 p.m.
Friday, November 4, 2011
Best Western Harborside
5125-6th Avenue
Kenosha, WI



Tickets are \$35 per person and must be purchased in advance.

Tickets can be purchased from the Foundation call (262) 654-2412 or email womensfund@kenoshafoundation.org or [click here](#) to buy tickets on-line.

Visit the "Power of a Purse" page on [Facebook](#) to find out how to purchase tickets and to see a selection of purses up for auction.

SCULPTURE WALK-HARBORPARK INSTALLED! (AND THERE'S AN APP FOR THAT)

After years of discussion and planning, in September, the Arts Fund completed the installation of the work of nine sculptors along Kenosha's harbor. **Sculpture Walk-HarborPark** is two-year, rotating exhibition along Kenosha's harbor. The project is privately funded through sponsorships by businesses and organizations in the Kenosha community and supporters of the Arts Fund.

[Click here](#) to view a map of the locations along the HarborPark promenade where the sculptures are installed. [Click here](#) to view photos of the nine sculptures.

A detailed description of the sculptures in the Sculpture Walk – HarborPark exhibition was published as an insert to the Sept. 29 edition of the Kenosha News. The Foundation has copies of the insert if interested.



Seven Seven Seven by Bruce Niemi



The Kenosha News also created an APP on the exhibition that can be downloaded onto an iPod or smartphone. The APP includes photos, maps, artists profiles and videos on each artist's creative decisions. The APP is designed to enhance a tour of the exhibition.

[Click here](#) or scan on the QR code at left to take you to the APP.

UPDATES ON FOUNDATION SUPPORTED PROGRAMS

Kenosha Literacy Council

At its annual meeting, the Kenosha Literacy Council (KLC) highlighted its "Mother's Words" program that helps mothers improve their literacy by writing a book that they can then read to their children. This program, which was accomplished in partnership with Kenosha Public Library, was in part funded with a grant from the Women's Fund. In all, the Kenosha Literacy Council received three 2011 grants from the Foundation.

Boys and Girls Club of Kenosha

Like all of Kenosha, we were thrilled with the opening of the new Boys and Girls Club on 52nd Street. This year, with help from a grant from the Foundation's unrestricted endowment funds, the Boys and Girls Club expanded its summer youth employment program by placing more participants in the city's Youth Employment in the Arts (YEA!) program. An outcome of the program are the three murals in the new facility's ground floor hall.



Fine Arts at First

The Foundation is a proud sponsor of Fine Arts at First at the Kenosha United Methodist Church. Another Foundation grantee, **Fifth House Ensemble**, which received a 2011 LaFave Family Fund grant for a music education project with the Kenosha Unified School District, will play Fine Arts at First on Sunday Feb. 26, 2012.

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