

## 2016 Garden Party to Honor Hartshorn and Turk Family

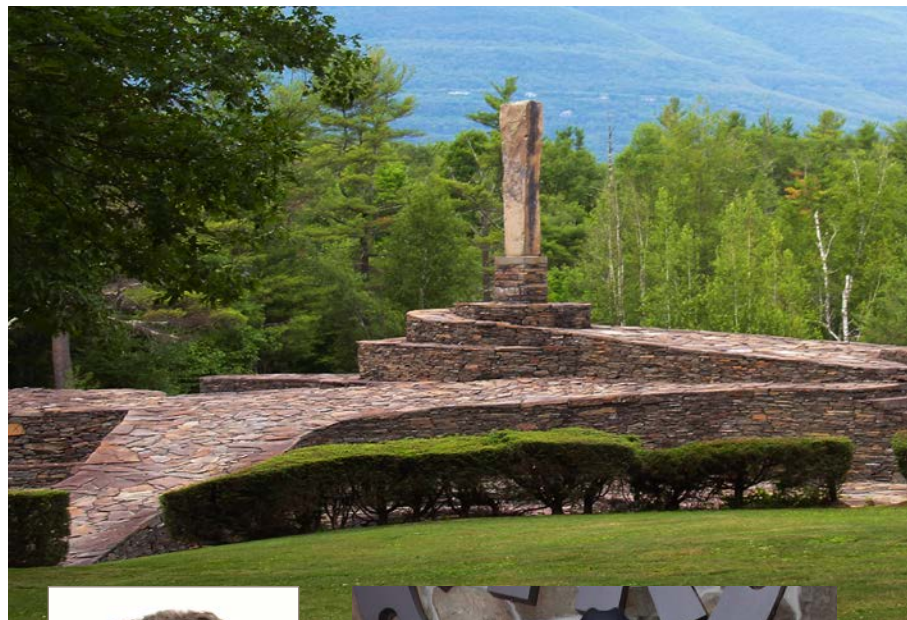
Annual event to be held September 25 at scenic Opus 40 in Saugerties

Philanthropy is alive and well—and will be celebrated—at the Community Foundations of the Hudson Valley's annual Garden Party. Each year for more than two decades, the Community Foundations has recognized leaders who are dedicated to improving lives through their community service and philanthropy. Proceeds from this signature event support nonprofit capacity building through the Community Response Grants program.

This year's honorees are Sue Hartshorn from Dutchess County and the Turk Family from Ulster County, including Gloria Turk and son Steve Turk and his wife, Shelley. All share a wonderful trait: a propensity for giving, both of their time and their generous donations. They can be credited with a long history of contributions to education, the arts and a range of programs and services that have improved the lives of their fellow community members.

Sue Hartshorn was born and raised in Baltimore, MD, into a family that encouraged community service. After graduating from Vassar and settling in Rhinebeck to raise her family, Sue became involved with a long list of organizations including the Rhinebeck Central School District Board, Starr Library Board, women's rights organizations and most recently Arts Mid-Hudson, the Center for Photography at Woodstock, and Art Along the Hudson. She and her family own and manage Montgomery Row in Rhinebeck, NY.

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Sue Hartshorn



Shelley Turk, Steve Turk and Gloria Turk

Michael Gold/The Corporate Image



Members of the Advisory Board for the Community Foundation of Putnam County at a recent event (L-R): T. Jefferson Cunningham, III, who generously hosted the event at his home; Nancy Rossi Brownell, Vice President; March S. Gallagher, Esq., President & CEO; Nathaniel S. Prentice, Chair; Frederick H. Osborn, III; Anne Impellizzeri; and Frank E. Lucente, MD.

## Putnam Meets Dyson Challenge

Community Response Grants available to Putnam nonprofits August 1

The Board of Advisors for the Community Foundation of Putnam County is proud to announce that it has met the \$100,000 Dyson Foundation challenge grant. The challenge was an incentive offered by the Dyson Foundation to generate new philanthropic support in Putnam County and establish a permanent endowment fund and current grants for Putnam nonprofits through the Community Response Grants program.

This is part of an expansion of the Community Foundations of the Hudson Valley's activity in Putnam County. This year, Putnam teachers became eligible to apply for grants through the Fund for Excellence in Education, including STEM grants through the Verizon Foundation. Seven teachers from the Brewster, Carmel, Garrison and Mahopac school districts were awarded

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## President's View

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# The Impact of Your Generosity

Dear Friends,

I know you're aware of the "think local" mindset passionately promoted by our local chambers of commerce, but did you know that you can think local with your philanthropy through the Community Foundations of the Hudson Valley?

When you create your donor advised fund with us, you are building a permanent source of funds to benefit our region now and forever. You receive an immediate tax benefit and retain the ability to recommend grants to your favorite charities, here at home and beyond. With our low fees and excellent investment management, your money really works – for you and for the community.

Why does this matter? More than one-third of the \$3 million-plus in funds we distribute annually to worthy nonprofits and students is generated from donor advised funds created by people like you. If you need ideas or advice on giving, we can help. And we are experts at weaving together multiple donors' intentions to create programs that benefit the entire region.

These photos, along with the grantee and funder list to the right, illustrate some recent grants from our donors. They represent only a portion of the enormous impact of donor advised funds in our community.

You too can create your donor advised fund with a minimum investment of \$5,000. Or we can help you save administrative costs and time by converting your private foundation to a donor advised fund. Of course, you can always make a donation to any fund or initiative at the Community Foundations. We stand ready to help you achieve your philanthropic goals.

Thank you for all that you do, and please reach out to me at any time, my door is always open.



**March S. Gallagher, Esq.**  
President and CEO



Women's Studio Workshop

Students in the Art-in-Ed program at Women's Studio Workshop explore new media and ideas while rotating through etching, silkscreen, and papermaking studios.



Spark Media Project/ Kathleen Hickey

Student producers Shaquille Scott and Ester Wells, working with Kyle Bahl (far right) of Spark Media Project, interview Jamie Levato of Poughkeepsie Farm Project about food security in the Hudson Valley.



Hudson River Sloop Clearwater/ Kathleen Hickey

Anne Todd Osborn, President of the Hudson River Sloop Clearwater, shares details about the renovation with members of the Community Foundations' board and staff.



# Community Impact

The Board of Trustees recently approved the following grants totaling \$206,605 to 58 nonprofits from 24 donor advised funds:

## Nonprofit Grantees

Anderson Center for Autism  
Angel Food East  
Arts Mid-Hudson  
Bardavon 1869 Opera House, Inc.  
Beatrix Farrand Garden Association, Inc.  
Capuchin Soup Kitchen  
CIA Officers Memorial Foundation  
Dutchess County Historical Society  
Dutchess County Regional Science Fair  
Dutchess County SPCA  
Dutchess Outreach, Inc.  
End of Life Choices New York  
First Reformed Church of Fishkill  
Foundation for Vassar Brothers Medical Center  
Franciscan Sisters of the Eucharist  
Franklin Pierce University  
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Friends of the Great Swamp  
Friends of the Irondale Schoolhouse  
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Howland Chamber Music Circle  
Hudson River Sloop Clearwater, Inc.  
Hudson Valley Home Matters  
Hudson Valley Philharmonic String Competition  
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Indian Land Tenure Foundation  
International Rescue Committee, Inc.  
Jewish Federation of Dutchess County, Inc.  
LCU Foundation  
Lucky Orphans Horse Rescue, Inc.  
Mediation Center of Dutchess County, Inc.  
Mill Street Loft, Inc.  
Montclair Early Childhood Corporation  
Myers Corners Elementary School  
North East Community Center  
NorthEast-Millerton Library  
Phillies Bridge Farm Project, Inc.  
Planned Parenthood of the Mid-Hudson Valley, Inc.  
Polyphony H. S.  
Poughkeepsie Public Library District  
Rondout Valley Growers Association  
Roy C. Ketcham High School  
Rural & Migrant Ministry, Inc.  
S.T.E.P. Schools to End Poverty  
Shriner's Hospital for Children  
Spark Media Project  
Sparrows Nest of the Hudson Valley  
Stanford Free Library  
Stringendo, Inc. - Orchestra School of the Hudson Valley  
The Child Abuse Prevention Center  
The REAL Skills Network Inc.  
Tour De Force Bike Ride, Inc.  
Town of Wappingers Little League Assoc. Inc.  
Vassar Temple  
Wild Earth Wilderness School  
Women's Studio Workshop  
Woodstock Byrdcliffe Guild

## Contributing Donor Advised Funds

Anne Parks Strain Flower Fund  
Anonymous Fund  
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Dan and Mary Mullan Fund  
Downey-Alexander Family Fund  
Dr. Jeffrey S. Perchick Memorial Donor Advised Fund  
DRA Imaging, P.C. Fund  
Foundation for Community Health Fund  
Gellert Family Donor Advised Fund  
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Kirchhoff Family Fund  
Lucie M. Walker Memorial Fund  
Mary L. McKee Fund  
Melissa D. Bisaccia Memorial Donor Advised Fund  
Miriam and Burton Gold Donor Advised Fund  
Myron Gold Fund  
Richard S. and Harriet K. Fein Donor Advised Fund  
Ritter Family Fund  
Robert G. Auchincloss Advised Fund  
Stanford Free Library Donor Designated Fund  
Stevens Family Fund

## For the Savvy Philanthropist



Nathaniel S. Prentice,  
Altium Wealth Management, LLC  
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Foundation of Putnam County

## I already have a charitable gift fund with a corporate provider. Why should I create a fund with the Community Foundations of the Hudson Valley?

When you create a donor advised fund with us, you will benefit from many additional services not available through commercial providers, including:

- **Personal attention and assistance:** If you have questions about nonprofits addressing key issues in our region, our professional and expert staff has the knowledge of local nonprofit leadership and programs to assist you in your granting decisions.
- **Peace of mind:** Our staff carefully vets and conducts due diligence and follow-up with nonprofits to ensure funds are being spent as you intended.
- **Community connections:** We offer you opportunities for education and networking with other community-minded philanthropists.
- **Local focus:** A percentage of our administrative fees are returned to the community via technical assistance and education programs to strengthen nonprofits in our region.

## Putnam Meets Dyson Challenge *continued from page 1*

\$11,000 in first-time education grants. Additionally, a handful of Putnam nonprofits, such as Green Chimneys and Hillside Food Outreach, have received grants through other competitive grant programs. Now, thanks to the Dyson Challenge, Putnam County nonprofits will be eligible to receive support through the Community Response Grants program for capacity and program building.

"This is truly a fund by and for the people of Putnam County. We are thrilled to be able to move forward with it," said Nathaniel S. Prentice, Chair of the Putnam County Advisory Board. The Dyson Challenge goal was met well ahead of a 2018 deadline, a clear demonstration of Putnam County residents' belief in the fund's importance to the community.

"Thanks to our donors' generosity, Putnam can now begin to offer nonprofit assistance where it is needed most while growing a permanent

legacy that will provide ongoing future support," said Nancy Rossi Brownell, Vice President for Putnam County. She also emphasized that though the initial challenge has been met, efforts to grow the fund are ongoing and the generosity shouldn't stop. "The larger the endowment, the larger the capacity to fulfill our donors' charitable goals by putting more back into Putnam."

With support from the Cleopatra Fund, students at Green Chimneys train and care for rescued dogs to make them more adoptable as pets. Working with the dogs helps students reduce anxiety and improve emotional resilience.

Green Chimneys



Grant applications can be accessed beginning August 1 online at [www.CommunityFoundationsHV.org](http://www.CommunityFoundationsHV.org)

# Garden Party 2016

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In her lifetime of learning and giving back, Sue counts her affiliation with Community Foundations of Hudson Valley among her most valuable learning experiences, stating, "It has opened me to the myriad programs and organizations that the Community Foundations touches, and the needs it has addressed." In equal measure, the Community Foundations has benefitted from Sue's long involvement as a past board member and its first woman chair.

Likewise, Gloria Turk is a well-known and beloved figure at the Community Foundations' offices. Gloria and her late husband Nathan "Toolie" Turk established the Turk Family Fund as a donor advised fund in 1997. "It has been a pleasure to support the organizations I love, and have the Community Foundations act on my behalf to distribute those grants," says Gloria. "We have enjoyed a great working relationship." Among the many organizations that have received support from the Turk Family Fund are Mill Street Loft, Vassar Temple, WAMC North-east Public Radio, and the Jewish Federation of Dutchess County.

Following in the footsteps of parents Gloria and Toolie Turk, Steve and Shelley Turk ardently support the Community Foundations and the greater Hudson Valley through their gracious service and contributions to area health initiatives and regional coalitions. Longstanding residents of Ulster County, the Turks own and operate the Rocking Horse Ranch Resort, an all-inclusive family destination in Highland, NY,

and Splashdown Beach Waterpark in Fishkill, NY. Steve served on the board of the Community Foundations from 2000-2005 and Shelley formerly served on the board and as treasurer of Miles of Hope Breast Cancer Foundation, which holds several funds with the Community Foundations.

Each year, the Community Foundations' Garden Party Committee selects a distinctive Hudson Valley location to highlight the exceptional nature of the Garden Party and its honorees. This year's event will be held at Opus 40 in Saugerties, NY, a world-acclaimed bluestone sculpture park, hand constructed over 38 years by the late Harvey Fite, a founder of the Bard College Fine Arts Department.

Please join us for the Garden Party on **Sunday, September 25**. Visit [www.CommunityFoundationsHV.org](http://www.CommunityFoundationsHV.org) to purchase tickets, journal ads and sponsorships.

