Back in the late 1980s, Samuel Cantor walked into Jamestown High School and introduced himself to then principal, James McElrath. He said his wife, Jasmine Zuckerman Cantor, graduated from JHS and asked if he could have a tour of the building. When they were finished, he turned to James and told him of his plans to establish a scholarship fund in his wife’s name for the best and brightest graduating seniors.

After helping to establish the scholarship foundation nearly thirty years ago, attorney, Sherwood S. Cadwell, Esq., recently approached the Chautauqua Region Community Foundation, on behalf of its officers, asking it to continue administration of the fund.

At the Community Foundation, the Jasmine L. Cantor Memorial Fund will continue to preserve the memory of Jasmine, and her husband, Samuel, by providing financial assistance to graduating Jamestown High School seniors attending a four-year college or university. Applications for this scholarship can be found in the high school’s guidance department.

Jasmine was born on February 17, 1906, to Samuel and Esther Zuckerman, proprietors of Zuckerman’s Clothing Store in Jamestown. Being very musically inclined, Jasmine would play and sing for family and friends at social gatherings. Like many other aspiring and talented young people, at some point, she decided to pursue a career in show business. She left Western New York for the bright lights of New York City, where in addition to attending school, took the stage name, Jerry Lee, and was hired as a dancer for the Zeigfield Follies.

Running from 1907 through 1931, the Follies were a succession of lavish revues, a cross between today’s Broadway and yesterday’s Vaudeville. The “Ziegfield Girls”, a centerpiece of the shows, always wore elaborate (somewhat risqué for the times) costumes and were known for their “high stepping.” Many celebrities of the day began their careers at the Follies, including W.C. Fields, Eddie Cantor, Bob Hope, and Will Rogers.

While in the City, Jasmine met Samuel Cantor. Born and raised in Brooklyn, the only one of five children to graduate from college, over time, he became a successful attorney. The couple married in 1932 and traveled extensively, living in Arizona and Florida, as well as, California. Jasmine must have been familiar with famous comedian and Ziegfield Follies headliner, Eddie Cantor (no relation); for she wrote to tell him her new nephew had been named Eddy. The entertainer sent gifts and a personal letter to the boy upon receipt of this news.

Eddie Cantor was not the only connection Jasmine had to entertainment royalty, however. One day, the Cantors found themselves neighbors to Lucille Ball and Desi Arnaz in Rancho Mirage, California, a resort city located outside Los Angeles. To this day, the Cantor’s nephew, Eddy, cherishes a photograph of his Aunt Jasmine seated between Lucille Ball and Desi Arnaz. Framed in the same picture is a personal letter written in 1956, signed by Lucy to Jasmine.

After her death in April 1986, Samuel reconnected with his nephew now living in Florida and moved there to be nearer to him and his wife, Helaine. After his passing in 1994, at the age of 88, he was buried next to his wife in Jamestown.
Scholarship applications for current college students and graduating high school seniors are now available online at www.crcfonline.org. Awards will be given to students enrolled during the 2015-2016 academic year.

The application process is simple, with one application necessary to match students with the scholarships that best match their course of study. All applications are due June 1, with supportive material, including transcripts and financial aid information due June 30. Students who have received awards in the past still need to apply as applications do not carry over from year to year.

With over 200 scholarship funds that support high school seniors, college undergraduate and graduate students, there truly is something for everyone. Scholarships support students studying health care, vocations, technology, business, art and more. There are also awards for students studying at two-year or four-year institutions.

For questions, or if an applicant needs further assistance, contact Lisa Lynde at 661-3390 or via email, llynde@crcfonline.org.

Over $1 Million available to local high school seniors and college students!

The Marra Family St. Bonaventure University Scholarship is now available to students graduating from Jamestown, Falconer, Frewsburg Maple Grove, and Southwestern High Schools.
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Reminders of Our Past

Over the past year, we have been making changes and updating our website to provide easier access and more information, now we need your help!

We are looking for photos and biographies of the many individuals and families that have established funds at the foundation. The stories and images we collect and add to our website and to our fund files, keep memories and history alive for generations to come.

Photos and biographies may be submitted via mail or can be brought to our office, 418 Spring Street, Jamestown.

For questions, contact our office at (716) 661-3390.

Thank you very much for assisting with this project.
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Gifts were made in memory of the following individuals and organizations between July 1, 2014 and December 31, 2014

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Gust Constantine
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In Memory of...Ron Cotten

Through the Veterans Memorial Park Relocation Project, we had the wonderful opportunity to meet, and get to know, Ron Cotten.

For years, Ron served as chairman of the Veterans Memorial Commission in Jamestown, and led the fundraising attempts to move the Memorial from near Jamestown High School, to the corner of Logan and Harding Avenues. The memorial was completed and rededicated in November 2014.

Ron was also instrumental in making sure every veteran buried in Lake View Cemetery had a grave marker.

It was with great sadness that we learned of Ron’s passing in January. We will certainly miss having him in our community, but know his memory will live on in those he knew and loved.
Join us **Monday, May 18** at Moon Brook Country Club for our 18th Annual Golf Tournament.

The event will begin with an 11 a.m. shotgun start. As players make their way around the course, they will be scored on the best two balls out of four. Lunch will be served on the course, with dinner in the Clubhouse following play. Guests will also have the opportunity to win a number of prizes throughout the afternoon including a 50/50 raffle that, last year, awarded nearly $700 to one lucky recipient!

All proceeds from the tournament benefit the Fund for the Region. To date, over $250,000 has been raised from the tournament and granted to local organizations to support a variety of projects and initiatives to better our community!

There are still many opportunities to get involved, whether as a sponsor or a player. For more information, contact our office at (716) 661-3390.

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One of the most effective, but simplest ways you can support the Chautauqua Region Community Foundation, or any charitable organization, is by including a gift in your will. Also known as a charitable bequest, a gift made through your will can benefit both you and the causes most important to you.

Why might you want to make a charitable bequest? Here are some of the benefits of bequest giving:

- **A bequest is flexible**—You can make a gift today by including a provision in your will and change your mind anytime in the future.
- **With a bequest, you can give as much or as little as you want to a cause without impacting your lifestyle today.**
- **You may continue to benefit from and make use of your assets** (your home, stocks, IRA, etc.) during your lifetime since the gift is made when you pass away.
- **It typically costs nothing to add a charitable bequest to your first will or at a later date when you decide to update your plan.**
- **You can create a legacy in which you will be remembered through bequest giving.**
As the sun breaks through the gray, February sky and fills the research library at Roger Tory Peterson Institute, Robert and Patricia Sundell recount the past 60 years together and how it all started with fate.

During the summer of 1955, while on break from the State University of New York Potsdam School of Music, Patricia took a job at Chautauqua Institution as an usher at Norton Hall. “It was the only summer I ever worked at Chautauqua,” Patricia says.

That same summer, Robert was on a field trip with his biology class as part of his course requirements at Allegheny College. His brother, who worked at a hotel at Chautauqua, would often send letters to Robert about his summer and the one girl he had been seeing that he couldn’t wait for Robert to meet.

Growing up in Jamestown, Robert attributes his interest in nature to his father. For years, every Sunday morning, his father and a group of his friends would get together and head up to a piece of land that one of the men owned near Gerry, NY.

“It wasn’t until he was a student at, what was then called Washington Junior High School that a teacher challenged him to report the types of birds he saw. “I got really into it because (the teacher) and some other teachers and students, received a lot of stimulation from him. It was a lot of fun,” Robert says.

Robert went on to receive a Bachelor of Science degree in Biology from Allegheny College and a Master of Science degree in Wildlife Management from Michigan State University. He has traveled the world teaching, learning and bird watching with his wife and family.

For Patricia, growing up in Brooklyn, NY, she would often spend time in Prospect Park near her home until her family moved to Geneva.

“I spent my junior high and high school years in Geneva (NY) and friends and I would bike on Saturday mornings to a wooded area with a creek. We enjoyed nature and hiking and exploring,” Patricia remembers. During this time, she was also a member of the Junior Audubon Society.

In 1965, when a job opened up in the Biology department at Jamestown Community College, it didn’t take long for the Sundells to decide to settle in Jamestown.

“The natural beauty of this area,” Robert says, “is not appreciated by a lot of people who live here and take it for granted. When people take the chance to look around, they can’t believe it!”

“The centerpiece of Chautauqua County is certainly the lake, and the hills are beautiful,” Patricia adds.

As charter members of the Jamestown Audubon Society, Robert and Patricia have become involved in a number of local environmental organizations such as the Chautauqua Watershed Conservancy and The Roger Tory Peterson Institute of Natural History.

In 2004, the couple established The Robert and Patricia Sundell Environmental Fund at the Chautauqua Region Community Foundation to provide financial support to the environment, today, and into the future.

“It’s an investment in the future that we can see every year that we are alive,” Patricia says. “And even when we are gone, it will still be around.”

In addition to the Sundell’s fund, the Community Foundation’s Fund for the Region provides financial support to guarantee the natural beauty of the Chautauqua region is available for generations to come.
During the first round of community service grants, grants were awarded to YMCA Camp Onyahsa, Jamestown Audubon Society, Robert H. Jackson Center, Chautauqua Watershed Conservancy, Village of Mayville, Valley Historical Society, Fenton History Center, Chautauqua Township Historical Museum, Chautauqua County Humane Society, Marshal Martz Astronomical Association, Town of North Harmony, CODE, Inc., Jamestown Learning Council and Winifred Crawford Dibert Boys and Girls Club of Jamestown.