



Cultural Round Table

County Culture: It's more than you think!

**Cultural Round Table
Shire Hall, Picton
Mar 19th – 4.30 pm – 6.00 pm**

Present:

Wendy Lane – County of Prince Edward, Recreation, Parks and Culture, Jean Anne Carroll – County of Prince Edward, EDO, Rick Zimmerman – Independent Artist, Monica Feller – Angeline's, Sarah Phillips – County Summer Theatre, Carlyn Moulton – Oeno Gallery

Note that the meeting was not held on the regular night due to March break. Many regular attendees had other standing commitments. Discussion around items # 3 and # 6 are to be continued at the next regular meeting on May 14th.

Minutes:

1. The April 9 meeting will be a "Meet and Greet" at Angeline's Inn and Spa in Bloomfield from 4.30 – 6. A sign up sheet will be brought, the people that participated in Trade Secrets at the Rally will be invited.
2. **The Cultural Round Table Annual presentation to Council** will take place at 7.30pm in Council Chambers on April 28. Presentation will introduce idea of Cultural Capital application, but not a specific concept for the execution as that has yet to be explored. Rick will provide documentation in advance to Jean Anne for printing and distribution to Council. Carlyn will provide a one pager to Rick on the Community Foundation. 10 days in advance of the council presentation Rick will catch up with John Dickson and Andy Thompson (co-chairs) of the Community Foundation Committee. Rick to use the Campbellford Community Foundation as an example in the presentation of what is possible.
3. **CRT Request of Council** - What are we asking Council for as the CRT? Thought should be put to this in preparation for a presentation to Council in the Fall, to coincide with the Cultural Capitals presentation. What is the possibility of tax incentives to reward cultural investment in the community? What about a fund for Culture? Other municipalities have "1% for Culture". Is there a way for the CRT to engage Council in the importance of Culture to their constituents? This discussion to be continued with the broader group in the May 14th CRT meeting.
4. **Cultural Capitals** –Application for a JCP resource to coordinate the Cultural Capitals Application to be completed. Presentation to Council re application to occur in the Fall.
5. **Community Foundation** - The Community Foundation continues to have committee meetings and to move forward. The Committee members represent 2 main areas – one group is driving the structure of the Foundation, the other is driving the Fundraising aspect. A minor fee is being asked of persons who wish to be on the voting panel and steering committee to cover incidentals and applications for funding have been submitted to PELA CFDC, the Stark and the Parrot Funds. The Community Foundation will have a very broad mission and will hopefully be able to support many ideas. One idea that has arisen is the concept of having a micro lending site set up for PEC along the lines of myc4.com
6. **Support and Endorse Community Activities** – What is the role of the CRT in acting as a catalyst for volunteerism? This discussion to be continued with the broader group in the May 14th CRT meeting. Could something be done on the website, can we build on the idea of trade secrets? Volunteer & Information Quinte has a website where you can both advertise and sign up for volunteer opportunities, they also run a column in the paper.
7. **Shameless Promotions** –
Rick Zimmerman – Rising Stars will be at the Picton Fair again for 2008
Carlyn Moulton- Oeno Gallery will be holding it's opening on April 11th. The gallery is looking for sales help in the gallery.
Wendy Lane – Macaulay Heritage Park is holding a Show and Tell to which you can bring an artifact for assessment. They are short of persons with art expertise for this.
Jean Anne Carroll – Enterprise Quinte is holding an Artists and Artisans Conference on March 31 at PECC from 9am – 4pm.