



## **Community Foundation of Kawartha Lakes**

### **Bobcaygeon & Area Covid-19 Relief Fund Bobcaygeon Advisors**

April 3, 2020

The Bobcaygeon Advisors are volunteers selected by Councillor Kathleen Seymour-Fagan to respond directly to the inquiries for support and provide local advice to the Community Foundation of Kawartha Lakes regarding the needs of the community.

#### **Dianne Lister – Committee Chair**

Dianne has been a resident of Bobcaygeon since 2013. She chose to return to the beautiful Kawartha region after working as Vice President at Trent University (2006-2011). Dianne provides consulting services for non-profit organizations in the areas of strategic planning, human resources and stakeholder relations, and works with leaders as an executive coach. She is a photographer and multi-media artist, and has exhibited in Toronto, Creemore, Peterborough and Lindsay.

Dianne has a background in law, and community development and ran large charities including Sick Kids Foundation and the ROM Foundation. She is a founding Board member of the Kawartha Lakes Arts Council, and a director of the Canadian Canoe Museum, where she chairs the Exhibit Design Committee.

#### **Ann Adare**

After a successful 20-year career in the Financial Services Industry in various management roles, Ann switched gears returning to school to pursue studies in horticulture and landscape design while providing administrative management support to a family owned computer consulting business.

A lifetime Bobcaygeon cottager, Ann made Bobcaygeon her full-time home in 2015 and now operates a small cottage rental business.

Bolstered by a strong desire to help the Bobcaygeon community thrive, Ann has lent her time and experience to help support local volunteer committees. Ann is actively involved in Impact

32; Environmental Action Bobcaygeon; Kawartha Land Trust (Big/Boyd/Chiminish Island); Bobcaygeon Builds-Habitat for Humanity; The Bobcaygeon Communities in Bloom initiative; Fall Fair/Homecraft Team; Bobcaygeon Trail Town and COKL Heritage Committees.

Ann's focus is on assisting local groups to work together on community-oriented projects.

### **Elizabeth Byrnes**

Throughout her successful career with the Toronto Police Service, Liz worked in progressively more responsible roles moving from investigator to planner to Senior Manager to her final posting as Unit Commander of one of the busiest police divisions in Canada.

Originally from Toronto (Scarborough), Liz fell in love with the beautiful area of Kawartha Lakes known as Bethany hills where she and her partner now live. For over 45 years, she and her family have made Bobcaygeon her summer home and now living so close to Bobcaygeon, she is able to participate in community events year-round.

In retirement she has expanded her love of music by volunteering with the Bobcaygeon Music Council first as a board member and now as a volunteer. Always a lover of travel, in 2017 Liz became an independent travel consultant. In 2019 Liz became a designated Minister with authority to perform weddings as well as life celebrations including funerals, memorials and naming ceremonies.

### **Jelle Visser**

Graduating Teacher's College in 1963, Jelle entered GM of Canada in the Computing Dept. After successive roles, including starting the Advanced Technical Development group for GM of Canada, Jelle was transferred to Detroit headquarters to manage Information Technology within the Corp financial staff.

Jelle had various roles throughout his career including Director of the Dayton Data Center, servicing the needs of the 5 GM Ohio divisions; managing the Corporate Data Center in Detroit; Director of System Development for Chevrolet Motor Division; General Director - EDS of Mexico, growing and serving many companies with computer and communication services as NAFTA was being introduced.

Jelle's last assignment was in Rochester NY, as Division VP, managing the information needs of Xerox in Mexico, Brazil, Canada, China and Hong Kong.

After a fun and exciting ride in the corporate world, Jelle retired in 1999 subsequently serving on several boards, church and service groups.

**Kathy Dufton**

Kathy has lived in Barrie, Ontario for 30 years, after moving there from Toronto. Kathy managed a large dental office in Barrie for 24 years, and brings well-honed administrative skills to support the committee. Kathy has a wonderful blended family which include 6 sons, one daughter and 10 grandchildren. She enjoys scrapbooking and being a stay-at-home Grandma.

In addition to all being actively engaged on our community, the group provides a diverse set of skills and experience on which to draw including fundraising, operations, human resources, business, change and crisis management and administrative skills.

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