



SUNSHINE MONTHLY

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Greetings from Your President

By Helen Howard

Hello, Ladies,

The Spring Coffee @ Ashley Hewitt's home was beautiful. For those of you who did not come, you missed good food, conversation, laughter and friends. Many thanks to Trisha Jetton and her committee for such a wonderful party.

All the committees are having planning meetings and hopefully they will have great news for us at the May meeting.

Don't forget that the LAROSE GRANT AWARD will be given to a deserving person at the May meeting. This is a surprise and a great day for the recipient.

If you have been a recipient, you know how exciting it was for you. Please come and welcome our 2013 LA ROSE GRANT RECIPIENT.

All but 18 active members have paid their dues. Be sure to see Judy Crowther to pay yours.

Remember we still need some couples for the Speedway Children's Charities Gala. Call Carolyn Bass if you are interested in attending.

Have a wonderful month of May. Remember everything we do is for the good of the children.

Love and blessings,,,,,,,,, Helen

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Special Projects

By Elizabeth Phillips

The Special Projects Committee is gearing up for a great year! Uniforms have been ordered for our schools and will arrive and be distributed prior to the 2013-2014 academic school year. We are also looking into ways to help our 5 spotlight schools. Meetings will be scheduled with these school principles to determine how best we can help them work toward their long-term goals. In the past, we have donated soccer posts, PE equipment, iPads, character education materials, and complete leveled reader book sets. It will be exciting to see how we will partner with schools this year to improve the chances of success for thousands of area children.

If you would like to be included on the Special Projects Committee email list, please let me know. You are invited to help as much or as little as your time allows. We currently have a need for a school liaison. We also have many other ways to help throughout the year!

La Rose Grant

Our last General Meeting until the Fall is May 9th. Please come and celebrate with us as we announce and present The LaRose Grant award to our 2013 recipient.



Showcase of Artisans

By Judy Galit/Joanne

We are looking for new artists/vendors to participate in our next fundraiser "Showcase of Artisans" to be held on Nov 16th, 2013. As you are out and about visiting crafts shows and/or know of artists, please keep Charity League "Showcase of Artisans" in your mind. We are always looking for new artists/vendors who will bring their talents to our Showcase. We are looking for artists and their crafts, which will appeal to the population who attend the "Showcase of Artisans" fair. Please get their business cards and/or names, addresses, telephone number, email address and web site if applicable. Let them know about Charity League and direct them to our web site charityleagueofcharlotte.org for more information. Please forward the information to Judy Galit 704-846-1416 or email at judygalit@gmail.com. Thank you for all your help in advance!

Charity League Workshop by Elaine Crusan

We would love to hear from all of you regarding new craft ideas, which would be created by members of the Charity League Workshop. It takes many members to make Charity League workshop a success and we count on all of you for your ideas, time and talents. We need as many members to participate in the workshops and we already have some exciting new ideas that will appeal to many of you! A meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 20th at Elaine's house at 10:30am to discuss ideas and workshop opportunities. Please contact Elaine Crusan at 704-904-4460 or email elainecrusan@yahoo.com if you would like to attend the meeting to find out more about the workshops. Thank you for your ideas, time and talent... all of you make a huge difference in the success of Charity League Showcase of Artisans!

A special thank you from Tricia Jetton...

Hello Ladies! I want to thank my wonderful committee for all the help with the Spring Coffee last month; it was a special day! Everything came together beautifully, thanks to all the cooks, organizers, florists, silver polishers, etc. AND of course, to Ashley for opening her beautiful home! For those of you who came, thank you TOO for joining us. For those of you who were not able to join us, I hope all is well and that you will plan to join us next year! Blessings to all for a happy Spring!

Care, Concern, & Congratulations

By Becky Vandergriff

People will often say, "Do you want the good news or the bad news first?" Without asking, I'm giving you the good news first...the CONGRATULATIONS.

FRANCES PITTS was hospitalized with lung issues a while back. She was moved first to Carrington Place but is now well enough to be moved to an assisted living facility in South Carolina to be nearer her children.

GENA RENFROW was honored recently with a luncheon by her colleagues having been voted Hospice Social Worker of the Year 2013. Congratulations, Gena!

JUDY CROWTHER is "out and about" but is still suffering with her back problems.

BEVERLY BURGESS has good news to report! After the doctors changed her nausea medication she has improved immensely and is almost back to her normal appetite and food interests. She was able to travel other than doctor's visits for their anniversary...the first time since she got sick in September, 2011.

ANNE LUMADUE who broke her pelvis in two places a few weeks ago was able to drive to and then walk with a cane (not a walker) first the April General Meeting and then the Annual Spring Coffee. Way to go, Anne!

Now for our CARE AND CONCERN news: FAY COKER's husband, Wallie, had surgery recently. It will be a long slow healing process but the surgery was successful.

JILL HAZEL's husband, Dwaine, was recently hospitalized with pneumonia and is recovering.

JANICE POLLOCK's sister was here visiting recently following a hip replacement. It popped out of place and she had to be hospitalized here.

SHERRILL SUITER fell recently and broke two bones in her shoulder. The doctor's were waiting to see how it would heal before deciding to do surgery.

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(*Care, Concern, & Congrats*, Cont. from p. 2)

JEANNE REYNOLDS has been hospitalized this week after collapsing in the elevator on the way to Cardiac Rehab. She has an irregular heart rhythm and is having a lot of tests run to determine what keeps causing this problem.

Please keep all these ladies in your prayers and cards would be appreciated.

May Birthdays:

22 Ashley Hewitt

28 Leta Hawn Swartz

31 Carol Lawing

*Let the works of my hands
and the sincerity of my heart
be acceptable in thy sight.
Oh Lord, my strength and my
redeemer. Amen."*

Yearbook

By Judy

The new yearbooks have been given or mailed to all members of Charity League. After doing this project for about 20 years (16 recently and more in the 70s and early 80s), I am giving it up to Lauran Godwin. If you find errors (and there are bound to be some), please send the corrections to Lauran preferably at LauranGodwin@carolina.rr.com. If you are unable to do it by e-mail, call her at 704-542-8543. For a little bit of history in the earlier years, there were over 300 members and all was done on a typewriter. We also had names listed in the following categories: Active, Inactive, Honorary, Life Members, Non-resident and Professional.

Correction: Page 14, Gail McQuay, birthday 9/27
- It is listed in the Birthday Section.

Speedway Children's Charities

By Carolyn Bass

Thanks so much to those of you who signed up to attend the Gala on Wednesday, May 22nd. Our table is now full, but I desperately need more volunteers for the check-in. You would need to be at the Ritz Carlton between 5:30 & 5:45 to make sure that we are ready when the guest start to arrive. There will be a light dinner in one of the rooms for all volunteers. Please e-mail me at carolynbass@yahoo.com or call me at (704) 892-4145 if you could give a couple of hours of your time.

These are the volunteers I have so far: Donna Mauerhan, Brenda Rorie and Elaine Crusan. It would be great if you could contact each other and carpool. I will send you an e-mail closer to the time with any additional information.

There are still events going on during Race Week where volunteers are needed. You can go directly to the site and sign-up for a time that is convenient for you if you could help out at the Speedway, especially on the 25th and 26th.

If you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you in advance for your support and assistance.

Fashion Show Committee wants you!

The date for the 2014 Annual Fashion Show and Auction is set for March 27, 2014 at Carmel Country Club. I am still soliciting members for my committee. If you are interested you may contact me at janice.pollock@yahoo.com or 704-614-8700. I will be holding a committee meeting in the near future and will contact anyone that responds to me.

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CALENDAR

May Board Meeting

Thursday, **May 2nd**, 10:00 am
St. Gabriel Catholic Church

General Monthly Meeting

Thursday, **May 9th**
10:00 am (social time)
10:30am (meeting begins)
St. Gabriel Catholic Church
Administration Bldg, Rooms A/B

Showcase of Artisans Committee Meeting

Monday May 6th
10:30am
at the home of Judy Galit

Showcase of Artisans Workshop Meeting

Monday, May 20th
10:30am
at the home of Elaine Crusan

SCC Gala

Wednesday, **May 22nd**
5:30pm
The Ritz Carlton



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