

# SUNSHINE MONTHLY

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## PRESIDENT'S LETTER

LAYNE SABERT

We are finally getting some real winter weather, which I appreciate, knowing there are months of heat and humidity waiting for us in the summer. I love being able to wear my winter clothes and enjoy several months of my naturally curly hair being free of the frizzies! Of course, since we are in Charlotte, that means before you even read this letter, we will go from turtlenecks to tee shirts and then back to warmer clothing.

In just under two months the Hyatt Centric will be buzzing with our members and their guests at the Spring Fundraiser. I encourage everyone to invite family and friends to this long-standing event, which is crucial to our fundraising efforts. Your presence will make a difference to create a positive impact on the children we serve.

Sincerely,  
Layne

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

February 1, 10:00 am  
Board Meeting  
Hyatt Centric SouthPark

February 8, 10:45 am  
General Meeting  
SouthPark Regional Library

### SAVE THE DATE

Friday, March 22, 2024  
CLC Spring Fundraiser Luncheon  
Hyatt Centric SouthPark

## CARE AND CONCERN

HELEN HOWARD

Doris Wolf lost her brother this month. He lived in Raleigh. Please remember her in your prayers and with a card.

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO OUR FEBRUARY BIRTHDAY GIRLS:



7 Elizabeth Phillips  
9 Justice Morton  
15 Madison Dee  
20 Tink Hamilton

## SERVICE PROJECTS

ANGIE MARSHALL

### Hidden Valley Elementary Elizabeth Phillips

We are looking forward to sharing our love with the teachers in February with a Pizza Luncheon on Valentines Day! If you would like to share a valentine or a message of appreciation to the teachers, I can collect them at the February General Meeting. If you are a baker, we will be collecting desserts (drop off on my porch by Tuesday, February 13). I'll need a couple of volunteers to help set up too, so please see the Sign-up Genius for specifics.

In January, we organized donated coats, and they are going to good use in the cold weather! One child arrived in the warmest clothes they had, a bathrobe, and the school was able to send them home with a warm coat instead. School staff continue to be thankful for how organized and well-stocked the Hub is. They can quickly outfit children in need, so that they can return to the classroom, ready to learn. Individual needs can vary, from replacing torn, ill-fitting borrowed clothes, to providing new pants when a simple mishap on the playground splits a child's seam. I'm glad we are providing dignity to these precious children, showing them that they are cared for and important.

We have also taken an inventory for the Spring and will be ordering for the warmer months soon. I will keep the following Sign-Up Genius updated with opportunities to unbox and organize the closet. Help is always welcome!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0B4CA8AE2CABF85-44565812-hidden>

### Albemarle Elementary Lisha Morton

We are so pleased to have regular volunteers in the Hub at Albemarle Road. The Hub is staying very organized thanks to Carolyn Pollack who made new labels for the bins and created a more workable system. This week, Susan Carr, Carolyn Stroud and I sorted coats and moved them out to the mobile unit where they are kept. Albemarle now has a great supply of coats, and every child who needs one should be able to get it.

Thank you to Susan Carr as well for giving the work room and staff lounge a much-needed cleaning.

## MEMBERSHIP

ALECIA JOHNSON

\*Please Look for your Annual Dues Notice (2024-2025) at the end of the month\*

## NOMINATING COMMITTEE

STEPHANIE THERRELL

The nominating committee will be meeting on February 1st to discuss open board positions for the 2024-2025 fiscal year, starting June 1st. Open positions on the board are Vice President/President Elect, Treasurer and Secretary. We thank the outgoing board members, Susan Carr and Kirstan Hamilton for their service on the Charity League Board. We appreciate all of your time and talent!

If you would like to serve or know someone who would like to serve on the CLC board, please reach out to Stephanie Therrell, Layne Sabert or Alecia Johnson. Thanks!

## FUNDRAISING EVENTS

MARCY MCKENNEY



Spring is in the air! Please join us to support The Charity League of Charlotte on Friday, March 22nd. ***And be sure to invite your family and friends!***

I also met with Ms. Atkins and scheduled the Teacher Appreciation events for the rest of the year. Our next Hub workday is 2/6 at 10am and we'd love to have your help.

Please use the following link for the Sign-Up Genius if you can volunteer for a Hub workday or a teacher appreciation event:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10COB4CA8AE2CABF85-44530845-albemarle#/>

### Devonshire Elementary Angie Marshall

I have had some very productive meetings with the staff, which have helped to better understand the school's current needs.

Jamie, our Rea Farms Elementary liaison, joined me last week for an eye-opening tour of Devonshire. She met several teachers and staff members, having insightful conversations with each group. She has collaborated with her principal and PTA to formulate an action plan to address some of Devonshire's most critical needs.

In the meantime, one thing they could really use is our support in the media center. Volunteer days for this will soon be available on the school's Signup Genius.

Layne, Marcy, and I also worked in the hub, organizing the surplus school supplies. And, looking ahead, exciting plans are in motion for a Spring Treats Day, as well as a special morning featuring Detour Coffee.

Lastly, I am looking to build a strong team for Devonshire with 2-3 folks, and most importantly a team lead. Please reach out for more information at 704-907-2140.

Following is the link to the Sign-Up Genius as well:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10COB4CA8AE2CABF85-44514690-devonshire#/>

- We are honored once again to have Kristen Miranda, WBTV personality and friend of Charity League, serving as our Mistress of Ceremonies.
- The guest speaker and silent auction items will be announced prior to the event.
- Please let me know if you or any of your guests have dietary restrictions.
- CLC member volunteer opportunities are available both on the day of the event and the day prior (Signup Genius will be sent out separately).

Tickets are \$75 and may be purchased by clicking this LINK [CLC Luncheon 2024](#)

If you are unable to join us for the luncheon, please consider making a donation instead, which can also be done directly on the website.

OR, if you prefer to pay by check for either a ticket or donation, make it payable to Charity League of Charlotte and send it to me at: 10833 Round Rock Road, Charlotte, NC 28277.



## SPEEDWAY CHILDREN’S CHARITIES

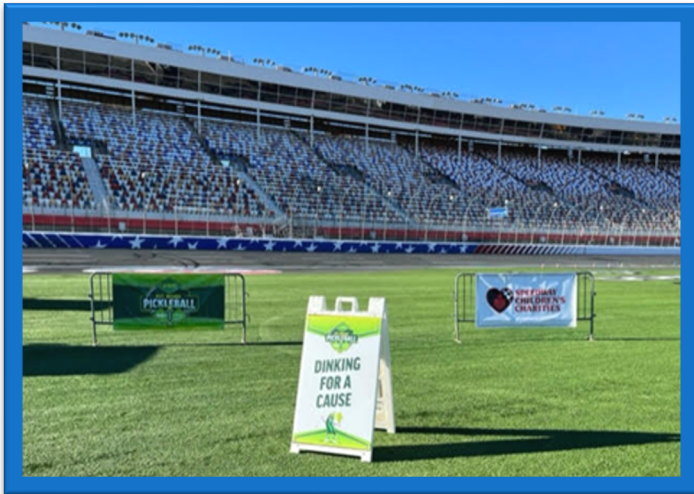
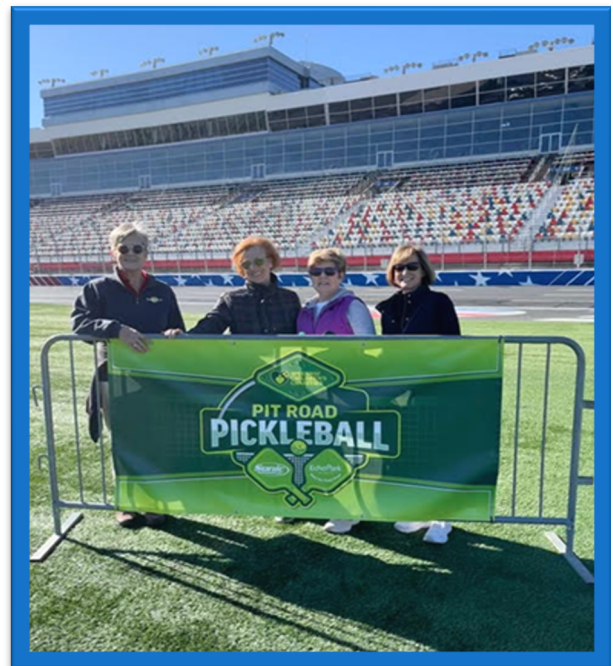
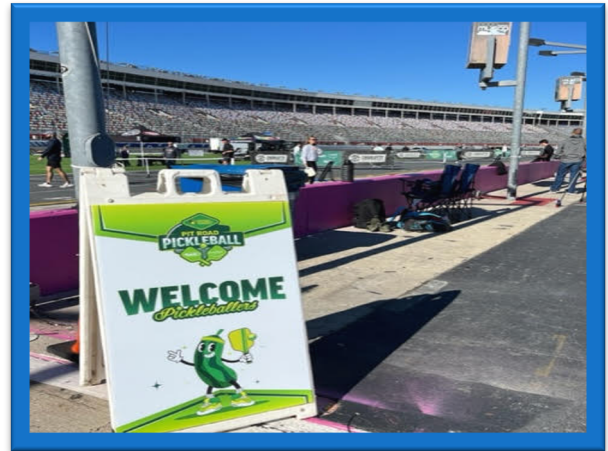
Carolyn Bass

I hope that everyone has been staying well and warm during these crazy weather days we've been having.

I want to say a special "Thank You" to Susan Carr, Marcy McKenney and Carolyn Pollack, along with my friend, Linda Spitz, for coming out to the Speedway on January 11th to volunteer at the Inaugural "Pickleball Tournament". It was a fun afternoon!

We are gearing up for the 42nd Annual Speedway Children's Charities Gala, which will be held May 22nd at the Ritz-Carlton, Uptown. The Honoree this year will be Kevin Harvick. There will also be opportunities this spring to help with more SCC events, and I hope that you will consider volunteering some time at those. Look for announcements coming soon.

SCC Grant applications will open again in the next few weeks, and close on June 28th. Charity League was fortunate to be one of the recipients this past year, and we are so thankful for all that SCC has done for us over the years.



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