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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

LAYNE SABERT

A big thank you to Fall Fundraiser Co-chairs, Melissa Beam and Shelly Yoder, as well as Fundraising Chair Marcy McKenney for a very successful event! The number of available tickets increased from last year and it was once again a sellout.

Lisha Morton and I had a pleasant surprise when we attended the 49th Annual GEP Luncheon. Charity League was presented with an award for our continuing support. Greater Enrichment Program (GEP) is very much deserving of our support for their incredible program.

Don't forget to check our social media for lots of photos and updates on a busy start to the school year. Carolyn Pollack does a wonderful job of combining stories and photos for social media. Not only does it keep members in the loop, but it showcases our work to donors, potential donors and potential members.

As I mentioned in the last meeting, we have replaced our outdated brochure with "business cards". The cards are an excellent marketing tool, directing recipients to our website and social media. Interested parties can easily scan the QR code to donate. They will be available at our Christmas Luncheon.

Wishing everyone a Happy Thanksgiving!

Layne

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

November 7, 10:00 am
Board Meeting
Hyatt Centric SouthPark

November 14, 10:45
General Meeting
SouthPark Regional Library

CARE AND CONCERN

HELEN HOWARD

Happy Birthday to our November birthday Girls:

- 13 Lisa Cline
- 15 Susan Carr
- 16 Peggy Biagas
- 17 Prissie Griffin
Marcy McKenney
- 29 Layne Sabert

MEMBERSHIP

ALECIA JOHNSON

Welcome to our newest member, Julie Knafelz, sponsored by Lisha Morton!

Watch for the Spotlight on New Member article next month.

Please note that our General Meeting for December will be our annual Christmas Luncheon. We will meet at Red Rocks Cafe. More details to come!

SERVICE PROJECTS

ANGELA MARSHALL

We are SO excited to open uniform HUBs in two additional CMS Schools this fall! Some of our members worked at Idlewild Elementary with volunteers from ALLY to completely transform a disorganized storage closet into a mini boutique, where the teachers can now find FREE critical care supplies for students who need them most.

And we set up another new HUB at Joseph W. Grier Academy as well. Once again, our friends from ALLY worked tirelessly alongside of our members to open boxes, sort uniforms and organize them into bins by size. This team also assembled equipment and organized a second trailer filled with teachers' supplies. And they brightened up the school's entrance by planting a dozen potted pansies that were donated by the Lowes store in Ballantyne. CLC donated coffee, snacks and paper products for the teachers' lounge as well. Principal Wilson addressed the group and Mr. Hill, Family Advocate, provided direction and guidance every step of the way. He even bought a ticket to our fall fundraiser and attended that event!

Overall, these set-ups were an AMAZING effort on everyone's part, and we look forward to GREAT partnerships with these new elementary schools!

All four of our other partner schools are also well stocked and ready to go. We partnered with ALLY volunteers on several large projects last month to clean up and refresh a few of them too.

Over the next month we will be giving out jackets and coats to those who need warm items.

I personally would like to invite all members to volunteer in a school just one time before May 1st. It's SO very important for each of us to be a part of what we have committed to do in these schools. I am open to any and all suggestions on how to make this happen. Please reach out to me at Amarsh07@aol.com with your thoughts and ideas!

Devonshire Elementary

Team Lead – Destiney Johnston

Destiney continues to do an amazing job in the hub. She is at the school with her team twice a month keeping the hub organized and stocked. Devonshire has a new principal as of mid-October and we look forward to building a great relationship with her. Thank you, Destiney!

FUNDRAISING EVENTS

MARCY MCKENNEY

4th Annual CLC Fall FUNdraiser, October 21, 2024

HIGHLIGHTS:

- Sold-out crowd!
- Fun, food, and fellowship
- Engaging guest speaker, Dr. Emily Miles, Executive Director, CMS
- Net profit of approximately \$10,500

THANK YOU!

- CLC members who attended AND those of you who could not attend but donated
- The Therrell Company, Inc. for their very generous donation of \$1,500
- Our Planning Committee Leaders: Shelly Yoder and Melissa Beam
- Our Committee Members: Catherine Campe, Debbie Cramer, Justice Fullenwider, and Layne Sabert
- Lisha Morton, for securing yet another amazing guest speaker!
- Macey Morton, who donated her time, talent, microphone, and sound system, which added quality and professionalism to the evening!
- Our favorite CLC Emcee, Kirstan Hamilton, who is "at her best" with a microphone in her hand, and does a great job of keeping our guests informed and engaged
- Our favorite CLC photographer, Debbie Cramer
- Our CLC volunteers: Hannah Jane Lloyd, Elizabeth Phillips, Stephanie Therrell, Angie Marshall, Carolyn Pollack, and Tammy Pangle

WINE PULL RAFFLE:

- A special shout out to Arthur's Wine at Belk, EcoValley Imports, Eurest and CLC members who donated wine: Holly LeTourneau, Melissa Beam and Lisha Morton.
- 50 tickets at \$50 each were sold. Participants received one bottle of wine and a chance to win the Grand Prize!

If you'd like to help at Devonshire, please sign up below:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0B4CA8AE2CABF85-51218912-devonshire>

Hidden Valley

Team Lead – Elizabeth Phillips

The Hub at HVE is well stocked and organized for the Fall season! We've also provided additional laundry detergent, lice kits, and body wipes for the counselors and school nurses. We've had a request by staff to stock sweatpants because some of the younger students still struggle with getting to the bathroom on time. Sweatpants are a great option, instead of providing multiple sets of new uniforms. These are on order and will be shelved in November. Please sign up to help in the Hub on the first and third Thursday of the month at the following link:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0B4CA8AE2CABF85-50883744-hidden>

We look forward to serving with you!

SPEEDWAY CHILDREN'S CHARITIES

CAROLYN BASS

Things are going well and decisions will be made very soon as to the charities who will be receiving grants this year.

Thanks to those who recently volunteered. We still need some more people to sell 50/50 raffle tickets at the Dirt Track this coming week. Please click on the link below and sign up if you are available:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4BA5A82DA13-50264567-5050#/>

We would really appreciate the help and will continue to let you know about future opportunities as they arise. Thank you!

On a more personal note, my surgery went well. I have two more weeks with no weight bearing on my foot. I can't wait to be able to get out and do the things I need to do.

Have a wonderful Thanksgiving!

- "Grand Prize Winner" was Jill Emig, a friend of Charity League who has attended all four of the Fall Fundraising events! Congratulations to Jill, who received \$300 in gift cards to Publix, Hawthorne's, The Office Craft Bar & Target, along with two magnum bottles of premium wine.

SILENT AUCTION:

- We were blessed to have a robust array of silent auction items from which to choose! Just to name a few, we had homemade food baskets, a Total Wine Private Wine Class, Decorate-your-Yard signage, Services from Greystone Hardscape, Susan Nelson Interior Design and a 3-night condo stay at Murrells Inlet - which was donated by CLC member, Catherine Campe.

GUEST SPEAKER:

- Dr. Emily Miles, CMS Executive Director, Elementary Performance and former Principal of Sterling Elementary. She is an educational leader with a passion for fostering academic excellence, while understanding the importance of community partners like Charity League, who bridge the divide and provide support to students in need.

PLEASE SAVE THE DATE:

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

Idlewild Elementary Workday Highlights:



Fall Fundraising Event Highlights:



Joseph A. Grier Workday Highlights:



Greater Enrichment Program Award:



Fall Fundraising Event (cont.):



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