



# NEWSLETTER

## February 2023

### Important Dates & Times

#### Message From Our President

**Becky Ford**



Dear CAC Members,

Here we are already into February and it's time for Taste 'n' Tell, our premier event and we are expecting a full house! Everyone is doing a great job. I'm sure you have accounted for your raffle and auction items on the grid or have let Caroline know what you have. Soon it will be time for baking for the bake sale.

It's going to be a little crazy at my house getting it all done as I will have a couple little visitors the weekend leading up to TNT. Maybe they will help Grandma make her Hydrangea cakes (wink, wink).

Inside this newsletter you will see the details of the TNT afterparty. Be sure to check that out and plan to join us!

Coming up after TNT we have the next General Member meeting at my house on Tuesday, February 21. Take a brief break to refuel after TNT and then get back to collecting those raffle and silent auction items for the CASF Golf Tournament as planning is already underway. Volunteers are needed to learn from the experts for planning the Golf Tournament, if you are interested, please talk with Kelle Enriquez or Julie Newton. Please mark your calendars and plan to help at the Golf Tournament on Friday, May 12. This is one of the expectations for members.

I'm getting excited for TNT, see you on February 6 & 7!

Love,  
Becky



February Board Meeting  
9:30 am on Tuesday, February 14th  
via Zoom.

Meeting link and password will be emailed to you the night before.

February General Meeting

Tuesday, February 21st

Refreshments: 9:00 am

Meeting: 9:30 Promptly

at

Becky Ford's Home

4804 Kumquat Drive

Tamarac, FL

Hostesses are:

Vanessa Diaz-Font

Janice Bloomfield

Remember to contact  
CAC Membership Chair,  
Caroline Courtney,  
if you can not attend the meeting.



Taste'n'Tell  
Valentines Luncheon  
Tuesday February 7th, 2023

Children's Aid Club General Meeting Minutes  
December 13, 2022 - 9:30 a.m.

1. Call to order
2. Devotional – Pam
3. Membership – Caroline
  - Active: 33
  - Auxiliary- 19
  - Lifetime- 5
  - Honorary- 3
  - Total- 60 members



4. Correspondence – Julie
  - \$58,300 in checks received
5. Treasurer's report – Barb – see attached
  - Checking Account: \$64,754.59
  - Savings Account: \$403,877.52
  - Total- \$468,632.11
  - Credit Cards Due- \$18,731.76

6. Welfare – Kristina – see attached

Louise brought another request for a social worker from Quiet Waters Elementary. The father has disabilities, 9 children, they get 2 disabilities checks and get food stamps. They were late on October rent \$443 They have paid November and December rent but are behind on their water bill.

7. Ways and Means – Linda

Invitations for TNT were assembled and will be addressed today in the meeting

Santa Claus is coming to town on December 15<sup>th</sup> at the Little Schoolhouse and God's Little Lambs. Each child will be given a gift by Santa.

8. Unfinished Business

Enterprise Holdings: We were approved for our grant of \$3,000 and should be receiving our check soon. This was a courtesy of William Thomas who is one of their employees.

Children's Aid Club General Meeting Minutes  
December 13, 2022 - 9:30 a.m.

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Holiday Appeal – Pam

We have \$21,925 to date

Usually we collect about \$12,000 to \$13,000

Holiday Baskets – Sandy/Louise

We have 22 sponsors plus members

Gina Jenkins presented 2 families from Bennett Elementary, Banana Republic gave them toys and we will give them Publix gift cards.

For Christmas we helped the following:

70 Families

127 Adults

202 children



LYC Bake Sale- Jingle Mingle Shop Event – Becky

\$466 cash

\$498 in checks and credit cards

Total profit- \$950.39

Dillard's Event- Fran said it was a wonderful event- Thank You Rebecca!

Lilly Pulitzer – Candy

We raised \$606

TNT Updates – Laura, Sue, Barb

-Louise- Tasting luncheon will be Thursday January 5<sup>th</sup> at noon - cost is \$60 per person.

-Barbara- Underwriting packets are available. We have some items for raffle baskets available on the table if you need anything.

-Caroline- 20 raffle baskets have been entered on the grid plus 5 silent auction items. Please enter your basket on the grid. If you can't access it, please let Caroline know and she will add it for you.

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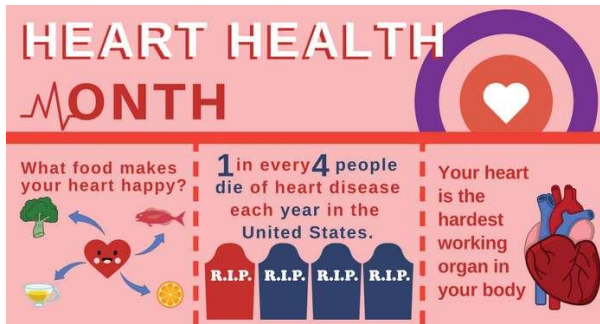
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9. New Business

- The Deadline for checks to Louise for Tasting Luncheon is December 29<sup>th</sup>. You can bring it to the holiday social.
- Valerie had a box of razors donated
- Rena- Holiday Social- WE have 37 RSVPs to date- Please bring a white elephant gift to exchange- wrapped! One gift per couple. BYOB
- Burlington Coat drive- Thanks to members who picked up the coats. They will be sorted this week and liaisons will be contacted to disburse them.
- Fran collected \$175 for the raffle!

10. Adjournment

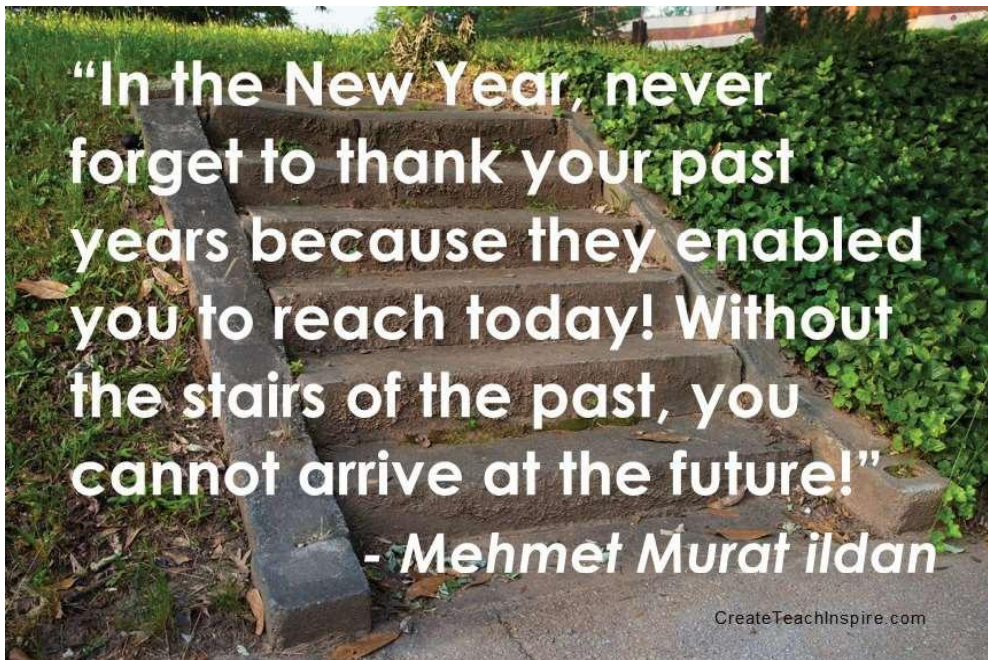
Minutes provided by Laura Balistreri-Ahmed  
CAC Recording Secretary



**HEART HEALTH MONTH**

What food makes your heart happy? **1 in every 4 people die of heart disease each year in the United States.** Your heart is the hardest working organ in your body

R.I.P. R.I.P. R.I.P. R.I.P.



The quote at left was read by CAC Vice President Pam Ferrante at the January General meeting.



Children's Aid Club Board Meeting Minutes  
January 10, 2023 - 9:30 a.m.

**1. Call to order**

**2. Devotional – Pam**

**3. Membership – Caroline**

No change

We will have perspective members who are trying to make it to meetings.

**4. Approval of Minutes – December**

MOTION to Approve

SECOND- Linda Ianelli

All in Favor

None opposed

**5. Corresponding Secretary – Jenny**

Bryn Law Group - \$10,000 January 7<sup>th</sup> donation

Julie has asked that we get her a copy of the Thank You notes.

**6. Treasurer's report – Barb**

We have 2 large Donations –

Georgie Wright \$45,000

Palmer Family \$50,000

We have \$54,600 in underwriting so far

Checking Account- \$137,645.10

Savings Account- \$403,891.24

Credit card bill was just paid

Tomorrows Rainbow requested check for their \$11,000 budget

We are in good shape financially

Depending on the amount of donations made, we allocate TNT tickets to the donor. We have 4 presenting sponsors for \$10,000 or more. We would like to ask that the board to transfer from the General Account the amount per seat at TNT to the TNT account.

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# Children's Aid Club Board Meeting Minutes

January 10, 2023 - 9:30 a.m.

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**MOTION:** Louise moved that if comp tickets are given for a donation that was deposited into the general charity account rather than into Taste 'n' Tell, funds shall be transferred into Taste 'n' Tell to cover the cost of tickets for those individuals.

**SECOND:** Linda Ianelli- Second

All in Favor

None Opposed



We now file the 990 tax form which does not limit the amount of money we bring in. We have the opportunity to increase the budget for our organizations. We tell people that the money is going back out into the community and we want to make sure that it does. We have wonderful donations coming in and want to make sure they are put to good use and have funds going back into the community.

Should we consider special projects for our organizations ie: a new computer, a water fountain for the sports area, capital improvements to the school, etc. Are we improving the facility and not directly benefiting the kids?

We would like to have our organizations submit a Special Request form for a project that we can do for their school with a dollar value ranging from \$5,000 to \$10,000. The board will review and approve the requests. The goal would be to get an additional \$100,000 into the community.

## 7. Welfare – Kristina

In December we spent \$1,845.46 towards our organizations

We have \$2,037.00 on hand in Publix gift cards

No New special requests

Individual requests: Sheba Family, Acevedo Family and Gedz Family for a total of \$5,652.34

The Acevedo family was able to pay a few bills that we were going to pay We have approved \$1,800 already for their family and will help assist the with the next months bills and can also do Publix gift cards if needed.

## 8. Ways and Means – Linda

Decembers Income \$107,264

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Children's Aid Club Board Meeting Minutes  
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January has brought in about \$6,000 so far.

Website Updates: GoDaddy host will now charge \$33.46 annually for our Info@ email

**MOTION:** Linda Ianelli- Move to approve \$33.34 to cover our annual email

**SECOND:** Barbara Hume

Our Domain/Website was on a 3 year contract that comes up in February. Another 3 year terms will cost \$575.64 and a 2 year term is \$383.76

Domain renewal for 3 years is \$59

Our .com , .org and security renewal is \$881.45 and will encompass everything except the \$33.46

**MOTION:** Linda Ianelli- Move to take and pay the CAC domain names, securities, and website in January for a 3 year renewal.

**SECOND:** Louise Proffer

All in favor

None opposed

GiveButter- We have had 7 transactions for tickets, reservations and underwriting. We have almost \$5,000 so far for TNT!

Mailbox Bill- 188 last year this year it will be \$212

**9. TNT Update – Laura, Sue, Barb**

**Sue-** Things at the club are going really well, we are working on layout etc. We will start on Monday at noon for setup etc and get a head start.

Julie will reach out to Angel to see if she is available for the event.

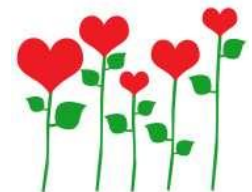
Each Team Leader needs to pick up their bin at the warehouse and check it out. They will also be responsible to bring it back at the end.

Architect Team- Becky- Working on the program

Baskets- Caroline- We currently have 23 baskets on the grid

17 silent auctions items

At least 5 items



# Children's Aid Club Board Meeting Minutes January 10, 2023 - 9:30 a.m.

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Things continue to come in.

Members MUST submit the name, value, contents, etc for their basket by January 24<sup>th</sup>.

## 10. New Business –

Friday May 12- Construction Association of South Florida Golf Tournament date for 2023. We need a golf committee to be on involved with the meeting to report back to the group.

Reminder for members to bring checks to TNT, they will get their assignments, and bake sale labels.

## 11. Unfinished Business –

Total Holiday Appeal \$23,925

\$5,000 holiday Appeal

Laura \$10,950 - 950 in holiday appeal and 10,000 TNT

The warehouse got a new toilet

We are going to do Brian's Bags donations after TNT

## 12. Adjournment

Minutes provided by Laura Balistreri-Ahmed  
CAC Recording Secretary



TO MAKE 2023 YOUR YEAR, KEEP IT SIMPLE:

*Count your blessings first.*

*Whatever you did last year, do it better.*

*Go step by step. One day at a time.*

*Create/make your own opportunities.*

*Believe in your abilities at all times*

*Quitting is not an option. Keep going.*

*Finish what you started.*

The quote at left was read by CAC Vice President Pam Ferrante at the January Board meeting.





# Children's Aid Club General Meeting Minutes January 17, 2023 - 9:30 a.m.

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we are doing really well.

## 9. TNT Update – Laura, Sue, Barb

Styling Team- Meal is underway

Valerie has been working on the program

Decorations- They are really coming along great! We have the VIP guest gifts ready to go

We will be at the club on Monday Feb 6<sup>th</sup> at noon to start to set up. This includes the baskets, tables, bake sale, etc. Please email the team leaders if you have an assignment preference. Parking is difficult at the club. Please carpool or get dropped off.

Golden goose team- Piece of the Pie- A member can make a donation to offset the expenses.

Baskets: January 24<sup>th</sup>- be sure you have all of the contents of your basket turned in so they can print your basket ticket and amount. Please be sure the spelling and details are accurate. If you receive a gift card of something from a vendor we need to thank, please provide their information so we can send them a "Thank You".

Architect: Bake Sale- We need every member to provide at least \$30 in baked goods for the sale. You will wrap up your items, keep them small, and you will attach a little card with what the item is. Please note if it is gluten free, if it contains nuts, or anything else that is extra special about your baked goods. Please try to avoid store bought stuff. You do NOT get your plate back so please put them on something inexpensive or something nice but disposable. Please avoid anything that needs to be refrigerated. **Bring your bake sale item on Monday**

## 10. New Business –

Final Count for Holiday Appeal- \$23,925

Immediately after TNT, we will start working on the Golf Tournament- It will be May 12<sup>th</sup> at Jacaranda golf Course. Everyone should participate but we will have a small committee working with the CASF to report the details back to CAC.

TNT afterparty: Wednesday March 1<sup>st</sup> at The Boathouse at the Riverside Hotel. Most likely around noon.

Brian's Bags- Food collection- Our next collection will be at the February meeting.

## 11. Unfinished Business –

March 10<sup>th</sup>- Valerie fundraising event at the signature grand (call Valerie for details)

## 12. Adjournment 10:30am

Minutes provided by Laura Balistreri-Ahmed  
CAC Recording Secretary



# Welfare Report for January Meeting 12/1/2022 to 12/31/2022



Organizations:

CDTC (layette products)	\$158.75
Croissant Park Elementary School (Publix GC)	\$242.50
Cypress Elementary School (School supplies & HOOT)	\$409.99
Hope Women's Center (Linda - car seats)	\$119.96
Our Father's House Family Services (diapers, wipes)	\$113.74
Pace Center (Pantry items)	\$522.77
Seagull Alternative School (Layette items)	\$252.76
The Little Schoolhouse (Bday cake)	<u>\$24.99</u>
<b>TOTAL ORGANIZATIONS</b>	<b>\$1,845.46</b>



Gift Cards on hand at 12/31/2022:

Publix cards: 50- \$10 cards at \$9.70 each	\$485.00
32- \$50 cards at \$48.50 each	<u>\$1,552.00</u>
<b>TOTAL PUBLIX CARDS</b>	<b>\$2,037.00</b>



SPECIAL Requests:

No special requests during the month of December	
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>

INDIVIDUAL Requests:

Sheba Breland Family (Quiet Waters Elementary via Broadview-Becky)

Rent	\$443.00
Water	<u>\$410.51</u>
	<b>\$853.51</b>

Approved by Board 12/13/22



Acevedo Family (Broward Health - Candy)

2 months of utilities plus \$200 Publix GC  
 First month-FPL \$381.26, Water \$114.11, Phone \$505.90 Publix GC \$200  
 Second month to be paid in Dec

\*\* As reported at General Meeting on 12/13/22 - Since the phone bill is over \$500 and her application stated \$200, Louise spoke with Melissa re the discrepancy. The mother explained it is a bill that many family members share and her portion was \$200. The family reimburses her. We will adjust the utilities for the second month. The Welfare Committee recommended \$1800 so we will try to keep it in that range



Gedz Family (JAFCO- Linda I)

This family (mom, dad & 7 children) fled Ukraine when the war started. They were in an apartment and the landlord terminated the lease because the family is too big for the apt. JAFCO helped them get housing and other community resources helped with the \$8500 security deposit. Nikki at JAFFCO asked if we could pay the first months rent of \$4200. \$4,200.00

TOTAL: \$5,053.51



**Report submitted by Kristina Bryn  
CAC Welfare Chair**





Hello Children's Aid Club,  
I am writing on behalf of the Acevedo family who was assisted with a Christmas "basket" and individual application this December. The message below is a thank you from them, and they have also shared a photo! Please feel free to forward to anyone else in the organization.



Dear Children's Aid Club,  
The Acevedo Family would like to thank you and your organization for your generosity this holiday season. You have truly bless our family and made this season so much more special for us especially our Jacob. Again, thank you so much! Wishing you and yours health and prosperity in the New Year.

Warm wishes,

Jacob, Jesus and Lourdes Acevedo



Pictured above and at right are thank you notes received from Broward Partnership for the Homeless.

Dearest CAC,  
Thank you for your tireless work to improve the lives of children and families in our community! Wishing you all the very BEST in 2023!  
Doreen





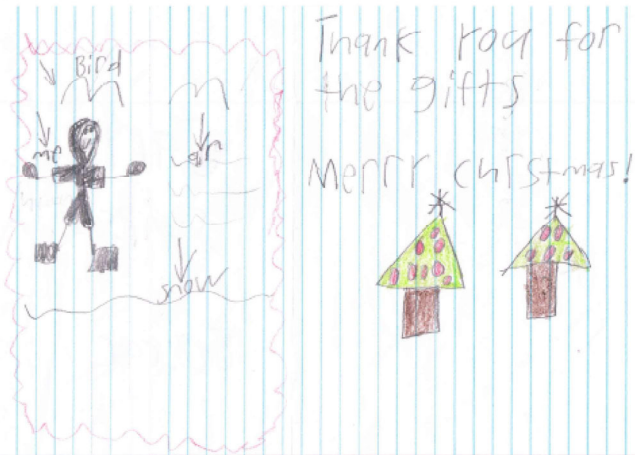
APRIL SAMPSON

To CAC



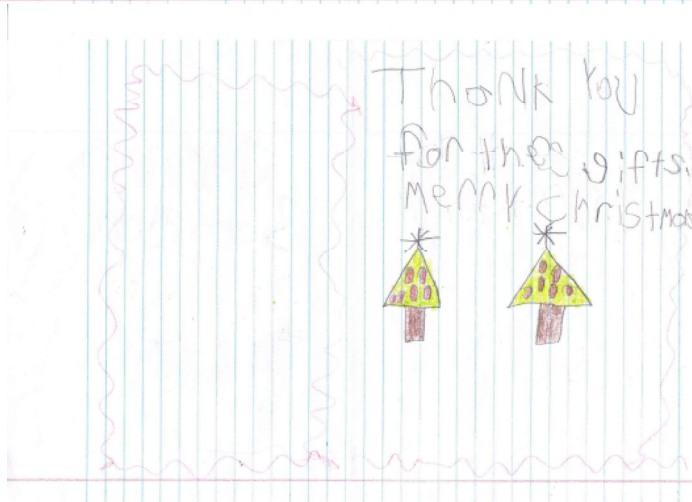
Jarrad Sampson

To: CAC



Jamion Sampson

To: CAC



Pictured above are thank you notes draw by the 3 Sampson children who we helped at Christmas.





Thank you to our helpers for the God's Little Lamb birthday party on January 24th. Pictured at left are Ghislaine, Reba, Carole, Jenny, Rena, Lynda S, Janice and one of the teachers. They all did a wonderful job. Rena took care of getting the cake and cookies for the little ones.



Pictured at right is the orchid they presented to GLL director Carol Stevens for her birthday. She does such a wonderful job at God's Little Lambs.



Pictured below is a thank you cards received from a God's Little Lamb family that we adopted for Christmas.



The nice things you do are always appreciated.

Thank you so much for your thoughtfulness.

From Dorisqa Family

Thanks for making a smile on my kids face there were so happy for the gift may God bless you





# Santa's Visit to The Little School House Page 17 of 31

Many thanks to all those that helped make Santa's visit special. An extra BIG thank you to CAC member Kelle Enriquez and her cousin (Santa) who made this possible.



Please get in touch with Valerie Taylor if you are interested in attending the luncheon for PACE mentioned at right.



## *Believing in Girls*

### EMPOWERMENT LUNCHEON

Pace Center for Girls provides girls and young women an opportunity for a better future through education, counseling, training and advocacy.

**SAVE THE DATE**

**Friday, March 10, 2023 | 11:00AM**

**THE SIGNATURE GRAND**

6900 W. STATE RD. 84, DAVIE, FL 33317







## Please Contribute to Brian's Bags



**Bring to  
February  
General  
Meeting**



As you know we lost Brian Ingalls last year, husband of member Teri Ingalls. Brian was always a smiling face at Taste'n'Tell and will be missed. He was also an active volunteer in the community. One project he liked to do was collect items for Our Father's House Soup Kitchen. Brian would pass out brown bags at his church with a list of items and then collect the bags from the parishoners the next week. He would deliver these to Our Father's House and pass them out to homeless people. So, CAC is doing a project for our February meeting. We are asking for contributions for Brian's Bags. The donations will be taken to Our Father's House after the meeting. Below is the list of suggested items. If you would like to participate but cannot be at the meeting, please get your items to another member prior to the meeting.



### Brown Bag Tuesday Items:

- \* Canned goods (especially those with pop tops): soups, tuna, Spaghetti-Os, etc.
- \* Cereal
- \* Granola or snack bars
- \* Toilet paper
- \* Paper towels
- \* Paperback books (especially suspense or adventure)
- \* Rice or noodles



# Ways & Means



Our loyal donors' generosity undoubtedly exceeded past donations made in December. We had several anonymous contributions, underwriting, holiday appeal, and memorials totaling over \$107,000. Because of the overwhelming generosity over the last several months, we can offer our organization's additional funding. Our liaisons are being asked to visit with their organizations to discuss an opportunity for a Special Request that will directly benefit the children they serve. Our Organization Chair, Belinda McDonald, shared all the details and requirements for this opportunity on January 19th.

As we begin the new year, all hands are on deck for our Taste-n-Tell 2023 event. The TNT webpage was created for online purchases, invitations were mailed out on January 2nd, and we sold out on Saturday, January 21st! Can you believe it? We were limited to 220 seats and had reached capacity. Assignments are now being prepared for the day's activities while we finish up our baskets and silent auction items and get ready to start baking. Set-up day is February the 6th at noon, where we will deliver our baked goods, baskets, and silent auction items and begin to prepare the room and areas for the event. Let's make this event the best one ever!

Amazon Smile recently released a letter explaining a change in their donation practices. February 20th is the last day of their current policy, which we have benefited from. Amazon will no longer donate 0.05% of each eligible purchase to a customer-selected nonprofit at no cost to either the customer or the nonprofit. Please be sure to make any Amazon Smile purchases before the deadline date.

Thank you, ladies, for all you do!!

All the best,  
Linda Ianelli  
CAC Ways & Means Chair





# Children's Aid Club

Balance Sheet  
As of November 30, 2022



TOTAL

## ASSETS

### Current Assets

#### Bank Accounts

BOA Charity Checking

35,107.16

BOA Savings

403,877.52

Gibraltar

0.00

#### Total Bank Accounts

**\$438,984.68**

#### Accounts Receivable

Active Member Dues

0.00

#### Total Accounts Receivable

**\$0.00**

#### Other Current Assets

Gas Cards

47.28

Publix Food Cards

2,619.00

Undeposited Funds

0.00

Winn Dixie Food Certificates

0.00

#### Total Other Current Assets

**\$2,666.28**

#### Total Current Assets

**\$441,650.96**

## TOTAL ASSETS

**\$441,650.96**

## LIABILITIES AND EQUITY

### Liabilities

#### Current Liabilities

Credit Cards

38,593.78

Credit card

#### Total Credit Cards

**\$38,593.78**

#### Total Current Liabilities

**\$38,593.78**

#### Total Liabilities

**\$38,593.78**

### Equity

Opening Balance Equity

167,841.21

Retained Earnings

254,161.42

Net Income

-18,945.45

#### Total Equity

**\$403,057.18**

## TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY

**\$441,650.96**



# Children's Aid Club

Profit and Loss  
August - November, 2022



TOTAL

## Income

cash rewards

750.13

Donation - Gift Cards

350.00

Donations

2,980.40

Christmas Letter

5,500.00

Memorial

435.00

#### Total Donations

**8,915.40**

Dues

5,625.00

Fundraising Income

0.00

Holiday Letter

9,625.00

Taste 'n' Tell

0.00

Underwriting

10,000.00

#### Total Taste 'n' Tell

**10,000.00**

#### Total Fundraising Income

**19,625.00**

Golf Tournament

43,683.50

Interest Inc

54.00

Misc. income

380.00

#### Total Income

**\$79,383.03**

## GROSS PROFIT

**\$79,383.03**



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Profit and Loss  
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Expenses

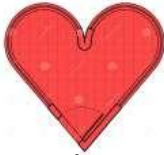


Charity	0.00
Back to Basics	17,500.00
Blessed Sacrament	1,455.00
Broward Health	1,835.00
Broward Partnership for the Hom	1,884.99
CDTC (Children's Diagnostic)	1,206.64
Charles Drew Elementary School	2,000.00
Cypress Elementary	177.47
Donors Choose.org	6,000.00
God's Little Lambs	1,207.80
Henderson Behavioral Health	3,158.30
Holiday Baskets	0.00
Christmas	16,881.01
Thanksgiving	15,458.80
<b>Total Holiday Baskets</b>	<b>32,339.81</b>
Hope Women's Center	479.84
Individuals	0.00
Acevedo Family	1,195.17
Avila Family	691.00
Barnes/Williams	1,421.62
Corker Family	4,111.85
Francis Family	1,581.00
Northside Elementary Family	200.00
Santiago Family	436.01
Santos Family	690.00
Stedje Family	200.00
<b>Total Individuals</b>	<b>10,526.65</b>
JJCF	3,201.00
Northside Elementary	1,028.55
Our Father's Soup Kitchen	2,740.03
PACE	750.83
Pompano Beach Middle School	1,000.00
Special Requests	749.18
St Clements	194.00
The Little Schoolhouse	5,349.36
<b>Total Charity</b>	<b>94,784.45</b>
Contract Services	0.00
Accounting Fees	1,868.00
<b>Total Contract Services</b>	<b>1,868.00</b>
Fundraising Expenses	0.00
Taste & Tell	0.00
Printing	323.50
Raffles	1,000.00
<b>Total Taste &amp; Tell</b>	<b>1,323.50</b>
<b>Total Fundraising Expenses</b>	<b>1,323.50</b>
Misc	12.00
Operations	0.00
Books, Subscriptions, Reference	202.00
<b>Total Operations</b>	<b>202.00</b>
Postage	24.00
Sunshine	114.53
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$98,328.48</b>
NET OPERATING INCOME	<b>\$ -18,945.45</b>
NET INCOME	<b>\$ -18,945.45</b>



# Taste'n'Tell Update

## T'n'T 2023 Team Leaders



Laura Balistreri for the Architect Team

Sue Black for the Stylin' Team

Barbara Hume for the Golden Goose Team



As you have heard, all 220 seats have been taken at Taste 'n' Tell this year – two weeks before the event! The Raffle Basket and Silent Auction spreadsheets have been completed. We have almost \$70,000 in underwriting. Can this get any better? Yes, it can! We need your baked goods on set up day beautifully wrapped to put the icing on the cake (sorry for that terrible pun!) Some of our guests can't wait to make a beeline for the bake sale, so let's make it special for them. Each active member is asked to provide \$30 worth of baked goods. Items should be delivered on Monday, February 6th, from noon to 2:00. Pricing will be done by the committee, but please make a note if ingredients are especially expensive.



Look for your work assignment by email. Find something pink or red to wear and be prepared to smile, smile, smile!



Your Team Leaders,  
Laura Balistreri, Sue Black and Barbara Hume



**PLEASE CARPOOL**



**Lauderdale Yacht Club**  
**1725 SE 12th Street**  
**Fort Lauderdale, FL**



# Taste'n'Tell Update



Our 2023 Taste N' Tell luncheon is fast approaching and we need all hands on deck. Our event will take place at the Lauderdale Yacht Club on Tuesday, February 7th. Set-ups will be happening the day prior on Monday, February 6th beginning at 12:00, so please mark your calendars now.



Note: Come to the club on Monday with full stomachs! The club is officially closed and we will not have access to any food or drinks that day.



## BAKE SALE

Time to show off your creative skills with goodies for our annual bake sale! Best sellers are always cookies, fudge, breads, brownies and just about anything that does not need refrigeration. We ask that you bake enough to bring at least \$30 into the coffers. Wrap it up pretty, but make it visible and tightly sealed using Valentine's Day as a theme. Be prepared to name the item on a label that will be provided on set-up day (recipes are not necessary). Items that sell best are in clear packing, smaller items such as 6" cakes, half cakes or small pies. Please make sure to note on the label if the recipe contains nuts, sugar free or gluten free.



Bring your beautifully wrapped and ready to go homemade goodies to Lauderdale Yacht Club on set-up day — February 6, 2023 from 12:00 to 3:00. We will price them, so let us know if your item is particularly costly to make. Please do not use expensive dish ware to present your items as guests will not pay for them.



## BASKETS/ SILENT AUCTION ITEMS

Deadline for FINAL Basket /Silent Auction information supplied on the google grid is January 24th! We need your basket name, total contents and total value including any individual value for gift cards included. If you can't access the grid, then send info in an email to Caroline: C1courtney@aol.com.



Bring your raffle baskets and silent auction items — February 6, 2023 from 12:00 to 3:00. If you have a cart that you are willing to let us use, please bring it as it will help get the bigger baskets from the parking lot into the club.



## PARKING

Last year we asked members to please park in the Harbor Shops near Total Wine to be shuttled to Lauderdale Yacht Club. Very few people did this and it was a waste of shuttle drivers time. We are strongly suggesting that you get dropped off at the club or car pool please. There is limited parking at LYC, and with the number of guests we are expecting, parking spots will become a problem. Please help us with this situation by being thoughtful with your transportation plans.



## WORK ASSIGNMENTS

There is a variety of jobs that need covering on the day of our event and we are putting together our work assignment schedule and time line. We would like to assign you to a job that you would enjoy, but there is no guarantee we will be able to accommodate all requests. Areas needing assistance are: Bake Sale (Jeanne Dixon ), Cashiers (Barbara Hume), Raffle, Reservations Table, Safety Spotters (at the steps), Silent Auction, Live Auction (Caroline Courtney), Supply Runners (to and from the warehouse), Tasting Tables, Greeters, VIP Gift Delivery, and Basket Pick-Up. Team Leaders are responsible for checking the needed supplies in the bins at the warehouse.





## Bake Sale

### Calling all our CAC Bakers!!!!

This is the time to show off your creative skills providing your goodies for our annual bake sale! Best sellers are always cookies, fudge, breads, brownies, and just about anything that does not need refrigeration!

We ask that you bake enough to bring at least \$30 into the coffers. Wrap it up pretty but visible and tightly sealed using Valentine's Day as a theme. List the name of the item on the "From the kitchen of" label. Items that sell best are in clear packaging, smaller items such as 6" cakes, half cakes or small pies. Please make sure to note on the label if the recipe contains nuts, sugar free or gluten free. Recipes are not necessary.

Bring your beautifully wrapped and ready to go HOMEMADE GOODIES to the Lauderdale Yacht Club on set-up day --- February 6, 2023 from noon to 2 pm. We will price them, so let us know if your item is particularly expensive to make. Please do not use expensive dishware to present your items. Guests do not want to pay for them.

Members will be allowed to purchase items at full price after the entire luncheon is over to make sure all our guests are given a chance to purchase.

Please don't ask us to hold something for you or let you break the rules..... it's really very hard to say "no" to such great hardworking ladies...Thank You!!!



# Gordon Latz

Gordon Latz, a Fort Lauderdale resident, has been donating his time and supporting South Florida charities and non-profit organizations through his auctioneering activities for over 40 years and has helped raise over \$100 million dollars for more than ninety different organizations.

Children's Aid Club thanks Gordon for donating his time and efforts to helping our cause.

Please try to take the time to find auctioneer extraordinaire Gordon Latz and thank him for volunteering his services as auctioneer for our live auction during Taste'n'Tell.



**Please RSVP to Rebecca Solomon by February 24th**

**TNT 2023 is Done  
Now it's Time to Have Some Fun**

Please join us for a luncheon to celebrate our TNT success !

The Boathouse at the Riverside Hotel  
620 SE 4th Street, Ft Lauderdale  
(1 block south of Las Olas)

Metered Parking at parking lots at SE8th & SE4th Streets

Wednesday, March 1, 2023  
at 12 noon  
\$30 per person includes lunch, beverage & gratuity

Please include your choice of entree with your check  
Make check payable to CAC

Mail check to :  
Rebecca Solomon  
111 SE8th Ave #701  
Ft Lauderdale, Florida 33301

by February 24, 2023  
Seating limited to 40 people

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Name \_\_\_\_\_

Choose one please:  
Boathouse Cheeseburger  
Cobb Salad with Chicken or Salmon  
Mahi fish sandwich  
Greek Salad with Chicken or Salmon



# 2023 Taste 'n' Tell Survey



Member Name \_\_\_\_\_

Please fill in each area. Whether you worked on the event or attended as a guest at lunch, let us hear from both aspects. Talk to your friends who attended and share their comments. You need to be “painfully honest” to help us to improve where needed. Under each topic, tell us what you think was good and/or what you think needs to be improved and suggest ways to make that happen.

Please fill out and e-mail to Sue Black at [homelessandhappysue@yahoo.com](mailto:homelessandhappysue@yahoo.com)



Bake Sale \_\_\_\_\_

Cruise Raffle \_\_\_\_\_



Decorations \_\_\_\_\_

Invitations \_\_\_\_\_

Live Auction \_\_\_\_\_



Member Food \_\_\_\_\_

Menu \_\_\_\_\_

Publicity \_\_\_\_\_

Raffles \_\_\_\_\_



Recipe Book/Program \_\_\_\_\_

Reservations/Seating \_\_\_\_\_

Silent Auction \_\_\_\_\_



Supplies \_\_\_\_\_

2023 Taste 'n' Tell Survey  
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Timeline \_\_\_\_\_

Underwriting \_\_\_\_\_



Video/Program \_\_\_\_\_



Venue \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Comments or Suggestions

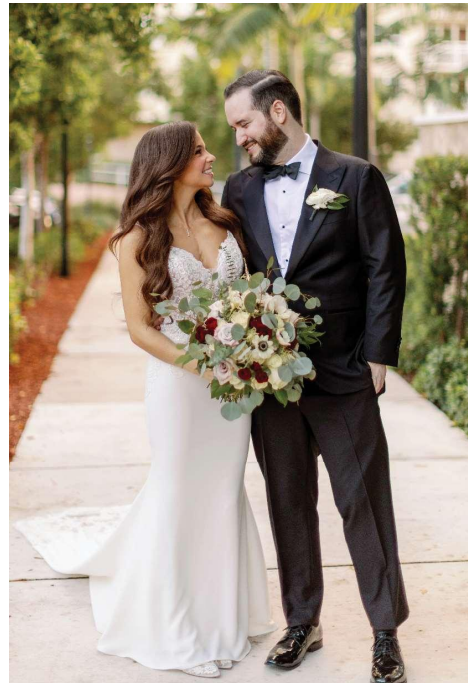
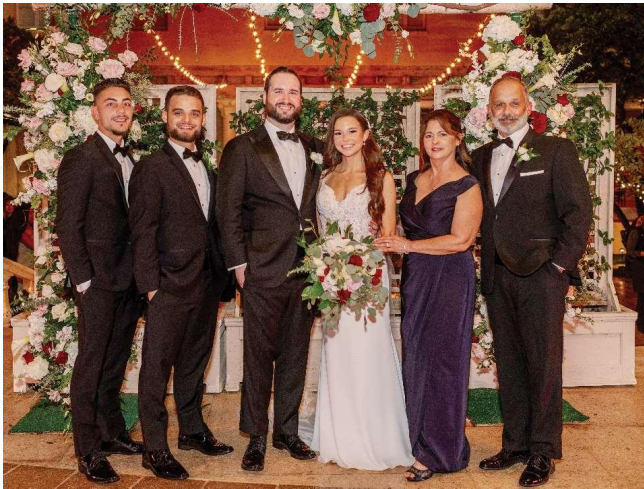


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Thank You!





I would like to share with all of you one of the most beautiful days of my life! On November 11, 2022, our daughter Cristina married Andrew Blundell after 6 years of dating. The wedding was almost cancelled by courtesy of hurricane Nicole, but what a beautiful wedding it was at The Addison, Boca Raton. My family picture, from left to right, sons Nicholas and Michael, Andrew, Cristina, me and Vince. Both newly weds finishing their doctors training at Brown University, Rhode Island. Andrew in Dermatology and Cristina in Internal Medicine. Fortunately in July 1st, Cristina will be moving for 3 more years to Jacksonville, Florida. There, she will continue her subspecialty as a Cardiology fellow at the University of Florida. Only 20% of doctors applying for cardiology fellowship were able to find fellowships this year. They will be FaceTiming daily and visiting each other for now. Love is in the air...

Vanessa Diaz-Font

Spanish translation

Thank you from a mother CAC helped from Women in Distress

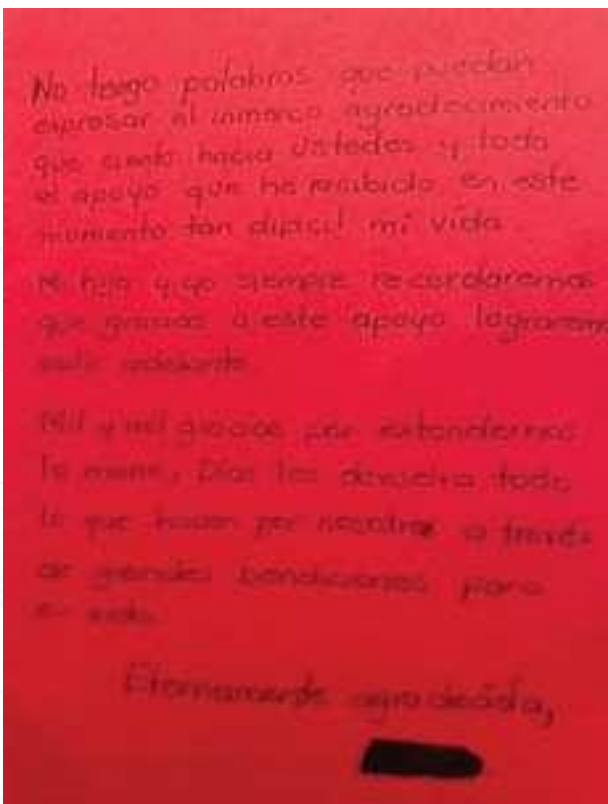
*I don't have words that could express how grateful I feel for all that you have done at this precise hard moment in my life.*

*My son and I will always remember that thanks to your help we were able to get out of this difficult time to a better future.*

*Thousand and thousand thanks for extending us a hand. May God return blessings to all of you for the help we have received.*

*Eternally grateful*

The thank you note at left was submitted and translated by CAC member Vanessa Diaz-Font



No tengo palabras que puedan expresar el inmenso agradecimiento que siento hacia ustedes y todo el apoyo que he recibido en este momento tan difícil mi vida.

Mi hijo y yo siempre recordaremos que gracias a este apoyo logramos salir adelante.

Mil y mil gracias por extendernos la mano, Dios los devuelva todo lo que hacen por nosotros, la ayuda de grandes bendiciones para su vida.

Eternamente agradecida,



## Happy FEBRUARY Birthday



Rachel Pope  
2/8



Kitty Vagi  
2/27



## Save The Date

Children's Aid Club and SOS Children's Village will be partnering with the Construction Association of South Florida to organize the Charity Golf Classic at Jacaranda Golf Club on Friday, May 12, 2023



Happy Valentines Day February 14th



Thank you  
.....to all who submitted photos and articles for this newsletter.  
This is your monthly notice of all things CAC and the best way to make it better is by contributing :)



Among the things you can give and still keep are

your word

your smile,

and a grateful heart.

Zig Ziglar

www.healthyspirituality.org



February 20th



Please continue to send healing thoughts to the following CAC sisters:

- Sara Rashti
- (and Phil Hopkins)
- June Felski

