



NEWSLETTER



Important Dates & Times

Message From Our President

Becky Ford



Dear CAC Sisters,
Happy Independence Day! I hope you and your family are enjoying the summer. We are in Iowa visiting family now and will be celebrating our youngest granddaughter's first birthday on July 4th. Pfeifer is such a happy baby and this grandma can't wait to spend some time with her.

In CAC news, Gina Jenkins and Kelle Enriquez recently attended the check presentation ceremony from the golf tournament. The news was good and this year's golf tournament raised the most money ever. CAC will be receiving \$58,000+ so great job ladies!

As you all know we've been praying for Justin, the fiancé of Louise's niece. And continued prayers are requested. I love how this group is so good about supporting each other through the good and bad times.

Many of us are coming and going this summer, but when you are in town, take a moment to check in with our older members who can no longer travel. I know they appreciate it!

Stay safe and healthy.

Love,
Becky

You have to love a nation that celebrates its independence every July 4, not with a parade of guns, tanks, and soldiers who file by the White House in a show of strength and muscle, but with family picnics where kids throw Frisbees, the potato salad gets iffy, and the flies die from happiness. You may think you have overeaten, but it is patriotism.



Erna Bombeck

Our meetings are
on hiatus
over the summer!

See you all in September :)

"May we think of
freedom, not as the
right to do as we
please,
but as the opportunity
to do what is right."

- PETER MARSHALL

Welfare Report for June

5/1/2023 to 5/31/2023



Organizations:

Blessed Sacrament	\$1,513.20
BPHI	1,251.68
Broward Health	1,500.00
CDTC	890.80
Cypress Elementary School	33.05
God's Little Lambs	601.44
Henderson Behavioral Health	943.31
Hope Women's Center	539.82
Northside Elementary School	170.00
Our Father's House Family Services	47.10
The Little Schoolhouse	<u>24.99</u>
TOTAL ORGANIZATIONS	\$7,515.39



Gift Cards on hand at 5/31/2023:

Publix cards: 172 \$10 cards @ \$9.70 each	\$1,668.40
125 \$50 cards @\$48.50 each	<u>6062.50</u>
TOTAL PUBLIX CARDS	\$7,730.90

SPECIAL Requests:

Bennett Elementary (completes the \$500 total)	288.96
Henderson Behavioral Health (2500 total)	2,500.00
Broward Health (\$1000 total)	<u>999.80</u>
TOTAL:	\$3,788.76

INDIVIDUAL Requests:

None	
TOTAL:	\$0.00

Surplus Funds:

Broadview Elementary	\$1,000.00
CDTC	7,557.61
Donors Choose	717.26
Henderson Behavioral Health	6,300.00
God's Little Lambs	1,470.85
Hope Women's Center	2,000.00
Northside Elementary	6,958.96
Pace Center	<u>3,160.30</u>
TOTAL:	\$29,164.98



Report submitted by Kristina Bryn
CAC Welfare Chair



Ways & Means



Hello ladies,



We are on our way to July, can you believe how quickly our fiscal year has gone by? Seems like it goes faster with each passing year, doesn't it?



It's probably because we are always planning for our upcoming activities and events. Like making sure we have all of our organizational charges into Welfare by mid-July, giving them enough time to send out reimbursements, and pay the bank for our credit card charges.



Currently our Holiday Appeal team is working on this year's letter to our donors. Our TNT Chairs will be reviewing venue options for our upcoming event and the Development Committee is busy prospecting Corporate Sponsors for our TNT. We are also looking for a Host for our September 19th General Meeting and two hostesses, as well as Hostesses for our April 16th General Meeting. All this, while we are also all enjoying our summer hiatus.



Our income for May was \$1,716. There were several donations made in memory of Kathy Mitchell's mother, Marilyn Markos, Amazon Smile sent two donations to close out their program, and June's income to date is \$1,594. It included a monthly Gifts of Kindness donation, BOA credit card reward, and a donation made in memory of Marilyn Markos.



Wishing you and your loved ones a very Happy and Safe Fourth of July!



All the best,
Linda Ianelli
CAC Ways & Means Chair



Liaisons - are you leaving money on the table?

As our fiscal year ends, we can look back and smile, knowing how many children and families we helped due to our fundraising and hard work. On **July 31st** any budgeted money left over will absorb back into the CAC coffer, and we'll transition to the new 2023-2024 budget.



Look below at each organization's current status (yearly budget and surplus funds budget). If there is a significant amount left, please make a final effort to fulfill their needs. I've never heard of a civic organization or school saying "No thanks, we have plenty!" :)

Enjoy your summer!

In Service,
Belinda McDonald
CAC Welfare Organizations Chair



ORGANIZATION	LIAISON(S)	BUDGETED MONEY REMAINING
Back to Basics	Kelle Enriquez	\$0.00
Blessed Sacrament	Angie Bizzarro	\$4.30
Broadview	Beck Ford	\$1,000.00
BPHI	V. Dia-Font/V. Taylor	\$0.38
Broward Health	Candy Noor/Lynda Stackhouse	\$14.50
CDTC	Sandy Noonan	\$127.91
Croissant Park Elementary	Jeanne Dixon	\$1,257.50
Cross Creek School	Louise Proffer	\$6.13
Donor's Choose	Barbara Hume	\$0.00
Equine Assisted Therapies	Maribel Del-Rio/Julie Newton	\$0.00
God's Little Lambs	Ghislaine Martin	\$1,138.68
Henderson Behavioral Health	Monica Blackwood	\$2,124.29
Hope Women's Center	Linda Ianelli	\$163.90
Jessica June CCF	Reba Amdur, Carole Falkanger	\$1.00
Northside Elementary	Rebecca Solomon	\$0.92
Our Father's House	Barbara Hume	\$267.71
Pace Center	Valerie Taylor	\$1,474.62
Pompano Beach Middle School	Joyce Virga	\$275.54
Respect Life (defunct)	Pam Ferrante	\$4,000.00
Seagull Alternative School	Marsha Tessler	\$1,329.33
St. Clements	Julie Newton	\$375.00
The Little Schoolhouse	Linda Ianelli/Fran English	\$0.70
Tomorrow's Rainbow	Ghislaine Martin	0
Youth Activity Ctr (defunct)	Mary Ellen Cohen	\$5,000

ORGANIZATION	SURPLUS FUNDS REMAINING
Back to Basics	\$10,000.00
Broadview Elementary	\$6,100.00
BPHI	\$10,000
CDTC	\$0.00
Croissant Park Elem.	\$9,300.00
Cross Creek School	\$2,648.32
Cypress Creek	\$10,000
Donors Choose	\$0.00
Equine Assisted Ther	\$0.00
Henderson BH	\$0.00
God's Little Lambs	\$340.28
Hope Women's Ctr	\$3,000
Northside Elementary	\$41.04
Pace Center	\$4,839.70
Seagull Alternative HS	\$2,578.74
The Little Schoolhouse	\$504.00
Tomorrow's Rainbow	\$10,000



Dear Organization Liaisons,



As we go into a new budgetary year, it never hurts to have a refresher course on the proper processes to ensure your organization is being well served, **and that CAC is staying in compliance to ward off any audits. As our organization grows it's even more important that we are all following the same fiscal guidelines.**



1. When submitting a check request for reimbursement, or reporting a credit card charge, the proper form must be submitted to the Organization Chair – Belinda McDonald @ belinda.9183@comcast.net with a copy to the Welfare Chair (cc) – Kristina Bryn @ Kristina.bryn@gmail.com



Please DO NOT copy the Treasurer or Co-Treasurer. They receive paperwork only after the remittance has been “approved” by the Welfare Committee! [Help us keep down unnecessary email/paperwork]



- a) You can find the forms on CAC member’s website: www.childrensaidclub.org/members-only under “Welfare Forms” – Please make sure you are submitting the correct form.



- b) There are great tutorials on **HOW** to fill-out a check or credit card request. Go to CAC member’s website: www.childrensaidclub.org/members-only and look under “How to Create Check or Credit Card Requests”



2. **Receipts MUST accompany each check request or credit card form. If there are no receipts, the remittance is in danger of being rejected.**



3. If a liaison is using a credit card assigned to another CAC member, it is the liaison’s responsibility to turn in the proper paperwork (not the card holder).



4. Please be timely with your remittances. Our reporting is on an end-of-the month schedule, so if March receipts are received in May, it complicates our books.



Thank you so very much for your hard work. Liaisons truly do all the heavy lifting for CAC, and our club wouldn’t be able to thrive without you. You’re appreciated!!



In Service,
Belinda McDonald
Organization Chair





CAC members and golf tournament organizers extraordinaire, Gina Jenkins and Kelle Enriquez (pictured above), went to the CASF check presentation on Wednesday, June 21st, 2023 at the Broward Performing Arts Center.

Total proceeds were \$132,205.21
Most money raised EVER!

Junior Achievement will receive \$15k
Children's Aid Club will receive approx \$58+K
SOS Children's Village will receive approx \$58+

**ALL THE PROCEEDS WILL GO TO HELP CHILDREN
IN OUR SOUTH FLORIDA COMMUNITY**

Great work! Thanks to all for helping make this year's CASF Charity Golf Tournament an overwhelming success.

And THANK YOU to CASF for allowing us to partner with them on this wonderful fundraising event!

Thank You



CAC distributed some of the wonderful toys received from Diane & Isabella DeForge to The Little Schoolhouse. The organization and children were so thankful! These photos were forwarded to the donor and here is her response:

Oh my god this makes my heart just melts of such happiness. I am so glad those kiddos are enjoying every ounce of those beautiful toys that my little daughter spent hours with my heart is happy. Enjoy.

With love and blessings from my beautiful Isabella and me



Children's Aid 2023



Children's Aid (donation)2023



On behalf of Seagull Alternative High School and My Safe Harbor, we would like to express our gratitude to CAC for this amazing Surplus Funds Award.

We distributed these supplies at the end of year field day celebration at Seagull and were able to provide each child with a summer take home bag filled with food, snacks, and juices. Cases of diapers and wipes were also provided along with gift cards. The excitement and appreciation for these gift bags was overwhelming. One of the moms stated she only had a few diapers left for her baby and the case of diapers was a godsend.

We feel so blessed to be able to be of service to help these children and their families.

With much gratitude,
Marsha Tessler, Director
Karen Rogowski, Director
My Safe Harbor, Inc. "A Helping Hand for Those in Need"

Pictured at right are Kimberly Pietro (potential CAC member), Karen Rogowski, CAC member Marsha Tessler (center in white pants) with Charisse Merchant James, Principal, and Dr. Audrey Robillard, Child Care Director from Seagull Alternative School.



Pictured below are some of the gift bags given to Seagull students.





Reprinted below is the thank you letter received from partner organization Henderson Behavioral Health in thanks for the award of surplus funds from CAC.



Innovation
Compassion
Hope

June 5, 2023

Children's Aid Club
P.O. Box 11503
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33339

Dear Children's Aid Club Members:

We are grateful to the members of Children's Aid Club for contributing \$6,300.00 in special funds for our Henderson Behavioral Health Youth & Family Program for incentives and activities. The youth and children that we serve will have the opportunity to participate in activities that they might not otherwise have a chance to experience.

Please know that your support of Henderson and our mission is so incredibly meaningful. As Henderson Behavioral Health celebrates its 70th anniversary, we remain steadfast in our commitment to our patients, families, and communities.

We are grateful to Monica Blackwood for presenting this opportunity to you for consideration, and we appreciate all that the Children's Aid Club continues to do for Henderson and our children and their families. Thank you!

Respectfully,


Steven Ronik, Ed.D.
Chief Executive Officer

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Congratulations!



CAC member Vanessa Diaz Font and her husband, Dr. Vince Font, are so proud to announce that their daughter, Cristina Font, finished her training at Brown University and she is now an Internal Medicine Physician. Cristina will move to Jacksonville, Florida to start her fellowship in Cardiology at the University of Florida for the next 3 years.

Vanessa said "We are so proud."



CAC member Caroline Courtney and her husband, Wynn, are very proud that their son, Preston (pictured second from left), captained their boat "Second Wynn" to a 1st place finish in the CASF 31st Annual Tom Tucker Fishing Tournament in Bimini at the beginning of June.

The charterer was Rightway Plumbing.



CAC Birthday Celebration



On Thursday, June 29th, some CAC members gathered together at the IHOP party room in Pompano Beach to share lunch and celebrate summer birthdays. June/July birthday folks in attendance were:

Fran English, Marsha Tessler,
Vanessa Diaz-Font,



Rebecca Solomon (and her husband David)
and Janice Bloomfield.

It was a great time to gather together in person one more time before we head off on summer vacations.

Thank you to Valerie Taylor for coordinating this event.



Please continue to email summer pictures of yourself to cacjulienewton@gmail.com



Congratulations!



Congratulations to
CAC member
Trudy Bieck
on the birth of
her first grandchild.
New grandson,
Jasper Garcia,
was born
in June.



Congratulations to
CAC member
Pam Ferrante
and her husband Bill
on the birth of
their tenth grandchild.
New Granddaughter,
Chiara Ferrante,
was born on
June 16th.





Valentine's Taste 'n' Tell Lunch



Children's Aid Club

Taste'n'Tell planning is underway. Remember to set time aside at the beginning of February 2024



Happy JULY Birthday



Fran English
7/6



Debra Rowand
7/22



Janice
Bloomfield
7/23



Laura
Balistreri-Ahmed
7/25



"The United States is the only country with a known birthday.... There is no 'Republican,' no 'Democrat,' on the Fourth of July— all are Americans."

—JAMES G. BLAINE,
ORATION ON INDEPENDENCE DAY

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"Summer is the annual permission slip to be lazy. To do nothing and have it count for something. To lie in the grass and count the stars. To sit on a branch and study the clouds." - Regina Brett



Prayers are still much needed for the fiancé of CAC member Louise Proffer's niece, Justin Bibeau. He's looking at long term rehab once he leaves the hospital. He has a long road ahead of him but all of our prayers have seen him get through the worse. It has been suggested to have a prayer circle for him, so

if you could stop for a few minutes at 3:00 pm each day and say a prayer, it would be appreciated.

