

SUNSHINE MONTHLY

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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

LAYNE SABERT

We closed out our year with a great turnout at the May meeting, including four newly joined members. Following the meeting, we continued our tradition with a lovely President's Luncheon at Carmel Country Club. A heartfelt thank you to Stephanie Therrell and Elizabeth Phillips for planning the event and securing the beautiful venue!

Here are some highlights of the 2024-25 school year:

- Service Projects: Added two schools, Idlewild Elementary and J.W. Grier Elementary.
- Membership: Gained 8 new members.
- Communications: Many processes were streamlined, including an interactive membership application that can be completed online.
- Donor Relations and Community Partnerships: Our partnership with Ally Bank made a big impact in our schools and earned us over \$10,000.
- Fundraising: Through our Fall Fundraiser, Spring Fundraiser and several smaller events, we made over \$46,000.

As a reminder, there are no general meetings in June, July, or August. Our next general meeting will be the Fall Kickoff Luncheon at the Rea Woods Clubhouse. While general meetings are on pause, the board will be hard at work preparing for the upcoming school year. I'm excited to collaborate with new board members Janica Jordan and Shelly Yoder as we plan another successful year for CLC!

Wishing everyone a fun-filled summer!

Sincerely,
Layne

CARE AND CONCERN

HELEN HOWARD

Happy Birthday to our June birthday Girls:

- 1 Olivia Fortson
- 4 Fay Coker
- 6 Melissa Beam
- 15 Brenda Rorie
- 21 Carolyn Stroud
- 26 Lynda Gardner
- 27 Patsy Drummond

Happy Birthday to our July Girls:

- 3 Sherrill Suiter
- 4 Sharon Hall
- 7 Angie Marshall
- 19 Dee Fulton
- 23 Lynda Eddy
Kirstan Hamilton
- 26 Debbie Cramer
- 28 Stephanie Therrell

MEMBERSHIP

ALECIA JOHNSON



Please Welcome our new member, Sarah Demaree! She originally hails from Central Ohio and attended The Ohio State University.

Sarah has lived in Charlotte for two years, is married to Justin and has two children - Elizabeth and Benjamin.

Sarah enjoys playing tennis, reading and gardening. Something people may not know about her is that she spent a year abroad living in Australia and learned to Surf!

SERVICE PROJECTS

ANGIE MARSHALL

As the 2024/25 school year comes to a close, I have looked back on all the incredible things that were accomplished.

With the help of our dedicated team and amazing volunteers, we were able to make a positive impact in all six of our schools. That's right — six! This year we added two NEW hubs at Idlewild Elementary and JW Grier Academy. We're thrilled to say the transition was very successful, and these two schools will continue as hub-only sites next year. We are also very eager to see how much more we can achieve together!

By volunteering in the hubs or at school events for teachers and students, no matter how many hours you dedicated, your time has truly made a difference! Because of you, thousands of students, teachers, staff members, and families in our 6 schools have felt supported, encouraged, and empowered. We see the smiles, hear the gratitude, and feel the impact every single day — and we couldn't do it without you!

As we look ahead to the summer, there will be several chances to stay involved helping in the hubs and prepping for the new school year. If you're interested in volunteering during the summer months, please don't hesitate to send me a text. I'll add you to our volunteer list and keep you in the loop as opportunities come up. Any help is welcome and appreciated.

Again, I am beyond grateful for every person who stepped up and pitched in. Wishing you a safe, restful, and joyful summer!

Angie Marshall
Text 704-907-2140

Devonshire Teacher Appreciation



SPEEDWAY CHILDREN'S CHARITIES

CAROLYN BASS

It's unbelievable that SCC has been around for over 43 years! A tragedy for the Smith family has given so much hope to so many children during that time. And Charity League has been very fortunate to have received so much support from them since 1990.

The organization's 43rd Annual Gala was a huge success, and the new venue at Ten Tents Clubhouse was amazing.

Thank you to everyone who worked as a volunteer at the Speedway over Memorial Day weekend as well. The 50/50 Raffle was a huge success, raising over \$125,000, and I know you had fun!

Wishing everyone a safe summer.

Carolyn and Nelson Bass at the SCC Gala



Volunteering at the Speedway



Donor Relations/Community Partnerships

LISHA MORTON

DRCP finished the year with two very successful volunteer events. A team of Ally volunteers helped to convert the Albemarle Road Hub over to spring uniforms, as well as reorganize the Hub and toiletry closet. We also unboxed food remaining from the mobile food pantry and organized it onto shelves so families can easily pick out what they need most. And we made copies for testing scheduled that week.

Our last volunteer event was at Devonshire, organizing the book room and continuing work on the Teacher Resource Notebooks. Marcy and Lisha met the new Devonshire principal, Mr. Barton. He's going to be a great leader and we're hearing very positive reviews from the staff about changes already in place.

We have set up Ally workdays for June, July and August too. Our focus will be continuing the work in the book room, finishing the notebooks, painting a collaboration room, reorganizing the school store and cleaning the stage, which has been used for storage for some time.

Another monumental partnership is with Coke Consolidated. We applied for a grant in April and received the full ask - \$10,000!! We are also planning an entire Coke work week at Hidden Valley this summer, and expect to have 90 - 120 employees volunteering over that time period.

In review of the past year, we have hosted 18 Ally volunteer workdays and had over 130 volunteers working in our schools. This has resulted in over \$10,000 from Ally as well, which has really helped our fundraising efforts.

Looking forward to continuing these awesome partnerships, and possibly developing more just like them in the future!

Ally Partner Work Days



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