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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

LAYNE SABERT

Despite the rainy weather, our Spring Open House was lots of fun. A mix of old and new members as well as guests enjoyed appetizers while getting to know each other. I enjoyed meeting guests and letting them know what Charity League all is about.

This month we will be installing our new board. We have two brand new board members and three members moving to different positions. Welcome aboard Janica Jordan (Communications) and Shelly Yoder (Membership)! I've been blessed with great boards to work with the past two years and this coming year is no exception. It's always exciting to have fresh perspectives to combine with board experience.

I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at our May meeting, which is our last general meeting until September 11.

Sincerely,
Layne

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

May 8, 10:45 AM
General Meeting
South County Regional Library
(5801 Rea Rd)

CARE AND CONCERN

HELEN HOWARD

Happy Birthday to our May birthday Girls:

3 Sarah Demaree
5 Sharon Dougherty
18 Sara Cannon
31 Julie Golonka

I have moved! Please note my NEW address as follows:
Helen Howard
4317 Glenloch Circle
Matthews, NC 28105

MEMBERSHIP

ALECIA JOHNSON

Please welcome our NEW members:



Sara Anne Cannon is originally from Georgia and has been in Charlotte for about 28 years. She and husband Rhyne have two grown daughters and one sweet granddaughter. Sara Anne likes to play tennis and golf, and she Loves to play mahjong! Sara Anne considers herself an "introverted extrovert." She loves to be at the party, but also likes her time alone.

SERVICE PROJECTS

ANGIE MARSHALL

Before I even get started, I seriously can't believe it's already May 1. It feels like just yesterday we were kicking off the school year on August 1—stocking our hubs with uniforms, shoes, pants, shirts, underwear, and socks, getting everything in place for a fresh start. And now here we are, just six weeks away from wrapping up the 2024–2025 school year.

As we head into the final month of the school year, May will be filled with celebrations of our amazing teachers—lunches, sweet treats, coffee trucks, and even a muffin and coffee bar to show our appreciation. At the same time, we're staying busy behind the scenes, continuing to order uniforms and critical-need items to help schools finish the year strong. We're also making sure to have extra uniforms on hand so we're ready to hit the ground running in August 2025.

As always, we want to encourage everyone to get involved with our service projects. Honestly, it's one of the most fulfilling parts of what I do. I truly love being in the schools—seeing the kids, watching the teachers smile, and knowing they feel supported and seen. It's a reminder that what we're doing matters. Looking ahead to the new school year, we'll have plenty of opportunities to serve, and I'm planning to host an informative meeting to share more about what we do. If you're interested, I would love for you to join me and learn how you can get involved.

The meeting will take place on **Wednesday, May 21 from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM at my home**. If you'd like to attend, please RSVP by texting me at 704-907-2140, and I'll share the address with you then. I truly hope you'll consider coming—it's a great way to learn more, ask questions, and see how you can make an impact.

Devonshire

ANGIE MARSHALL & DESTINEY JOHNSTON

April was a fun month at Devonshire! We were excited to provide prizes for the school's Spring Fling on April 10—a great event for all students and their families.

Looking ahead to May, we have some sweet things in store! On Thursday, May 8, we'll be setting up a muffin bar featuring 10 delicious flavors, all lovingly baked by Tammy Pangle's mom. We'll also have coffee available to make the morning extra special.



Dani Strawbridge is originally from Pittsburgh and has been in Charlotte for 7 years. Dani works for Bank of America. She is married and has an adorable 2-year-old son. Dani likes to read thrillers and romance novels, but also likes to be

outside and enjoys gardening. Something we may not know about Dani is that she has never had a cup of coffee!

SPEEDWAY CHILDRENS CHARITIES

CAROLYN BASS

Well, this year has certainly blasted off! I cannot believe that it is May already. Things are going well at SCC and we are so excited about our annual fundraising Gala coming up on May 21st.

Thank you to those who have signed up to volunteer at the upcoming Speedway events already. There are still some open spots for the following event:

Event: Coke 600

Dates to volunteer: May 23-25 (Biggest need)

Location: Charlotte Motor Speedway

Registration for this event can be found [here](#).

Please sign up if you are available.

Thank you!

Layne with Taylor Kirby at the CLC Spring Luncheon:



In addition, we'll have volunteers supporting the school's Field Day on May 6—a day that's always full of energy and fun for the kids.

As we look ahead to summer, we'll need a few volunteers to help get the Devonshire hub ready for the new school year.

SignUpGenius will be updated with opportunities by June 1. Please use the following link after that date if you can help: [Devonshire Volunteering](#)

A big thank you to Destiney, who has played a huge role in all the great things happening at Devonshire—your dedication has truly made a difference!

Recent examples of Service Projects at Devonshire (including dolphin mural by Megan Marshall):



DONOR RELATIONS AND COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

LISHA MORTON

Donor Relations and Community Partnerships is starting to see the light at the end of the tunnel! I have entered the Spring Fundraiser attendees and found GiveButter to be an easy platform to use. Stephanie Therrell and I have also been meeting with the Communications Committee and getting great ideas of how we can use GiveButter to its fullest.

As Marcy leaves Fundraising, she will step into DRCP, which will be a natural transition since she's been highly involved with Ally from the beginning. Community Partnerships continue to be a great fundraising avenue as we have several more Ally volunteer dates on the calendar for May.

Pictured below is Ms. Lynne Walters, Ally Bank's Senior Director of Corporate Citizenship, who attended the Spring Fundraiser. Marcy and I will meet with her in May and look forward to expanding our relationship with Ally. Also pictured is the fantastic group of volunteers at JW Grier Academy, when we stocked their Hub with spring and summer items. On the left is Mr. Rick Hill, JW Grier Family Advocate.



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