

# SUNSHINE MONTHLY

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## PRESIDENT'S LETTER

LAYNE SABERT

Happy almost Fall! I think it's safe to say we are all ready to welcome cooler weather, lower humidity and pumpkin scented candles.

Thanks to hard work this summer from members and our community partner, Ally, students returned to well stocked Hubs and refreshed spaces. The new improvements have created a more engaging and supportive space for learning, setting the stage for a fantastic school year ahead.

Our third annual Fall Kickoff Luncheon is right around the corner. For the newer members, this is a potluck style lunch combined with our general meeting. This event features delicious food, an opportunity to meet fellow members, and a chance to learn more about CLC. It's a great way for all members to connect, engage, and get acquainted with all that we have to offer!

Hope to see you at the Luncheon,

See you soon,  
Layne

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

September 5, 10:00 am  
Board Meeting  
Hyatt Centric SouthPark

September 12, 10:45 am  
Fall Kickoff Luncheon  
Rea Woods Clubhouse (6040 Woodleigh Oaks Dr.)

September 24, 5:30-8:30 pm  
Open House  
CharBar No. 7 (3140 Carmel Rd.)

### Save The Date

October 21, 6:30 pm  
Fall Fundraiser  
Hawthorne's Pizza (8410 Rea Rd.)

## CARE AND CONCERN

HELEN HOWARD

Our dear Lois Yandle has passed away this month. She joined Charity League in 1977 and was a Golden Girl. Our sympathy goes out to her family.

<https://www.dignitymemorial.com/obituaries/charlotte-nc/lois-yandle-11944627>

Happy Birthday to our September birthday Girls:

5 Patricia Walker  
11 Doris Pope  
20 Linda Snider  
Susan Norris  
24 Linda Helms  
23 Janica Jordan

**SERVICE PROJECTS**

**ANGIE MARSHALL**

This summer has been both crazy and amazing for service projects! As we look back, we're filled with gratitude for all the volunteers, partners, and everyone who contributed their time to Devonshire, Hidden Valley, Albemarle Road and Sterling.

The Service Project team also received requests from Idlewild Elementary and JW Grier Academy for uniforms. Fortunately, we were able to fulfill those requests. Lisha Morton and I will be meeting with both schools to assess their needs, order the uniforms and stock their uniform closet. Once we determine what help is needed, a Sign-Up Genius will go out for volunteers.

**Albemarle Road Elementary**

**LISHA MORTON**

Albemarle Road is very busy this year due to a change in their uniform policy. They have added jeans and solid-colored t-shirts to their dress code. Everything has been ordered and is currently being delivered. If you are interested in helping to restock the HUB, please sign up at the following link:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0B4CA8AE2CABF85-44530845-albemarle>

Principal Palmer requested that we purchase items for the teachers' classrooms from their Amazon list. They have also requested that the Charity League organize their toiletry closet and food pantry and help with their Mobile Food Pantry. Watch for an updated Sign-up Genius link to be sent once I have scheduled those workdays.

Charity League treated the staff to a Panera breakfast on their first day back. We have other Teacher Appreciation events planned for the rest of the year, which will also be added to the Sign-up Genius once I have confirmed dates with Principal Palmer.

**Devonshire Elementary**

**ANGIE MARSHALL**

We were fortunate to have Ally Volunteers help us at Devonshire for five days, contributing a total of over 200 hours. Their enthusiasm and willingness to assist with anything we needed was truly remarkable. They made a significant impact, and we're so grateful for their hard work, alongside CLC members.

We were also able to form several new relationships and strengthen others. A few of our Ally volunteers enjoyed their time

**MEMBERSHIP**

**ALECIA JOHNSON**

Please join us for our Fall Open House! It's a chance to catch up with friends and bring guests who might be interested in learning more about Charity League. Appetizers will be provided. All are welcome!



**Janica Jordan**

Janica is originally from Ohio. She and her husband Eddie have lived in Charlotte for seven years now. Janica is involved with various charities and nonprofits, and works with The Curated Life, where she combines life coaching and professional organizing.



Janica loves traveling, reading and working out. Around town you can find her at the theatre, trying new restaurants or playing golf.

A fun fact about Janica is that she is an Army Veteran!

so much that they asked how they can become more involved with Charity League. And, during the painting process I was able to build a wonderful relationship with a young man at Sherwin-Williams, which has led to a partnership with the company. They provided us with a very generous discount on paint, and even better, Sherwin-Williams has agreed to extend additional support to Hidden Valley!

And finally, I want to extend a special thank you to Destiney Johnston, who has agreed to be the school lead for Devonshire going forward.

### Hidden Valley Elementary

ELIZABETH PHILLIPS

HVE received much TLC this summer! Principal Reyes and Lisha Morton spearheaded a HUGE decluttering effort school-wide. Before teachers left for their summer break, they sorted through their classrooms and marked items to keep, discard for CMS pickup, or trash. We had two waves of volunteers that assisted with moving and sorting the items and organizing what remained. No closet was left untouched, and all the outdated curriculum and broken furniture has been cleared, leaving a cleaner building for the start of the school year.

This removed such a huge burden from the staff and teachers, and couldn't have been done without Lisha's guidance, as well as the many volunteers that answered the call to serve. Thank you especially to our CLC volunteers and the many Charlotte Catholic High School families who gave their time to make HVE shine!

Coming up we have a Hub workday on Wednesday, September 4 from 10am to 1pm and a Teacher Appreciation Luncheon on Wednesday, September 25 from 10:30am to 1:30pm. Please click on the link below to sign up OR reach out to me with any questions. I look forward to serving with you this year!

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

### SPEEDWAY CHILDREN'S CHARITIES

CAROLYN BASS

I hope that everyone had a wonderful, safe and fun-filled summer. It has gone by way too fast.

We are in the process of vetting the charities who have applied to SCC for a Grant. This is an exciting time when we get to see first-hand what they have all been doing and what the future plans are for their organizations.

### FUNDRAISING EVENTS

MARCY MCKENNEY

As Fall quickly approaches, we are getting excited for our CLC Fall FUNdraising Event!

As you know, Charity League typically holds just two major fundraisers per year - one in the spring and one in the fall. And we need the help of our wonderful, devoted members to make these events successful – either by attending or by donating.

A formal invitation will be sent to members soon via email. This will include the LINK to purchase tickets and can be easily forwarded to your family and friends. We have made a commitment to Hawthorne's for 110 people. Please come if you can, and bring guests to help us reach "sold out" status!

DATE: October 21st

LOCATION: Hawthorne's NY Pizza on Rea Road

TIME: 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

TICKETS: \$50 each

Includes: buffet dinner, one complimentary drink, a silent auction and a "WINE PULL RAFFLE." Guest Speaker: Dr. Emily Miles, Executive Director of Elementary School Performance, CMS, and former Principal, Sterling Elementary School.

#### LOOKING FOR BOTTLED WINE DONATIONS

- If you have OR would like to purchase several bottles of wine to support the "Wine Pull Raffle" (minimum value \$20), we would be most grateful.
- Please bring to September 12 CLC General Meeting or let me know via email and we can decide on best way to get them from you. (Deadline for donations: September 27)

Thank you for your participation and support!

### COMMUNICATIONS

CAROLYN POLLACK

If you haven't checked out the **CLC Website** lately, it has been refreshed with NEW photos of our members in action and some revised content over the last year!

There are several SCC events coming up and I hope that you will visit the website to check them out.

Please consider signing up to volunteer as well at these links:

**NHRA Fall 50/50 Signup 2024**

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4BA5A82DA13-50264569-nhra>

**Royal 50/50 Raffle & Legacy Shop**

[https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4BA5A82DA13-50264134-5050#/#/](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4BA5A82DA13-50264134-5050#/)

Looking forward to another year of activities for the Charity League and seeing members who I've missed over the summer.

**SUMMER ACTIVITIES**

**Charity League and Ally partner together at Devonshire!**



We also added the option for new members to pay their joining fee and 1st year dues in one transaction. Just be sure to use the correct button when submitting your dues online.

If you do NOT have access already to our **Members Area**, just click the "Login" option in the upper right corner to set up a username and password. You will be notified once your account has been approved. This is where you will find our most current member directory and newsletters. You can also download expense forms or reference our strategic plan and by-laws. It is a great resource for everyone!

We are excited that Nanine Hartsenbusch will be managing our **Social Media** accounts going forward. Please continue to send your submissions to me, with accompanying photos and content, and I will work with her to get them posted in a timely manner. If YOU are also active on social media, be sure to like and share our CLC posts with your own online community. Let's get the word out together!

And finally, we are setting up a Charity League **Google Photos** catalog to archive our events and great work in the community altogether in one central storage location. Anyone who might be interested in helping with this project, please contact me at [littlec64@gmail.com](mailto:littlec64@gmail.com). Thank you!

Prepping for the NEW School Year



Open House at Devonshire



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