



Christ Child Society Of Pittsburgh

MISSION STATEMENT

The Christ Child Society of Pittsburgh is a non-profit Catholic association of lay volunteers embracing members of all denominations, expressing its members' love of the Christ Child through service to God's children regardless of race, color or creed.

May 2020

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NEWSLETTER

JUDY KERN

Dear CCS members,

As the COVID-19 crisis continues, I hope you and your families are all staying safe and healthy. This crisis is unprecedented and it has caused us to do many things differently and affected us economically. The Christ Child Society is no exception. Unfortunately, cancelling our Red Wagon fundraiser has hurt our financial ability to help children through our many programs. Right now, we are limiting our expenses to rent and insurance. We are unsure whether we will be able to hold Red Wagon in the Fall to increase our resources, so we are taking it one day at a time. We will keep you informed as we get more information. *On a positive note, Father Gretz at All Saints Church has reduced our rent by half for the next 4 months. I had called to request some help and he responded so very generously! Thank you Father!!*

In an effort to increase donations to CCS, I have put a request for donations on our website. We have always had a donation form on there, but I tried to highlight our need with a picture collage of our programs and a personal message. Please check it out and share with family and friends!

The National Christ Child Society has cancelled their convention in Tucson this year and rescheduled for September 15-18, 2022 in Tucson. Instead, there will be a remote/virtual meeting and educational sessions. Dates and details to follow.

Our installation luncheon for the end of May has also been cancelled. Our new President, Pam Diulus, will be installed at our next meeting. We don't know when that can occur, so Pam and I have discussed this and I will remain as President until that happens. We are anticipating sometime in the Fall. I am happy to say that Gerrie Orr has agreed to be our new Treasurer. A big thank you to Gerrie for stepping up! Diane and she will be in contact and Diane will stay on until we can get things transferred to Gerrie.

We still need a Vice-President, so please consider taking that office. I know many are leery because it leads to the Presidency, but don't be! Former officers are always available to guide you and you will have 2 years to prepare. There can also be Co-Presidents if 2 members would like to work together!!

Please remember to send in your dues and member information form to Patti Smith by May 19th. Maintaining our membership is critical at this time! We need you!

Lastly, I just want to say that I hope everyone stays safe and stays connected during these trying times. Remember we are all in this together!!! Looking forward to the next time we can all meet!!!

In the name of the Christ Child,

Janet

YOUTH EMPOWERMENT PROGRAM (All of Us Care)

... From Joanne Herrmann

On Mondays and Thursdays each week, the **Youth Empowerment Program** has been working hard packing food bags for the children in Sharpsburg. The program is called "GRAB and GO MEALS" and is funded with the grants "NO KID HUNGRY" and NIAGARA CARE".

Each Monday and Thursday about 45 children are provided with 3 breakfasts, 3 lunches, 3 juices and 6 milks. On Thursday they also receive a "weekend food bag".

The kitchen at *All of Us Care* is being remodeled to include a commercial stove and oven that will enable the staff to prepare over 100 lunches for children in Sharpsburg, Millvale and Etna this summer.

The summer camp this year will be on line because of COVID-19 .

The **Youth Empowerment Program** is doing a fantastic job with the help of their Program Director, Tarcia Rebeitz and staff.

ANGELS' CLOSET

... From Molly Kelley

There are no updates on Angels' Closet at this time. Please be sure to read our August Christ Child publication for upcoming Fall Angels' Closet news!



CAMP AIM

... From Molly Kelley



Camp Aim is probably not going to take place this year due to COVID-19 . Although this information is not official, Christ Child members will be notified of any changes.

LAYETTES

... From Charlotte Collins

The CCD program and the Ladies of Charity at All Saints parish donated 34 packages of wipes and 17 dozen diapers to our Layette program

Our Layette committee got together on January 27, 2020 and packed approximately 110 bags. Sixteen Layette bags were deliveries to Genesis of Pittsburgh. They expressed their gratitude for all we do for them.

Looking forward to a day when we can all get together again. Stay safe everyone.



MEMBERSHIP

... Patti Smith



Please remember MEMBERSHIP DUES are due MAY 19.

Checks should be made payable to CHRIST CHILD SOCIETY and mailed to

Patti Smith

49 Amherst Avenue

Pittsburgh, PA 15229.

DONATIONS TO THE CHRIST CHILD SOCIETY OF PITTSBURGH

IN MEMORY OF:

KAREN CALLAHAN

From:

Friend of Christ Child

Phyllis Dombrowski

FROM DIANE DONOVAN, Treasurer

Due to the situation of COVID-19, I would like to give a summary of the Treasurer's Report as of March 2020.

MARCH: Beginning Balance \$2,815.10,
Ending balance: \$8,083.77

Disbursements \$1,669.48
Deposits \$6,938.15

Money Market \$12,017.24 *

* Regarding Money Market, I had to transfer \$6000.00 to our checking account to pay our monthly bills. Money is tight.

Praying for your health during these challenging times.
Thank you!

CC DONATIONS, TRIBUTES AND MEMORIALS ~ DONATION FORM

This form is also available on our website: www.christchildsofittsburgh.org

CHRIST CHILD SOCIETY OF PITTSBURGH DONATION FORM

Name _____

Address _____

Amount of donation: ___\$50.00 ___\$25.00 ___\$10.00 \$_____ other amount
___in honor of ___in memory of ___in thanksgiving for

Name (From) _____

Please send an acknowledgement of my gift to:

Name _____

Address _____

Please enclose this form and your check payable to "Christ Child Society of Pittsburgh" and mail to:

Christ Child Society of Pittsburgh

Diane Donovan

538 Springwood Drive

Verona, PA 15147

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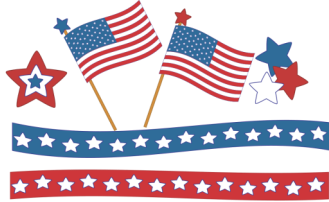
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Dates to Remember

(TENTATIVE DEPENDING ON COVID-19 GUIDELINES)

August 20, 2020	11:30 – Lunch and General Meeting
September 17, 2020	11:30 – Lunch and General Meeting
October 17, 2020	RED WAGON (at Pittsburgh Field Club, Fox Chapel)
October-November	Angels' Closet (Schedule to be announced)
November 19, 2020	11:30 – Lunch and General Meeting

Committees and Board of Directors will meet on an as needed basis.

NOTEWORTHY:

- The next scheduled publication of the CCS newsletter will be in August 2020. Please **MARK YOUR CALENDAR** and submit all information for this newsletter to Judy Kern by Friday, **August 7**.