



Christ Child Society Newsletter

August, 2011

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Mission Statement

The South Bend Chapter of the Christ Child Society is a not-for-profit organization of volunteers dedicated to the personal service and clothing of all needy children and infants in the love and spirit of the Christ Child.

Executive Board

President:

Norma Villanucci

President Elect:

Kathy Seidl

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Pat Corcoran

Vice President (Membership):

Carol Holt

Vice President (Clothing):

Norma Cherry

Recording Secretary:

Kelly Ghyselink

Corresponding Secretary:

Rose Wray

Treasurer:

Pat Hillebrand

Calendar

- Aug 3Restock/ Inventory
Clothing Center 9:00 AM
- Aug 3Referral Ambassador
Training Meeting Center 9:30 AM
- Aug 10Donor Open House
Center 5-7 PM
- Aug 15 Board Meeting, Center 9:30 AM
- Aug 17 ..Clothing Center Opening Day
8:30 AM (*Orientation, 8 AM*)
- Aug 24 In Memoriam Mass
St. Patrick's 12:15 PM
- AUG 24, 31.....Clothing Center
Open 8:30 AM
- Aug 28 (Sunday).....Clothing Center
Open 1-3 PM

Appreciation Open House Set for August 10

No one likes to feel taken for granted. On the other hand, everyone likes to feel appreciated! To that end we'd like to show our appreciation to those who have been so generous to the Christ Child Society. On August 10th, from 5-7pm, we will welcome Christ Child Society benefactors to the Center on Scott Street for drinks, hors d'oeuvres, conversation and tours of the Center.

Members are also invited to come and help entertain our guests. Set up for the event will begin at 11:00am on that day and volunteers are most welcome. For more information, please call Linda Brammer (287-5048).

Bridge Marathon Concludes Year

Mary Balint and Marilyn Toepp were the winners of the Christ Child Bridge Marathon this past year. Ten couples participated in the Marathon.

Other winners were second, Joan Fahey and Elaine Thompson; third, Helen Diltz and Lorraine Leszez; fourth, Marty Redden and Janne Grogan and fifth, Betty DeFazio and Millie Gurthet.

Twenty dollars was collected from each player and remitted to Christ Child in September. Pat Hillebrand, Treasurer, returned \$120.00 for the seasonal prize money and prize money won the day of the luncheon. Any expenses were absorbed by the chairpersons. Net profit for Christ Child was \$280.00.

Marty Redden and Janne Grogan were the chairpersons for Marathon this past year. The luncheon was held at the South Bend Country Club on June 8.

Anyone interested in participating in the Marathon this year should call Marilyn Toepp (291-3181)



New Board members from left to right are: Peg Riggs, Judy Kuzmich, Sandy Krizmanich, Anne Watson and Sue Walsh.

From the President . . . Norma Villanucci

It is just amazing to me that I am writing this introduction as your new president for 2011-2012, since one year ago when I was named president-elect, I was thinking how much time I had to prepare for this and it is now here.

First of all, I want to sincerely thank Linda Brammer for all her time, effort and patience she provided me during the past year. It was truly a pleasure working with her. Secondly, I want to express how honored and humbled I am to serve this wonderful organization as president. I truly believe it will be an exciting year and look forward to working with a wonderful group of women.

As we start the upcoming season, there will be a couple of new events; first, the fall fundraiser "Let Love Shine" chaired by Beth Barrett and co-chaired by Anne Watson. This fundraiser will take place on Thursday, September 29, at the Gillespie Conference Center. Secondly, the Mother's Day Tea in May chaired by Linda Brammer and co-chaired by Marcia Auger. These two events alone will make this year exciting and full of surprises.

But before we get too far ahead of our schedule, we have the Referral Ambassador Training Meeting at the Center on August 3 chaired by Mary Lou Houle plus the Donor Open House chaired by Linda Brammer on August 10. This is all before the official opening of the Clothing Center on August 17. Our volunteers have worked extremely long and hard to get all the clothing ready for the opening. What I have observed these past months is how well organized and well managed each department appears.

We are anticipating another successful year and are very hopeful of fulfilling the mission of the Christ Child Society of South Bend. I ask all members to put these special dates on your calendars so that we can begin the new season with great anticipation.

Now let's begin the new season with some words of wisdom:

SAY YES

"Find a way to say yes to things. Say yes to invitations to a new country, say yes to meet new friends, say yes to learn something new. Yes is how you get your first job, and your next job, and your spouse, and even your kids. Even if it's a bit edgy, a bit out of your comfort zone, saying yes means that you will do something new, meet someone new, and make a difference. Yes lets you stand out in a crowd, be the optimist, see the glass full, be the one everyone comes to. Yes is what keeps us all young."

– Eric Schmidt, Executive Chairman of Google

'Helping Hands' Donates Quilts, Sweaters, Toys

The Layette Department was the recipient of baby crib quilts, hand knitted sweaters and hand made toys from HELPING HANDS. The women who volunteer for that organization invited us to come and see what they did. Never did we expect to return to the Center with a trunk full of items for our new moms. We were so impressed with all they do for all types of organizations and they do it free of charge!

Since they have such a limited budget, the group relies on donations. If anyone has unused material, yarn, stuffing, batting, thread etc., they will be thrilled to have it. HELPING HANDS is located on the top floor of the Food Bank on Chapin Street. If you have a donation and are unable to take it to them yourself, bring it to the Christ Child Center and the Layette Department will see that it gets to them.

Just as they are helping us, it would be great if we could give back to them at least some of the materials that they use to make the items they give us. If you want to see the type of items they gave us, stop in the Layette Department and we will be happy to show off their work.



President Norma Villanucci receives herpi from Linda Brammer.

Books Wanted

We would like to give a book to each child who receives clothing from Christ Child Society. Please bring any gently-used or new books to the Center. If you wish to give a book or books and cannot make it to the Center, please email Mary Beth McGrath (macbeth.65@att.net) or call her (674-0181) for pick-up. Thank you.

Gift Wrap

Again this year Christ Child was afforded the opportunity to wrap gifts at the Hammes book store during graduation week at Notre Dame. Thirty volunteers working three hour shifts during the four days raised \$941.00, a little more money than last year. A big thank you to all who helped.

CAC Donors

Clothe-A-Child donors since February 21 are:

Daniel Dixon
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Robert Stritch
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Kenneth Vella
D/M Chris Hazel in honor of Joan/
Ed Hardig
M/M Wes Williams in memory of
Cecelia Bauters
M/M James Holt in memory of
David Hosinski
M/M Jack Trant in memory of
M/M Thomas J Powell

Deadline for next newsletter
August 15

Ann Korb (277-6443)
ack339@aol.com

Gifts and Memorials

The beautiful Gold Christ Child Remembrance Card is a convenient way to send donations in any amount to the Christ Child Society, as an In Memoriam or in recognition of a special occasion or accomplishment. A donation can be made in memory of deceased friend or relatives who will also be remembered in a perpetual monthly Mass. The card also makes it possible to celebrate happy occasions such as birthdays and anniversaries in the same way. When requesting a Remembrance Card, members are asked to print legibly since the names will be printed in each newsletter with the donor's name in parentheses. Extra cards are available in the office or from Jane Horning (272-4160).

In Memoriam

Carl Andrews (Dottie/Ron Wallace)
 Marilyn Andrzejewski (Jane Horning, Margaret/Wally Moore, Katie Screes, Mary Martin, Theresa Van Nevel, Renee Hochstetter, Helen Diltz, Sonny/Dee Tepe, Ann Korb, M/M R P Morrison, Irene McNulty, Joyce Beebe, Norman Haas, Kathy Bakos, Mary Lou Smith, Virginia Greskowiak, Brenda Fraser, The Lough Family and John Barry, St. Joe School, Marilyn Stafford, Katie Krepel, Trudy Strantz, Christ Child Society)
 Maureen Bellia (Doojie/Jack Trant)
 Victor Bernath (Margaret J Wegner)
 Mrs. Patricia Bradley (Kathleen M Ward, Marijo Martinec)
 Florian Burkowski (Virginia Hahn)
 Matthew Dennin (Bill/Marian Bickel)
 Alberta Devlieghe (Joe/Marie Burt)
 John Earl (Marjore/John Bycraft)
 Eugene Edmonds (Ann Korb)
 Catherine Florida (Kay/Frank Catanzarite)
 Richard Fultan (Greg/Jean Mee)
 Daniel C Gorman (Rosemary Shafer)
 Michael Hagerty (Joe/Marie Burt)
 Mary Hardig (Jane Horning, Katie Screes, John H Lloyd III, Esther Cyr, Edward/Joan Hardig, Ken/Marie Thomas, Ed/Mary Lou Grunawalt, Michiana Plastics, Inc, Dennis/Mary Keane, Rosemary Shafer, Ellen/Katie Dunlap, M/M Charles Hahn, Dottie Wallace, Mary's Brother, Richard/Patricia Brotherson and Family, Christ Child Society)

In Memoriam

Members:

Marilyn Andrzejewski
 Mary Hardig
 Trudy Rose
 Lucille Van Paris

Husbands:

David A Hosinski
 William Peck

Daughter:

Judith Strantz

Fay Hare (Deanna Reed, The Keefe Family, James/Mary Mackin)

Hilgendorf Family (Carol/Bob Loeffler)

Joan Hoerstman (The Van Driessche Family)

Hosinski Families (Carol/Bob Loeffler)

David A Hosinski (Anne/Eric Coles, Marie/Paul Brady, Jack/Nancy Pycik, Charlie/Tony Hutti, Frank/Cathie Taelman, John/Suzy Halloran, Art/Mary Lou Houle, Dick/Vicki Riel, Mary Ellen Brennan, Orlen/Joan and Jay Biltz, Carol Bauer, Clarence/Mary Witsken, Pat Hillebrand, Deb/Mike Low, Bill Killilea, Dottie/Ron Wallace, Polly DeCicco, Jane Horning, Jeanne/James Ward, Tom/Pat Murray, Marlene/Otto Martinec, John/Wendy Bogner, Sonny/Dee Tepe, Irene McNulty, M/M W Marquis Anderson, Esther A Cyr, The Ghyselinc Family, Jeanne Desmond, Joe Bauters, Carol/Jim Holt, Sheila Emge, Joyce Knapp, Bruce/Marcia Auger, Bette/Pat O'Malley, Tee/Cal Miller, Chuck/Rosemary Crowell, Catherine Koscielski, Beth/Dan Barrett, John/Sue Uhran, Bill/Marian Bickel, Edward/Joan Hardig, Bill/Margaret Johnson, Karl/Greg Wuszke, Betsy Cooke, Kenneth/Barbara Fedder, Kathryn Schoenle, George/

Teddi Murray, Rosemary Shafer, Kathy/Al Large, Jerry/Betty Vascil, Rita North, Jerry/Judy Kearns, Ron/Laverne Molenda, Mary Jane Chase, Mary Ann McTigue, Katie Screes, Jim/Pat Short, Mary Lou/John Derwent, B G Butler, Robert/Judith Meuleman, Warrick & Boyn, LLP, George/Marie Gusich, Hersh/Ann Riley, Silvana M Schuster, Frank P Maggio, David/Rosemary Spalding, Karen D Clifford, Mary/Joe Woodka, Bob/Toni Kowalski, Sara/Tim Conroy, Cathy/Wayne Bishop, John Smarrella, Andrew Heck & Barnes & Thornburg, LLP, Dennis/Marsha Meuleman, M/M Lawrence Varda, Jeanette/Larry Landy, Kelly Miller, Dale Schrad/Linda Thaxton, Dick Chlebek, Mary Griesinger, Janice Goossens, Willard/Mary Waterson, William Joseph Bagatini, Hickey, Lehmann & Wolter, Carl/Mary Anne Lehner, Jim/Chris Coleman, Ken/Lisa Putz, M/M Cliff Witkowski, Janet Staton, Kent/Janice Beutel, Paul/Erin Van Dieren, John S Frizzo, Dorey, John and Susan Doster, Ray/Sue Rudynski, Claire Klinedinst, John Meuleman, M/M Paul Meuleman, Mary Carole Daugherty, Kevin P Killilea, Paul A McMahon, Doojie/Jack Trant, Heather/Bradley Short, Tom/Maureen Cahir, Kathleen M Welsh, Diane/Gerry Quinn, Marc/Linda Brammer, B J O'Brien, Tom/Pat Troeger, Lynne/Dave Fischgrund, Peter/Lisa Deputy Family, Tom/Marlene Nowak, Mary S Hintz, Rose Acklin, Joseph/Holly Hosinski, Marjorie/John Bycraft, Pat/Ed Healy, Philip J Meuleman, Service Printers Inc, Norman/Pamela Matteoni,

Trudy Strantz, Lee/Sparky Travis, Carl/Jeanie Weiskittel, Christ Child Society)
 Walter Jacobs (Ginger/Frank O'Hara)
 Robert Jaworski (Joan Jaworski)
 Thomas Kanczuzewski (Kathleen M Welsh, Katie Screes)
 Eleanor Koscielski (Bill/Marian Bickel)
 Dorothy Kroll (Kathy/Al Large, M/M James Sharpe, M/M Jerry Cook)
 Blase'Laczai (Virginia Hahn)
 Noah T Laidig, Grandson of M/M Thomas Mueller (Rosemary Shafer)
 Robert Laslo (Mary Ann/Tom Mason)
 John T Lentz (Orlen/Joan Biltz)
 James/Lucille Love (Trudy Strantz)
 Mary Mackin (Joan Fahey, Carl Bauer, Dr John/Marilyn Toepp, Jim/Anne Monserez)
 Owen Malone (Julie W Considine)
 Mary Marnocha (Patricia Huston)
 Marjorie Mehall (Jim/Anne Monserez)
 Renee' Moore (Doojie/Jack, Bruce, Brian Trant)
 Joseph Moriarity (Mary S Hintz, Gratia Eades)
 William Peck (Jane Horning, Rosemary Shafer, Tee/Cal Miller, Ruth Huyvaert, Joann Reitz, Florence Duesterberg, Christ Child Society)
 Martha Pepin (Helen Diltz)
 James R Peterson (M/M Edwin Van Ryn, Carol Bauer)
 Ted Potasnik (Jerry/Betty Vascil)
 Carolyn Powell (Mary Lou/John Derwent)
 Steve Rankin (Madeline/Kevin Gallagher)
 John Redden (Louise Anella)
 William Reim (Jane Emanoil)
 Trudy Rose (Mary/Joe Wood-

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Cecelia Schwob (Trudy Strantz) Rudy Segan (Beverly Bruneel) Nat Sharp (Suzy/John Hal- loran) Irene Shea (Mary Lou/John Derwent) Suzanne Sheehan (Diane/ Gerry Quinn) Rita Siwik (Fran Austin) Benjamin M Smith (Trudy Strantz) Jeanne H Sommers (Dr John/ Marilyn Toepp) Phyllis Stanley (William/Suzette Lentz) Eva Stockberger (Kay/Frank Catanzarite) Judith Strantz (Jane Horning, James/Carol Holt, Christ Child Society)	Georgina Voll (Rosemarie Hickey, Patricia Huston, Mrs Mary C Prochaska) Jean White (Kassie Knopick) Truman Wolford (Karen/Darrell Barnett) Michelle Yannes (Florence Duesterberg) Sister M Janice Zwickl csc (Christ Child Society, Katie Screes)		
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