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Carlisle Exchangite January 2019

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Children's Christmas Party

The party was held on December 9th from 1:00-3:00 at the Carlisle United Methodist Church Gymnasium. The event started with the children playing games for prizes, followed by a delicious lunch, and concluded with Santa arriving with a huge gift bag for each child.

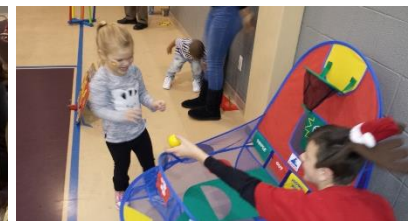
The 50 families of the children who attended the Summer Program for Youth (SPY) Camp 2018 were invited. SPY is a long-established early intervention 8-week summer program for selected 'at-risk' rising 2nd & 3rd graders which focuses on improving their math and reading skills to ensure the children do not fall behind on their academics over the summer. This was the first year we had a 100% attendance of registered guests, plus we were able to accommodate an additional 5 children at the last minute for a total of 25 children of the total 73 people in attendance.



Santa's helpers that made it happen



Elf Heather face-painting



Elf Jake leading a game

One 7-year-old girl explained how she is going to share her train that Santa gave her for being so good all year and doing all her homework and chores. A 7-year-old boy's eyes grew bigger and bigger as he pulled each inch of the huge red fire truck out of his bag. A girl was shocked that Santa even knew to get her a PINK MP3 player. A parent gave out hugs to show her appreciation for how personalized and amazing the gifts her children received, because they were not going to get much this year. Another parent explained how truly thankful she is for the SPY program. Her son is having a much better year academically because of SPY, but getting a great Christmas present too was beyond her expectation this year. The parents and children were so thankful, it is truly a reason to be an Exchangite making a difference.

Russ Sutton was the overall Party Coordinator with John & Susan Murray handling the coordination of the children, Lee & Helen DeVenney handling the gifts, and Daisy Knaub baking the yummy dessert cookies. A special thanks goes out to the speedy shopping during the event by Anne & Walt Wood and Jody Nielson accompanied by Sophia and Ashley to ensure every child received a gift. Heather Wisner did face painting and Paul Herring was dressed in his

favorite red suit. The other helpers were Dennis Nielsen, Bob & Linda Taylor, Bill & Jean Yufer with Jake, John & Amanda Wain, Lynda Cook, and Wayne Shade.



Lunchtime



Fisherman Elves Anne and Walt



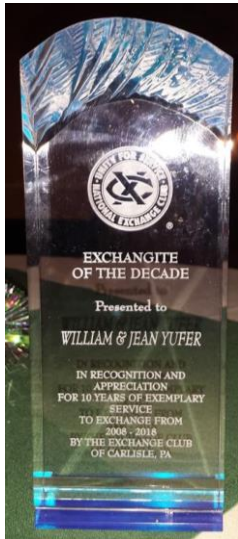
Dec 12 - Bell Ringing at Kmart

Salvation Army Bell Ringing

Barrie Zais organized the club's support of the Salvation Army Bell Ringing at Kmart on December 12th from 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM during which we collected \$197.21. Next year we will have to find a new location since our Kmart will be closed. Bell ringers included Larry Foote, Russ Sutton, Ken Stoltz, Ray McGeary, Gus Gustafson, John & Susan Murray, Lee & Helen DeVenney, Bob Beard, E.J. Nichols, Walt and Anne Wood, John Wain, Dick Gillenwater, Bill & Jean Yufer with Jake, Bill & Faye Knouse, and Bob & Linda Taylor.



\$197.21 collected



Award



Bill and Jean Yufer receive the Exchangite of the Decade award from President Taylor

Exchangite of the Decade

Bill and Jean Yufer were recognized as our Exchangites of Decade. This couple has been a backbone to the club for more than a decade from registering members at all the meetings, retiring the flags, passing out flags, sewing patches on the banner, parking cars, making hot dogs and coffee, helping at the Children's Party, distributing food at Project Share and being available whenever and wherever they are needed.



Social time before dinner



Bob Chant and Jimmy Costopoulos

Member Christmas Party

The Member Christmas Party was held at the Carlisle Country Club which was attended by 22 members and guests that enjoyed a great time of fellowship and an amazing dinner.



Dinner is served



Gus, Russ and Daisy before dinner



Gus and Terry Gustafson

Participation Opportunities

Jan 8 - First Regular Meeting of 2019

- 6:00 PM - Social Time, 6:30 PM - Speaker, 7:00 PM - Dinner, 7:30 PM - Short Business Meeting
- Speaker: A representative from the Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) Program
- POC: Bob Taylor

Jan 22 - Regular Meeting

- 6:00 PM - Social Time, 6:30 PM - Speaker, 7:00 PM - Dinner, 7:30 PM - Short Business Meeting
- Speaker: A representative from the Dickinson College Farm
- POC: Bob Taylor

Mark Your Calendars

- Jan 8 (Tue) 6:00 PM Meeting at Cumberland Crossings
Speaker: A representative from the Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) Program
- Jan 15 (Tue) 6:00 PM Board meeting at Minerva Mills
- Jan 22 (Tue) 6:00 PM Meeting at Cumberland Crossings
Speaker: A representative from the Dickinson College Farm
- Feb 2 (Sat) Groundhogs Day – When will spring arrive?
- Feb 12 (Tue) 6:00 PM Meeting at Cumberland Crossings
Speaker: A representative from Pinnacle Health Cardio-Vascular Institute Practice
- Feb 14 (Thu) Valentine's Day
- Feb 18 (Mon) President's Day
- Feb 19 (Tue) 6:00 PM Board meeting at Minerva Mills
- Feb 26 (Tue) 6:00 PM Meeting at Cumberland Crossings
Speaker: A representative from the YWCA - Sexual Assault/Rape Crisis Services Program
- Mar 8 (Fri) 6:00 PM Molly Pitcher Award Dinner (Carlisle Chamber of Commerce President, Michelle Crowley)
- Mar 12 (Tue) NO MEETING because too close to Molly Pitcher
- Mar 19 (Tue) 6:00 PM Board meeting at Minerva Mills
- Mar 26 (Tue) 6:00 PM Meeting at Cumberland Crossings
Speaker: A representative from the Carlisle Family YMCA Programs for At-Risk Youth



A Few Words from the President . . .

I take this opportunity to wish every member, their families, and loved-ones a happy and prosperous New Year. The club has just completed a very successful year in terms of support to the community and children represented. We have only been successful in these efforts due to the hard work of our dedicated members. Service organizations such as ours are only as good as the members that support it.

As I do with each new year, I again ask that you rededicate yourselves to the true meaning of Exchange, "Unity of Service." Service to the community can only be defined within the parameters of what each member is capable of bringing to the club. As with many of the clubs within our community, we are aging. Not every member is capable of providing the level of support we once were. I would only ask that you simply do what you honestly believe you can. If each of us accomplishes that simple test, our club will again have another successful year.

In 2019 I would ask one personal favor from each member. Please take the time to talk with family, neighbors, business acquaintances, and friends about the wonderful things that our club does for the community and its children. Our ability to continue that support is relying on an ever-decreasing cadre. New members are not just something we enjoy socially, they are a critical necessity. See you on 8 January.

Bob