Carlisle Exchangite November 2020

Exchange Club of Carlisle

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Challenge Status

Rick and Karen Rovegno Trust Matching Gift Challenge

As of the October 29, 2020, twenty club members had donated \$4,250 to meet the goal set by the Rick and Karen Rovegno Trust Matching Gift Challenge.

Due to the negative impact of COVID-19 on the club's fundraisers, the club needed approximately \$8,500 to restore the planned programs and donations for this year. The Rick and Karen Rovegno Trust offered to match every dollar up to \$4,250 donated by our club members into the club's fundraising account between September and January 31, 2021. That means the club now has \$8,500 making it possible to help all the programs the club plans on supporting this year.

If you have not had time to donate yet,

Treasurer Bob Beard is still accepting donations. Additional donations will help the club increase the support for its programs because this \$8,500 goal only allows the club to support its programs at 50% of its normal annual amount.



Walt Wood, Dennis Nielsen, John Murray, Terry Young

Fall Show and Auction Car Parking

The car parking for the Carlisle Fall Show and Auction took place from October 1 - 2, 2020. Although there were threats of rain and concerns that the show would be cancelled, we were still able to have a successful event. The club collected \$2,041 and donated \$202 of it to the Carlisle Family Housing Association.

Dennis Nielsen did a wonderful job organizing this big activity. It was also made possible with the help from Bill & Jean Yufer, John & Susan Murray, Lee DeVenney, Walt Wood, Terry Young, Rick Rovegno, Ken Stoltz, Lynda Cook, Bob Taylor, and Larry Foote.





John Murray and Bill Yufer trimming trees





Bill Yufer removing cut branches

Susan Murray picking up trash

Meeting Option Survey		
26 replied out of 37 members		
Meet in	Only out of the Yes	
Group?	Church	Restaurant
14 - Yes	12-Y	14-Y
	2-N	1-N
12- No		
11- no response		



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A meeting in a park

Meeting Options Survey

Thank you to all the members who took the time to complete the Meeting Options Survey. This survey let members express their opinion to the Board about whether they desired to meet in a church room without food, have dinner in a private room in a restaurant, or not meet at all.

As you can see, 26 members out of the 37 total members replied to the survey. Of that, 14 stated that they were comfortable meeting in a group and 12 were not. Of those members who wanted to continue to hold meetings, 14 were comfortable meeting in a restaurant while only 12 were comfortable meeting in a church. Some stated that they preferred a restaurant because they felt having a meal together was important.

Future Meetings Decision

National Day of Service Project for 2020

participated in the National Exchange Club's National Day of Service Project for 2020 by cleaning up of the Housing Authority park and playground area located across from the Carlisle Expo Center. Despite the rainy morning, the weather cleared up in

On October 24, 2020, the club

time for the work crew to begin. John Murray, Susan Murray, Bill Yufer and Barrie Zais picked up trash and other debris and trimmed the trees and brush to make the park better for all the families to enjoy. A thank you goes out to John Murray for organizing such a challenging project.

After reviewing the results of the Meeting Options Survey, the Board of Directors decided not to hold any more meetings this year or the annual Member Christmas Party due to the expected surge in COVID-19 cases, the age and health of our members and the other unknowns. Flags on the Square Retrieval on Veteran's Day and a modified Children's Christmas Party will continue as planned. The One Nation Under God Breakfast has also been cancelled for November. The status of the Salvation Bell Ringing in December has not been decided upon at this time.

The Board will decide in December if the club will hold meetings in January 2021.

Meetings are cancelled for the rest of 2020





This year the Children's Christmas Party will be held at 6 different churches to accommodate social distancing, so we are combining forces with the School-year Program for Youth (SPY) to make this year special for the kids. Currently, the Carlisle Area School District is running a hybrid education system. Half of the students attend school Mondays and Tuesdays, while the other half attends on Thursdays and Fridays. So, 103 children from kindergarten - 5th grade from all 7 of Carlisle's elementary schools meet with their assigned mentor everyday they are not in school to work on their assignments. They must be split into 6 different locations for everyone's safety. SPY is organizing a party before the holiday break from school in the afternoon of December

16th, so we are providing them some assistance. We have contacted USMC Toys for Tots who will be providing us toys to wrap for all the children. We will deliver the wrapped gifts to the children to take home. Due to the number of students in the program and the difficulties with safely adding more people to the parties, we will not be accommodating siblings

If any member would like to volunteer to help at the parties, they will be held at St. John's Episcopal Church, St. Paul's Lutheran Church, New Life Community Churches (both Carlisle and Mt. Holly), Carlisle Church of God, and Second Presbyterian Church.

Meetings



Former 2020 Census Field Supervisor John Murray

number of homes which are torn down, it is imperative that all addresses are identified before the actual Census count can be

canvasing was required. Due to the amount of land which

becomes residential and the

October 13th John Murray, a former 2020

Census Field Supervisor, presented a program on Census Address Canvasing Operations. He explained how and why address

conducted.

October 27th

The meeting was cancelled by the Board of Directors.

Participation Opportunities

Nov 11 (Wed) Flags on the Square retrieval for Veteran's Day

- 5:00 pm Meet across the street from Market Cross Pub
- Retrieve, roll up, and store all the flag
- POC: Bob Taylor (taylorrh@pa.net or 717-440-4168)

Dec TBD Salvation Army Bell Ringing

- Time and Location: TBD
- **POC: Barrie Zais**

Dec 16 (Wed) Children's Christmas Party

- 12:00 pm Set-up
- 1:00 3:00 pm Children's Party
- Location at multiple Churches
- POC: Russ Sutton (717-385-1315), Susan Murray (idmii@pa.net), Jeanna Som, SPY Director(admin@summerprogramforyouth.org)

Jan 12 (Tue) Regular Meeting (Status to be determined in December)

- 6:00 pm - Social Time

- 6:30 pm - Presentation: TBD

- 7:00 pm - Food

- 7:30 pm - Short Business Meeting

Jan 26 (Tue) Regular Meeting (Status to be determined in December)

- 6:00 pm - Social Time

- 6:30 pm - Presentation: TBD

- 7:00 pm - Food

- 7:30 pm - Short Business Meeting

Mark Your Calendars

Nov 1 (Sun) 2:00 am - Daylight Savings Time ends (Clocks FALL Back an hour)

Nov 10 (Tue) - Meeting - Cancelled by the Board of Directors Nov 11 (Wed) 5:00 pm - Flags on the Square retrieval for Veteran's Day

Nov TBD - One Nation Under God/Service to Seniors Breakfast - Cancelled by the Board of Directors

Nov 17 (Tue) 6:00 pm - Board meeting online using Zoom Meetings Nov 24 (Tue) - No Meeting - Too close to Thanksgiving

Nov 26 (Thu) - Thanksgiving

Dec 8 (Tue) - No Meeting - Cancelled by the Board of Directors

Dec TBD - Member Christmas Party - Cancelled by the Board of Directors

Dec 15 (Tue) 6:00 pm - Board meeting online using Zoom Meetings
Dec 16 (Wed) 12:00 pm - Children's Christmas Parties at the 6 SPY locations

Dec 22 (Tue) - No Meeting - Too close to Christmas

Dec 25 (Fri) - Christmas
Jan 1 (Fri) - New Year's Day

Jan 12 (Tue) 6:00 pm - Meeting - Status to be determined in December

Jan 19 (Tue) 6:00 pm - Board meeting at Minerva Mills or online using Zoom Meetings

Jan 26 (Tue) 6:00 pm - Meeting - Status to be determined in December

A Few Words from the President . . .

Fellow Exchangites,
We continue to t

We continue to travel down challenging and unknown paths. However, I am convinced we will make it through this period stronger and proud. Please continue to check on each other and let us know if you need anything.

A great deal of gratitude is owed to our hard-working volunteers. Thanks to Dennis and his crew for making our fall car parking more successful than anticipated. Thanks also to those who came out

to support our day of service. Special thanks to Susan and the Children's Christmas Party Committee. Although it will be different, we will be able to provide gifts to deserving children again this year. Susan was able to coordinate with our local USMC Toys for Tots to provide the gifts which significantly reduced our financial burden.

The Board will continue to investigate the best method to conduct future meetings. We will keep your safety and best interests as our primary goals. In the meantime, stay safe and help each other.

Be safe!

Terry

Veterans Day 2020 Discounts and Meals at Local Restaurants

Applebee's – November 11, 2020

Veterans and active-duty military receive a free meal from a limited menu at participating Applebee's on November 11. Dine-in only. Call or visit the Applebee's website for details.

Chili's Grill & Bar - November 11, 2020

All Veterans and active duty military personnel can get a free meal from a special menu on Veteran's Day, Wednesday, November 11, 2020, at all participating Chili's Grill and Bar restaurants. Available for in restaurant only. Please call ahead to your local Chili's restaurant if you have any questions about your Veterans Day meals.

Cracker Barrel - November 11, 2020

On Veterans Day – Wednesday, Nov. 11, Cracker Barrel will offer all U.S. military veterans a complimentary slice of Double Chocolate Fudge Coca-Cola® Cake when dining at any Cracker Barrel location nationwide. Call or visit the Cracker Barrel website for details.

Little Caesars® Pizza, Nov. 11, 2020 (11:00 am – 2:00 pm). Free pizza or \$5 HOT-N-READY Lunch Combo to all US Armed Forces veterans and active military members. With proof of military service, at participating stores nationwide. Call ahead to verify participation.

Olive Garden – November 11, 2020

All Veterans and active duty military personnel can get a free meal from a special menu on Veteran's Day, Wednesday, November 11, 2020, at all participating Olive Garden restaurants. Available for in restaurant only. Call ahead to verify participation.

Red Lobster – November 11, 2020

Veterans and active duty military can receive a free appetizer or dessert from a select menu on Wednesday, November 11, 2020, with a valid military ID or proof of service. The offer will be available for dine-in only. Please contact your nearest Red Lobster for details.

Red Robin – November 11 - 30, 2020

Veterans and active duty military who are Red Robin Royalty members are being offered a free Tavern Double Burger and Bottomless Steak Fries anytime between Nov. 11-30 for dine-in or to-go. Call or visit the Red Robin website for details.

Texas Roadhouse - November 11, 2020 from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm

Things are different this year due to the pandemic and capacity restrictions. To celebrate Veterans Day, we will hand out dinner vouchers at our stores' parking lots on Wednesday, November 11, from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm. We ask that all active, former, or retired military members please have their Military ID or proof of service when driving through to pick up their dinner voucher. Veterans and active military can redeem their dinner vouchers in-store until June of next year. Be sure to call your local Texas Roadhouse for details.



Did you know SPY was running a School Year Program?

It's true! SPY has 105 Elementary School students learning and growing at 6 different churches throughout Carlisle and Mount Holly Springs this fall!

SPY created the "School-Year Program for Youth" with a mission to provide a safe and nurturing environment along with school work assistance to elementary aged children on days they are scheduled for online learning, giving parents the ability to return to work.

SPY children come from families of essential workers and parents who must work outside of the home and have a critical need for childcare but would otherwise not be able to afford the unexpected expense. We also have students that do not have all the resources needed at home to have a successful virtual learning experience.

Great things are happening at SPY everyday! From 8:30am to 3:30pm children not only get help with their school work but they are also engaged in fun and enriching activities. Check out the photos below!



Help is Needed!

SPY has opportunities for you to be involved. We are looking for guest readers over the lunch hour as well as meal delivery drivers. Click on the red box for more details.

Sign Up Now



Help with Schoolwork

Each SPY Mentor is assigned a consistent group of students to help with school work and develop nurturing relationships.



Music Lessons

Craig Jurgeson teaches ukulele lessons to all our SPY kids over the summer. We are blessed to have him back for the fall and the kids love it!



Making New Friends

Each location has a mix of students from different elementary schools. It is so fun to watch as new friendships are forming.



Building Confidence

SPY students made paper skyscrapers that reached for the sky and we saw their confidence grow a bit that day too!



Science Fun

Can you make s'mores using a pizza box?
Our SPY students can! They made solar ovens and enjoyed an afternoon treat.



Special Visitors and Fun

Fire companies are visiting our sites this month to celebrate fire safety. Guest readers, holiday festivities and more are planned to add excitement.