



ACCtion Newsletter August 2009

Association for Catholic Childhood

For the Children... Caring and Advocacy Since 1918

A Brief Summary of our Year...2008-2009

- Awarded \$153,880 to 20 agencies in Western Washington, bringing our ten-year total to \$1,255,000.
- Through our Christmas Gift Program, provided 236 children and foster care families with Christmas gifts and Block Buster gift certificates valued at more than \$10,000
- Received \$134,925 from Circle projects
- Received a donation of \$3500 from Italian Club of Seattle
- Were the subject of an article in *Catholic NW Progress* on the occasion of our 90th Anniversary
- Concluded our 90th Anniversary at our November Celebration Mass. Father Michael J. Ryan was our celebrant. 120 members attended. Our candle lighting ceremony honored seven ACC members who died in the last 12 months
- Welcomed ACC members and many CCS staff to the All-Association luncheon in May
- Welcomed speakers to our ACC Board meetings: Siobhan Ring, from the Children's Alliance, to our January Board meeting, and Josephine Tamayo Murray, from CCS, to our October Board meeting
- Represented ACC at "Have a Heart for Kids Day" in Olympia
- Presented Endowment Fund Power Point to nine Circles
- Received \$26,755 in contributions to the Endowment Fund from 120 donors, see insert
- Sponsored ACC ad in the special edition of the *Progress*, celebrating the 50th anniversary of Archbishop's Brunett's ordination
- Upgraded the ACC website, www.forthethechildrenww.org
- Developed new ACC brochure, to be available in November 2009
- Began planning for ***Celebrate the Children*** All-Association fund raising event, November 14, 2009, and re-committed to continue the Labor of Love Auction in March 2010, and will publish a Best-of-the-Best ACC Cookbook

All of the accomplishments of the last year, and the planning for future events, have been made possible by the dedication of our many wonderful ACC members. Looking ahead, I am confident that we will meet the challenges of the current economic situation with the same determination shown by ACC members since 1918. The importance of our fund raising efforts cannot be stressed enough...the children of Western Washington are depending on us. For a clear picture of our fiscal year 2008-2009 and to get an idea of the challenges that lie ahead, be sure to read the detailed Annual Report and Circle report included in this *ACCtion*.

Enjoy the gift of our lovely Pacific Northwest summer weather. Warmly, Mary

Upcoming Events

- September —Irene Hanley Bulb Sale
- September —Frances Hoffman Bunco Party
- September 9th —ACC Orientation/Board Meeting
- September 11th —ACCtion Deadline
- October —Marjorie Ryan Wreath Sale
- October —Mary Ann Sauvage Poinsettia Sale
- October 21 —Katie McKay Luncheon
- October 14th —ACC Board Meeting
- October 20th—Lilly Peabody Fashion Lecture/Mini Bazaar
- November 1st —Fr. Thomas Lane Bunco Party
- November 4th —ACC Celebration Mass
- November 8th —Mary Helen Heffernan Holiday Boutique
- November 14th—"Celebrate the Children"
- November 18th —ACC Board Meeting
- November 20th —ACCtion Deadline
- November 22nd —St. Bridget's Bulb and Bake Sale
- November 30th —Dues Deadline
- December —All Circle Christmas Gifts Project

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Have you ever wondered how we got our logo? This beautiful design of the Christ Child surrounded by our organization's name, Association for Catholic Childhood, was created by James Forkey in 1948. James was born and raised in Spokane, WA. While studying at the Chicago Art Institute in the early 1940's he was drafted into the army and stationed at Fort Lewis. While at Fort Lewis, the Jensen family invited him and an army buddy to Sunday dinner. There he met the Jensen's daughter, Violet and was instantly smitten. They married in 1946 and had two daughters, Janice and Jeannie. After the war James worked one year as an architect. Then he decided to join the Jensen family business, the Five Corners Hardware Store in Queen Anne Hill.

In 1948, during the ACC presidency of Mrs. F. C. Williams, James was asked to design an emblem that he thought reflected the essence of the Association. His gift to us is the beautiful logo that we continue to cherish. Through the years he and his family derived great satisfaction from seeing the emblem on our calendars.

Mr. Forkey died in November of 1990 at the age of 74. Though he was a modest man and never sought recognition, his artistry will live forever with us. Thank you, James Forkey, for giving us our treasured logo.

In 1991, Mr. Forkey's daughter, Jean Forkey Shook, submitted this information.

ACC Fall Orientation & Board Meeting

Our 3rd Annual Fall Orientation and Board meeting is Wednesday, September 9th. We will begin with a social hour at 9:30AM, followed by the meeting which starts promptly at 10:00AM. The meeting will be held at the Randolph Carter Center (CCS Building) in the Great Room. Please note: this is a mandatory meeting for Circle Chairs and Treasurers so if you are unable to attend please send a representative from your Circle.

UPCOMING FUNDRAISERS

Fall Fashion Fest

Fall Fashion Fest at St. Joseph Church Social Hall on Tues, Oct. 20th at 10:00AM. Presentation by Pat Tonnema a fashion professional who will give advice on timeless, classic basics of any woman's wardrobe. Selected accessory vendors and refreshments included. Sponsored by the Lilly Peabody Circle. Questions call Judy at 206-325-2698.



Irene Hanley Annual Bulb Sale

You can order daffodil and tulip bulbs for fall planting from Irene Hanley Circle. Generously donated each year by the Washington Bulb Company, these bulbs are internationally recognized and of the highest quality. They produce extraordinary blooms that are large and long lasting. Please call Rosemary Siderius at 206-283-7181

Marjorie Ryan Annual Wreath Sale

Purchase a fresh, Pacific Northwest, 22" mixed Noble Fir wreath from Marjorie Ryan Circle. Order forms will be available in early October.

Mary Ann Sauvage Poinsettia Sale

Beautiful poinsettias, in a variety of sizes and colors, will be sold by Mary Ann Sauvage Circle. Free delivery will be offered, or arrange to pick up. Order forms will be available in early September.

Katie McKay Annual Luncheon

Save the date for the 6th annual Katie McKay Circle luncheon, on Wednesday, October 21, at Broadmoor Golf Club. This year's honoree is Mary Ann Sauvage, who is recognized for her spirit of service, community, and charity. Please call Karen Robertson with questions (206)282-0109. Thank you!



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Patti Jablonski, Fred Lyons, Dale Patty,
Robert Roller Jr., Jack Simpson*

In Honor Of

Paulette Stanley

Special Intentions

Mary Ann Berryman



Request from Josephine Tamayo Murray

Because of the advocacy of ACC members, the funding cuts that were made in the 2009 Legislative session to needed programs and services in our communities were not as deep as they could have been.

I respect your privacy, but I also want to keep you up to date on our great services at CCS that benefited from your advocacy efforts. If you send me your email address, I will place you on the list to receive our Minute Messages. These monthly messages take one minute to hear the latest about our services and programs. If you are already on our email list, I thank you for your continued support of our efforts

Josephine Tamayo Murray, JosephineTM@ccsww.org

Corporate Sponsors Needed

I hope all of you are having a great summer. Our *Celebrate the Children* event is coming along well. I want to thank those who have solicited corporate sponsors so far. However, we still need more corporate sponsors. Our goal is to underwrite the entire event with corporate sponsors (approx. \$15,000) We would be delighted if each Circle got two corporate sponsors. Please brainstorm with your Circle on who you could get to help sponsor this event. Possible ideas: dentist offices, doctor offices, local small businesses, orthodontists, law offices, etc. Contact me for Corporate Sponsor form letter and ACC fact sheets. Let me know if you have any questions. Thank you for your help.

Sheryl Welch, *Celebrate the Children*
Chair
(206) 523-7440

Celebrate the Children

Saturday, November 14, 2009

5:30PM Social Hour

6:30PM Dinner

The Hall at Fautleroy, West Seattle

Tickets: \$125 per person

Get together a group of friends to attend the debut of this All Association fundraiser. Your ticket gives you a gourmet dinner by Tuxedo and Tennis Shoes Catering, beer and wine, and one card for each of the Bingo games. Emcee Pat Cashman of stage and TV fame will keep the evening lively. Each Bingo game will be different, each will have a different caller to make sure you keep having fun. The prizes for the game winners are fabulous!! And, you can "Raise the Paddle" for the ACC Endowment Fund.

If you know a business or person who would be willing to serve as a patron/sponsor for this event, please contact Sheryl Welch, slowelch@comcast.net or 206-523-7440.

Our website www.forthethechildrenww.org will include up to date information.

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Please accept my personal gift of \$50, \$100, \$250, \$500, Other_____.

THIS GIFT IS FROM:

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Please advise the person(s) below that I have given a gift in their name.

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***Thank You** for your generosity and commitment to providing for the long term funding of the children's*

REMINDER: NEXT DEADLINE FOR ACCtion is September 11, 2009