



ACCtion Newsletter

October 2010

Association for Catholic Childhood

For the Children... Caring and Advocacy Since 1918

From the President

Each time I attend a Board meeting, I meet more lovely ladies, hear more ideas, and gather more enthusiasm for the wonderful work we do. With over 35 ladies attending the September Board meeting, it was a great start to the 2010 – 2011 year for ACC. Anne Merklin from Emergency Assistance will be presenting at the October Board meeting.

The unveiling of the cookbook was so exciting, with its beautiful golden background and colorful floral design. We all look forward to sharing it with our family and friends. Thank you to Margie Rose, Ruth Larsen, Margie Olson, Kristi Pangrazio and Marilyn Price for all of your hard work. The Board also enjoyed taste testing some delicious recipes! Thank you to Kay MacVicar and the Josephine McDermott Circle for coordinating the marketing and distribution.

Plan for fabulous blooms from Irene Hanley's Bulb Sale. This spring my daughter-in-law called with such joy in her voice at the beautiful tulips blooming in her new yard from ACC bulbs. With the long wet spring we have, it really helps to see that color without having to get out in the cold to plant early. Of course, there is beautiful color during the winter with the Christmas Wreath and Poinsettia Sale plants. Don't miss this easy way to add bright, warm life to your home for the holidays.

The Endowment numbers continue to improve, so I take a moment here to thank all those who have contributed to this legacy fund. This year our goal is 100% participation from members of ACC. Whether a little or a lot, each donation provides substance and impetus to our continuing efforts for the children.

Circles work hard on their individual projects, and All-Association events. There is also some real work that needs to be done that is not glamorous, but is very important to us as an organization. Our Constitution and By-laws have not been revised since 1993. This may not be an area where you feel you have expertise, or to some it may even be a bit intimidating. Words are important and, as you have seen with the new tag line and mission statement, clarify who we are and how we function. If you would be interested in helping with this effort, please contact me, or Shannon at the office.

Research has demonstrated over and over that those who are happiest and healthiest are involved with family, friends and community. ACC has all three. Smile at someone today! Better yet – laugh out loud with someone. It lowers blood pressure, raises spirits, pumps the heart, releases endorphins, decreases stress and (I've heard) reduces wrinkles! May you find beauty both inside and out, today and every day.

Warmly,

Judy Schroeder

Upcoming Events

October—Irene Hanley Bulb Sale

October —Mary Ann Sauvage Poinsettia Sale

October —Marjorie Ryan Wreath Sale

October 13th —ACC Board Meeting

October 28th—Katie McKay Luncheon

November 3rd —ACC Celebration Mass

November 7th —Mary Helen Heffernan Holiday Boutique

November 10th —ACC Board Meeting

November 12th —ACCtion Deadline

November 30th —Dues Deadline

December 4th — Magnolia Tour of Homes

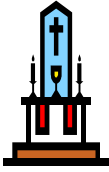
December —All Circle Christmas Gifts Project

January 12th —ACC Board Meeting

February 26th-March 6th—Labor of Love Auction

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CELEBRATION MASS AND LUNCHEON

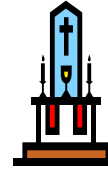
Wednesday, November 3rd

St. Catherine Church

11:00AM

814 NE 85th St.

Seattle, Washington



All active and inactive members of the Association for Catholic Childhood are invited to attend our Celebration Mass and Luncheon. Celebration of this liturgy is a very enriching experience.

This year, we are requesting that Circle Chairs **collect \$18 in advance**, from each member who wishes to come. By October 20th, please tell the ACC Office how many of your members will attend the luncheon, and send one check to cover all members who will attend. You may also send your RSVP and a \$18 check into the ACC office directly, clearly marked "Memorial Luncheon." A guest list will be kept at the door.

**Please notify the ACC Office of any Circle members who have died in the last year.
Please invite their family members to celebrate with us.**



8th Annual ACC Holiday Boutique at Overlake Golf & Country Club

8000 NE 16th Street, Medina, WA

Sunday, November 7 from 10am-4pm



Twelve new vendors include an award-winning photographer, jewelry, personalized gifts, clothes and accessories. Enjoy our highly anticipated Sweet Shoppe, wine tasting and \$1,000 cash raffle drawing! Get your holiday shopping done early! Proceeds from the boutique go to support our Association for Catholic Childhood/Mary Helen Heffernan Circle. Get some gifts, give some joy!

MAGNOLIA HOLIDAY TOUR OF HOMES

DEC 4 10:00AM - 4:30PM

Please see enclosed flyer – or ACC website- for details and ticket ordering info. We need hostesses for the six homes on the Tour – shifts are 2-1/2 hours starting at 9:30AM – please call Joan at 206-282-4400 if you can help. The Tour also includes a Craft Boutique and Tea House at the Fatima Social Center 9:00AM - 4:30PM. A donation of cookies that day would be greatly appreciated.



ACC Members, It's time to Save-the-Date!

Our next "Celebrate the Children" event is

Saturday, Oct. 15, 2011

at the Knights of Columbus

722 E. Union Street

Catered by Tuxedos & Tennis Shoes

We look forward to seeing you there for a fabulous evening!

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The 2011 calendars were distributed at the ACC Board meeting. Please take a moment to look at the revised information and format on the inside of the cover. 
Contact Shannon at the ACC Office as you need more.

The ACC Cookbooks are selling fast! Please contact Kay McVicar (206) 527-2527) or Shannon if you would like additional copies or any support in selling these cookbooks at your Circle Fundraisers. This is an ideal opportunity to raise funds for children in need supported by ACC. 

In Memory Of

Ronald Gardner, Tino Lazzaretti, Mrs. Phyllis Ryan

In Honor Of

Patrick & Nancy Crowley's 48 Wedding Anniversary
Dr. & Mrs. Don Olson's 50th Wedding Anniversary
Hedy Rusch's 100th Birthday, Helen Collins Circle

Special Intentions Of

John Merlino


UPCOMING FUNDRAISERS



Irene Hanley Annual Bulb Sale (*In progress*)

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, Mary Lou Wickwire at 206-322-1219 or marylou@jwickwire.com.

Marjorie Ryan Annual Wreath Sale (*In progress*)

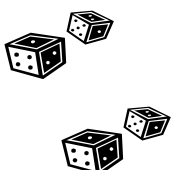
Purchase a fresh, Pacific Northwest, 22" mixed Noble Fir wreath from Marjorie Ryan Circle. Order forms will be available in early October. Please contact Lori Curran if you have any questions at lcurran@gmail.com or 206-522-9336. 



Mary Ann Sauvage Poinsettia Sale (*In progress*)

Beautiful poinsettias, in a variety of sizes and colors, are being sold by Mary Ann Sauvage Circle. Free delivery will be offered in the greater Seattle area, or arrange to pick up. Order forms are available on the ACC website. Please contact Cindy Henning at cindy_henning@hotmail.com or 206-325-9738 if you have any questions or would like an order form sent.

Bunco Party

The Father Thomas Lane will be hosting a bunco party on October 17th from 2 – 5 pm at St. Anthony Hall in Renton. If you have any questions, please feel free to call Judy at 425-255-1437 or email bjtd95@aol.com. 



Katie McKay Annual Luncheon Thursday, October 28th

In Honor of the Katherine Meloy Circle for their outstanding spirit of service, community and charity and in celebration of their 50th Anniversary
Speakers will be Bill Hallerman, Agency Director, CCS
and Founders of the Katherine Meloy Circle
Suggested minimum donation of \$100
Please respond by October 13, 2010 to Mary Schimmelman at mschimmelman@hollandamerica.com or 206-286-9081.

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Endowment 101

- 2002 – The Endowment Fund began due to the vision and leadership of long-time ACC member and supporter, Pat Dixon
- 2005 – “Menopause the Musical” was the first major fund-raising event for the Endowment.
- 2005 – Pam Cochran became the Chair of the Endowment Committee, serving until 2010.
- 2006 – Reached first major fundraising goal of \$70,000. Instituted the Endowment Fund Policies
- 2007 – Had first disbursement of \$2060.67 from the Endowment to the Operating Fund
Developed Case for Support and Powerpoint Presentation for Circle Meetings
- 2008 – Set current fundraising goal of \$1 million dollars
Visited Circles to share information and request support.
- 2009 – Held “Celebrate the Children”, a successful fundraiser to be repeated biannually.
- 2010 – Established a goal of 100% participation in the Endowment Fund by all ACC members for the 2010 – 2011 year. Look for the pledge forms at your Circle meeting and join us – please!

Endowment Fund Update

\$ Goal - \$1 million
Current- \$187,852

Member Participation Goal – 100%
Current - 50%

A very special note of gratitude to Pam Cochran, and her endless energy, for the 5 years and countless hours she spent not only chairing, but also promoting and improving the ACC Endowment Fund as we know it today. With help from a dedicated committee of women, the Endowment Fund has been turned into a working and growing asset of which we are very proud. Thank you, Pam!

REMINDER: NEXT DEADLINE FOR ACtion is November 12, 2010