

Corinth Education Foundation



Supporting an Enriched Learning Environment Since 1996

November 2011

President's Message

The Corinth Education Foundation Board thanks each of you for your continued support. We had a great turnout at the Fall Parent Parties and our other events are getting off to a great start.

As it is never too early to plan for the 2012-2013 academic year, the CEF Board would like your opinion on our programs as we plan for next year and the years to come. Watch for an email with a survey so you can help CEF plan for the future.

Should you have any questions about CEF or our events, please contact me or one of our Board members.

Fall Parent Parties

A HUGE THANK YOU to all of you that contributed to the Fall Parent Parties! We raised \$25,390 to go towards the counselor and Spanish program!!! Much of the success was due to our generous Fall Parent Party hosts who provided their homes and hospitality.

Julie and Jason Baker - Kindergarten

Brynn and Don Burns, Andrea and Ryan Deschaine, Mandi and Tucker Trotter

Laura and Tom Pollock - 1st Grade

Krisanne and Mike Bradley, Minday and Jereme Day, Christie and Brian Walton, Mel an Greg Wolf

Amy and Jeff Neusel - 2nd Grade

Heather and Jayme Salinardi, Katie and Brad Saylor, Beth and Todd Stedry, Stephanie and Hunter Richardson

Angie and Matt Tucker - 3rd Grade

Lindsey and Marc Erickson, Michelle and Jarret Schmidt, Amy and Lance Turpin

Camella Bailey and Will Healy - 4th Grade

Casey and Randy Brock, Sara and Jay Colvin, Kathi and Mike Hardin, Stacey and Jason Stinson

Jennifer and Brian Dierks - 5th Grade

Sheila and Drew Kost, Nicole and Rich Muller, Michelle and Jason Reeves, Cynthia and Steve Simpson

Karen and Bill Johnson - 6th Grade

Ginnie and Brad Derousseau, Nicki and Eric Englund, Heidi and Scott Martin, Laura and Tom Miller

If you were unable to attend your child's class party, you can still hand in your envelope to the office until the holiday break. If you are interested in hosting your child's class party for next year, please contact Amy Turpin at 913- 341-8908 or aturpin@kc.rr.com. We already have Fall Parent Party hosts for 2nd grade, 3rd grade and 6th grade.

Vacuums Provided to Teachers

The CEF Board was informed that keeping the building clean has become quite a challenge this year. Due to budget cuts, the custodial staff has been reduced. This is making it very difficult for them to complete all the things they were able to do previously. The classrooms have been affected by this. The custodians are no longer able to routinely vacuum each classroom every day. The teachers are willing to vacuum their own rooms, but there is only one vacuum at Corinth. Therefore, the Board approved the purchase of a vacuum for each grade level and for the office.

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Attention Golfers of All Skill Levels!!

*Sign Up Now For the
2012 Corinth Golf Scramble
Raise Money for Corinth - Play Golf!*

- WHO?** KCCS, Belinder, Briarwood, Brookwood, Corinth, Highlands, Prairie and Trailwood Elementary Schools
- WHEN?**
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| Monday, April 23rd, 9:00 AM | Corinth and Prairie |
| Monday, April 23rd, 2:00 PM | Belinder and Briarwood |
| Monday, April 30th, 9:00 AM | Highlands and KCCS |
| Monday, April 30th, 2:00 PM | Brookwood and Trailwood |
| Monday, May 14th, 9:00 AM | CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND |
- WHERE?** Meadowbrook Golf & Country Club
- WHAT?** **8 Schools - 8 Tournaments - 400 Golfers - 1 Champion**
Each school has their own scramble. All money raised by each school goes back to that school. A and B Flight winners from each school play each other in the Championship Round on May 14th to determine Grand Champion. Five dollars from each greens fee goes into pot and the winning schools gets the prize money (8 tournaments x 50 golfers x \$5 = \$2000 pot!) Winning teams also get a trophy to display at school, Champion's dinner and bragging rights until next year.
- HOW MUCH?** \$125 greens fee covers golf, goody bag, range balls, breakfast, lunch, long drive contest hole in one contest and a free round of golf at Meadowbrook in 2012. *If you end up winning, you get three rounds of golf for \$125!*
- WHAT ELSE?** We need foursomes, contest and hole sponsors. Contest and hole sponsors are \$200 per day (four schools) two day contest or hole sponsors are \$350. All sponsorships go back to the respective schools - prizes go to the players.

Contact Golf Chair Scott Bennett with any questions
Cell (816) 729-7940 or e mail - bennett1014@yahoo.com

Used Book Sale – February 13-19, 2012

Purging your home to make room for new holiday loot? We'll take your gently used books and put them to good use to raise money for Corinth at the CEF's Used Book Sale!

We are collecting adult and children's books -- all items can be dropped off at Camella Bailey's house at 9008 Meadow Lane. Questions? Call Camella at 913-602-8021!



Dragon Dash – Saturday, May 5, 2012

Dragon Dash will be here before we know it! We still need plenty of volunteers for all of the committees. Interested in being a sponsor? We'd love to have you! Please contact Whitney Duske at whitneyduske@yahoo.com to volunteer or be a Dragon Dash Sponsor.

Spanish Program

Please take a moment to read the **attached** November Newsletter from Young Spanish which includes a link to an online survey regarding Young Spanish's and Angie Stratton's performance to date. It is very important that we and Young Spanish hear from you to ensure that we are getting the most we can out of the program and are able to better plan for the future. Thank you in advance for your time. The deadline for completing the survey is Wednesday, December 7th. Please go to www.youngspanish.com and click "Take the November 2011 Survey."

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The following two articles are provided by Teri Sackin. Feel free to contact her if you have any questions.

Kansas City's Medicine Cabinet – Help is available for emergency medical needs

By Lynn Anderson

Each day, hundreds of Johnson County residents, including many senior adults, must make heartbreaking choices—buy groceries, pay rent and utilities, or take care of a medical need? Rising insurance costs and expensive prescriptions force many to seek emergency medical assistance.

Now, eligible residents seeking immediate, short-term medical care can get the help they need—including dentures and hearing aids—through Kansas City's Medicine Cabinet, LLC, a program of Baptist-Trinity Lutheran Legacy Foundation.

Besides focusing on health education and school health, the mission of Kansas City's Medicine Cabinet is to provide support for crisis-related medical assistance. **Residents who are income-eligible can receive financial assistance to pay for:**

- Dental emergencies (including dentures)
 - Diabetic supplies
- Durable medical goods (including hearing aids)
- Prescription medications (no controlled substances)

• Vision care

How to participate

To help the clients in greatest need, Medicine Cabinet participants must have a pressing need for emergency medical assistance, and are **eligible to receive help just one time per year**. The program does not cover controlled substances; insurance co-pays, including co-pays for Medicare or Medicaid; emergency room visits; pre-existing medical expenses; routine doctor visits; or hospitalization.

The income guideline for each household is 200 percent of the federal poverty level. For example, a single person must have an income of less than \$1,733 per month.

Applicants must provide a photo ID, a Social Security card, proof of income for everyone in household, and proof of address for the past 30 days.

In Johnson County, the place to seek assistance from Kansas City's Medicine Cabinet is the six Outreach centers administered by the county. To ask questions about the program or apply for help, please call for an appointment:

Blue Valley Multi-Service Center, 913-897-3991
De Soto Multi-Service Center, 913-583-1152
Gardner Multi-Service Center, 913-856-7405
North Central Multi-Service Center, 913-715-6650
Roeland Park Community Center, 913-826-3130
Spring Hill Multi-Service Center, 913-592-2304

A legacy of health care

Since 2003, Baptist-Trinity Lutheran Legacy Foundation has focused on improving community health in the Kansas City area. Created from the sale of the Health Midwest system to HCA, the Legacy Foundation board felt a strong need to carry on the traditions of the Baptist Medical Center Foundation and the Trinity Lutheran Hospital Foundation, raising funds in support of the health care needs of the community.

The foundation searched for areas where health care support was lacking in the metro area and found that emergency medical assistance was the greatest need for low-income people, those on fixed incomes, and those with little or no insurance. Kansas City's Medicine Cabinet was launched to fill this gap. The foundation's support has three areas of emphasis: emergency medical assistance, health education, and health education for neighborhood schools.

Kansas City's Medicine Cabinet continues to expand, serving ever more families and individuals seeking crisis medical attention. With more than 85 referring agencies, and new intake sites being added regularly, the program's reach is increasing. Partnerships with Price Chopper, the UMKC Dental School, and other organizations make it even more convenient and practical for residents to find the help they need.

Baptist -Trinity Lutheran Legacy Foundation depends on the donations of people like you to meet the health care needs of the community. Consider making a difference through a one-time contribution, sustain donations, or a planned estate gift. Call 816-276-7555 or visit www.btllf.org .

CHILDREN'S PLAYDATES CAN TEACH SOCIAL INTERACTION

Oh for the good old days when the kids roamed free in their neighborhoods! Now, instead of socializing on the corner, children visit during "playdates," having friends over at appointed hours. It is one more thing the modern family needs to master: how to plan playdates. The good news about playdates is that they help kids learn to get along. When the playdate does well, parents can get a break as the children entertain themselves. It is delightful to see your child share his/her favorite toys with a friend. This a nice way to connect with other parents too.

- **Limit the time.** Keep the time short when children are first getting to know each other.
- **Remember to invite over children with special needs.** All children need socialization and this is especially true with children who may have varying abilities from your child. These children will teach your child a greater sensitivity to others with diverse needs.
- **Invite the parent into your home.** If the playdate is a first time, his/her parent will appreciate getting a lay of the land and this may ease any anxiety that the child may have.
- **Remember to include children who are new to our school.** New students will make friends more easily if parents remember to invite them over for playdates.
- **When a child is a guest at your home, stay in the vicinity of where the children are playing.** It is not necessary to hover, but stay in the vicinity of where the children are playing to be sure the play is positive.
- **Avoid threesomes when possible.** Allow your child to have one friend over at a time to help them develop the skill of socializing.
- **If you realize that interactions between your child and another child are not going well, have an activity ready that you can engage in with the children.** Play a game or make cookies.
- **Always have a nutritious snack on hand for when children are hungry.** Make sure you check out any food allergies of the other child.
- **Be sure to explain your house rules.** Remind a child that there is no jumping on the furniture, food in the living room, or running inside the house. Tell the child what they can and cannot do.
- **No, or limited screen time.** The purpose of a playdate is to play, create, imagine, and have fun together, not to play video games for two hours. **To learn social skills, children need practice, which involves face-to-face encounters.**
- **Let your child pick her friends.** With young children, parents are more involved. As your child gets older, the child is the one to choose.
- **Don't trade belongings.** With younger children, they may want to take toys home from other houses. This is a no win situation. Save yourself grief from banning these exchanges.
- **Tell all.** If the playdate was a disaster, let the other parent hear what happened from YOU.
- **Reciprocate.** If your child is invited over to someone's home and it was a positive experience, have that child over to your home!

Source: Beyond One: Growing a Family and Getting a Life, by Jennifer Bingham Hull