



CHILDREN as CATALYSTS FOR CHANGE
Literacy Conquers Poverty

NEWSLETTER - Summer 2017

~ Spring Benefit 2017 ~

Recipients

Hope Partnership for Education & St. Matthew School



Children as Catalysts for Change Foundation Receives Funding from EFM Foundation

The Foundation gratefully acknowledges the support of the EFM Foundation for its 2017 donation of \$1000.00 for upgrades to computer equipment at both Hope Partnership for Education and St. Matthew School.



**Spring Benefit 2017
 Featured Speaker
 Linda Cliatt-Wayman**

Once again spring sunshine shone bright and warm on the day of the luncheon this year, April 27, 2017. One of the biggest crowds yet came to hear Linda Cliatt-Wayman's inspiring story of how she turned around Strawberry Mansion High School from being classified as one of the most dangerous schools in America to the academically - accredited school of today. Her theme of leadership, determination and love reached the hearts of her listeners. She began by



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We especially like to recognize those who give their time and talent. Mary Kate McDevitt

recounting the appalling conditions of the school when she became its principal. Documented by Diane Sawyer in ABC's 20/20, the audience viewed a clip of the show. In dramatic fashion, she shared her journey to restore the school to its purpose, educational excellence.



Getting to Know CC4CF~Our Trustee Team

James B. Young

Mr. Young is Vice President of Business Development for Synergy Environmental, Inc., an environmental engineering and consulting firm, located in Royersford, PA and Cherry Hill, NJ. In this capacity he manages all of the Marketing, Sales, Risk Management and Health and Safety for the firm.

We the Board of Trustees are most grateful for his generous gift of time, talent and treasure. Welcome, "Brink."

Committee 2017~We Sing Out Thank You~Thank You~Thank You

Candy Antonelli *
 Mary Ann Flanigan
 Karen Kelly
 Margaret Kiley
 Mary Lucks
 Yvonne McClatchy
 Ann McDevitt
 Kathie Moser
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 Mary Packer
 Jane Young
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* Deceased

redesigned the Logo as well as the graphic design of the web page and newsletters. Thank you, Mary Kate.

Meri McDevitt donated an original sculpture entitled, "The Singers" as a thank you gift for the Honorary Chairman, Jim Murray. Kudo's to these talented grandchildren.

Last but not least, thanks to Mary Lucks for her gifted flower fingering. Each year she brings the centerpieces, and each year they are more beautiful than the year before. So many talented hands build our annual benefit.



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No matter what country, what culture, what faith, being able to read, write and count is the road to employment and self respect...Support Literacy: Conquer Poverty. Use the donate button on this page and join us in our efforts. To paraphrase English philosopher Edmund Burke, all it takes for evil to triumph is for good men (and women) to do nothing.

Join us. Ann Scattergood McDevitt, President.



'Catalysts for Change' Goes To College

Three students from Strawberry Mansion High School are attending Temple University and Shippensburg University this fall. Rugiata Bah and Ford McFadden will be freshman at Temple University. Nasir Mills will attend Shippensburg University, southwest of Harrisburg. We are very proud to be a part of their future education.



In Memory of Candida Antonelli

On May 25, 2017 the Board of Trustees of Children as Catalysts for Change lost a treasured colleague. Candy, as she was affectionately known, died suddenly at her home in Wynnewood, PA.

She was an invaluable addition to the board bringing her experiences teaching at St. Joseph's University, St. Charles Seminary, and principal of Maria Goretti High School in Philadelphia.

She will be greatly missed.

The Foundation was asked to fund their admission fees. The funding was made possible by a donation from a former Trustee. The Trustees view this event as a fulfillment of their mission: "To enable children to become self-sufficient members of their community." Congratulations, Rugiata, Ford, and Nasir



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