



*Summer Edition 2016*



# *The League Journal*

*Charity League of Martinsville-Henry County*

## **2016 SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS - MAKING A DIFFERENCE**

This year the league awarded 28 scholarships in the amount of \$1,000 each to area high school graduates and college students for the 2016-2017 academic year.

The Dr. Samuel Newman Scholarships were awarded to Tanna Nicole Turner (daughter of Thomas and Mary Turner of Bassett) and Benjamin Donald Comire (son of Patricia Comire of Martinsville). These scholarships were given in 1976 in honor of the late Dr. Samuel Newman of Danville. Ruth Harrison (daughter of Michael and Julie Harrison of Collinsville), received the Virginia Walker Hamlet Scholarship.

The Memorial Scholarship was awarded to Caitlin Anne Lacy, daughter of Julie Lacy of Collinsville. The Founders' Scholarship was awarded to Kristen Diane Robertson, daughter of Sarah Robertson and Tim Robertson, both of Martinsville. The Sustainer Scholarship was given to Lindsey Hankins, daughter of David and Buffy Hankins of Axton.

Kasey Brooke Adams, daughter of Nikki Adams of Bassett, received the Blue Ridge Scholarship. The Adele Pannill Scholarship was awarded to Cameron Jones, son of Jovia Saunders-Jones and the late Calvin Jones. Lauren Ashley Wood, daughter of Micheal Wood and Stephanie Handy Burton, received the Jett Carter Groves Scholarship.

Keri Nicole Knott, daughter of Grayson and Jeannie Knott of Spencer, received the Catherine Pannill Scholarship. The Adele Pannill Carter Charitable Trust Scholarships were awarded to Kristiana Ashante Price (daughter of Angela Price and Christopher Price Sr. of Martinsville). Lacey Mae Staples (daughter of James and Karen Staples), and Emily Anne Gardner (daughter of Lisa Gardner of Martinsville).

The Charity League awarded nine additional scholarships to Ayesha Pasha (daughter of Corrine Frazier of Martinsville), Anna-Kaye Scott (daughter of Winston and Gwendolyn Scott of Martinsville), Markisha Gravely (daughter of Akelsha Gravely of Axton), Kyndall Alene Allred (daughter of Donna Allred of Axton), Zoie Nicole Turner (daughter of Tom Turner of Fieldale), Mackenzie Haley Martin (daughter of Renee Howard of Collinsville), Lauren Blake Wilson (daughter of David Wilson), Joshua Gravely (son of William and Cheryl Gravely of Martinsville) and Darnell Christopher Mitchell (brother of Herbert Brim and the son of the late Sandra Davis).

The Howard Stone Renewable Scholarship was awarded to Colin Nicholas Penn, son of Stephanie Penn of Martinsville. The Charity League awarded five additional renewable scholarships to Cynthia Barajas, Jasmine Boardwine, Helen Mai Xuan Nguyen, Katelyn Elizabeth Merriman and Ta'Miya Afinate Vanhook-Davis.

The chairman of the 2016-2017 scholarship committee is Cameron M. Cooper.

## President's Corner - Leighann Harris



The new League year is upon us and in full swing. To say our membership has been busy would be an understatement! I'm honored to be President this year. I have a wonderful husband (Jon), and two children, Jordan (8), and Kinsleigh (5). I am a speech language pathologist and have a passion for working with children. Providing treatment to children with autism, emotional disabilities, specific learning disabilities, hearing impairments, and speech and language impairments is very rewarding.

I'll never forget a family friend, Pam Allen, who asked if I wanted to join this elite group of women. I'm so thankful that I have been a part of this influential organization, made lasting friendships, and been able to give back to the children in our community. We truly make a positive impact in so many ways!

I couldn't be more excited to be able to witness such extraordinary things that will no doubt happen this year. I would like to welcome our new Provisional Class of 2023. These 15 ladies have chosen to become a part of a strong group of women. Once you become a part of Charity League of Martinsville and Henry County, you become a part of history. Your efforts, time, and commitment will not go unnoticed and will ultimately make an indelible mark on the path that has been travelled by some wonderful women for over 85 years.

Our Board Members are off to a great start as well. We had our annual Board Retreat on July 10th to brainstorm our goals for the year. Working together and communicating makes for the best teamwork and ultimately provides the best results for our mission.

Our 3rd Annual Touch A Truck committee has been hard at work as well all summer. I would like to thank our new sponsors - Nelson Autos, Jones and DeShon Orthodontics, Martinsville Family Dentistry, Canteen Vending, The Eye Site and Martinsville Speedway. It's so wonderful to see your hometown work together to provide great things for our children.

Our members have also been working hard to plan and make decisions for Bargain Fair. We have created 5 subcommittees to help the planning process go smoothly. Bargain Fair will be held at Community Fellowship Church in Collinsville on October 1st. We are looking forward to holding our Silent Auction at a different venue this year during our Winter Social. Stay tuned for more details.

In closing, I would like to thank all of our Sustainers who continue to generously support the League. I thank you for your continued support and I can't wait to see you at events in the community this year.



**Leighann, Jordan and Kinsleigh at Touch-A-Truck in 2015.**



## SUMMERTIME FUN



The active and provisional class for 2016-2017



## SUMMER SOCIAL



## TGIF - SWAYING TO THE OLDIES

The ladies consider their volunteer role at TGIF summer concert a kickoff to a year of many events centered around raising funds for youth and children in our community. Over 30 league members, including first year provisionals, spent the evening working together for the cause, while having fun and building bonds through fellowship and service. Ladies in pink were easy to spot around the venue---with smiling faces, open hearts, and a message of “cherishing children” on their new t-shirt design.

We want to inspire others to love our community while honoring an 81-year legacy of creating opportunities for our children to live their dreams and create their futures.





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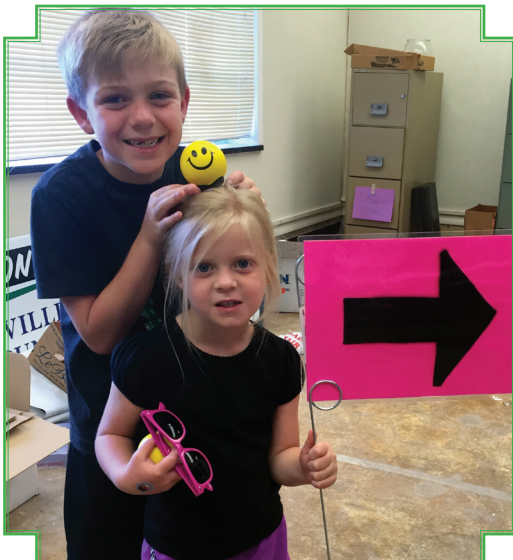
**First Marking Party of the Summer**



**Marking Party Fun!**



**Wine and Cheese Social at NCI**



**Charity League kids helping and being very patient while their mothers work!**





# THANK YOU FOR SERVING

## The Board Members for 2015-2016

President: Courtney McFarling  
1st Vice President: Leighann Harris  
2nd Vice President: Cameron Cooper  
Treasurer: Kim Banerjee  
Recording Secretary: Cindy Cox  
Member Events Secretary: Veronica Favero  
Member Relations Secretary: Sharon Dalton  
Fundraising Secretary: Chandres Pickett  
Administrative Secretary: Katelyn Peters  
Admissions Secretary: Carrie Metzger  
Computer Secretary: Christy Spencer  
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**THANK YOU FOR A GREAT YEAR!**



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**WELCOME TO OUR NEW BOARD!**



## WELCOME TO THE PROVISIONAL CLASS



Top (Left to Right) - India Brown, Elizabeth Witt, Stephanie Whitten, April Ferguson, Kelly Hawkins, Kaitlin Martin, Whitney Mabe  
Front (Left to Right) - Kelly Ford, Ellen Bell, Brittany Anthony, Liz Ashby, Julie Brown, Ashley Eubank (not pictured Lindsey Bryant, Simone Morris)

## NEW APPAREL



We have a new design this year!  
If you are interested in getting new apparel, contact  
Nicole DeShon (nmdehon@yahoo.com)  
Production by Casting Logos; T-shirt design by Sharon Dalton



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## SAVE THE DATE

BARGAIN FAIR PREVIEW  
Friday, September 30, 2016  
Community Fellowship Church  
Collinsville, VA

BARGAIN FAIR  
Saturday, October 1, 2016  
Community Fellowship Church  
Collinsville, VA

WINTER SOCIAL/SILENT AUCTION  
Saturday, November 12, 2016  
Chatmoss Country Club  
Martinsville, VA

## THANKS TO OUR PARTNERS FOR 2016-2017

**JONES & DESHON**  
**ORTHODONTICS**

