



2015 Spring/Summer Newsletter

It's hard to believe that another school year has come and gone! Thanks to all of you, ***Our Loyal Supporters***, it has been an amazing growth year for our charity with big increases to the number of kids that we were able to help.

This past school year, "Clothing our Kids" has grown to a network of **32** Sussex County Elementary Schools serviced by **150** unpaid volunteers. As far as the kids go, **2,552 children received 12,546 pieces of clothing.** **Thank you for your generosity!** *And yet, there is still more work to be done - we pray that we will never have to say no to a child that needs our help.*

Here are the highlights of some of the activities taking place over the past year:

"COK" received its 3rd consecutive Freeman Foundation's "FACES Grant".

The doors to "COK's" long awaited Volunteer Center have opened on Long Neck Road in Millsboro. This humble space will enable us to expand our ability to help many more children. Thanks to the volunteers that worked so hard to make this center a reality and to the businesses donating much needed materials!

"COK" has made the news in local publications several times spreading the good word of all of our efforts.

Several Elementary School kids at Sussex Academy selected "COK" from a list of charities and organized a walk-a-thon in the Hawks Eye community. The support they received and the results they achieved were simply amazing! **Thank you, Kids!**

The "Chicks For Charity" recently held a fundraiser at a local restaurant. The event was a sell-out and the gals were able to raise more than double the amount anticipated.

The First Annual "COK" Golf Outing was held last October at The Peninsula Golf Club. Thanks to all of you who participated as a sponsor or as a golfer, the event turned out to be our largest fundraiser of the year garnering support from many individuals and business. All had a great time!

This year's Second Annual Event will be held on Columbus Day (October 12th) at The Peninsula Golf Club. To date, activity is running well ahead of last year's event with 35 of our 46 sponsorship opportunities already sold, including our Title Sponsor - **Thank you, Schell Brothers!** Golfer registrations total approximately 60% of our goal of 120 golfers. Thus far, many local businesses and restaurants have contributed gift certificates that will become a part of the "Super Raffle" being held at the event. **We are planning on an exciting and fun sellout all to benefit the growing needs of our kids in Sussex County! And it's all because of your generosity. Please accept our ever-heartfelt thanks!**

For more info on Clothing Our Kids and our primary fundraiser on October 12th, please contact Kate Gibson at 410-984-2548 or kate.gibson@verizon.net