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Greetings!

October is a busy month for the Education Foundation and Communities In Schools. As we close the first reporting period, see what's happening and what's ahead!



News

Taken from the Fayetteville Observer, November 2, 2010

CIS Update



'Cardinal Cares' Winter Packages

CIS students at Lewis Chapel Middle School created 'Cardinal Cares' Winter Packages for the Fayetteville Rescue Mission. The students assembled the packages for the residents of the shelter and donated supplies to the shelter for general use. They packed socks, hats, gloves, chicken soup, hand sanitizer and of, course hot chocolate to warm hearts and bodies.

This project was funded by Hasbro in recognition of Kids Care Week. The students chose the center because they wanted to help our homeless population. Upon reflecting, many of them had no idea that the homeless included working people, veterans and children. Sixth grader, Miranda K., described the event as "Very rewarding!".

Cheers to the Cumberland County Education Foundation for their outstanding Reading Rocks 5k run on Oct. 16 in downtown Fayetteville. It was very successful for their first endeavor. We were impressed with how well it was organized and the enthusiasm of the volunteers. They were quite efficient in starting it and finishing it, considering the tight time constraints they were under with the huge "Reading Rocks" Walk-a-Thon following it at 9 a.m. We hope it becomes an annual event and that



even more students and teachers participate next year.

~ Hallie Hill and Becky Vohoska Rose, Fayetteville

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"Off the Streets" Literacy Carnival

Fuller Performance Learning Center recently held their "Off the Streets" Literacy Carnival for elementary students from Ferguson-Easley Elementary School. Senior students at Fuller PLC, along with faculty co-chairs Rachel Tunstall and Wakenia George, organized and staffed the non-traditional fall celebration, assisted by the faculty and staff from both schools. Ferguson-Easley students traveled from room to room, answering questions with the English Experts, adding numbers with the Mathmagicians, playing computer games with the Nerds, and visiting with Jake "The Snake Man" Martin and his collection of snakes. Each student left with donated books, pencils and treats provided by our Partners in Education and community sponsors.

Academic Service Learning is an educational method that engages students in service to their communities as a means of enriching their academic learning, promoting personal growth and developing the skills needed for productive citizenship. Each student at Fuller PLC is expected and encouraged to participate in the meaningful educational product as well as provide a service to the community.

Events



Reading Rocks 5K Fun Run / Walk-A-Thon

On Saturday, October 16, 2010, 20,000 teachers, students and families converged on Festival Park for the annual Reading Rocks Walk-A-Thon sponsored by CCS! More than \$200,000 were raised for literacy in our schools. But before the walk, CCEF held its first annual Reading Rocks 5K Fun Run with 261 runners from ages 6-60. Participants received t-shirts and dog tags to celebrate the event. Jack Bruncez, Pine Forest HS Cross Country Coach, was the All-Around Male winner, and Kimberly Sanborn was the All-Around Female winner. John Griffin Middle School won the coveted Golden Sneaker Award for the largest group of runners participating. Many thanks to all runners and volunteers that helped make the 5K a success. Mark your calendars for October 15, 2011, for next year's 5K Fun Run.

Mini Grants

The 2010 Mini Grant Application is available on our website. Applications are due to CCEF on November 12, 2010. Look for a new streamlined and easy application. Teachers can apply for grants ranging from \$275 to \$1500. Thanks again to Progress Energy Foundation for their continued support as a program sponsor.

School Board Candidates Forum

On October 26th, CCEF sponsored a public forum for School Board Candidates At Large at Fayetteville Technical Community College. The candidates answered a variety of questions ranging from the 2010-2011 budget shortfalls, to building maintenance, and class sizes and redistricting to their qualifications to serve on the board. Tim White, Fayetteville Observer Editorial Editor, served as moderator.

"Waiting for Superman"

For this week only the Cameo Art House Theatre in Downtown Fayetteville, will be showing this documentary on public education. Don't miss it! For theatre information, please visit www.cameoarthouse.com

For more information go to www.waitingforsuperman.com

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