



CASA of Southeast Missouri, Inc.

Newsletter for January 2010

December Monthly Meeting

We held our Christmas party potluck on Thursday, December 10, 2009 @ 6:00pm at the Cape Girardeau public library. This was in place of our monthly meeting. We played several games and our version of the CASA Jeopardy game. Congrats to Pat Edwards for being the big winner! The food was very good– the weather was very cold and that kept a few people away but we had a good time and those present that evening received 1 hour in-service and 1 attendance.

CASA Service Awards

January– Carolyn Pendergrass is celebrating her one-year anniversary.

January Monthly meeting

Our meeting in January is with Susan Ellis <http://www.energizeinc.com>. She was secured through a grant that Revonda had written and received. Susan Ellis is nationally known and National CASA recommends her programs. We are very excited to be the recipient of this training. This training will take the place of the regular CASA monthly meeting normally the last Thursday of the month. The meeting on Wednesday will take place in the Kasten Conference room and the meeting on Thursday will be in the Harrison room at Southeast Hospital. Please note that volunteers are asked to attend **both** Wednesday and Thursday evenings. Schedule is as follows:

Wednesday January 20th 6:30-8:30pm CASA Volunteers

Thursday, January 21st 10-2pm CASA Staff

Thursday, January 21st 4-6pm CASA Board

Thursday, January 21st 7-9pm everyone - Volunteers, staff and board members

This training is very important to the CASA of Southeast Program and we appreciate your input and attendance at these meetings. Thanks so much and looking forward to being “*Energized!*” Please RSVP to the office

Thank yous go to:

Glenda Newell – for her donation of so many clothing items for boys from 0-4T and shoes, some toys, and infant items. The amount of items was staggering! We did however, find homes very much in need of these items so we are very grateful for her donation!

Koenig Family - for their donation of various items for our Resource Room. Many thanks for filling in the void in several areas – our Resource room had become fairly bare! Thank you!

Rick Iverson - for the donation of a boys bike. Thank you!

FCCLA Jackson High School, Penny Wheeler & The Primary Childrens Org. (Church of Jesus Christ of Latter- Day Saints)– thank you all for each of your donations of Christmas gifts for former CASA children.

To all of you we thank you for thinking of the children of Southeast Missouri!

CASA RESOURCE ROOM

If you find those after holiday sales are too much to resist and you need a place to donate items please keep in mind our Resource room! It is always in need of items such as toys for all ages, books for toddlers (hard board books), puzzles for children, hygiene products for teenagers, and infant supplies of any kind and infant toys, rattles, etc. We ask that the toys, puzzles etc. be inexpensive. Other ideas that go over real well for many ages are coloring books and crayons, Sudoku, Crosswords, I Spy, Word Search and anything along those lines. Thank you!!



December Birthday Corner

Boots Jessup 12/13
Carl Boitnott 12/17
Joan Drury 12/24
Chris Tourville 12/26
Jeanine Hager 12/31

January Birthday Corner

Sue Traw 1/17
Eileen Schlichting 1/20
Judy Seabaugh 1/21
Aaron Horrell 1/30

Please see attached items –

The UW Census note – the census information is a valuable tool that the federal government use for allocating monies and communities use the information for a variety of items. Please be counted!

The Tupelo Times – the newsletter for the conservation area. Check it out for activities you can do with your CASA kids!

Quotes to live by.....

The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in moments of comfort and convenience, but where he stands at times of challenge and controversy.

Martin Luther King, Jr.

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Newsletter information – If you have any items or topics you would like to see covered in the newsletter please send them in to the CASA Office to Lori Schutte. As always - thank you all very much for the work you do with our CASA children!!