

DLC NEWS

DECEMBER 2013

DLC THANKSGIVING FEAST & FOOD DRIVE

On Thursday, November 21st, DLC hosted the annual Thanksgiving Feast. This year the parents were invited to have lunch with their child and the teachers in the classroom. Thanks to the parents for providing desserts, to the volunteers who assisted serving to the children and parents and lastly to the DLC staff, a big thank you for preparing the food, they are all great cooks and for the beautiful decorations.

GOOD JOB EVERYONE!!



This year DLC held its first Thanksgiving Food Drive, led by Mina Geisel. DLC staff and parents donated 4 boxes of food, which was donated to Kester Kitchen located in the fellowship hall of Murray Hill UMC. The Kester Kitchen is an outreach ministry that allows people in the neighborhood who are less fortunate to enjoy a home cooked Thanksgiving meal in a loving environment. They also provide meals throughout the year. Thanks Ms. Jane Dixon, who is the coordinator of Kester Kitchen, continue the great works.



SAVE THE DATE

2014

DLC GOLF TOURNAMENT

SUNDAY MARCH 30, 2014 @ 1:30PM



UPCOMING EVENT 2013 DLC CHRISTMAS PARTY

As this year comes to an end, DLC is working hard to ensure that every child has a wonderful Christmas. On December 17th Therapy and Care will have their Party and Santa will be there to greet each child with a gift. On December 18th, Nurse and Learn will have Santa stop by for a visit to take their picture, listen to every request from the children and give each child a special gift while enjoying cookies and punch. Thank you to Santa Claus for stopping by to spread peace and good cheer to the DLC students.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

DLC TOY DONATIONS NEEDED

Each year many of our community partners and churches come together to assist some of the children here at DLC. This year I happy to have Judy Ellis from Blue Cross as the organizer of the toy drive and Lakeshore UMC donating gifts to our children. We have been fortunate to receive help for many of our children, there are some families that are still in need of Christmas help. If you would like to donate a wrapped gift for a child ages 0—18 years old or sponsor a specific child, this would be very appreciated. Thank you for all of your support to the children at DLC.

Please contact Amy Buggle @ 904.387.0370 or amy.buggle@dlcnl.org

*To be held at:
Deercreek
Golf and Country Club
More information coming soon?*

*Any questions please contact
Amy Buggle at 904-387-0370*

DLC Nurse & Learn

provides year

round education,

nursing care and

therapies to

children with

severe disabilities

in an inclusive

child care setting,

giving them and

their families the

opportunity for

self-sufficiency

and hope for the

future.

In Loving Memory



On Friday, November 22, 2013 August's family planted an orange tree next to his classroom and presented DLC with a plaque that will be displayed in his classroom in remembrance of his 12 years here at DLC.

DLC would like to thank the Chazan-Gabbard family for allowing us to be apart of keeping his memory alive.



The DLC family had to allow the Angels to take one of our loving students this year. August started at DLC when he was 2 years old and was with DLC for over 12 years of his life, he will greatly be missed. Although he has made his transition, from this side and ascended into heaven he has been able to touch the lives of other children that he had the opportunity to grow up with over the years he has spent at DLC.

We plan to continue our relationship with his family.



The Chazan-Gabbard Family requested from family and friends that any monetary donations are give to DLC in the memory of their son and brother.

We want to thank August sister, for planning and hosting a Fundraising event at her dance school.

Over the past 2 months donations have been pouring in and we can never express our gratitude and appreciation.



Words from Amy Buggle **DLC Accomplishments** **2013**



2013 EVE AWARD



MDS FUNDRAISER



THERAPY AND CARE OPEN HOUSE

Every year DLC works very hard to make sure that our program does great things for our children and their families. We document every success for each child as well as how our overall program is doing. This is proof to our donors and supporters that the funds and time you contribute to DLC have meaningful, long-lasting effects. For the past year, the following goals have been met:

- DLC served 65 students in the 2013 summer camp and 96 children in our preschool and after school programs.
- The preschool program had 8 graduates and 4 children graduated from our VPK program for four year olds.
- This year, 96.5% of all student skills have been improved or accomplished. 70% of our students accomplished at least one goal. Many students accomplished 4-6 goals over the school year.
- A total of 33 children were on full

or partial scholarships for at least part of the school year.

- A total of \$168,418 was given away in tuition and therapy scholarships this past fiscal year.
 - 97% of parents are either working 20+ hours a week or attending school/college.
- This year DLC had 121 volunteers that completed over 1,032 hours of service.

Along with these great accomplishments DLC put smiles on the faces of some very special children and brought hope to their families. We are most proud of this goal when it's me, but we can not do it without the contributions of the community. God Bless each of you for your help!

***Have a Merry Christmas
&
Happy New Year***



UNITED WAY CAMPAIGN



VALENTINES DAY DANCE



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Be sure to check us out on Facebook where we post notifications, special events and regular updates and pictures on with our awesome kids! Also, check out our updated website at www.dlcnl.org

DLC wish list

- ◆ Volunteers to assist in the classroom
- ◆ Bibs and baby wipes
- ◆ New color printer
- ◆ Healthy Snacks
- ◆ Art Supplies and water play toys
- ◆ Clothes—infant to 18 years
- ◆ Swing/bouncer/mobile for the floor
- ◆ Large round area carpet
- ◆ Toy refrigerator

Staff Birthdays:

Anna Laura Goodrich

*Have a Merry Christmas
and very Happy New Year,*

Winter Dates :

◆ **Mr. & Mrs. Claus Vis-
it
Therapy & Care
12/17@ 4:30pm**

**Nurse & Learn
12/18 @ 10am**

◆ **CHRISTMAS BREAK
-CLOSED
12/23 THRU 12/31**

◆ **NEW YEAR'S
CLOSED
1/1/14**

◆ **DLC REOPENS
1/2/13**

◆ **MLK Day
CLOSED
1/20/14**

Don't forget DLC at Christmas!

Did you know that over 70% of the children with special needs at DLC are from low income families? Many are struggling because of the situation that is created by their child's disability and medical needs. Once a child is enrolled at DLC, they get stronger and healthier with daily nursing care and therapy. Then parents are able to find and keep full time employment.

Many families start out on full scholarship and then are able to pay tuition once they get back on their feet. Some have actually become donors themselves, helping another family and pay it forward.

If you can consider a monthly donation or combine your efforts with others in your family, Sunday School class, civic group or church and "adopt a child" by sending a donation to cover part of a child's tuition or therapy.

40 people x \$5 = \$200 partial scholarship

25 people x \$10 = \$250 partial scholarship

20 people x \$15 = \$300 partial scholarship

30 people x \$15 = \$450 full scholarship

8 people x \$10 = 1 hour of therapy

Any amount will help.

Be blessed this Christmas by blessing a child in need!

At DLC Anything is possible
With your help!