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22nd Golf Classic to Honor Woman of The Year, Dr. Katherine Soss Prihoda



The distinguished list of CYO Golf Tournament honorees continues to grow, and this year, the CYO will honor its first Woman of the Year at their 22nd Golf Classic, Dr. Katherine Soss Prihoda! This is a very fitting tribute to her as she is one of the greatest supporters of the CYO and she has had a lifelong affiliation with the organization. Among many other roles, Kathie is currently Vice-Chair of the CYO Board of Trustees. Professionally, Kathie serves as the Divisional Chair of Advanced Nursing Practice at Rutgers University Camden School of Nursing. Through this position, Dr. Prihoda brings her students to work with our young CYO students; truly a win-win learning experience! She has also worked as a Pediatric Nurse Practitioner at the

Lawrenceville School and in private practice for the past 30 years. Kathie attended St. Anthony's High School and received her nursing diploma from St. Francis Medical Center School of Nursing. She went on to attend Trenton State College, Seton Hall University and graduated from the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey with a doctorate in nursing practice. Kathie lives in Hamilton with her husband Bob. They have four adult children, all of whom have worked part time at the CYO. The Golf Tournament will take place Thursday, October 10th at Mountain View Golf Course in Ewing. For more information including registration and sponsorships contact Patrick Hardiman at phardiman@cyomercer.org or via phone at 609-585-4280 x 102. As always, a fun day in support of the CYO is on tap and the pursuit of the Fahey Cup remains the top prize out there.



CYO GOLF CLASSIC SPONSORSHIP APPLICATION (please check desired level) \$2,500.00 \$1,000.00 \$500.00 \$500.00 \$500.00 **Tournament Sponsor Corporate Sponsor Major Sponsor Hole in One Sponsor Beverage Sponsor** (Includes 4 golfers, 4 dinner guests, (Includes 4 golfers, your banner (includes 2 golfers, your banner (includes your logo on sign at (includes your name on banner your banner displayed at golf displayed at golf course, 10 tee displayed at golf course, hole for hole In one prize, 1 displayed at cocktail hour and on course, 18 tee signs, 1 greens flag) signs, 1 greens flag) 6 tee signs.) areens flag) beverage cart on course) 500.00 \$250.00 \$100.00 \$50.00 Donation **Tee Gift Sponsor Greens Flag Sponsor Tee Sign Sponsor Dinner Only Guest** (includes your company name and (includes commemorative nylon (includes your company name (includes cocktails & dinner logo on one of the tee gifts given "greens" flag from a hole which on one individual tee sign on starting at 5:30 pm) to the golfers) is yours to keep) golf course) Name: ______ Address: ______ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ _____ Email: _____ Phone: Please fill out form and return with a list of all sponsored golfers.

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CYO Athletics

HIGH SCHOOL ALL STAR AWARDS

The 20th Annual CYO High School Basketball All Star Games were held in conjunction with the presentation of the Renee Keister and Jack Cryan Awards. Pictured below left to right is former Ewing High Boys Varsity Coach Shelly Dearden presenting the Boys Game MVP Award to Latrell Reid from Peddie. Brian O'Reilly, the 1985 Cryan Award winner poses with the 2019 recipient, Milo De Los Santos from Hopewell, along with coach, Matt Stein. Renee Keister with Jaycee Lowe from Ewing, the 2019 Keister winner along with her coach, Mike Reynolds.



CYO Soccer

The Mercer County CYO Soccer Season began on Thursday, April 8th. This year there are 4 teams in the Freshmen Soccer League, 4 teams in the Girls Soccer League and 6 teams in the Boys Soccer League. Catholic schools and parishes that are represented in the leagues include: Our Lady of Sorrows / St. Anthony's, St. Ann's, St. Gregory's, St. Paul's, St. Raphael's / Holy Angels and Trenton Catholic Academy. The regular season is scheduled to conclude at the end of May with the playoffs taking place in early June.

Diocesan Basketball Tournament

The Diocesan Basketball Tournament returned to Mercer County in March following the conclusion of the CYO Basketball Playoffs. Each of the four counties in the Diocese (Mercer, Burlington, Monmouth and Ocean) were represented as a total of 8 teams (2 from each county) qualified for this year's tournament in each of the four divisions (GJV, BJV, GV & BV). In the GJV Division, St. Paul's (Princeton) were crowned as the champions while St. Catharine's (Spring Lake) took home the runner-up trophy and in the BJV final, St. Raphael's (Hamilton) defeated St. Leo's (Lincroft). In Girls Varsity action, St. Catharine's (Spring Lake) defeated St. Mary's (Bordentown) while Trenton Catholic Academy (Hamilton) defeated St. Leo's (Lincroft) in the BV championship game.

CYO Basketball

The Mercer County CYO celebrated its 66th season of CYO Basketball during the 2018-19 season. This year there were over 65 teams that participated in the 8 CYO Leagues for elementary school-aged children and the Boys and Girls High School Leagues. Congratulations to all of this year's winners that were crowned in March. In CYO playoff action, St. Gregory's won the title for the Girls Freshmen Playoffs. In the Boys Freshmen League, Princeton Academy won the championship for the Blue Division while St. Gregory's captured the championship for the Red and White Division. In Junior Varsity playoff action, St. Paul's won the Girls Championship and St. Raphael's the BJV title. In Varsity playoff action, OLS won the GV Championship and TCA won the BV title. In the CYO High School League Championships, Notre Dame captured the Girls title while St. James (Pennington) won the Boys Championship.

Yardville Spring Sports

CYO Visits NYC

T-Ball and Spring Basketball in action at the Yardville CYO!

The annual CYO Bus Trip to Yankees Stadium was held Sunday, May 5 to see the Yanks defeat the Minnesota Twins. Pictured below are some fans posing for a picture pre game.

YANKEE STAD

Ballet Instruction Comes to Ewing Pre-School

Last December, a troupe of dance students from Ballet Central New Jersey based in Hamilton, brought a simple version of The Nutcracker to the children of Ewing CYO Pre-School. After the performance it was heartwarming to see so many of our children trying to emulate the moves of the dancers. Some of our girls even expressed interest in someday becoming ballerinas themselves. This spring, we were contacted by Lydia Wu, one of the student performers, who thought it would be nice to offer ballet lessons to our pre-school children as part of a service project she needed to complete. Obviously, we jumped at the chance and on Monday, May 6 we had the first of 7 dance sessions that would be taking place for the next 3 weeks on Mondays and Thursdays.



Children are learning basic ballet moves, which will go a long way toward developing the gross motor skills they will need as they grow. At the conclusion of the program, Ms. Wu is planning to have these children put on a short performance for their parents and for our pre-school classes. We thank Lydia Wu, her classmate, Karli Khanna-Reichert, who assists her with the instruction as well as Ballet Central New Jersey for this wonderful opportunity as well as our Education Director, Pat Staltari who originally reached out to them last year to forge this special partnership!

Lake Catholic Students from Cleveland, Ohio Visit CYO Yardville

Pictured at right are some of the volunteers from Lake Catholic High School in the Cleveland (Mentor), Ohio area along with Lake staff member Marty Gibbons and CYO Executive Director Tom Mladenetz. These students performed two days of community service at the CYO Yardville facility- helping to prepare the grounds for the upcoming camp season. Another Lake Catholic staff member, Jillian Zaczyk brought a different group of students to the CYO that week as well. These students and staff spent their Easter Break on this New Jersey Immersion Project sponsored / coordinated by the Center for FaithJustice. Besides the CYO Yardville, students also worked at TASK and the Visitation Home. The CYO was grateful for two very productive days performed by this group of stellar high school students.



CYO at Lalor School Partners with Rutgers

The CYO has partnered with Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Mercer County, Department of Family & Community Health Sciences for the students in the After School Program at Lalor School for a Cooking Program. Titled Cooking Matters, the six week class takes place for an hour and a half each session. Course participants build confidence in their new skills through active class participation, enabling positive behavior changes in daily life. Classmates also help one another by sharing feedback on each other's progress. Participants receive ingredients weekly to practice making the class recipes at home. Students engage in a fun, hands on class to learn how to prepare healthy snacks, make healthy choices, eat more fruits and vegetables. Pictured are CYO Lalor students participating in the class.



Christine's Hope for Kids Gives Grant to CYO

CYO recently received a \$5,000 grant from Christine's Hope For Kids Foundation, to support CYO's pre-school, after school & summer programming efforts for children & youth in Mercer County.Christine's Hope For Kids has been a wonderful partner to CYO, sponsoring book fairs at CYO's East State St. Center's summer camp & helping CYO connect with the NJ Golf Foundation to provide golf lessons at CYO's Broad St. Center summer camp. "We are honored that Foundation founders, John and Jean Gianacaci, reached out to us," said CYO Executive Director, Tom Mladenetz, "and we are thrilled to continue to work with them to help their daughter Christine's wonderful legacy live on."



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Sports Safety Classes Added

The CYO remains at the forefront for Volunteer Coach Sports Training. With three certified instructors on staff, and now a third class offered annually, the Rutgers S.A.F.E.T.Y (Sports Awareness for Educating Today's Youth) continues to educate and train volunteer coaches on youth sports safety skills through a curriculum developed through Rutgers University, and it also protects the coaches from civil immunity provided by The Little League Law. The CYO mandates that all coaches take this course before coaching in any CYO sports league. Over the years the CYO has certified over 1,000 coaches and the numbers will only continue to grow with the additional class added. For more information on this course contact Quincy Walzer at 609-396-8383 x 14, or via e-mail at qwalzer@cyomercer.org



Easter Egg Hunt at South Broad Street & Bromley



Grants Awarded since last Marquee 11/1/18 - 4/30/19

- Arvesen Foundation: awarded for Broad Centennial Rejuvenation Capital Project, 3/19.
- Borden Foundation: awarded for Broad Centennial Rejuvenation Capital Project, 12/18.
- Christine's Hope For Kids, awarded for children's programming, 12/18.
- Investors Foundation: awarded for Yardville Pool House, 4/19, with same amount committed for 2020.
- Janssen Pharmaceutical: awarded for Broad ASP Tutoring, 11/18.
- Kiwanis Club of Trenton: awarded for Broad & ESSC camp scholarships, 11/18.
- Mercer Fund of Community Foundation of NJ: awarded for Bromley Teen Healthy Lifestyle Program & Food Pantry, 12/18.
- NJ Department of Children & Families: awarded for ESSC Stairway Tread Renewal Project, 4/19.
- NJM Insurance Group: awarded for Broad Centennial Rejuvenation Capital Project, 12/18 & 2/19 (2 grants).
- PSEG Foundation: awarded for Environmental Science Programs in 6 after school programs, 12/18.
- Rummel Foundation: awarded for Broad ASP Tutoring, 12/18.
- Bristol Myers Squibb: awarded summer camp environmental programs to Broad Street and ESSC.