

IHOC Monthly News

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Even though we were all hoping that we could all get together for an in-person dinner this year, I am very excited about how things are progressing for IHOC's Virtual Fund Raiser. I think you will be pleased with the selection of baskets we have compiled for the auction and will find something you "cannot live without". Some of the items to look out for when you get to the auction site are an Eagles commemorative football signed by Brandon Graham, a \$100 gift certificate to the Tortilla Press

Restaurant, a leather "Patricia Nash" handbag, a \$100 basket of Lindt chocolates, two \$50 gift certificates to Haddonfield boutiques, a basket with everything you will need for a fabulous Italian dinner and a basket of amazing vintage snow babies. Also, the Reverend Ted Winsley, Pastor of The Family Church, Voorhees and Chaplain of the Eagles has offered to preach the sermon he preached to the Eagles before the Super Bowl to the highest bidder.

Later this week we will be sending out a flier with a link to the auction site. You will be able to immediately follow that link to the auction website and register for the auction. Beginning the week of October 18th, you will be able to visit the auction website and preview the items in the auction as well as check out recent photos and messages from participants in the Network and Transitional Housing programs. Between October 25th at 9am and October 30th at 7pm, you will be able to place bids on your favorite items. If you are a successful bidder, we will let you know when you can pick up your basket at the IHOC Office in Cherry Hill.

PLEASE SHARE THE AUCTION FLIER AND INFORMATION WITH ALL OF YOUR FRIENDS. HAVE FUN. REMEMBER THIS IS FOR A GOOD CAUSE!







MALL WALK



Planning for Mall Walk 2022 Has Already Started

Yes, planning for our next Mall Walk in February 2022 has already started. We are hoping this year's Walk will be an in-person Walk at the Voorhees Town Center so that all of us will be together for face painting, goodie bags, selfies, tattoos, entertainment, and of course, raising money for a worthwhile cause.

For Mall Walk 2022, again, there will be online registration for Walkers along with an opportunity for Benefactors and Sponsors of Walkers to show their support by donating online.

However, this time we are hoping to have a website only for the Mall Walk 2022. This should make the online process very user friendly.

To have the Mall Walk run smoothly and to deal with the online changes, IHOC is expanding its Mall Walk Committee. We are looking for the following volunteers:

1. Someone to act as the contact person for Voorhees Town Center management staff, make arrangements with the VTC security, organize the set-up and the clean-up for the Walk, and organize the storage room prior to the Walk.

2. Someone to assist with the 3 mailings by getting the bulk mailing trays, making sure the materials have been duplicated, and taking the bulk mailing to the Marlkress Post Office in Cherry Hill.

3. One or two people, who will contact the restaurants at the Voorhees Town Center for gift cards, which we use for prizes.

If you can help with any of these opportunities, please contact Carol Dann through her email: carolcdann@gmail.com

The Mall Walk has always been a fun-filled, financially successful afternoon, and we are hoping the Walk in 2022 will be the ...

Thank you IHOC from the Dann Family

To My IHOC Family:

My children, Alison, Mark, and Sultan and I want to thank our IHOC family for the tremendous support you have given us since our beloved Gary passed away. So many of you have sent us cards, called us, and even donated generously to IHOC on behalf of Gary.

The words "Thank you" do not even begin to express our gratitude, especially for the June newsletter which was devoted to Gary.

On a personal level it has taken a lot of time for me to get back on track, and I know I'll never be the same without my best friend with me every day. So, please know I will try to help with the Board actions and the Mall Walk. Also, I will try to restart the History of IHOC for the newsletter, I'm just not sure when that will happen.

Again, many, many thanks for all your words of kindness and support. All of you have made this difficult time-- a time of healing and fond memories. As ever, *Carol*



FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL 856-313-0155

Camp Cedar Knoll

On September 26, Governor Murphy visited Camp Cedar Knoll in Millville New Jersey for the ribbon-cutting of the new drug and alcohol addiction center. It was 10 months prior when Pastor Amir Khan, president of New Beginnings, met with the leadership team of the Bethany Baptist Association. It was at that time that Pastor Khan learned the history of Camp Cedar Knoll.

75 years prior, in the midst of the Jim Crow era and segregation, Bethany Baptist association purchased 55 acres in Millville New Jersey to allow their children to go to camp. The association consisted of approximately 60 African American churches from the South Jersey area. All of the members supported however it was the mothers of the various churches that had one fundraiser after another to raise funds to build facilities on the property, to accommodate the campers. After many years of successful camping, children lost interest in the camp, which forced the facility into disrepair. After a few short meetings and the association understanding Pastor Khan's heart, the two organizations agreed to a long-term partnership agreement. Over the past six months the camp has been fully restored and is now open as a long-term Drug and Alcohol treatment center.

After years of witnessing individuals die from overdose due to lack beds or wrong insurance, Pastor Khan knew that something had to change. Getting the most vulnerable off the streets and into detox and rehabilitation is a priority for Pastor Khan. Governor Murphy knowing and understanding Pastor Khan's passion and purpose, visited Camp Cedar Knoll on September 26 and participated in the beautiful ribbon-cutting. After the celebration, Governor Murphy toured the facility. The gorgeous lake which offers boating and fishing, a dormitory which holds 150 clients, a nurses station which is being converted to a detox center, fellowship hall and dining hall. The facility also offers basketball, tennis, miniature golf, Olympic size pool, volleyball, and so much more. New Beginnings also partnered with Victory Homes of Philadelphia to manage the new program. The curriculum is a 12 month program and is Christ centered. Data shows that counseling an individual in a tranquil environment, vields a greater success. Residents are more apt to receive the word of God around a picnic table or fishing pond as opposed to a sterile back room.

The New Beginnings program is open to all adults 18 and up, regardless of insurance. There is an intake process and they are accepting both male and female residents. For more information call 856-313-0155.



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