



The Red Wagon News

Spring 2024

Dear Christ Child Society Members and Friends,

As part of our Lenten practice, my husband and I have been reading a book of daily meditations together. The fifth week of Lent has been a challenging one with a focus on humility. Humility is not to be confused with timidity or mediocrity. (Ouch) True humility allows us to recognize our gifts as coming from God. He wants and expects us to use those gifts for His greater honor and glory.

*God has given each of you some special abilities; be sure to use them to help each other, passing on to others God's many kinds of blessings.
1 Peter: 4:10*

One of the keys to humility is trust in God to provide us with the help we need to accomplish His will. Another key is charity which compels us to make present the love of God in the world through service to others. In the Christ Child Society, we have many opportunities to practice humility by placing our special God given abilities at the service of others in charitable works for the love of God. Thanks to all who have shared their talents or treasures in our charitable work. I encourage new members and friends to join us by attending one of our events or responding to one or more items on our list of volunteer opportunities.

Mary Anne Dockery-Jackson, Chapter President



Day of Reflection - *Do Whatever He Tells You*

You are invited to a morning of prayer and reflection with the Franciscan Sisters of the Martyr St. George. There is no cost to attend, but reservations are required by April 30th. Lunch will be provided.


Date: Saturday, May 4, 2024

Time: 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Place: Farrell Hall, St. Pius X Parish, 2502 29th Ave. Rock Island, IL

RSVP: By April 30th to Mary Anne at dockeryjacksonm@gmail.com or by calling/texting to 309-738-4679.

Important Dates


 **March 25, 2024: Layette Assembly, 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.**
Our Lady of Guadalupe, Silvis, IL.

April 8, 2024: Birdies for Charity begins. Our number is #2384.

April 15, 2024: Tickets sales begin for Charlotte's Web, our Playcrafter fundraiser.

April 16, 2024: Mass for the Christ Child Society of the Quad Cities. 8:30 a.m. St. Paul's Church, Davenport, IA.

April 16, 2024: Create Spring Bouquets-Member and Friends Meeting, 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.
Butterworth Center Moline, IL.


 **April 22, 2024: Layette Assembly, 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.** OLG, Silvis, IL.

May 4, 2024: Day of Reflection with Franciscan Sisters, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., St. Pius X, Rock Island, IL, Farrell Hall.

May 9, 2024: Mass for the Christ Child Society of the Quad Cities. 7:00 a.m. St. Pius X Church, Rock Island, IL.

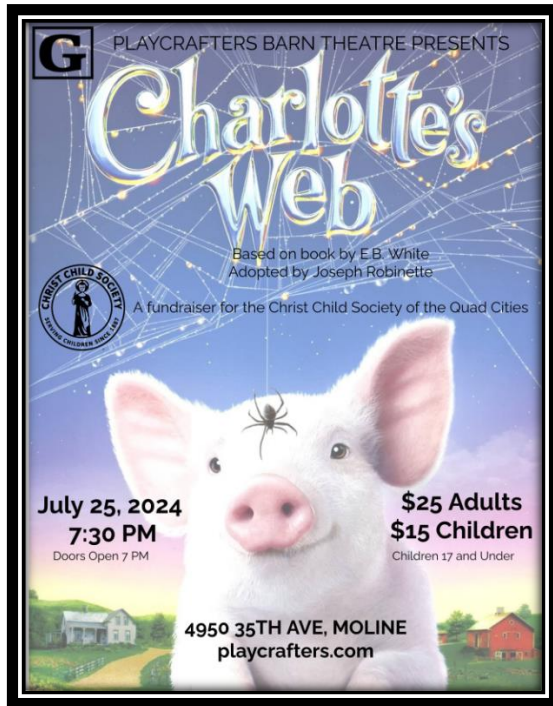
May 9, 2024: Head Start Literacy Event, 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. Horace Mann School, Rock Island, IL

May 21, 2024: Welcome New Member Meeting, 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. OLG, Silvis, IL.

 **May 23, 2024: Layette Assembly, 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.**
OLG, Silvis, IL.

Making An Impact

Playcrafters Fundraiser - Charlotte's Web



We are excited to announce that Charlotte's Web is our 2024 Playcrafters fundraiser. It's a wonderful, family friendly play based on the book by E.B. White. We hope many parents and grandparents will enjoy a memorable evening with their school age children. The date reserved is Thursday, July 25th. Doors open at 7:00 p.m. The play begins at 7:30. Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$15 for children 17 and under. Intermission refreshments are included in the ticket price. Online ticket purchase will open on April 15th.

Members and Friends Meeting April 16 April Showers Bring May Flowers



Reserve your spot to create a free flower bouquet on Tuesday, April 16, from 6:30-8:00 pm at the Butterworth Center by emailing christchildsocietyqca@gmail.com by April 9. The event is free and open to all who wish to attend. Light refreshments will be provided. A basket with two tickets to see Charlotte's Web at PlayCrafters Barn Theater on July 25, 2024, at 7:30 pm. will be given away as a door prize.

Thank You

Members and guests who attended and/or donated to our February Shower of Love. We received over \$2200.00 in gifts.

Parishioners of Jesus Christ Prince of Peace Parish in Clinton, Iowa, for donating \$291.00.

Parishioners of St. Mary's, Moline, for donating infant clothing, diapers, and care items.

Jeff and Judy Scarpinato, John and Beth Peters, Steve and Kelly Goebel, Brandon West, Sharon Burns and Jeanne Wonio for generous cash donations.

Memorial Gifts

\$100 in memory of Betty Coughlin from Jeanne Wonio

\$100 in memory of Karen Dugan from Mary Anne Dockery-Jackson



Birdies for Charity

The Christ Child Society of the Quad Cities will participate in Birdies for Charity 2024. April 8th is the kickoff date. This is an easy way to support our chapter, impact our community, and enhance your giving. We will receive a bonus of 5% to 10% of all donations. Our Birdies number is #2384.

Volunteer Opportunities

- Serve as a greeter at CCS events.
- Donate food/drinks for events.
- Bake cookies for Playcrafter fundraiser.
- Help with layette assemblies.
- Serve as a board member.
- Assist with mailings.
- Volunteer to help with Head Start events.
- Host a Shower of Love for Christ Child Society. (No worries! We will help you.)
- Conduct a book drive in your parish.
- Coordinate a bottle drive in your parish or school.