



**CHRIST CHILD SOCIETY  
OF PHOENIX**  
WHERE LOVE LEADS TO ACTION

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*Dear Ladies of the Christ Child,*



We are now less than two months away from the end of another year! Of course, we will have to wait for the final reports to know just how successful a year we have had, but I don't need to see the numbers. I know this year is a great success. I have seen the loyalty, dedication, generosity of spirit and love of children that our many members show every month, coming together to take part in and help with all our various programs, projects & events. I have heard how grateful the agencies are for the help we provide, and most importantly, I have heard the stories about the children, and how much of a difference our efforts are making in their lives. That to me is the true success of our wonderful organization.

Thank you for everything you do for the Christ Child Society of Phoenix.



God Bless,

*Nancy DiMascio*  
Chapter President



**Executive Board  
2023-2024**

**President**

*Nancy DiMascio*

**Vice Pres./Pres. Elect**

*Janet Travis*

**Vice Pres./Membership**

*Elida Desmond*

**Treasurer**

*Kathy Attwood*

**Secretary/Ways & Means**

*Sharon Del Duca-France*



**Board of Directors  
2023-2024**

**Dir. of Service Projects**

*Nora Phillips*

**Dir of Program Services**

*Wallie Sweeney*

**Dir. of Communications**

*Julie Dettloff*

**Assistant Treasure**

*\*Not yet filled*

**Member at Large**

*Shawna Reynolds*

**Member at Large**

*Maritza Mangiapane*



**Help Us to Meet  
Our Goals!!**

These last couple of months see our volunteers dwindling as many of you get ready to head back to your summer homes all over the country. This can make achieving our distribution goals for these last two months a bit of a challenge. Please make every effort to attend our work days in April and May and help us to meet our goals. Of course, gone is not forgotten! I know many of our members continue to work on *quilts*, *afghans*, and *baby sweater sets* all through the summer, and we are so grateful for your efforts. To those of you who are leaving us, I wish you safe travels.

*See you in the fall!*

*-Nancy DiMascio*

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## Spring Shower of Love!



April 3 started out as a glorious, sunny day and then ... the "Shower of Love" made it, not only a glorious day, but a wonderful day - flowers, beautiful

centerpieces, and balloons decorated the Parish Center. Good food and the camaraderie of the guests made this a warm and inviting

event. *Janice Walker*, Executive Director of Helen's Hope Chest (HHC), gave an inspiring talk about what HHC does for foster children and children in kinship care.



*Janice Walker, Dir of Helen's Hope Chest with Janet Hrusovsky, event Chair.*



*An abundance of donations for Helen's Hope Chest!*

Much needed laundry bags, diapers, boy's clothing and shoes, and books were donated by Christ Child Society members and friends. Janice Walker was wowed by all the donations. To top off the event, there were 21 lucky winners of door prizes.

Thank you to all who donated. **Donations totaled an estimated \$6,094!!**

*And... Thank you* to the "Shower of Love" team and their spouses who donated their time and talents to make this "Shower of Love" a great success!



*Spring Shower of Love 2024 Committee*

God Bless You One and All!

*Janet Hrusovsky*  
Chair of the Spring Shower of Love



*Christine Baron & Nora Phillips greeted guests and catalogued donations*



## Nominations for next year's Executive Board are in!

The nominations committee has presented their list of nominations for the Executive Board for the 2024-2025 Fiscal year to our current Board of Directors.

The Board has approved the following nominations:

- President - *Janet Travis*
- Vice President/President Elect - *Vacant at this time*
- Vice President/Ways and Means - *Johanna Warner*
- Secretary - *Debby Chadwick*
- Treasurer - *Elida Desmond*

The next step in the process will be for the membership to put forward any additional nominations, and to vote to elect the new Executive Board at the Annual Meeting on May 13, 2024. Following that election, the new Board will be installed and assume the duties of their offices



We need members who are present at various CCS activities to step up and take some **photos** and submit for the newsletter. Our resident photographer would like to take a break. No fancy camera needed, typically the smart phone photos work just fine. If you have an interest in photography or just like to take pictures—we could use your help!

The newsletter email is: [ccsphxnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:ccsphxnewsletter@gmail.com)



## HAMILTON the musical is coming to town this summer!

Through the generosity of *Frank & Ginny Palamara*, Christ Child Society of Phoenix has received 2 pair of tickets to the musical *HAMILTON* being presented at **Gammage Auditorium** in Tempe on **Sunday, June 30, 2024 at 6:30 PM.**

**These seats are in the 3rd Row!**

We have decided to hold a raffle for a chance to win one of the two pair of tickets to the show (a \$300 value per pair of tickets). ***Please see the flyer attached to this newsletter for all the details.*** Raffle tickets will cost \$20 each. If you want to buy one or more chances to win a pair of tickets, just **fill out and return, one completed ticket** (on the flyer) **for each chance you want to buy** and mail the completed tickets and your check or credit card information to ***Kathy Attwood***, her address is on the flyer.

All Mail-in Ticket purchases must be received by ***Friday, May 3rd.***

We will also be selling tickets at the Layette work days in April and at the Annual Meeting.

The two winners will be drawn at the end of the meeting on May 13th.

**GOOD LUCK!**

If you have questions, please contact ***Kathy Attwood*** or ***Nancy DiMascio.***







## Don't forget to send in your volunteer hours!



Everyone who spends time doing anything for Christ Child Society should keep track of their hours. The hours worked at a work day or event where you put your name on the sign-in sheet, are sent in by the program chair. All other hours you spend working at home etc. should be sent to our Hours Statistician, Beth Kapanicas.

It is very important when it comes to applying for grants, that we are to be able to show how involved our members are in our mission, and I need them for the end of the year report!

Please send them in right away!

**-Nancy DiMascio**

### Upcoming events----mark your calendars

*Get Involved & Stay involved for the love of Children!*

<b>April</b>			
Tuesday	4/09	Book Club II - <i>Pot Luck/Book Selection</i>	Member's Home
Wednesday	4/10	Corpus Christi Layette	Corpus Christi @ 9:00 am
Wednesday	4/10	Storybook Friends	St. Agnes School @ 11:30 am
Thursday	4/11	Layette & Comfort Quilts	Mt. Claret @ 9:30 am
Monday	4/15	Book Club I- <i>Last Dress from Paris</i>	Mt. Claret @ 10:00 am
Tuesday	4/16	Book Club Buddies	St. Matthew School @ 12:45 pm
Wednesday	4/24	Corpus Christi Layette	Corpus Christi @ 9:00 am - <i>Distribution</i>
Thursday	4/25	Layette & Comfort Quilts	Mt. Claret @ 9:30 am - <i>Distribution</i>

<b>May</b>			
Wednesday	5/01	Storybook Friends	St. Agnes School @ 11:30 am
Thursday	5/02	Bedtime Bags	Mt. Claret @9:00 am
Tuesday	5/07	Board of Directors Meeting	Mt. Claret @ 9:30 am
Wednesday	5/08	Corpus Christi Layette	Corpus Christi @ 9:00 am
Thursday	5/09	Layette & Comfort Quilts	Mt. Claret @ 9:30 am
Monday	5/13	Rosary & Annual Meeting	Mt. Claret @ 9:30 am
Wednesday	5/15	Corpus Christi Layette	Corpus Christi @ 9:00 am - <i>Distribution</i>
Monday	5/20	Book Club I- <i>Book Lobby</i>	Mt. Claret @ 10:00 am
Thursday	5/23	Layette & Comfort Quilts	Mt. Claret @ 9:30 am - <i>Distribution</i>

**Please Be Sure To Attend the Annual Meeting on Monday, May 13, 2024 to Take Part in This Very Important Membership Responsibility and Celebration!**

This is a wonderful celebration of the 2023-2024 CCS year as it draws to a close. We Start off by coming together to pray the rosary, followed by a May Crowning ceremony in the Mt. Claret Chapel. We then move to the dining room at Mt. Claret where we hold our business meeting in which the new Executive Board officers will be elected and installed, and the 14 new members will be formally installed as active members.

When the business is done, we will enjoy a catered luncheon and the company of friends old and new. We have had a terrific year, I hope you all will make a point of coming to celebrate!

Invitations and more information will be coming soon.



# Exceptional Service Awards

The Awards Committee was very pleased to present two **Exceptional Service Awards** in March. The awards were presented with the following descriptions of the recipients.

“This member has been an active part of Christ Child Society for six years. She has worked tirelessly on Layette coordinating the distribution. She has been the vice chair of Comfort Quilts at Corpus Christi for the past two years. When Chandler Regional challenged us to create a larger quilt for isolette covers, she not only accepted the challenge but literally is a one-woman committee making sure their needs are met every month. Her new challenge is crocheting and she is also making afghans for Layette. The Awards Committee is happy to honor her with the Exceptional Service Award..... *Pat Cummins.*”



*Barbara Hunt, Michelle Cano, Pat Cummins & Michelle Grinditch*

\*\*\*Pat couldn't be at the meeting so her award was presented at the next Corpus Christi workshop.

“Every once in a while, we have a new member that is just a perfect fit and hits the ground running. This member has been part of Christ Child Society



*Cindy Capek & Gini DeWolf*

for only a little more than a year. After a couple meetings she decided that she would like to help the quilters but she didn't stop there. She helps with bedtime bags, was on the Red Wagon Committee and helped with getting education tools and equipment to St. Louis the King School. She is a great worker bee and is willing to take on almost any task. She is extremely creative and helpful and we are ever so

grateful to her prayer sisters Vicky and Betty for bringing her to us. The Awards Committee is happy to honor her with the Exceptional Service Award..... *Cindy Capek.*”

Both these members were so deserving of this award and Congratulations to both of them. If you know of someone who is also deserving of recognition don't hesitate to nominate them. Reach out to any member of the awards committee for a nomination form, Gini DeWolf, Bette Laatsch, or Wallie Sweeney.

**-Gini DeWolf**

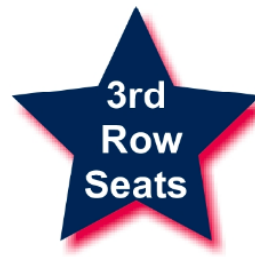


Don't miss this great opportunity! Extra raffle forms on the following page so you can enter as many times as you wish.

**A Christ Child Society of Phoenix Raffle**

**A pair of tickets to see**

**HAMILTON**



Sunday, June 30, 2024, 6:30 PM show  
Gammage Auditorium, Tempe

**Winners will be announced at the CCS Annual Meeting, May 13th, at Mt. Claret**

**\$20 per ticket**

**Please fill out and return one ticket for each chance you wish to purchase**

<b>Hamilton Raffle Ticket - \$20</b>	
Print Name: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Check enclosed.
Address: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Charge my credit card
City/State: _____ Zip Code: _____	
Phone: _____ Email: _____	Amount \$ _____
Credit Card Number: _____	
Expiration Date: _____ Security Code: _____	Address Zip Code: _____
Signature : _____	

**ALL MAIL-IN TICKET PURCHASES MUST BE RECEIVED BY FRIDAY MAY 3RD**  
**Tickets will be sold at the Annual meeting**



**Hamilton Raffle Ticket - \$20**

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