

**Save these Dates!**

**December 31, 2015**

Last day for Working Poor Tax Credit donation to Arizona Brainfood, in support of Weekenders

**January 12, 2016**

CSC 82nd Charity Ball Reservation Deadline

**January 20, 2016**

Yellow Rose Society Event  
Tour the Chandler Care Center

**February 27, 2016**

CSC 82nd Charity Ball Wild Horse Pass

**April 16, 2016**

Celebrate National Volunteer Week with CSC Weekenders

**May 6, 2016**

Fiesta Fundraiser Lone Tree Golf Club



**Letter from President Pam Thelander**

Welcome to the second edition of CSC Connections, a newsletter intended distinctly for the generous supporters of Chandler Service Club. It is with deep gratitude that we express our appreciation to the many donors who make it possible for us to continue serving the Chandler community as we begin our 82nd year. It is through your generosity that our organization continues to stay focused on our mission of FEEDING, CLOTHING, EDUCATING AND MENTORING. We strive to serve those most in need—children and families in our community who suffer from poverty, neglect and other tragedies.

Because of you, we were able to give a record amount of over \$100,000 this year to those we serve through our Weekenders, Warm Feet Warm Hearts, Community Scholarship programs,

and Youth in Transition. Your support through donations, grants and underwriting goes directly to these programs. Your attendance at our fundraising events and designating your tax credit dollars in our direction has also had a positive impact on the service we are able to provide to our community. Additionally, our Yellow Rose Society members have assured continual support of our programs through their annual gifts of \$1000.

We hope you will continue to support Chandler Service Club. As you read through this newsletter, you will learn more about how your donations are making a difference in our community which, in turn, makes a better life for us all.

With much appreciation,  
Pam Thelander  
CSC President 2015-2016

**Weekenders Program Shows Tremendous Growth**

Chandler Service Club initiated a program in August 2013 to promote steady and healthy eating for children on the weekends. After hearing about children who come to school on Mondays with low energy and a general lack of attentiveness, the club looked for a way to address this dire problem. Serving children in two elementary schools initially, the Weekenders Program has grown, after only 2 short years, to feeding kids in 12 Chandler elementary, middle and high schools each weekend during the school year. CSC partners directly with teachers and



school staff to identify children most in need. Each Thursday morning, our members fill bags with kid friendly, nutritious food and deliver them to the schools for students to take home

in their backpacks on Friday. Spending this time each week also fills our hearts with the joy of knowing that we are making a REAL difference in the lives of these children. Please consider joining us to



support our Weekenders Program any Thursday morning during the school year. Rajani Rastogi a social worker at Hamilton High School shares, "I am so grateful to provide this wonderful Weekenders food program to students and families who are struggling with meeting their basic needs. Our teachers are very grateful that the kids on this program benefit and are then ready to focus and learn Monday morning. Thank you Chandler Service Club for supporting Hamilton High School." For more information about Weekenders, contact Missy Cooley at [mpcooley@me.com](mailto:mpcooley@me.com).

## Tax Credit Benefits Chandler Children and Weekenders Program

Arizona tax law offers a tax credit for voluntary cash contributions you make during any taxable year to a Qualifying Charitable Organization. Acting as an umbrella organization, Chandler Compadres disburse tax credit donated funds directly to local Chandler charities. Arizona Brainfood, an East Valley non-profit organization that warehouses Chandler Service Club's Weekenders food, is one such charity that directly benefits Chandler children. Each week, Chandler Service Club members meet at Arizona Brainfood to prepare and deliver bags of nutritious kid friendly food to twelve Chandler schools. Weekenders Chairman, Missy Cooley explains that, "a contribution of \$200 will feed one hungry child each weekend for an entire school year. This has proven to have a dramatic effect upon a child's overall health and, ultimately, his academic success."

**Now you can direct your tax dollars to support Chandler Service Club Weekenders program.** A tax credit of up to \$400 for married tax payers and \$200 for individuals will contribute to the continued effectiveness of this program. To make your online donation, simply go to [www.chandlercpompadres.org](http://www.chandlercpompadres.org), click on **2015 Arizona Working Poor Tax Credit** and make your donation.



Complete the blue online form and be sure to designate Arizona Brainfood as the recipient of your donation:

Arizona Brainfood – supporting Chandler Service Club Weekenders Program

If you prefer to pay by check, please make your tax credit donation payable to "Chandler Compadres" and return it to Chandler Service Club in the enclosed envelope. Your receipt will be mailed to you. Donations will be accepted until December 31, 2015. For more information on Weekenders or the Tax Credit Program contact Pam Budinger at [kbudinger1@cox.net](mailto:kbudinger1@cox.net)

## Yellow Rose Society

Celebrating its second year, the Yellow Rose Society currently includes 29 community supporters who contribute annually to Chandler Service Club. This group was formed with the intention of securing donors who generously make an annual gift of \$1,000, ensuring a certain level of financial support for our various community programs. Thank you to those who have become Yellow Rose Society members and given us an opportunity to serve the many needs of our community. Membership is not exclusive to Chandler Service Club members as individuals, couples and businesses are encouraged to join.

Yellow Rose Society members are invited to tour the Chandler Care Center on Wednesday, January 20th at 1:00pm. This is a school-based family resource center providing access to medical, dental, counseling, and social services. Prior to the tour we will meet for lunch in the Downtown Chandler area. For more information on the Yellow Rose Society, the above event, and how to become a supporter please contact Holly Hanger at [hhang@live.com](mailto:hhang@live.com) or Dawn Chapman at [cattlac@aol.com](mailto:cattlac@aol.com).

## Annual Flower Girl Tea a Whimsical Win

Chandler Service Club held its annual Flower Girl Tea on September 13, 2015 at Omni Scottsdale Resort & Spa at Montelucia with over 450 ladies in attendance. The Alice in Wonderland themed event, "A Mad Hatters Tea Party", was complete with whimsical decorations and hat box centerpieces. The guests, wearing a variety of elegant hats, enjoyed afternoon tea while our 51 Flower Girls introduced themselves and presented their community service projects to the group. The Flower Girl Program mentors high school senior girls through a year of community service and educational and social events. The girls have chosen a variety of service projects including mentoring at-risk youth, working with autistic children, sponsoring clothing and food drives and serving the homeless.



The event also raised \$3650 to go to Chandler Service Club's various philanthropies.

Thank you to the many generous donors at our Tea this year: Mrs. Valerie Armitage, Mrs. Karen Barron, Mrs. Nancy Berge, Mr. Maureen Berget-Bles, Mrs. Michelle Bortono, Mrs. Judy Brown, Mrs. Dawn Chapman, Mrs. Jill Ciferno, Mr. and Mrs. Christian Colegrove, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Conkright, Mr. and Mrs. John Conrad, Mr. and Mrs. Wade Cooke, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cooley, Mrs. Terri Crandall-Kimble, Mrs. Eleanor Curry, Mrs. Amaris Day, Mrs. Carol Dobson, Mrs. Stephanie Fiedler, Mrs. Jacqueline Finley, Ms. Deborah Fletcher, Mrs. Liliana Forney, Mr. and Mrs. James Frabasilio, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Gagliano, Ms. Ann Gale, Ms. Marcelle Hanish, Ms. Cheyne Harvey, Mr. and Mrs. Van Hunter, Mrs. Barbara Knox, Ms. Jodi Knudson, Mrs. Josephine Koziol, Mrs. Tamara LaRovere, Mrs. Laura Lasiter, Ms. Sylvia Lee, Ms. Brenna Lowery, Mrs. Shannon Matheson, Mrs. Sheri McCullough, Mrs. Sharon Meadows, Mr. and Mrs. Jamie Medress, Mr. and Mrs. Jeffrey Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Mulder, Mr. and Mrs. David Peep, Ms. Judy Peters, Ms. Jennifer Peters, Ms. Christy Pylman, Mrs. Mary Ronning, Mrs. Brian Ruffentine, Mrs. Lori Schumaker, Ms. Lorraine Scibona, Mrs. Maureen Shults, Mrs. Linda Smith, Mrs. Lisa Stone, Mrs. Kelley Sucher, Mrs. Annie Thompson, Mrs. Alice Weidner, Mr. and Mrs. Darren Weninger and Mrs. Barbi Woolsey.

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## 26 Schools Benefit from Warm Feet Warm Hearts

A child came to the school nurses office complaining that something was hurting him. The school nurse could not figure out what was bothering this child until she realized that he was wearing a worn out pair of shoes that was two sizes too small. She gave him a voucher for a new pair of shoes and the very next day he came back into her office with a HUGE SMILE, no longer in pain, wearing his brand new shoes. This is an all too familiar story, similar to the one first heard in 1984, that prompted Chandler Service Club to begin a shoe program.

For over 30 years the club has been working with the Chandler School District to provide children in need with new shoes. Today we provide 26 schools with vouchers that can be redeemed at a local shoe store where students can purchase a new pair of shoes. Additionally we have supplied 200 pairs of shoes to Operation Back to School in July of 2015, ensuring many Chandler students had new shoes to start the school year.

In 1990 this program was expanded to include jackets, as many children were not prepared for the colder winter months. Upon receiving a phone call from a school health aide, a club member will promptly deliver a new jacket or sweatshirt for a child in need.

Chandler Service Club facilitates our Warm Feet Warm Hearts program through generous donations. Please help us continue to provide shoes for needy children throughout our community. For more information about Warm Feet Warm Hearts contact Tammy Doughty at [tadoughty@cox.net](mailto:tadoughty@cox.net)



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## Flower Girl Shares Her Compassion for Fashion

Chandler Service Club Flower Girl Kathleen Looney was inspired to use her passion for fashion to make a difference in the lives of teen girls. While in middle school, she began to notice that young girls' self-esteem was strongly influenced by the media's portrayal of clothing and fashion. "I saw both the negative and positive effects that clothing can have on girls, how they perceive themselves and others, and how clothing affects their behavior in school and other social settings."

With the help of her mother, Lisa Looney, owner of a Chandler clothing boutique, Kathleen used her knowledge of fashion to benefit teen girls who would otherwise not be able to afford clothing for school. Kathleen collected over 2000 articles of used clothing from friends and family for over two years. "When I became a Flower Girl and learned about volunteering and community service, the last piece of the puzzle became clear." Kathleen was able to work with ICAN, a local non-profit that offers free programs for Chandler youths, to sponsor "Compassion for Fashion Back to School Boutique." She clocked over 75 hours in preparation for this free shopping event that was held at ICAN just before the start of the 2015 school year. Over 30 middle and high school age girls were treated to a boutique experience complete with 20 rolling racks of clothing, accessories, jewelry, purses and shoes. The room was staged to give the girls a true shopping experience, artfully displaying the items and packaging them in brightly colored tissue and shopping bags to take home. Each girl walked out with about 20 articles of clothing and accessories to wear to school. "We also gave away some formal dresses the girls could wear to Homecoming as well business attire that could be worn to work. One girl took home an outfit she planned to wear for a job interview the next day." It was a dream come true for the girls, but even more so for Kathleen. "I saw a transformation in their self-esteem right before my eyes. There were definitely some tears shed that day as the girls got to try on and experience the enjoyment that fashion can bring."

This experience has had long term effects on both Kathleen and her mother, inspiring them to expand their boutique business to include a used clothing component. Katybug's Closet was opened with left over inventory from Kathleen's clothing project and includes used, overstock and consignment clothing. "Nothing is priced over \$20 and, as a non-profit, all proceeds go directly back into the community." Kathleen continues to work with the ICAN teens and is planning another free shopping event in the near future, this time at Katybug's Closet. For more information about this project or the Flower Girl Program contact Leslie Updike at [lesliesabaupdike@yahoo.com](mailto:lesliesabaupdike@yahoo.com)