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Cathy's Column

Our Holiday Luncheon at Regency Oaks on Friday, December 9th, was highlighted by our guests: Dave and Tammy, Egan Cottage parents and Zoe, Egan Cottage resident.

We were delighted to hear how our donations benefited and enhanced the lives of the residents at the Cottage. Zoe lives there along with her three siblings and was so enthusiastic about her life and how happy she is. She talked about how her grades have improved since being at Egan. Zoe was also very happy to answer a multitude of questions from our members about her life there. What a sweetheart!

Each year, through your generous donations, our Clearwater Unit is able to give \$1200.00 to The Sheriffs' Youth Ranch in Safety Harbor. It is earmarked to be used to enrich the lives of the ten youngsters at Egan Cottage. In addition, we give \$500.00 at the holidays that goes toward purchasing Christmas presents for the kids. The Holiday Gift Opening Night at Egan is always an exciting event because we are able to see our donations bring a special delight to the boys and girls as they open their gifts and munch on pizza (donated by Marco's Pizza in Safety Harbor) and other goodies.

Our donations go directly to the children with no administrative costs to diminish our generosity.

Kudos to all of you who have helped to support our project each year!



This issue of our newsletter is devoted, primarily, to highlight the contributions our group makes to fulfill a mission to provide a service to enhance the quality of life for children. We have an ongoing commitment to Egan Cottage, at the Sheriffs' Youth Ranch.



Egan Cottage

In the photo to the left, we see Fred Egre, interim liaison to the Ranch and longtime member of CUT, presenting our bi-annual donation to the Cottage parents. Zoe, our guest speaker, is holding the check!!



Thanks to the generosity of our members, **HOLIDAY GIFT OPENING** at Egan Cottage was a **HUGE** success! The kids, along with the Cottage parents Dave and Tammy, the Egre's, the Lanza's, and Nancy Kubecka, enjoyed a festive evening on December 15th. The presents were purchased specifically for each child by Dave and Tammy with funds given by you. There were lots of surprises for the children and a special and memorable time was enjoyed by all.

Each year this event has been a special highlight of the holiday season for those fortunate enough to attend because these children are so grateful and appreciative of our generosity.

Fred and Betty have done a wonderful job as interim liaisons while The Drinane's have been away. Kudos to the Egre's and your generosity for making a difference in the lives of the boys and girls at Egan Cottage!



Announcements and Upcoming Events



Annual Day at the Races **Thursday, February 9th, 2017**

Tampa Bay Downs
11225 Race Track Rd.
Tampa (Westchase), FL 33626
813-855-4401
11:30 am meeting time

Cost: \$22 per person Includes buffet lunch, reserved clubhouse seating, program and parking

Contact Rhoda for tickets: 727-785-1099– JUST 44 TICKETS AVAILABLE

Make checks payable to NYSUT RC 43/Clearwater

Send to: Joseph Lanza, 7450 Evesborough Lane, New Port Richey, FL 34655

Write Tampa Bay Downs in the memo section

Directions: Take Tampa Rd., Curlew Rd., or SR 580 going east—merging into Tampa Rd. going east—Turn north (left) on Race Track Rd. and follow signs to Tampa Bay Downs.

The entrance will be on your right.

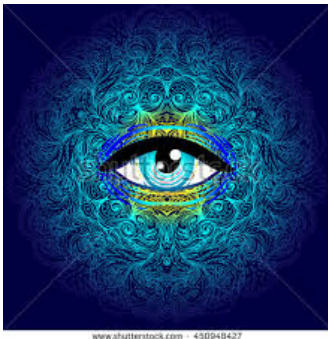
In Memoriam

Charles Kubecka, longtime member and past Co-President, passed away in September. His wife, Nancy, has invited all of us to come to the Memorial Service to be held on

Tuesday, February 14, 2017 at 2 pm.

Anona United Methodist Church,
13233 Indian Rocks Road
Largo, Florida.





January 12, 2017 Early Bird Dinner Event MYSTIC FISH RESTAURANT

3253 TAMPA ROAD
PALM HARBOR, FL 34684
IN THE SHOPPES AT CLOVERPLACE)
727-771-1800

EARLY BIRD DINNER AT 4:30 PM

THIS IS A TRULY UPSCALE RESTAURANT THAT FEATURES A GREAT EARLY BIRD MENU PRICE FIXED AT \$14.50 WHICH INCLUDES SALAD OR SOUP, SELECTION OF ENTREES WITH SIDES. WINES ARE \$3.00 AND MINI DESSERTS ARE \$2.00. THIS SHOULD BE AN EXCITING EXPERIENCE FOR ALL.

PLEASE HAVE YOUR RESERVATIONS IN TO MADDI OR MARILYN BY MONDAY, JAN. 9TH

IF YOU HAVE CONCERNS ABOUT DRIVING AFTER DARK, PLEASE CONTACT CATHY AND WE WILL TRY TO ARRANGE FOR A RIDE.

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WHEN YOU ARE ANGRY,
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WILL SKIP BESIDE YOU WITH
A BASEBALL BAT SINGING
"SOMEONE'S GONNA GET IT"



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