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HAMPDEN
 Family Center
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Camp in Hampden

The Summer Enrichment Program is in full swing with 30 campers attending daily. Children participate in workshops through Art with a Heart and Young Audiences. Baltimore Tennis Patrons' Coach Ron Scott teaches our campers the basics of tennis twice a week.

Campers cool off during the day at the Roosevelt Recreation Center's pool, and the ladies of the Roland Park Garden Club recently taught the different techniques for flower arranging. Children have taken to the streets of Hampden to capture images relating to friendship in a photography class, and the campers will be attending a golf clinic through First Tee. It has been a very active and fun-filled summer!



Campers warm up on the tennis courts before playing a set.

St. David's Church Supports the Community

On Good Friday, 20 community members participated in a flower-arrangement session sponsored by the outreach committee of St. David's Church. Equipped with white, yellow and pink daisies, baby's breath, greens, pastel buckets, floral foam and abounding creativity, the participants were instructed in the delicate art of making their own botanical centerpiece. Everyone left with a beautiful floral display to complement their Easter Dinner table.

Thanks to St. David's Church, we were able to help community households with their Easter dinners. For the holiday, households received a bag with all the trimmings necessary for a delicious spread, including vegetables, fruits, potatoes, \$15 gift certificates to a local grocery store to purchase meat, dessert mix and candy. Many in the community have come to rely on these giveaways, so we are grateful for St. David's continued support.



A Change of Hands

Many thanks to Charles Cottrell, Susie Reckord, Cynthia Shea and Alice Smith for their many years of service on the Family Center's board of directors and a warm welcome to new members Barry Brownlee, Amy Telep Dibos, Debbie Falkenhan, Kent Krabbe, Charlie Marek, Katie McLaughlin and Peggy Pine Utermohle.

SAVE THE DATE: Thursday, October 20, 2011

TASTE OF HAMPDEN



Enjoy samplings of local fare from area restaurants while mingling with friends old and new.

Keep us in mind...

Do you participate in the United Way Campaign of Central Maryland? Please consider designating the Hampden Family Center to receive your donation this year. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

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Many thanks to the following people for all their hard work and commitment to the Family Center and making sure that the event was the best it could be.

Event Committee: Paula Bogert, Sana Brooks, Nola Dobratz, Tom Finnerty, Wesley Finnerty, Lisa Ghinger, Carol Greene, Carty Hebert, Robin Kemp, Alicia Matthai, Alexa McCulloch, Jodie Miller, Susie Reckord, Cynthia Shea, Alice Smith.

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\$10,000 Platinum Level: Event EQ, Select Event Rentals, The Wine Source, and Union3.

\$2,500 Silver Level: First Floor Graphics, PJ Bogert Graphic Design, Radcliffe Jewelers, and Royal Farms.

\$1,000 Bronze Level: Brown Advisory, WYPR, and Jonathan Melnick.

A special thank you to **Jodie Miller** of Union 3 Event Productions. Over the years Jodie has generously donated her time and expertise by serving on our spring event committee and graciously co-chaired the event one year. We wish Jodie and her family all the very best in their move down south, and know she will continue advising us from afar.

Hats Off! to Hampden Family Center

Did you attend Hats Off to Hampden Family Center, our annual spring event? If not, you missed out on a magnificent evening!

Held on April 9, 2011, 300 people packed Guiterrez Studios in Woodberry for a night featuring Latin Jazz music by the Rumba Club, savories by Sascha's, libations from The Wine Source, bidding on valuable auction items and other general merriment.

Although the dancing, music and auction bidding were entertaining in their own rights, one of the most diverting aspects of the evening was witnessing the wide array of hats worn—and yes, most people actually wore hats. From fireman hats to a World War II pilot hats, what was on top of one's head was a great conversation piece and made for excellent photos.

Speaking of photos, a big hit of the night was the photo booth operated by students in the Access Art/Youthlight Photography program. Every guest had the opportunity to have their picture taken in front of a gorgeous backdrop created by students from our after school enrichment program under the direction and supervision from MICA student volunteers. The photos were printed on site for each guest to take as a souvenir.



All in all, the event was sensational and we are already planning for next year's Hats Off to Hampden Family Center. Keep your eyes peeled for a unique hat to wear and save the date – Saturday, April 14, 2012!

Hats off to Cindy Knipp, who got into the spirit of the party with Willy and Caroline Moore.

Clothes Collected for Community; Thanks, Calvert School!



Family Center staff members and volunteers get the clothes ready for distribution.

In April, the Family Center was the lucky recipient of the fruits of Calvert School's clothing drive. Expecting to receive between 10 and 20 bags, we were quite astounded when a huge truck rolled up to the curb with 100+ bags of clothes inside! The clothing donation was thoughtfully organized into men's, women's and children's bags, which made sorting the clothing into piles for distribution much easier.

In the end, nine tables were replete with stacks and stacks of pants, cute little dresses, business attire, school uniforms, bathing suits, shirts, winter coats and other sundries, some with the tags still on. We opened the doors to the public on April 13 and 14 for the giveaway. Dozens of residents trickled in to peruse the piles of apparel and most left with armfuls and grateful hearts. Thank you, Calvert School! Many thanks also to Mollie Williams, Dean of Students, for organizing the drive, to the volunteers who sorted and bagged the clothes, and to faculty member Patrick "Shep" Shepherd for delivering the clothes.