CASA Glynn Inc. October 2017



Message from the Director

Welcome to Fall! How'd we get here already? We hope everyone is recovering from Hurricane Irma, and that lasting impacts will only be in your memories. Your steadfast and resolute determination to advocate for our children even throughout your own personal storm fills me with gratitude. As Abraham Lincoln said, "To ease another's heartache is to forget one's own". While you focus on the children you speak for, let me reiterate our desire to support you. As staff we feel honored each and every day to work with such dedicated, kind, and compassionate volunteers.

<u>DFCS Updates:</u> It was announced last week that State DFCS Director, Bobby Cagle, had resigned his position. Governor Deal has appointed Mrs. Virginia Pryer to be the new DFCS State Director. Locally, we have a new DFCS Director as well. Glynn County has announced that Ms. Dana Gellermann is the new County Director. We are hopeful and excited about working together, and welcome Mrs. Pryer and Ms. Gellermann with open arms.

"In every change, in every falling leaf there is some pain, some beauty. And that's the way new leaves grow." — Amit Ray

Volunteers and Runners needed: As many of you know, we are preparing for our "Jingle All The Way 5K and Fun Run". Registration is open! We are beginning to seek Volunteers for race day as well. It's a whole lot of fun! Please let us know if you are able to help, or join us by registering and telling your friends to register today. www.casaglynn.org

NOTES TO VOLUNTEERS

From Your Glynn County Advocate Coordinators

This month we welcome thirteen new CASA Volunteers in Glynn County from the Fall Training Class. It is a very talented group of individuals who bring to CASA a wealth of strengths, life experiences and a passion for the well-being of children. They were sworn in on October 19, 2017 and they have officially become "one of us." We are pleased to have Misty Collins, Rawson Gordon, Deborah Hoffmann, Glen Hoffmann, Rebekah Johnson, Deborah Meyer, James Miller, Dorthalia Newberry, Selina Daniels Poole, Sandra Stevenson, Nancy Tait, Kathrine Thurber and Heather Woodard join our ranks. When you meet them, please give them a smile.

Our Camden CASA office is at the end of their Fall Training and are proud to welcome these new volunteers: Lou Armstrong, Darcy Blanchette, Carol Kivi, Nicole Kubinski, Patty Mudge, and Melissa Watkins. We appreciate them taking the time out of their busy schedules to attend our training to become a CASA volunteers.

THANK YOU to all of the board members who provided meals for our Fall Training Classes. All of the food you brought was enjoyed and appreciated. It makes such a difference to the new trainees that our Board members make these meals happen and we want you to know how important you are to us.

To all CASA Volunteers thank you for working with the children in Glynn and Camden Counties. We are grateful over and over again for who you are, what you do, and how you do it! Remember that we are here to assist you if you have any questions or concerns. Please continue to keep us updated on your cases.

Reminder: Please remember to turn in your Secret Santa wish lists for FLETC.

Antoinette, Daphne, and Carmen

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Volunteers Glynn

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Sue Andersson Joan Boorman **Wendy Capes** Gloria Daley **Donna Garcia** Suzi Hassel **Richard James Ron Kalil** Sandy Kelly **Denise Lonergan** Allegra McRae **Amanda Moore Stephanie Perez George Ragsdale** Kaitlin Rouh-Schmidt **Mary Schellhorn** Marybeth Steilen **Melony Surbeck Rodney Weaver** Evelyn Wright

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