



Salinas Circle for Children

November 2016 Newsletter

President's Message

November Meeting Notice

Tuesday
November 1st
6:30pm

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**Don't
forget your
secret pal**

I cannot believe there are only a couple of months left in 2016. We have achieved so much this past year and I just couldn't be prouder of how everyone pulled together to make our 50th Anniversary Gala Event such a success. Never in my wildest dreams would I have ever imagined the magical evening we were able to create, but dreams really do come true. That we would have the attendance that we did and that we would have raised over \$100,000.00 for our beloved children was just over whelming. It just goes to show what we can do when we all work together.

Now we are faced with another monumental task and that is to bring more members into our organization. We need to have a strong club going into the future so that our mission will continue. Unfortunately I have heard rumblings, that I hope aren't true, that some of our current members may go Sustaining. I know there is a level of commitment belonging to an organization like ours, but I truly hope you will reconsider and continue as Active members. This organization can only flourish and succeed with both new and valued, veteran members, who can help lead, encourage and mentor our new recruits. I want everyone to have a say in our future and how our funds will be dispersed for the best possible uses. I ran across this saying and I thought how true. "Unless someone like you cares a whole awful lot, nothing is going to get better. It's not." Dr. Seuss

I hope everyone will attend our November 1st General Meeting, as we will elect the officers who will lead us in 2017.

Remember your Secret Pals, mine has been absolutely amazing. I think they know me better than I do. Please plan to attend the Holiday Party and Installation of Officers in December, always a fun evening. Remember to give thanks for all the blessings, family and friends in your life.

Happy Thanksgiving.

Vickie

happy birthday to you!!

November 9th: Michele

November 19th: Lainey

November 20th: Paula

November 30th: Tamara



November Election for 2017 Slate of Officers

President – Michelle Bodily

1st VP – Terri Dye

2nd VP – TBD

Secretary – Maribel Ferreira

Treasurer – Bess Pieracci



**Nominations from the floor
will also be accepted at the meeting**

Recipe of the Month

Crockpot Cranberry Apple Stuffing

Instructions

1. In crockpot, mix together the eggs, chicken stock, and 3 tablespoons of melted butter
2. Add in bread cubes, celery, apples, and stir until bread crumbs are completely coated
3. Stir in dried cranberries, sage, thyme, and parsley
4. Slice the last tablespoon of butter into 3 thinner slices and place on top of the stuffing
5. Cook in the crockpot on high heat for 1 hour
6. Stir with fork when finished

Ingredients

- * 10 ounces dried bread crumbs
- * 2 stalks of chopped celery
- * 1 chopped apple
- * ½ cup dried cranberries
- * ½ tablespoon sage
- * ½ tablespoon thyme
- * 1 tablespoon parsley
- * 2 cups low sodium chicken stock
- * 4 tablespoons unsalted butter
- * 2 eggs

Serves 6

5 Ways to Get a FREE iPad

for your Special Needs Kid

1

Talk to Your Insurance Company



Begin by contacting your insurance company. Find out what you are allowed under Durable Medical Equipment and talk to a case manager about having an iPad covered through your DME (be sure to ask for a case manager to be assigned to you because they have more deciding power than customer service).

Ask Your School

2

3+1=4

Another place to go to for an iPad is your child's school district. If you feel that your child would greatly benefit from the use of an iPad in school, then these are the people who should be funding the purchase. Of course, the iPad would then be technically school property so you'll want to make sure that they will allow your child to use the iPad outside of the classroom, but that can usually be arranged.

3

Apply for a Grant

There are many places that specialize in getting funds to children who need them. Applying for an iPad through these organizations is not a guarantee, but it's worth a shot! Visit WonderBaby.org/articles/ipad-funding-special-needs for a list of grants to apply to.



Contact Local Charities

4

Local charities are often very happy to help children in their community. Contacting nearby charities can be difficult (first you have to figure out which organizations are in your area and then figure out how to contact them), but often they are more receptive than the big national organizations.



Try Some Fundraising!

5



Friends



Family



Strangers

Another option is to just try to raise the money yourself. Honestly, an iPad isn't that expensive, right? If you figure that you'll need at least \$500 for the iPad and maybe another \$250 for a protective cover and apps (depending on what you'll be using the iPad for), that's still well under \$1000. How many donations would you realistically need to reach your goal? Between friends, family and a few charitable strangers you could be there in no time!



Visit WonderBaby.org/articles/ipad-funding-special-needs

iPads have become one of the most requested items of Salinas Circle for Children over the last several years.

Sometimes we aren't able to grant each and every one, however there are resources we can share.

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Grants

Little Bear Gives
Conover Company
Different Needz
Foundation
First Hand Foundation
Gracie's Hope
Hanna's Helping Hands
iHelp for Special Needs
The Lindsay Foundation
Small Steps in Speech
Special Kids Therapy
Zane's Foundation

Additional grant opportunities
for children with Autism

Autism Care &
Treatment
Autism Cares
HollyRod Foundation
iTalk
Let's Chat Autism

