

Celebrate the Children

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Custom Bricks Installed

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

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- Graduation
- Keir/ Special Olympics
- Related Services
- Upcoming Events

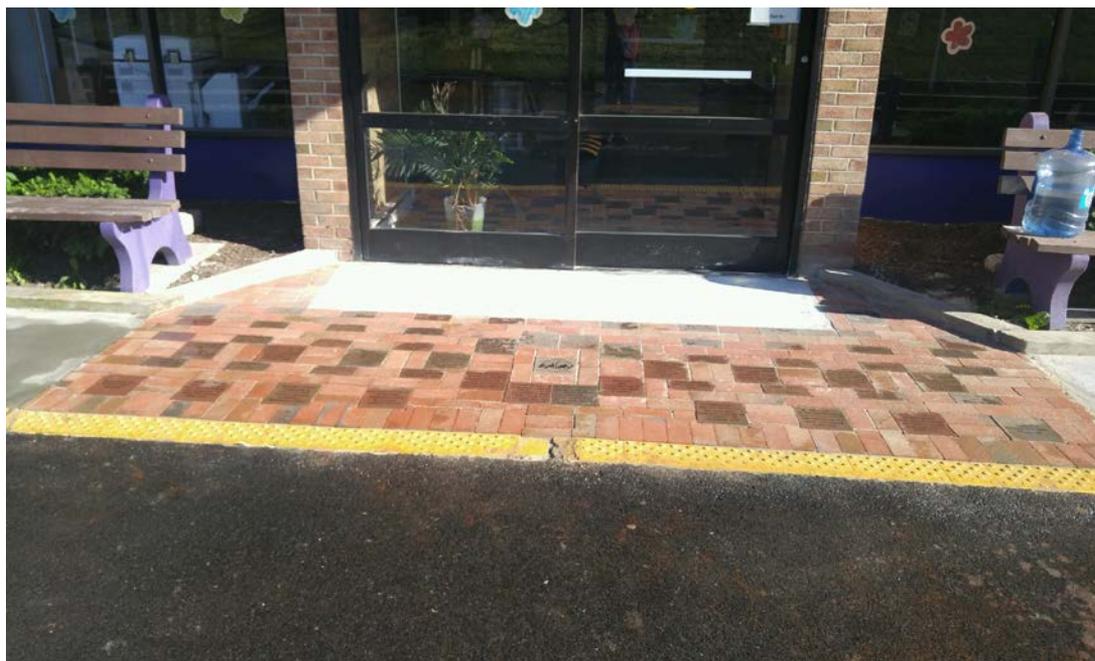
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Celebrate the Children thanks everyone who participated in the brick fundraiser earlier this year! Your custom bricks look AMAZING installed directly in front of the main entrance and are the perfect way to greet all of our guests and visitors at CTC.

If you didn't have a chance to purchase a brick earlier this year, it's not too late! Please call or email Jenna for more details at 973-989-4033 ext 415 or jhammond@celebratethechildren.org.

2016 GRADUATIONS

This week Celebrate the Children hosted its graduation ceremonies. On Monday, June 20th we celebrated our Pre-K and 8th Grade Graduates. It was a wonderful ceremony and we are so proud of our graduates and look forward to seeing all they accomplish moving into kindergarten and high school. On Tuesday, June 21st we celebrated our 12th Grade and Adult Program Graduates. An amazing day to celebrate how far our young adults have come and we cannot wait to see what they do next. It is not good bye it is see you soon.

“So be sure when you step, step with care and great tact. And remember that life’s a great balancing act. And will you succeed? Yes! You will, indeed! (98 and $\frac{3}{4}$ percent guaranteed) Kid, you’ll move mountains.” - Dr. Seuss



Outstanding Student Award

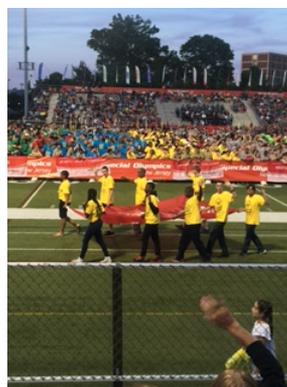
On May 31st, Keir Keebler was recognized by the Sunrise Rotary of Denville Vocational Service Committee by being presented with their Outstanding Student Award. Keir was chosen for his devotion to service above self, which is one of the Rotary goals.

Keir's has contributed to CTC's OT Community Group, which stresses the importance of giving back to the community through service activities. They research groups in need, contact the programs, and then plan and execute fundraising activities. In past years, Keir actively promoted the CTC PTO walk-a-thon by raising funds and setting aggressive goals for the number of laps completed.

Keir has volunteered at a local food cooperative in Newton. He has even given time on school snow days when others cannot make it to work. Another endeavor is Keir's participation in a week long mission trip to Baldwin, LA, where he worked at UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief). Here he helped put together health kits, school kits, clean-up buckets, and baby kits which were sent to disaster stricken areas around the world. Congratulations to Keir for his passion and dedication to putting forth tremendous effort to make a difference in the lives of others.



Last weekend TCNJ hosted NJ Special Olympics in Ewing, NJ. It was a truly memorable experience for over 2000 athletes from all parts of NJ. Matt Ribaud and Alex Feeley won Gold and Silver medals in the 50 meter freestyle event. Darian Dadgari placed 3rd in his 50 meter breaststroke event and Ryan Shin won a gold medal in his 100 meter freestyle event.



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Dear Staff and Parents:

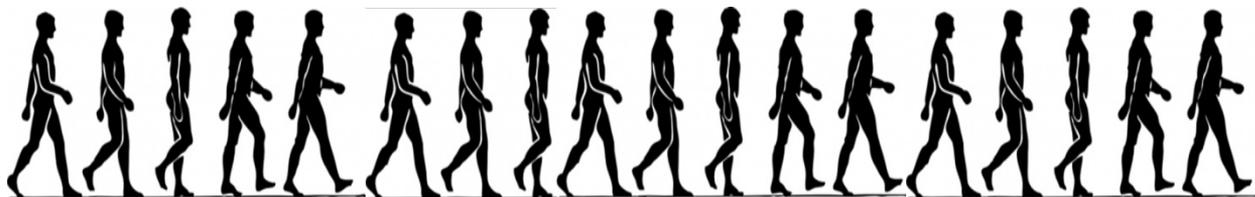
ORDER a copy of "ALL IN" magazine. Each child from Celebrate The Children has contributed something. It is a magazine that showcases the children's poetry, art, and accomplishments from the school year. Go to the link below to order a hard copy or digital copy of the magazine. The magazine would make a great keepsake or gift for family members. We are very proud to debut our first issue and hope you share in our pride by placing an order.



CTC: Final Mag Attempt

<http://www.magcloud.com/browse/issue/1126146?r=859221&s=w>

Fit Club enjoyed the nice weather and the outdoors this spring. The participants completed a mile long walk during each group. As summer approaches, Fit Club encourages everyone to get outside and start walking. It is an easy way to motivate yourself and start your own fitness journey for heart health.



The CAU Community Players



JUNE 24 JUNE 25 JUNE 26
7:30 PM 7:30 PM 2:00 PM

JONATHAN DAYTON HIGH SCHOOL—139 MOUNTAIN AVE, SPRINGFIELD, NJ

The Music Man Jr.!

Presented by The CAU Community Players

The CAU Community Players was established in 2011 by Community Access Unlimited as an opportunity for its members to collaborate with the community to create an incredibly unique and inspiring theatrical experience.

Tickets Are On Sale Now! - \$10 Each
Online at www.showtix4u.com or over the phone at 908-354-3040 x 205.

To learn more about the supports and services at Community Access Unlimited, visit us at www.caunj.org

This project is supported with a grant from the New Jersey Council on Developmental Disabilities and the Union County Arts Program

The CAU Community Players was established as an opportunity for people with disabilities who are members of Community Access Unlimited and individuals within the community who may or may not have disabilities to form an integrated theatre troupe to perform in a community theatre setting. Both our cast and audience members are diverse and unique and over the past five years, the program has drawn a significant amount of popularity – growing from an initial cast and crew of over 50 individuals to that of 80-100 people some years.

For Tickets go to www.showtix4u.com or call 908-354-3040 x 205.

SAVE THE DATE: Saturday, September 10 @ 12PM

Charity Barbecue



Celebrate the Children is excited to partner with Shane McBride, renowned Chef from the [Balthazar Restaurant](#) in New York City and [Harbor Hills Day Camp](#) in Mendham for a gourmet barbecue to benefit our school!

Join us for:

- Gourmet Barbecue lunch with renowned chef, Shane McBride
- Beer
- Wine
- Silent Auction

Who says big kids can't have fun, too?

- Go-Carts
- Rock Climbing Wall
- Air Games
- And so much more to support a great cause!

About Shane McBride



"Shane McBride is a renowned chef who has worked in a roster of prestigious restaurants including Aureole with Chef Charlie Palmer, Lespinasse with Chef Christian Delouvrier and Craftsteak (later Colicchio & Sons) with chef/owner Tom Colicchio. In 2010, Shane joined Balthazar as Chef de Cuisine, bringing with him a solid background of fine French cuisine and a drive to bring the finest local ingredients. **In his free time, Shane, a self-admitted barbecue addict, assembled some like-minded chef friends of his and started the Ribdiculous Bar-B-Krewe a NYC based competition BBQ team!**"

This is an exclusive event - **ONLY 80 TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE!** \$150 each. 21 & over. Can't make it but would still like to donate? We truly appreciate your support!

CTC CONNECTIONS - RESOURCE WEBSITE

...everything you need to navigate the journey!!

On this site you will find access to a vast array of Local, State, & National Resources and Organizations dedicated to supporting children, families, and professionals. You can sign up for newsletters & publications, locate workshops, seminars and conferences, access webinars, find publishers, connect to other families, get homework help, and the list goes on!



We encourage you to explore, connect, and utilize the vast resources that are available to you through these organizations. The knowledge you will gain, the confidence it will afford you in your journey, and the community connections you will secure are invaluable!

Look for the "CTC Connections" logo on the home page of the CTC School website
<https://sites.google.com/a/celebratethechildren.org/national-and-state-organizations/>

Planning for Adult Life

Parent Forum & Opportunity Expo

Hosted by "Planning for Adult Life" for
Students & Families in Special Education
Ages 14-21

Was Held on Saturday June 4

At Celebrate the Children

Workshop Sessions Included:

- *Parents Perspective *Employment Options
- *Guardianship *Understanding SSI/Medicaid
- * Accessing Services * College Opportunities

The event was very well attended and families gained valuable information for the road ahead. We will continue to offer these events and many others and encourage families to take advantage of these opportunities here and around the area to prepare for life after entitlements.

This site and MANY OTHERS can be accessed through the CTC Connections Resource Page on the CTC Website

It may be when we no longer know what to do, we have come to our real work, and that when we no longer know which way to go, we have begun our real journey.

– Wendell Berry

Morris County HOW

Our "HOW" Series for family planning/education for Life After School provided in coordination with Planning for Adult Life has ended for this year. We will resume workshops in the 2016-2017 School Year and meetings will be scheduled during the school day. Look for more info in the near future.

For More Info on This and Other Opportunities

email Caroline: cmclaughlin@arcnj.org

CTC MAPs Club

Making Action Plans for Life and Career

Transition Navigators meet with older students twice monthly completing activities based on transition curriculum. Small group activities, peer to peer discussions, formal presentation, and individual activities allow students opportunities to learn how to identify their strengths/challenges and set life goals for the future.

CTC Parent Support Groups

We have a few Parent run Support Groups that meet on and off premise. Contact your SFSS Case Manager for more details!

We also strongly encourage families to reach out to their home communities for support and recreation opportunities!

CTC SFSS Small Group Parent Series

Will reconvene in the 2016-2017 School Year

Look for the flyer from SFSS for more details

You MUST RSVP to Stef ext 420 or Mady ext 421

Upcoming Events



Register today for Autism Family Services of New Jersey's Annual Beach Bash, September 11th, Belmar, NJ! The Beach Bash is a free event for individuals and their families living with autism spectrum disorders and other disabilities and includes surfing (pre-registration required), organized activities, DJ, arts and crafts booth, informational vendors, lunch, beach games and more. Families have an opportunity to network and partake in organized activities throughout the day.

Registration is OPEN!



Save the date:

Saturday, September 10 @ 12PM

Charity Barbecue

Harbor Hills Day Camp, 75 Doby Rd,
Mendham, NJ 07945

SAVE THE DATE:

Benefit/Gala

March 11 @ 7pm

Meadow Wood Manor,
Randolph, NJ

First Day of School

September 8th

Early Dismissal

New Jersey Performing Arts Center:

From the Inside Out This

groundbreaking program offers a class in improvisation for teens diagnosed with Aspergers' Syndrome and/or Autism. Explore relationships and social cues in classes that focus on ensemble and team building. Improvisational games used in this class will teach students skills such as accessing emotions and storytelling. This program provides a safe and fun environment where students can explore and challenge themselves.

Ages: 14 – 18

August 8 - 12, 2016 • 9:30am - 3:30pm

Tuition: \$750/No auditions required.



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