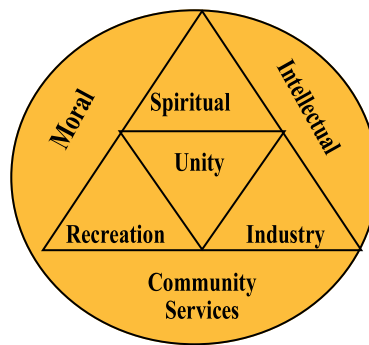


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THANK YOU

Well, 2016 is almost gone and it has been a very good year for the Council of Community Organizations of Oktibbeha County, Inc. we started the year with some attainable goals and some defined plans to reach them. However moments of anxiety and unsure of success have ways of creeping in with the intent of disrupting our plans but "we made it".

Yes, our plans for 2016 included you and you did not let us down. So to all of our sponsors. We say "thank you", to all that made any contribution to the support of COCO, we say "thank you", to all that used the COCO facilities for your special celebrations, we say "thank you", to all who supported the tutorial classes and those who were tutored, we say "thank you", to those who volunteered their time and skills for the care of the property, we say "thank you. If you, in any way supported COCO and helped us to meet our goal, and we say "thank you".

Even in all of our efforts to make everything right we sometime miss the mark. If at anytime that we did not meet your expectations of us we are sorry and hope we will have an opportunity to make it up to you. Our goal is to meet all of your needs in a timely and professional manner.

As we turn the calendar we have some goals for 2017. We are here to serve you. We are open to your suggestions. Our facilities are ready for your use. We invite you to become an active member of COCO. We have many volunteer opportunities where you can serve. Become a sponsor of COCO. We need you to help make 2017 another successful year. Thank you and have a "Happy New Year".

James Little, Treasurer



Recent Events At COCO

October

- 01 - Repast for the Verlelia Ricks-Tate family
- 02 - T. J. Straight Ministries held services for the quarter. The services start at 10:00 a.m. All services are open to the public. The pastor is Rev. Eddie Tubbs, Speaker is Prophet T. J. Straight
- 15 - ABC tutoring program held each 3rd Saturday at the Center. Students worked on journal writing, mathematics and language arts. Special thanks to our teachers.
- 22 COCO monthly meeting was held at 3:00 p.m.

November

- 05 - Child Contest & Fashion Show -. Contestants were Keyanna Lanaye Perry, Malin Fulton-Monroe and Barbie Gandy.

Above are Fashion, parents and program participants are Jade



Johnson, Rose Cooper, Jamichel Lowery, Zippi Lee, Vermell Sharp, Demarion Brand, Keyanna Perry, La'Kea Perry, Kaitlyn Gandy, Bar-



bie Gandy, Malin Fulton-Monroe, Andrea Monroe, Ethel Shine, Tiffany Kelly, Herlena Fulton, Sara Smith, Lena Gandy Smith, Marvliue Fulton-Monroe, Christine Kelly, Shun Gandy, Canmore Gandy, Sentric Lowery, and Ellis Gandy, COCO Queen Keyanna Lanaye Perry -5 year old, parents are Laykea Perry and Brandon Preston.

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19- ABC tutoring program held open enrollment at the center.
For new and old students attending the program.
Students are required to be present and on time each 3rd
Saturday of the month.

26 - COCO monthly meeting was held at 3:00 p.m.
27 - **Chandler's** Birthday fellowship

December

- 03 - Flea Market was held. Thanks to Ms. Sarah Smith for coordinating the activities.
- 05 - COCO Bell ringer for the Salvation Army Red Kettle drive. Thanks to Mr. James Little, Mrs. Ethel Shine, Ms. Christine Kelly, Mrs. Georgia Inez Rush, Mr. Elex lowery and Dr. Peggy J. Rogers.
- 17 - ABC Tutoring program 9-12 p.m. followed by the monthly meeting of COCO. The meeting was moved from the 4th Saturday to allow members to enjoy Christmas. The winner of the gift card was James A. Jones of Chicago, IL. Congratulation!!!!

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Rev. John & Mrs. Reda Brooks, Mrs. Emma Randle,
MS. Peggy Rogers,

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Organization dues are \$30.00,
and Child dues are \$5.00.*

January Calendar of Up Coming Events

08-T. J. Straight ministries Worship Services 10:00 A.M. (each Sunday during the quarter).

14 - Irene & David Rogers memorial Scholarship Luncheon,
12:00 Noon

16 - MLK Day of Service at the Unity Park

21 - ABC Tutoring Program at 9:00 A.M.

28 - COCO Monthly Meeting at 3:00 p.m.

February ;

19 - ABC Tutoring Program 9:00 a.m.

26 - COCO regular monthly meeting at 3:00 p.m.

March

17-ABC Tutoring Program 9:00 a.m.

24-COCO meeting at 3 p.m.

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