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CLOTHING OUR KIDS (COK) UPDATE – “IT’S ALL ABOUT THE KIDS” – MAY 29 CELEBRATING COK’S REMARKABLE VOLUNTEERS

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At Clothing Our Kids, we do like to say, “It’s All About the Kids.” This thought was evident on Monday May 20th when COK hosted our Annual Volunteer Appreciation Night. The focus was to thank our 120 Volunteers for their tireless and relentless efforts to ensure all Sussex County school children learn with dignity starting with clothes they are proud to wear.

Board Member Merrill Cohen greeted the group and introduced the Committee Chairs. COK President Bob Blouin shared some key facts and figures on the increase in need in our county and the goal to expand over the next few years. A few special events occurred during the evening including renaming the COK clothing/fulfillment Center to honor Karen and Guy Borges, along with our Founder Mary Rio. A formal dedication ceremony will be scheduled for later this Summer. Another very special event that evening was to have two staff members from Cape Henlopen High School (CHHS) in attendance who thanked COK for the support provided to their students this year. After successfully serving CHHS, our plan is to service all 14 Sussex County High Schools over the next few years.

Without these remarkable Volunteers we would not have provided nearly 36,000 students with over 219,000 pieces of clothing since 2012. The conversations that evening were focused on how we all have much more work to do as the need for help in Sussex County continues to grow. It was a very special evening, and everyone walked away inspired to continue the amazing work they do for COK every day.

Pictures below left to right: Board Members Merrill Cohen and Susan Greally, Special Events Committee Chair Monica Anthenelli, Volunteer Center Director Karen Borges. More photos will be available at www.clothingourkids.org.



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