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Spring 2018

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C.R.A.F.T.'s Mission + Your Support = Successful Outcomes

C.R.A.F.T. strives to accomplish its mission through the Eagles, Student Adoption Programs and the Hezekiah Brady, Jr. Scholarship. The goals are to encourage and support the development of academic excellence and spiritual growth in our African-American youth. The C.R.A.F.T. organization invites you to celebrate the success of our partnership with you our faithful supporters:

Congratulations



Ms. Shalbereyl Thomas, member of C.R.A.F.T.'s Student Adoption Program, a recipient of the Student Assistance Fund, and a Hezekiah Brady, Jr. scholar (2017-2018) was a May 2018 graduate from Kentucky State University with a major in Forensics Science.



Ms. Christine Foster, Student Adoption Program Alumni and Hezekiah Brady, Jr. Scholarship recipient (2011-2012) was recently (May 15, 2018) featured in the Kankakee Daily Journal. Ms. Foster, a middle school math teacher at the Lorenzo R. Smith Sustainability and Technology Academy, seeks ways to engage her students and has produced a rap video to inspire her students to earn A's.

A Special Thank You

This spring, the C.R.A.F.T. organization was chosen to receive a donation in the memory of Dorene Dwyer Hammes, the wife of Jerry Hammes the Chairman of Peoples Bank of Kankakee County. It was noted that Ms. Hammes left an imprint in schools, churches, neighborhoods, and particularly in the lives of thousands of young people, many of whom never got the chance to meet her.



Music in the Air-The Chapman Quartet

On Saturday, March 24, 2018 the sounds of music once again filled the air at the Sun River Terrace Community Center. The C.R.A.F.T. organization presented its **Spring Concert** featuring the wonderful sounds of the Chapman Quartet whose members are from our community. The concert raised over \$3,000 to support the Hezekiah Brady, Jr. Scholarship, Student Adoption Program, Student Assistance Program, and the Eagles Program.

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Chapman Quartet

Robert Chapman (Saxophone) **Brandon Williams (Bass)** Jecore Dyson (Drums) **Raphael Smyly (Keyboard)**

Cakes and Cookies and Pies, Oh My!!

C.R.A.F.T. Day at the Market

C.R.A.F.T.'s Day at the Market is an event to raise funds to support the Eagles and Student Adoption (S.A.P.) Programs for youth in the Pembroke township area.

Twice a year (spring and winter) customers can choose from 17-20 delicious, homemade desserts. They enjoy cupcakes, cakes, and cookies, breads/rolls, cobblers, and fried pies.

The C.R.A.F.T. Board of Directors would like to thank the women who volunteer their time and culinary talents to provide the delicious goodies:

**Mrs. Bertha Mondy, Mrs. Erion Bailey, Mrs. Margaret Stevenson, Mrs. Myrna Brady,
Ms. Phyllis Simington, and Mrs. Delores Thompson**

A record \$1442.50 was raised at the Spring 2018 Day at the Market.

Thank You

The C.R.A.F.T. organization wishes to take this opportunity to thank all of the individuals, churches, businesses and volunteers who helped make 2017 a fantastic year for C.R.A.F.T. Those who contributed to the Eagles, the Student Adoption Program, the Student Assistance Fund, and the Hezekiah Brady, Jr. Scholarship made all the difference in the continued progress and accomplishments of the Organization.

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8 Things to Find on the C.R.A.F.T. website:

1. C.R.A.F.T.'s Mission
2. Our Founder's (Rev. Hezekiah Brady, Jr.) Story
3. Why C.R.A.F.T. Exists (A video)
4. C.R.A.F.T.'s Impact (A Small Charity Doing Big Things)
5. C.R.A.F.T.'s Faces of Success (Includes videos)
6. Four ways to help the C.R.A.F.T. organization
7. Link to donate to C.R.A.F.T. online
8. Link to previous C.R.A.F.T. newsletters

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The C.R.A.F.T. Board of Directors and all of the participants are very appreciative of your monetary and prayer support. We know that you have the opportunity to support many worthy causes and we are grateful that you have chosen C.R.A.F.T. We ask that you continue to remember C.R.A.F.T. financially and prayerfully.

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