

March 25, 2021

Dear Friend, Neighbor or Local Business:

This past year has been difficult for all of us with the adjustments we had to make to our daily lifestyles as the result of the COVID-19 pandemic. Students were out of school, parents forced to work from home or perhaps even lost their jobs, many of us were unable to interact with family and friends, and sadly some became ill or even lost their life. As summer approaches, there is more and more positive news that indicates the grip of the pandemic is loosening and we can begin engaging with each other and some of the community activities important to us.

The Bear Creek Foundation is planning to host a **Community Fall Festival** on **Saturday, October 23, 2021** on the campus of **Bear Creek Community Charter School**. The event will be held from Noon to 7:00 p.m. and is open to the public. The majority of the activities are free. Food will be available for purchase. The goal of the event is to engage the community and families to get-together, meet one another, and some in some family-fun activities. There will be crafts, games, entertainment and educational presentations throughout campus.

To help offset the cost associated with this event, the Bear Creek Foundation is seeking private sponsorships to supplement the event's budget. Enclosed is more information about the event, as well as sponsorships available. Individuals, families, community organizations and local businesses can register as sponsors.

If you are interested in engaging as a sponsor, please complete the form on the last page and return it along with your donation. Bear Creek Foundation is an IRS 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Donations are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to e-mail me at jim.smith@bearcreekschool.com. We appreciate your consideration.

Respectfully,

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Jim Smith Chief Executive Officer



Sponsorship Opportunities

Sponsors can be businesses, community organizations, families or individuals. Sponsors will receive the following acknowledgement for their \$100.00 donation in support of the Community Fall Festival:

- Name will appear in our Fall Festival Guide, which will be distributed to guests upon arrival. The Guide will include information on the various educational programs, activities, entertainment and special events occurring throughout the day.
- Name will be displayed as a "Sponsor" at the specific location of the activity or event that is sponsored, whenever possible. If we can't accommodate your specific activity, you will be assigned a sponsorship at random.
- Name will appear on the video display under the Pavilion throughout the day of the event.
- Name will be promoted on social media as well as the Bear Creek Foundation's Web Site.
- If you are also interested in volunteering to assist at the station you sponsor, we would love for you to participate – just let us know in advance.

The following sponsorship opportunities are currently available. Additional opportunities may be added:

Entertainment Station: Entertainment throughout the day will be provided by near the Pavilion/Soccer Field. We anticipate entertainment to be provided by Musician Don Shapelle, and the country cover band The Tommy Guns Band, among others. Entertainment is free to the general public to enjoy.

Assemble Your Own Scarecrow: Children will have the opportunity to demonstrate their creativity by building their own scarecrow, which they can then take home to enjoy. While supplies last. Activity is free for children to participate.

Pumpkin Decorating Children's Activity Station: Children will have the opportunity to demonstrate their creativity by decorating their own pumpkin, which they can then take home to enjoy. While supplies last. Activity is free for children to participate.

The Fish Bowl: Children can take a chance to with a prize at The Fish Bowl. With this carnival-style game, children will be given five balls to try their chance at getting a ball into the fishbowl that contains a fish. Game is free for children to participate.

Ring Toss: Children can take a chance to win a prize at the Ring Toss. With this carnival-style game, children will be given five rings to toss and try their chance and hooping a peg on the display board. Game is free for children to participate.

Frog Hop: Children can take a chance to win a prize by trying to land on a lily pad. Game is free for children to participate.

Nature-Themed Craft Station (2): Children will enjoy assembling one of an assortment of naturethemed craft kids, including caterpillar or hedgehog refrigerator magnets, butterfly bracelets or dreamcatchers. Craft activity is free for children to participate.

Sand Art Craft Station: Children will enjoy creating their own necklace out of colored sand. Craft activity is free for children to participate.

Educational Presenter: Birds of Prey, Carbon County Environmental Education Center. Visit our yurt overlooking the pond and learn about birds of prey including owls, hawks and other raptors. Guests will experience live animals. Free and open to the public.

Educational Presenter: Rescue Animals, Second Chance Wildlife Center. Visit our yurt overlooking the pond, where you will find Angie Colarusso and her cadre of wild animals. Gain a better understanding of wildlife and how to safely interact with our wild neighbors. Free and open to the public.

Educational Presenter: Rick Mikula, The Butterfly Guy @ The Butterfly House. For over 35 years, Rick Mikula has been delighting audiences with his humorous and off-beat way of looking at butterflies. Come visit Rick at the Butterfly House in Anita's Garden and learn about these beautiful creatures. All children will receive a take-away from the presentation. Free and open to the public.

Educational Presenter: Harold Keiner and Honey Bees @ Busy Bee Apiary. Come visit Harold Keiner at the Busy Bee Apiary in Anita's Garden and learn about the amazing life of honeybees. Harold will be installing hives on the Charter School campus to help pollinate Anita's Garden and to serve as a hands-on educational resource for students. All children will receive a take-away from the presentation. Free and open to the public.

Travelling Petting Zoo – Children will enjoy a travelling petting zoo, with live animals such as alpaca, goats, llama, sheep, pig, bunny rabbits and more! Hand sanitizer will be available. Free for children to participate.

Wagon Rides: Children and families can take a relaxing ride around campus on a hay wagon, which can also transport guests between the pavilion, the various parking lots, and the bus drop off and pick up area. Wagon rides are free.

And more!

In addition to the exciting activities listed above:

- Food and beverages will be available for purchase throughout the day at the pavilion.
 Proceeds will benefit the National Junior Honor Society, Student Council, and the basketball and soccer teams.
- We are also hoping to have balloon-art activities and a mobile magician for children to enjoy.
- Bear Creek Community Charter School alumni will host a Gaga Ball Tournament and the National Junior Honor Society will host a Corn Hole Competition.
- A free Trunk or Treat Event will be held in the evening, sponsored by the Bear Creek Foundation and Bear Creek Community Charter School PTO. The Trunk or Treat Event is free and open to the general public.

Saturday, October 23, 2021 Bear Creek Community Charter School Campus 30 Charter School Way Bear Creek Township, PA 18702

Rain date is Sunday, October 23, 2021.

Thank you to Bear Creek Community Charter School and the Bear Creek Community Charter School PTO for their support of this year's event.

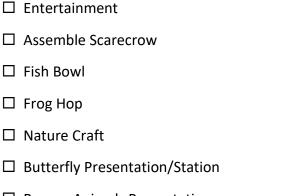
Note: The event is still in the planning stages, and details are subject to change.



Bear Creek Community Fall Festival Sponsorship

Business or Donor Name To Be Advertised: Contact Person: Telephone: Business Location: Business Web Site: \$100.00 - Check or Money Order Payable To: Bear Creek Foundation 47 Charter School Way Bear Creek Township, PA 18702

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- □ Ring Toss
- □ Nature Craft
- Sand Art
- □ Honeybee Presentation/Station
- □ Birds of Prey Presentation
- □ Hay Wagon Rides

