

Speak Up for a Child



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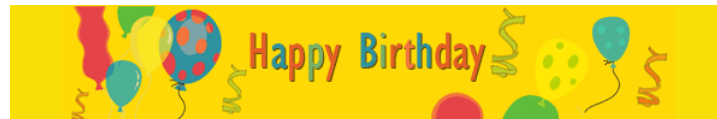
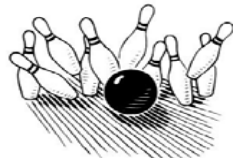
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Save the Date



**CASA for Children
of Bergen County Turns 8!**

Please help us in celebrating our 8th Birthday. Eight years ago, on August 16, 2003, after a ton of planning and hard work from a core group of individuals, we opened our doors and began recruiting our first group of volunteers to advocate for the best interest of children in foster care. We received tremendous support from Judge Ellen Koblitz, then Presiding Family Court Judge. It was Judge Koblitz

It's that time of year again, to dust off your bowling shoes and get ready for CASA Bowl 2011. Last year this fun event raised over \$5,000! This year's event will be held on **October 15th at Wallington Lanes in Wallington, NJ from 11am to 3pm.**

We are now looking for local companies, businesses, and community groups to sponsor the event. This is a great way to show your support for CASA and the amazing work these volunteers do for Bergen County's most vulnerable children.

If you would like additional information please e-mail Chrystal Henion at chrystal@bergencasa.org.



who contacted CASA of NJ because she recognized the enormous need for a CASA program to begin in Bergen County as quickly as possible. Now, just eight years later, we have held 22 trainings, have trained 241 volunteers, and served 297 children.

We also wanted to take this time to thank someone who has been with our organization from the beginning. Barbara Spindel was part of our first training class in the Fall of 2003. After working her first case for a few months Barbara decided to become even more involved with CASA and joined the staff. Over the past 8 years, Barbara has been invaluable to her fellow staff members, the volunteers and most importantly the 107 children she has worked with. She unfortunately will be leaving her staff position in September but will remain a friend of CASA forever. We want to thank her for everything she has done to help CASA and the lives of the children in Bergen County.



"Volunteers are unpaid not because they are worthless, but because they are PRICELESS."

Know anyone who is interested in becoming a volunteer?

For more information
about **CASA** visit our
website!

www.bergencasa.org

Contact Us:
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At the information session potential volunteers will find out more about our organization, training, the requirements needed to become a volunteer and all of their questions will be answered. Unfortunately due to recent budget constraints space in the fall training class is limited so please contact us soon.

August 24th at 1:00 pm
September 14th at 7:00 pm
September 19th at 7:00 pm

at One Bergen County Plaza, Hackensack
4th Floor- The Learning Center

Anyone interested should RSVP to
info@bergencasa.org or 201-336-7520



CASA for Children of Bergen County is an independent, non-profit organization of professionals and trained volunteers who have been appointed by the NJ Family Court to advocate for children removed from their homes due to abuse and/or neglect. BCCASA works to ensure that needed services and assistance are made available to these children while helping to move them toward safe and permanent homes.

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