

Winter 2009

Volume 2



C.A.M.E.R.A Community Newsletter

Upcoming Events

2009

February

E. Flatbush Live!
Community Meet & Greet
February 7th
Catherine McCauley HS
3-6 pm

March

Support Group Begins
March 5th
for parents who have lost a
child due to violence

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questions or concerns about
the quality of life in your com-
munity.**

Turn your Cameras on!



Who we are

CRCEC is a not-for-profit organization founded July 2005 after the tragic death of Christopher Rose. Since then, CRCEC has strived to engage youth in activities that would promote educational, social, economic and cultural enrichment.

CAMERA (Community Action and Mobilization Effort to Raise Awareness) seeks to engage a wide range of community stakeholders to increase awareness and involvement in violence prevention to ensure that violence is reported and deterred.

Paintball!!!

We play rough, stay tough, and you know this..... PAINTBALLIN!!

Feel the rush and excitement during our Fall paintball trip at Skirmish USA. On September 27th in Jim Thorpe, PA we went buck wild!

With Generous donations from CRCEC, plenty of youth and young adults were able to converge and enjoy a highly competitive paintball adventure. "We should do this every month!" panted Andrew Vieux after a vigorous game of "Storm the Castle".

"This event really brought a wide variety of youth together,"

gleamed Mrs. Rose; pleased with the success of the trip. "We gotta do this again." And it will happen again.

CRCEC thanks all the sponsors and those who donated to this cause. It was well worth it to keep all of these youth off the streets. They loved the idea and they want to come back for more which is what we like to hear.



Penny Harvest

A penny for your thoughts? In Winter of 2007 P.S. 119 accumulated much more than that!

In honor of the Christopher Rose Community Empowerment Campaign P.S. 119 offered to Raise Pennies as a donation to their community. "Pennies are worth a huge amount when you add them all together!" says Ivy Bryan of the Penny Harvesters.

In total P.S. 119 raised 1,000 dollars towards CRCEC and had a lovely presentation to match. Countless children read poems and

letters personally written to accompany their donation of pennies.

"I learned a lot from the Rose Family visit. When I saw Mrs. Rose she looked like she was going to cry, but she knew she was helping more people." -Sophie

We were blessed by their donation and look forward to hearing more from the students and faculty of P.S. 119.

"It takes a death to open your eyes? Why don't you open your eyes while they're alive?" - Victoria W.



The Christopher Rose Community Empowerment Campaign

Recognition of the Fallen

Our hearts go out to others that have been affected by violence or have been victims of its wrath. Let us all remember:

*Rondell Grant Jr., 11,
Sunrise 1997 - sunset 07-19-08*

*Brandon Modeste, 19,
Sunrise 5-23-89 - Sunset 08-30-08*

*Sheldon Duke, 32,
Sunrise 03-03-76 - Sunset 08-28-08*

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Quotes from P.S. 119

“It was a very touching meeting [we learned] to be forgiving and courageous; [now] because of 1 death we can stop [violence] with Peace.”

- Yasmin M.

“...When the Rose Family came I thought the visit was good. I also feel sorry for Christopher Rose. He is not only in your heart, he is in my heart, and he is going to stay there until I die.”

- unknown

“...It was really sad that someone died because [the gang] wanted an object.”

- Jemila

“...Darryl Matthis also said that when you join a gang its very hard to get out [and] when they can't find you they find your family and he said 'Be smart and don't join gangs; or as they call them 'organizations'....”

- Karei L.

“...I am proud of Darryl for getting out of the gang that he was in. I am happy that he came out alive....”

- Karei L.

“I think it was nice to come over, Rose Family. We will be waiting for you to come again.”

- Arlene

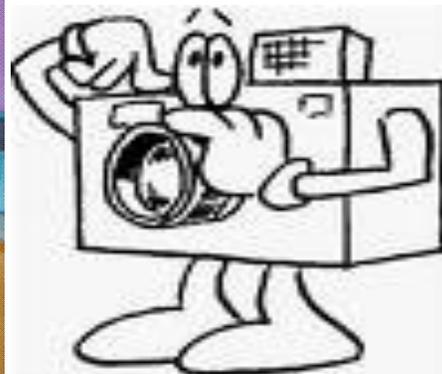
“Thanks Mr. Matthis!”

- Justin S.

“...It takes a lot of courage to discuss death.”

- Steven P.

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