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To serve as a leading advocate and financial resource, in collaboration with other community agencies, to provide affordable access to high quality services for young children.

OUR VISION

A community where young children will reach their full health and educational potential.

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of Lincoln & Gaston Counties second annual Spooktacular was held on Saturday, October 30, 2010 and had an overflow of over 2000 people. Patrons came to enjoy the day's festivities at the WoodMill Festival Grounds in Vale, which included trunk or treat, a cupcake walk, a costume parade, face painting, a silent auction and an event a success!

A special than you to the WoodMill Winery for another successful Spooktacular! Please save the date for next year's Family Spooktacular Saturday, October 29, 2011.

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SPOOKTACULAR 2010 A SUCCESS!

The Partnership for Children Family



ambulance, fire truck and smokehouse for children to learn about. There was also a petting zoo with a camel and tortoise. The fundraiser was geared toward families with young children and helped raise awareness of the Partnership for Children's funded projects. New activities this year included the Tumblebus and Seamore, a fun-tastic inflatable provided by Twist and Tuck in Lincolnton. There was also a live DJ and a fitness trail. A free hotdog lunch was provided again this year and over 1200 hotdogs were served. We would like to thank our Financial Sponsors that helped make our



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MORE PHOTOS FROM THE 2010 SPOOKTACULAR







2010 Winner of the Nintendo Wii! Emilia Jaramillo



SAVE THE DATE: RUN FOR THE MONEY 2011

The Partnership for Children of Lincoln & Gaston Counties is participating in Run for the Money 9. Date is April 16, 2011 at 8 a.m. in downtown Gastonia. The fundraiser is sponsored by the Community Foundation of Gaston County for nonprofits and consists of a run/ walk and a chance for donors to give to our cause! The Community Foundation will start accepting donations on Feb. 14, 2011.





Reminder: Holiday Safety!

When decorating your Christmas tree, keep your children in mind. Small parts or metal hooks can be dangerous for children as well as ornaments that look like candy or food.



Never leave a lit Christmas tree unattended. Inspect lights for loose or frayed wires and broken sockets. If you have a fresh tree, keep it watered at all times. Do not put the tree within three feet of a space heater, radiator, heat vent or fireplace.



When giving gifts to children make sure the toys are age-appropriate. Supervise your children when they are playing and keep an eye out for dangers such as moving parts, strings and cords and batterypowered cords or wheels. Teach your children to put away their toys when they are done playing. Toys suitable for older children should be stored in a separate place than those for younger children.



To prevent poisoning this holiday, keep alcohol out of reach and do not leave it unattended. If you are using artificial snow for decorating keep in mind that it can harmful if inhaled so use only in a well-vented space.



Mistletoe berries, Jerusalem Cherry and Holly Berry can be poisonous so make sure they are out of reach from children and pets.

Apple Festival 2010