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25th School Counts! Golf Classic

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Mr. Gary Galloway and Mrs. Betty Galloway gift \$25,000 to the School Counts! Scholarship Program for Cumberland County residents.

Pictured left to right: Mr. Rob DeSantis, Cumberland Foundation Chairman; Mr. Gary Galloway, School Counts! Donor; Dr. Maria LeBlanc, Executive Director, Cumberland Foundation.



2025 School Counts! Golf Classic Winners

Pictured left to right: Matthew Adams, Robin Adams, Michael Brody, RJ Adams

The 25th School Counts! Golf Classic took place at the Renault Winery Vineyard National in Egg Harbor City, NJ on June 5, 2025. The event raised nearly \$80,000. The beautiful day was enjoyed by more than 300 golfers, dinner guests, volunteers and sponsors! Through the generosity of our participants and sponsors, Cumberland students benefit from scholarship opportunities to the Cumberland campus. The School Counts! program has provided more than \$3 million in scholarships to Cumberland residents assisting over 3,000 students since the programs inception.

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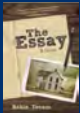
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Upcoming Foundation Events



Designer Handbag Bingo Fundraiser
September 26, 2025



One Book Program
October 22, 2025



Designer Handbag Bingo
February 6, 2026



School Counts! Scholarship Ceremony
March 2026



School Counts! Fundraiser Dinner
April 2026



Foundation Scholarship Reception
May 2026



School Counts! Golf Classic
June 4, 2026

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School Counts! 25th Anniversary Dinner Fundraiser

On April 5, the Cumberland County Campus Educational Foundation held its 25th Anniversary School Counts! celebration recognizing Newfield National Bank and Century Savings Bank for their outstanding support over 25 years. Nearly 200 attendees, donors, and community members supported the celebration and honored all the students of the School Counts! Scholarship Program.

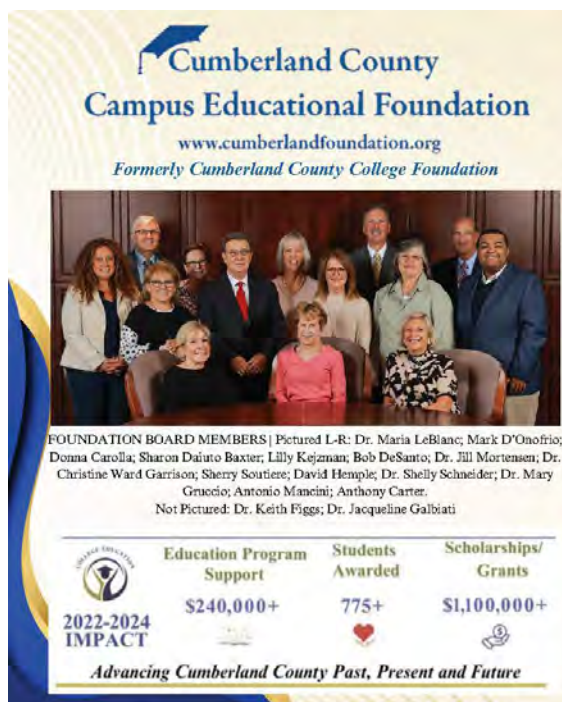
The School Counts! Scholarship Program is available to Cumberland County residents in 11 local high schools. To date, the School Counts! program has awarded over 3,000 students totaling over 3 million dollars in scholarship support to Cumberland County residents. For more information about the School Counts! Scholarship program, visit <https://cumberlandfoundation.org/school-counts-25th-anniversary/>



Lilly and Sherry Kejzman kick off the 25th Anniversary School Counts! Celebration!



Pictured left to right: Dr. Maria LeBlanc, Executive Director, CCECF; David Hemple, CCECF Treasurer; Mr. David Hanrahan, CEO Century Savings Bank; Mrs. Donna Perez, Wells Fargo; Mr. Joseph Rehm, Century Savings Bank; Ms. Kathy Yalla, Newfield National Bank; Mr. John Borelli, President and CEO, Newfield National Bank; Mr. Mark A. Mastro, Newfield National Bank; Mr. Pete Capizola, Senior Vice President Business Development, Newfield National Bank; Mr. Bob DeSanto, CCECF Chair



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Join us in caring for Cumberland County residents since 1967.

Giving the gift of education lasts a lifetime. Cumberland County Campus Educational Foundation, formerly known as Cumberland County College Foundation, is a non-profit foundation. The Foundation helps over 450 students per year with technology, transportation, scholarships and program funding.

Connect Today

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School Counts! Celebrates 25th anniversary

BY SAVANNA PERRY
THE VINELAND VOICE

VINELAND—The School Counts! Scholarship program at Cumberland County Campus Educational Foundation celebrated their 25th anniversary recognizing students' success stories and lead sponsors.

"For the past 25 years, School Counts! Has a prudent success rate," Executive Director Maria LeBlanc began.

School Counts! stands for everything right in the community—being positive, believing in each other, and making a difference. The Foundation views the School Counts! Program as a vital, countywide program that will enrich the quality of life in our region.

To date about 200 students enroll every year at the Cumberland County Campus totaling about 4,000 students, awarded over \$3 million from the foundation.

"Not only is the program of financial benefits for students but also provides strong community support which encourages students to succeed in their college



Jada Jacobson, Brenden Pierce and Melissa Serey spoke about the impact of the program on their personal careers.

education," LeBlanc said.

Fourth-year Brenden Pierce, second-year Melissa Serey, and first-year Jada Jacobson gave speeches showcasing the impact of the scholarship program on their personal academic

career. Newfield National Bank and Century Savings Bank received awards for their continuous support throughout the years.

Proclamations were also received in recognition of the

SchoolCounts! Scholarship Program, as well as from Newfield Bank and Century Savings Bank. Students are expected to deliver speeches highlighting the success of the scholarship program. The event welcomed

nearly 150 attendees and sponsors.

Scholarships for Cumberland County High School Students

The School Counts! program provides scholarships for Cumberland County residents who earn four consecutive School Counts! certificates from participating high schools. To earn a School Counts! certificate, students must:

- Have a 95 percent or better attendance record;
- Have a grade of C, or school-grade equivalent, or higher in every course; have completed Algebra I; and be scheduled to graduate from high school on time.

Students transferring mid-year to a School Counts! participating high school can receive the certificate credit for that year if they can provide documentation proving they met the School Counts! criteria at their previous school.

Cumberland County Campus Educational Foundation's annual scholarship ceremony will be on May 20 at 5:30 p.m. at Merighi's Savoy Inn.

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CCCEF hosts SchoolCounts! Scholarship reception



VINELAND—On March 11, the Cumberland County Campus Educational Foundation (CCCEF) held its SchoolCounts! Scholarship Program reception honoring nearly 150 students for their honorable accomplishments.

The SchoolCounts! scholarship was created by the Cumberland County College Foundation, now Cumberland County Campus Educational Foundation, in the year 2000. The scholarship program provides Cumberland residents with tuition and some fees paid to attend RCSJ.

Since the inception of the program, over 3,500 students have been awarded the SchoolCounts! Scholarship and over 400 businesses participate in SchoolCounts! events and fundraisers each year.

By achieving the SchoolCounts! benchmarks, the students demonstrate that they are reliable, do quality work, do more than expected, and finish what they start. The concept is that if students demonstrate the four characteristics of attendance, rigor, quality and persistence, they will earn a certificate each year of high school and be awarded a SchoolCounts! Scholarship.

Cumberland students who earn all four certificates indicate they have the academics and job skills needed to be successful.

For more information about the SchoolCounts! Scholarship Program, visit: cumberlandfoundation.org/school-counts-25th-anniversary/

To see more photos of the event, visit: cumberlandfoundation.org/event-photo-gallery/

Cumberland County Campus Educational Foundation, formerly Cumberland County College Foundation, would like to thank all of the businesses & community members of Cumberland County for 25 years of support for the SchoolCounts! scholarship program



SchoolCounts! Scholarship recipients celebrate 25th anniversary at the annual scholarship reception with Cumberland County Campus Educational Foundation (CCCEF) Board of Directors: Bob DeSanto, Chair; Dr. Christine Ward Garrison, Vice Chair; Dr. Mary Grucio, Secretary; Dr. Shelly Schneider; Mark D'Onofrio; Lily Keizman; Sherry Keizman Soutiere; Dr. Keith Figgs; Sharon Daisio Baxter; Dr. Jacqueline Galbiati; Antonio Mancini; Dr. Maria LeBlanc, Executive Director; Cumberland County Campus Educational Foundation

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Join The Cumberland County Campus Educational Foundation 25th Anniversary Celebration on Saturday, April 5, 2025.

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Dr. Maria LeBlanc, Executive Director, Cumberland County Campus Educational Foundation, congratulates SchoolCounts! Scholarship recipients on their achievements.



Dr. Mary Grucio, SchoolCounts! Advisory Board Chair, praised students for exemplifying the characteristics of the SchoolCounts! Scholarship Program.



Mr. Bob DeSanto, Chair, Cumberland County Campus Educational Foundation, celebrated the 25th anniversary of the SchoolCounts! Scholarship Program by outlining the history of the program.

Annual Foundation Scholarship Reception

On May 20, the Cumberland County Campus Educational Foundation (CCCEF) held its annual scholarship reception at Merighi's Savoy Inn. The Foundation recognized over 200 scholarship endowments and its donors since 1967. In attendance were over 300 scholarship recipients, families, and donors celebrating the accomplishments of Cumberland County resident students. Thank you to all our donors for assisting with making a difference in education for Cumberland County residents each and every year. To learn more about how you can make a difference in education visit: <https://cumberlandfoundation.org/>



Scholarship Recipient List

Academic Achievement Scholarships

- Academic Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipients: Alexandra Wang - Business; Carol Jayne - Humanities; Duane Miller - STEM
- Margaret G. Barnes & Derrick Cole Friendship Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Beth Russell
- Bridgeton Civic Club Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Jennifer Gonzalez
- Bridgeton Area YMCA Scholarships**
Scholarship Recipients: Jeremiah Smith - Academic; Sanaa Blackwell - Financial; Santiago Velazquez - Sports
- Cilento Family Foundation Scholarships**
Scholarship Recipients: Rebecca Davis, Jakob Sheridan, Jessica Santiago, Brianna Sayres, Dulce Cano
- Richard Connor Scholarships**
Scholarship Recipients: Allie Gove, Julia Ortiz, Karla Perez
- Freitag Family Scholarship In Memory of Peter A. Saulin, Jr.**
Scholarship Recipient: Santiago Velazquez
- Galetto Honors Scholarships**
Scholarship Recipients: Nicholas Mainiero, Madelyn Lee, LaTasha Cartwright, Noah Londono, Jeremiah Smith
- Arthur & Gizella Lehman Memorial Scholarships**
Scholarship Recipients: Cassie Clark, Tyla Nottingham
- Josephine McDaniel Lockette EOF Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Jeremiah Smith
- Joshua Moren Memorial Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Mateo Medina
- Rose Stolar Memorial Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Giselle Ramos
- Sharon Kewish Academic Excellence Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Katelyn Metcalf
- Dr. John and Mary Visceglia Memorial Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Paden Guerrero
- William M. Marts Memorial Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Ana Patino, Nicole Sayres

Accounting & Finance Scholarships

- Century Savings Bank Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Raina Roman
- Guaracini Family Scholarships**
Scholarship Recipients: Ian Garcia Lapaz, Gilberto Cuevas, Maritza Camacho
- Newfield National Bank Scholarships**
Scholarship Recipients: Abimael Minemann, Dulce Villalobos

Agriculture & Horticulture Scholarships

- Barbara Bruno Memorial Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Andrew Zerra
- Countryside Garden Club Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Abigail Byers
- Women's Farm and Garden Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Jada Jacobson
- Ellen and Joseph Hancock Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Dennis Newcomb
- Milton L. Scotter Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Caleb Brown

Architectural & Engineering Scholarships

- Ronald J. Angelo Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Ava Cohen

Arts-Visual & Humanities Scholarships

- Visual Arts Scholarship in Honor of Frieda Fehrenbacher**
Scholarship Recipient: Emmanuel Jimenez
- Miller Art Scholarships**
Scholarship Recipients: Ashley Hines, Cayla Sbrana
- Millville Glassown Arts District Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipients: Ashley Hines
- Roy H. Kaneshiki Memorial Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Jaimie Clarke
- Guaracini Family Scholarships**
Scholarship Recipients: Andrew Nayda, Joseph Priole

Business Scholarships

- J. Alan & Grace Woodruff Business Leadership Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Samuel Manguerra
- Bernard & Shirley Brown Scholarships**
Scholarship Recipients: Ian Garcia Lapaz, Dezhané Hall, Breslin Hicks, Samuel Manguerra, Kelsey McClaskey
- Paul J. Abramo Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Alexandra Wang
- Paul and Minnie Bertrachi Memorial Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Alyssa Gierczyk
- Helen Keizman Leadership Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Kelsey McClaskey
- CEO Group Bud Pettisani Memorial Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Dezhané Hall
- Miller Business Scholarships**
Scholarship Recipients: Emmanuel Ametete Gali, Colin Calisti, Eniyah Dixon, Gabriela Rodriguez Bello
- Nassiri Memorial Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Alyssa Gierczyk

Criminal Justice Scholarships

- Dennis F. Carolla, Jr. Memorial Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Shameka Romekus

Education Scholarships

- Alpha Delta Kappa - Phi Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Samantha Meyers
- Administrator's Association Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Samantha Meyers
- Judy R. Dallago Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Moniesha Griggs
- DeEdwin Hursey Higher Education Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Dulce Cano
- Rebecca S. Guess Memorial Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Dulce Cano

Financial Need Scholarships

- Foundation Multicultural Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Gianna Caine
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Scholarship Recipient: Gabriela Rodriguez Bello
- John S. Nichols, Jr. Memorial Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Luna Hernandez Mendez
- Hispanic Advisory Board Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipients: Daniela Cortazar, Matthew Garcillano, Jada Jacobson, Arianna Luciano, Santiago Mondragon, Thomas Morey, Michelle Munoz, Maria Patino, Angelita Ruiz, Damien Taylor, Chioma Ugwu
- Federated Association of Cumberland Employees Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Deisha Matthews
- Boys & Girls Club "Great Futures" Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Anthony Romero
- R.J. Jones Memorial Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Brianna Parr
- Sue Perry Memorial Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Maria Jimenez
- Anne S. Woodruff Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Shameka Romekus
- Mortensen Family Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Angelita Ruiz
- McDonnell Volunteer Service Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Tammy Parsons

Healthcare, Nursing & Radiography Scholarships

- Catherine J. Arzino Scholarships**
Scholarship Recipients: Teondra Bowman, Ariadne Garcia, Malika Mansfield, Dimitri Raimonde, Shayla Richmond
- Boyd Nursing Scholarships**
Scholarship Recipients: Destiny Acosta, Emma Bailey, Keyoni Collins, Kristine Forrest, Makayla Heffner-Figueroa, Natalie Holmes, Katherin Marino, Brianna Parr, Jessica Salerno, Jessica Santiago, Danielle Scull
- Michael John Brown Memorial Scholarships**
Scholarship Recipients: Katherin Marino, Rebecca Slimm
- Ralph T. Fox, Jr. Scholarships**
Scholarship Recipients: Keyoni Collins, Pamela Dums, Dulce Duran, Kristyn Hague, Dana Myers
- Elizabeth S. Gislason Nursing Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Alexia Corneal
- Dr. Soloway Radiography Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Gregory Gray
- Jessie D. Lisowski Memorial Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Scott Melendez
- Mary C. Paul Nursing Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Katelynn Garcia
- Paul Navone Scholarships**
Scholarship Recipients: Destiny Acosta, Jasmine Figueroa, Arianna Luciano, Scott Melendez, Brianna Parr
- Sonya Taylor-Greenwood Nursing Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Alexia Corneal
- Wright Choice for Home Healthcare Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Danielle Scull

Mathematics, Science & Technology Scholarships

- CAM Technology Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Andrew Drinkwater
- South Jersey Camaro Group Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Allan Johnson
- Whibco, Inc. - Sjogren Family Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Alek Raimonde
- Vineyard Public Library Foundation Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Kyle Kitzmiller

Graduate Transfer Scholarships

- Frank G. Basile Memorial Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Antony Coque
- Melissa M. Benner Memorial Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Natalie Holmes
- Marie A. Carley Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Darnell Lawrence, Jr.
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- Robinson & Robinson Attorneys at Law Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Jake Marie
- Joan and Nicholas Warkner, Jr. Memorial Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Christian DeLeon

Graduating High School Student Scholarships

- CEO Group Francis J. Reilly Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Hayli Rodriguez
- Cumberland Insurance Group Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Anabella Cossaboon
- Daniel L. Devinsnap Memorial Agricultural Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Macey Williams
- Donald Jr. & Karen Johnson Memorial Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Macey Williams
- Harry Keizman Memorial Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Seth Suppi
- Phillip L. Lipman Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Macey Dawson
- Bill and Jo Milan Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Erin Parks
- John M. Adair Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Isabel Oliver
- William and Paula Ring Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Trinity O'Brien
- Thelma Parkinson Sharp Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Jenna Dacy
- Hon. Frank J. Tessa Memorial Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Iliana Figueroa
- Vineyard Jersey Fresh Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Macey Williams
- Vineyard Jersey Fresh School Council Scholarship**
Scholarship Recipient: Macey Williams

Adult Center for Transition (ACT) Scholarships

- Scholarship Recipients: Jeremiah Bell, Darien Bernadini, Cielo Chavez-Cruz, Samuel Fleming, Lisette Garcia-Lopez, Rickelle Harris, James Jennings, Angel Leiva-Lopez, Gabby Thomas

* Partial Listing

Congratulations to All the Scholarship Recipients!

Foundation Sponsored Programs and Events

On April 15, the Cumberland County Campus Educational Foundation held its School Counts! Recognition Night to recognize over 100 high school seniors on track for their 4th certificate to receive the School Counts! Scholarship.

Our School Counts! Legacy

School Counts! stands for everything right in the community—being positive, believing in each other, and making a difference. The Foundation views the School Counts! Program as a vital, county-wide program that will enrich the quality of life in our region. With your help, we can continue to provide School Counts! Scholarships for our students, and we need your support.

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- *have a grade of C, or school-grade equivalent, or higher in every course;
- *have completed Algebra I; and
- *be scheduled to graduate from high school on time.

The county-wide initiative is supported by over 400 businesses and community members each year. To learn more about the School Counts! Scholarship program and its expanded mission, visit:
<https://cumberlandfoundation.org/school-counts/>



Cumberland County high school students on track for their fourth School Counts! certificate. Families and Foundation board members celebrated in their achievements at the annual School Counts! Recognition Ceremony held each year in April.



Dr. Maria LeBlanc, Executive Director, CCCEF congratulates students with words of encouragement to stay focused on their studies and attendance to receive their School Counts! Scholarship.

School Counts! 25th Anniversary Golf Classic Held on June 5



Pictured left to right: Dr. Maria LeBlanc, Executive Director, CCCEF; Sherry Kejzman Soutiere, Foundation Board Member; Lilly Kejzman, Foundation Board Member; Tony Mancini, Foundation Board Member; Anthony Carter, Foundation Board Member; David Hemple, Foundation Treasurer

On June 5, the Cumberland County Foundation holds its 25th anniversary School Counts! Golf Classic at Vineyard National, Renault Winery. The outing consisted of over 300 golfers, supporters, volunteers, and sponsors. The event raised nearly \$80,000.

"We're just trying to do everything we can to get kids in high school in Cumberland County to go to college, said CCCEF Treasurer, David Hemple. "Sometimes it's just a little bit of financial help is all they need."

After all the golfers finished their rounds, patrons were invited to one of the winery's banquet rooms for food and to give away awards to winners.

Prior to the awards being distributed, Executive Director, CCCEF, Dr. Maria LeBlanc thanked and acknowledged the patrons and donors, and also spoke about the importance of the School Counts! Scholarship Program.

A student who had benefited from the School Counts! Scholarship, Jada Jacobson, spoke about her beneficial experience with the program.

LeBlanc believes that the reasoning for the success of this year's event has been the increase in need for the program. With over 475 students eligible for the School Counts! Program, monetary donations have helped make this outing a major success year after year. "With increasing the promotion of the program, there's a lot more of a camaraderie and community benefit," said LeBlanc. "For 25 years now, the community has come together tremendously for this program, so this is very special."

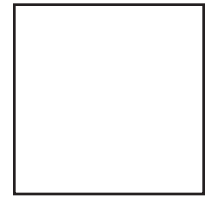


Dr. Maria LeBlanc, CCCEF Executive Director and Newfield National Bank Team with Mr. Pete Capizola, Senior Vice President, Business Development



Bob Connor, Mints Insurance, of the 2024 Golf Classic winning team, returns the trophy after a year of proudly displaying it at Mints Insurance in Millville







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Designer Bag Bingo
Friday, September 26, 2025
Millville Elks Lodge #580
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The proceeds from this event will benefit the School Counts! Scholarship Program and the Educational Assistance Fund which helps students in need pay for lab kits, bus passes, technology, books, and other educational materials.



Bingo License Numbers: 512-5-38104*RL-12-2025*RL-31-2025*RL-32-2025

Thank you to everyone who made this season memorable!

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