CACC Welcomes New Board Members

announce that six new members have joined its Board of Directors.

Each new Board Member - Patrick Fitzgerald, Gaither Kyhos, Linda Laramy, Lynn Sanchez, Brie Wooden, and Dru Haines - brings unique experience and expertise to CACC's leadership.

"We are honored to welcome these six extraordinary people to our board," says CACC Executive Director Cristy Morrell. "We are grateful that they have agreed to volunteer their time and talents to help build brighter futures for the children in our programs."

Patrick Fitzgerald brings a wealth of legal and community expertise to Critchlow Adkins. He grew up in Easton, having attended Easton Elementary, Middle, and High School. Patrick earned his BA in Economics and Business Administration from the University of Pittsburgh in 2005 and graduated from the University of Baltimore School of Law in

Critchlow Adkins Children's 2008. He lives in Easton with for the Upward Bound Program children's education to CACC. positions until 2001. After her Centers (CACC) is delighted to his wife Lexa and their daughter Katie, where he is the owner of the Law Office of Patrick J. Fitzgerald. Patrick is very involved in the local community, where he is a member of the Rotary Club of Easton, a member of the Board of Directors for both the Wye River Upper School and the Memorial Hospital Planned Giving Advisory Board, and a Founding Chair and Emeritus Board Member of the Talbot County Public Schools Education Foundation.

> Gaither Kyhos has many years of experience in education and social work. With a BA in Social Work and Political Science from St. Lawrence University and a Master of Social Work at the Catholic University of America, she is a wonderful asset to Critchlow Adkins. Gaither has also furthered her education by earning her Certificate in Advanced Trauma Treatment, and has completed courses in Implementing a Responsive Classroom, Learning Disabilities, and Ministry. She worked as a tutor and counselor

and spent time as a counselor Before joining Critchlow Ad- time at Chesapeake College, at an orphanage in Nairobi, Kenya early in her career. She the Mid Shore volunteer for for the Talbot Touchpoints and worked for many years as a teacher at St. Patrick's Episcopal Day School in Washington, DC before focusing on social work as a clinical intern for the Episcopal Center for Children introduce people to CACC's been an integral part of the loand the Wendt Center for Loss and Healing and a counselor for the RECOVER Program at the DC Office of the Chief Medical Examiner before moving to the Eastern Shore. Since April of 2012, she has worked as a therapist based at Easton Elementary School through Eastern Shore Psychological Services. Gaither has also given of her time and expertise as a volunteer for many organizations and, in addition to joining CACC's Board of Directors, she is also involved in the Chesapeake Bay Foundation's Oyster Restoration Program.

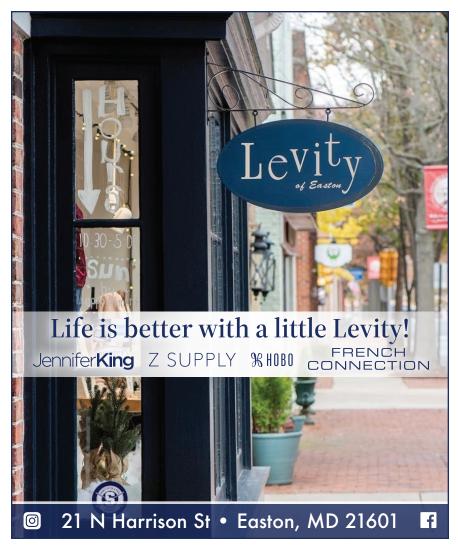
Linda Laramy has spent her career providing educational toys for children at her store, Crackerjacks, and now she is bringing her love of

mission.

Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada and attended Florida State University, where she earned her BS in Child Development and Mental Retardation. She began her career as a special education teacher in Monticello, Florida. She moved to Omaha, where she was an Educational Psychiatric Institute and then became the Assistant Directress of the Child's World Montessori School. In the 1980s, Lynn moved to the Eastern Shore of College, where she held several Achievement of the Eastern

kins, Linda was a CASA of Lynn was a Site Coordinator 10 years, and a member of Eldercare Project, and then CASA's Board of Directors for became a mental health and six years. She has her BA from first aid trainer. She is an ac-Pomona College in Claremont, tive member and actress with California. Linda is excited to the Tred Avon Players and has cal nonprofit community for Lynn Sanchez was born in many years, serving on the boards of Talbot Hospice, the Talbot County Judy Center, the Dorchester County Healthy Families Advisory Board, and her Master's in Education in more. Lynn lives in Easton with her husband Robert.

Brie Wooden is a former "CACC kid" whose children are currently enrolled in CACC. She is following in the Therapist for the Nebraska footsteps of her mother, who was also a valued member of the Board of Directors. Brie is a Client Service Specialist with Tred Avon Family Wealth and is in the process of earn-Maryland and became a teacher ing her bachelor's degree in at the Presbyterian Nursery Finance from the University School in Easton. In 1986, she of Maryland Global College. began working at Chesapeake She volunteers with Junior







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Shore teaching financial literacy and is eager to help implement early financial is a nonprofit organization dedicated literacy training to Critchlow Adkins' educational enrichment program.

Dru Haines is a former nurse who has now retired and lives in Easton with her partner, John Mann. She has a BA in Speech Communication, a Master of Arts in Organizational Communication, after-school care, and summer camp and a Master of Science as a Pediatric Nurse Practitioner. Dru has worked with nonprofits since 1986, having been on the Board of Directors of the UCSF Family House and the Lake School Preschool in California, a member of the National Association of Nurse Practi-

Critchlow Adkins Children's Centers to providing quality, financially accessible childcare for children and their families in a nurturing, diverse, safe, and enriching environment. CACC offers year-round preschool programs, pre-K through 5th grade before- and programs.

Children throughout CACC's programs benefit from their innovative, literature-based educational enrichment STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math) activities. These fun projects teach children of all



Patrick Fitzgerald (left), Lynn Sanchez, Linda Laramy, and Brie Wooden are new CACC board members. Missing from the photograph are Dru Haines and Gaither Kyhos.

Pharmaceuticals. CACC is fortunate experience to helping increase community awareness about Critchlow and its programs, as well as acting as a liaison Directors.

tioners, the Patient Advisory Board for ages to use critical thinking, creativity, Cooley's Anemia Foundation, and the and problem-solving skills, and instill in Nursing Advisory Board for Novartis them a love of learning, all through play.

In addition, CACC participates in that Dru will be bringing her depth of the Raising a Reader Program, which promotes early literacy by encouraging families to read with their children.

To learn more, enroll a child, or make between CACC's sites and the Board of a donation, visit cacckids.org or call 410-822-8061.

