

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As the Clinic management and staff prepare for the challenges that they will face during this new fiscal year that began on July 1, I would like to express appreciation for all of the work that is done to meet these challenges. This year will be particularly challenging for all of the people who work at the Clinic. The state budget uncertainties, coupled with reductions in funding from the county will make for a very interesting year for everyone.

Community support is becoming increasingly critical if the Clinic will be able to continue providing services to the vulnerable client base that we serve. During the past year, that community support has been appreciated. In June, we had a successful golf tournament. The revenues generated from this important event will provide badly needed items that the Clinic would not be able to purchase otherwise. Guild House was also able to make a substantial donation this year due to the additional special events they conducted throughout the year and many other people in the community also provided generous donations.

As the President of the Board of Directors, I would like to express my deep appreciation to the members of the Board who give generously of their time and talents to provide strength and leadership. The support provided by this diverse group of people is critical to the success of the Clinic.



Blake Smith,
President

Group Homes

As citizens of our community, we are all aware that many children have been placed in foster care as a result of abuse or neglect.

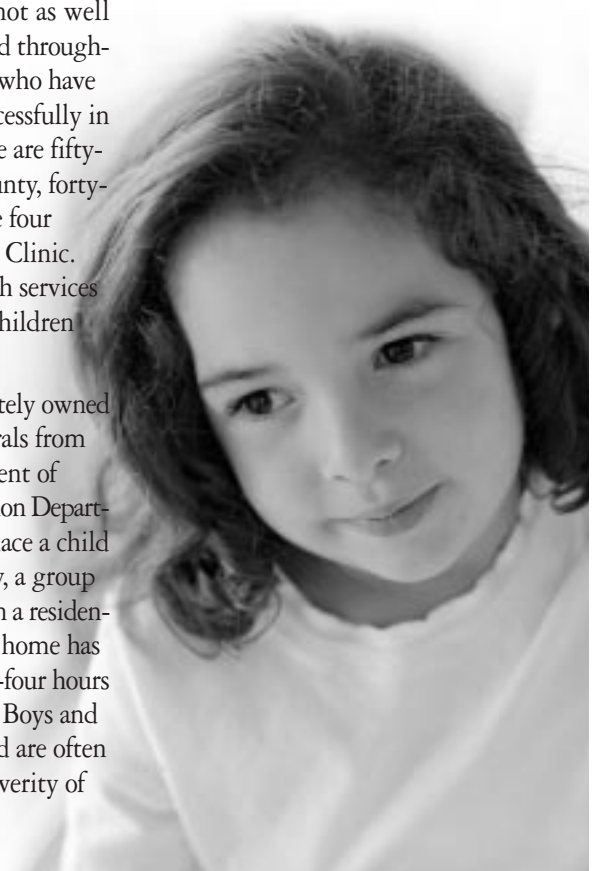
The stories of these children have been told in television documentaries, profiled in newspaper articles and even promoted in advertisements to recruit foster parents.

However, there is another placement category for children that is not as well known. Group Homes are used throughout Kern County for children who have not been able to be placed successfully in a foster home. Currently, there are fifty-two group homes in Kern County, forty-five of which are located in the four geographic areas served by the Clinic. Our staff provide mental health services to approximately eighty-five children living in group homes.

Group homes are usually privately owned and operated and receive referrals from agencies, such as the Department of Human Services and the Probation Department, that are authorized to place a child in out-of-home care. Typically, a group home is a single-family home in a residential area. On average, a group home has up to six children with twenty-four hours per day on-site staff coverage. Boys and girls live in separate homes and are often placed according to age and severity of behavioral symptoms.

Group homes are classified by level, which denotes how well the facility and staff are qualified to address severe behavioral or emotional symptoms. For example, a Level 13 home would be able to deal with

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Festival of Beers

The Active 20-30 Club of Bakersfield is a leader among organizations that raise funds for agencies that serve children in our community. One of 20-30 Club's biggest fundraisers is the annual Festival of Beers. As a recipient of these funds, the Clinic was asked to provide volunteers to help with the event which was held on May 1st at Stramler Park. The Clinic recruited twenty-six volunteers who assisted the 20/30 Club with this worthwhile event.

CARE

Children's Advocate Resources Endowment

Kern County is blessed to have a number of organizations that support the work of agencies and projects that serve children in our community. CARE is such an organization. Through fundraisers such as Brews in the Village and the Peace Ride, CARE is able to provide support for programs serving children in our community. The Child Guidance Clinic was selected to be the recipient of donations from CARE. The Clinic received a TV and four DVD players to help support the Lending Libraries at each office. The Lending Library is a resource for parents and mental health professionals who deal with various children's issues. CARE also provided toys, videos, books and storage units for the Clinic's Early Intervention Program. Thanks to CARE, the Clinic was able to expand these valuable services offered at all of our offices.



8th Annual Golf Tournament

The Weill Child Guidance Foundation held its Eighth Annual Invitational Golf Tournament on June 14, 2004 at Seven Oaks Country Club. Participants enjoyed a beautiful day on the course while competing for a variety of prizes. Tournament winners went home with some exquisite Baccarat and Waterford crystal trophies.

We owe a great deal of thanks to Ira Cohen, Tammy Nuanez and the members of the Foundation for coordinating and managing the tournament.

In addition, the following sponsors helped to make this a very successful event:

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Finally, we extend our deepest appreciation to the eighty-four players who participated in the tournament in support of the Child Guidance Clinic and the Weill Child Guidance Foundation.



Top: Players check in early for a great day of golf.
Harvey Campbell & Robby Mundorf, (above) wait for the tournament to begin.

A Unique Gift Idea

We are always grateful when individuals choose to honor friends and loved ones through donations that support the work of the Clinic. Recently, we received a very generous and unique donation. On May 29, 2004, two of our board members were married and asked that donations be made to the Clinic in lieu of wedding gifts. The donations are being used to purchase books, tapes

and educational materials for the Clinic's Lending Library, as requested by the donors. The Lending Library is a valuable resource for parents and mental health professionals in our community. This generous contribution is especially welcome during these difficult economic times. We wish to thank Blake and Denise Smith for this generous and unique gift idea.

Festival of Giving

Sunday, November 21, 2004 • 7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

Arrangements for the Valley Plaza's 4th Annual Festival of Giving are underway. This fundraising event gives local nonprofit organizations a chance to raise money. The mall will close for the general public and then re-open at 7:00 p.m. for a night of shopping. Tickets to attend this special night of shopping cost \$5.00 and

include special store discounts, free gifts with purchase, free gift wrapping, a free photo with Santa, prize drawings and more. Tickets can be purchased at the Child Guidance Clinic, 3628 Stockdale Highway. If you have any questions regarding this event or would like to reserve your tickets, please call Sonia at 322-1021.



Guild House

Freshly-made soup, entrée and vegetable in season or side salad or entrée salad, house-made rolls or muffins, delicious dessert or sorbet with fruit sauce and beverage. Wine and beer available.

Menus subject to change.

October 2004

All proceeds and gratuities are donated to the Henrietta Weill Memorial Child Guidance Clinic.

Call Us For Your Special Events! **325-5478**

Weeknights or weekends. Luncheons, receptions or dinners.

Private rooms are available for luncheon meetings.

Advanced reservations are requested but not required.

Drop-ins welcome!

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CHILD
HENRIETTA WEILL
GUIDANCE CLINIC MEMORIAL

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | 1 <i>Cream of Pimiento Soup</i> <i>Tequila Chicken</i> <i>Margarita Cheesecake</i> |
| Weekly Entrée Salad - Bountiful Bakersfield | | | | |
| 4 <i>Red Pepper Soup</i> <i>Pork with Plum Sauce</i> <i>Elizabeth's Pie</i> | 5 <i>Autumn Tomato Soup</i> <i>Vineyard Game Hens</i> <i>Carrot Cake with Cream Cheese Icing</i> | 6 <i>Artichoke Soup</i> <i>Quiche Epinard</i> <i>Banderas Cake</i> | 7 <i>Canton Consomme</i> <i>Green Pepper Steak</i> <i>Torte L'Orange</i> | 8 <i>Cream of Potato Soup</i> <i>Island Chicken</i> <i>Kona Pie with Rum Raisin Sauce</i> |
| Weekly Entrée Salad - Caesar with Grilled Chicken | | | SUGARDADDY'S | |
| 11 <i>Cream of Spinach Soup</i> <i>Colorado Quiche</i> <i>Raspberry Tart</i> | 12 <i>Spicy Tomato Consomme</i> <i>Chicken Marsala</i> <i>Carmel Pecan Cheesecake</i> | 13 <i>Cream of Celery Soup</i> <i>Jalapeno Game Hens</i> <i>Acapulco Cake</i> | 14 <i>English Pea Soup</i> <i>Lemon Chicken</i> <i>Apricot Torte</i> | 15 <i>Cream of Broccoli Soup</i> <i>Pork Tehachapi</i> <i>Gingerbread with Lemon Sauce</i> |
| Weekly Entrée Salad - Cobb | | | PARADISE | |
| 18 <i>Cock-a-Leekie Soup</i> <i>Chicken Florentine</i> <i>Lemon Melba</i> | 19 <i>Cream of Cauliflower Soup</i> <i>Brandied Pork</i> <i>Ann's Apple Cake</i> | 20 <i>Potage Therese</i> <i>Chicken Marbella</i> <i>Lemon Glazed Cheesecake</i> | 21 <i>Cream of Corn Soup</i> <i>Quiche Jardiniere</i> <i>Brownie Mint Torte</i> | 22 <i>Fresh Pea Soup</i> <i>Fruited Pork Loin</i> <i>Coconut Apple Pie</i> |
| Weekly Entrée Salad - Chicken Curry | | | CHRISTINE'S | |
| 25 <i>Albondigas Soup</i> <i>Enchiladas ala Suisse</i> <i>Chocolate Coffee Torte</i> | 26 <i>Winemaker Soup</i> <i>Game Hens Italiano</i> <i>Butterfinger Pie</i> | 27 <i>Leek & Onion Soup</i> <i>Chicken Canneloni</i> <i>Luscious Lemon Pie</i> | 28 <i>Cream of Zucchini Soup</i> <i>Viennese Pork</i> <i>Bavarian Apple Tart</i> | 29 <i>Bloody Witches Brew</i> <i>Devilish Chicken</i> <i>Graveyard Cheesecake</i> Boo!!! |
| Weekly Entrée Salad - Greek Chicken | | | VICTORIA'S | |

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the needs of a seriously behavior-disordered child, while a Level 8 home would be limited to children with milder symptoms. The level is determined by the licensing agency, which has strict criteria for staffing, training, services, treatment and other requirements.

Children living in group homes have special and unique needs. They are usually in a group home because they did not succeed in at least one and often multiple foster care placements. There is often a history of family instability, abuse, poor school performance, truancy or involvement in the criminal justice system. These are often children who exhibit poor judgment, moderate to severe behavioral problems, emotional instability and impaired social skills. The problems are chronic and the child is often known to multiple agencies.

As the number of children in group homes grows, the need for mental health services expands as well. As a county-contracted provider, the Child Guidance Clinic is responsible for providing mental health services to children living in group homes within our geographic service areas. Therapists and case managers provide a range of services at the Clinic, at schools and at group homes. Because the needs of these children are often more intense, Clinic staff regularly provide outreach services on Saturday by scheduling group home visits to check on clients and provide services as needed.

Because these children are often involved with multiple agencies, the most effective interventions are a multi-team approach. Clinic staff work closely with the Department of Human Services, the Probation Department, group homes, schools and the families to develop a collaborative and individualized treatment plan to best meet the needs of the child. By working together to address all facets of the child's environment, the team is able to provide consistency in working toward successful treatment outcomes.

FROM OUR HOUSE TO YOURS

Cooking Classes at Guild House

PUMPKIN PATCH/CRANBERRY BOGS
Wednesday, October 20 • 6 p.m. • \$40.00

October and Halloween mean pumpkins. Let us show you that pumpkins are for more than just carving and cranberries are for more than relish.

Class begins with a delicious Pumpkin Soup.

We will also be preparing a Roast Pork Loin with Cranberry Glaze and a warm Cranberry Upside Down Cake, to name a few.

Mark your calendars...
Back by popular demand with all new recipes and ideas:

APPETIZERS & GIFTS FOR THE HOLIDAYS
Tuesday, November 9 • 6 P.M. • \$45.00 or
Wednesday, November 10 • 6 P.M. • \$45.00

To make the hectic holidays calmer, with more time for family and friends, do a little early work. This class will focus on beautiful, delicious and easy appetizers and gifts. Menu TBA.

SOUP, CHILI & BREAD
Wednesday, January 12 • 6 P.M. • \$40.00

To take the chill out of the foggy Bakersfield evenings, soups, chilies and bread are the perfect fare. Soups can play a supporting role or be the start as the main dish. Menu TBA.

Call Guild House at 325-5478 to register for your favorite class or for more information about these classes and other special events.



North Bakersfield team attends a groundbreaking of their new office at 2001 North Chester Avenue

PRESIDENT'S AWARDS



Lynn Finley was the May recipient of the President's Award.



Toni Ross (above) and Sharon Cox (below) received the President's Award in July.



Connie Ivy was awarded the President's Award in August.



SERVICE AWARDS



Top: 5 years of service: Allison Smith-Bambourg, Jennifer Zuffinetti, Connie Ivy, Pat Edgerle, Penny Riley, Shelly Meadows, Lupe Ramirez. Bottom Left: Greg McCall - 10 years of service, Lupe Reyes - 5 years of service. Bottom right: Brenda Weston - 20 years of service, Sharon Cox - 25 years of service.

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The Henrietta Weill Memorial Child Guidance Clinic provides the services and resources necessary to prevent and treat emotional and behavioral problems for Kern County children and their families.



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