



As a teacher, a parent, or a child care worker, we encounter all types of behaviors. Many times we become frustrated with the disrespect, anger and hatred we see some children display and have little understanding as to why they behave that way. One Child Guidance clinician explains these feelings as follows:

HATE ME
KNOW ME
RESPECT ME
...and the list goes on

Our Poetic Child

By: Karen Ice-Crawford, MFT

You hate me because I'm a brat
I have a knack for pushing buttons

You hate me because I'm mean
I hit, kick, curse and spit

You hate me because I'm rude
I sigh, shrug and roll my eyes

You hate what you see
You loathe who you think I am
You hate me because
...and the list goes on

You will learn that I'm a brat
Because I have to protect myself

You will learn that I'm mean
Because I have to survive in my world of chaos

You will learn that I'm rude
Because I have to guard myself

You will learn that what you see
Is not the "real" me
You will learn
...and the list goes on

You will respect that I have
Bounced from home to home
Never knowing where I'll land

You will respect that
I have been hurt
Physically, emotionally,
spiritually, and more

You will respect that I have lived
thus far, trusting only me
Wondering why no one wants
me, cares for me, and why they
make me leave

You will respect that I'm not
really who you think I am
I'm just a kid, making sense the
only way I know how
You will respect
...and the list goes on

President's Message

In a climate of financial uncertainty, we begin the new fiscal year optimistically. We have a new slate of officers to support Clinic staff during what will be a very challenging year. Despite legislators agreeing on a state budget, the stability of funding for the public mental health system continues to be a concern. Additionally, the human resources shortage continues to impact the Clinic as well as other agencies throughout the state.

Our challenge is to continue to offer families in our community the best services possible with limited financial resources. Early intervention is critical. We need to continue to make certain that families can access mental health services easily and quickly and to remove any barriers that prevent them from doing so. The major barrier is the stigma often associated with seeking professional help for emotional problems. We have a responsibility to educate the community that recognizing the need for help is a strength and not a weakness. Another barrier is the lack of insurance coverage for mental health services. Community support is critically important so that uninsured children can receive the mental health services they so desperately need.

On behalf of our Board of Directors, I would like to publicly express my appreciation to Clinic management and staff for making certain that we continue to provide quality services to our community's children given the fiscal challenges and barriers we have faced. I would also like to thank the individuals and organizations in our community who have continued to support our work.



Denise L. Kooren,
President

Staff Service Award Recipients



The Clinic is fortunate to have a committed and hard working group of employees who continually provide quality services each year. In appreciation for their service, the Clinic recognized staff who completed five and ten-years of employment.



Staff service award recipients:

Linda Maxwell and Jeff Bryant (top), and **Bev Harris, Robin Summerfruit, Gina Shields, Ermelinda Morales, Paula Abbott, Cindy Sanchez** and **Kevin Earnest**, (right).



NEW EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS



Robert Mejia, Jess Molinar, Blake Smith, Tom Spencer and Denise Kooren.

SOFTWARE UPGRADE

In 1998, the Clinic completed a major computer upgrade project that placed computers at every work-station in the agency. After four years, we outgrew the capacity of the original software. In addition, Microsoft no longer supports the Office97 suite. It was determined that it was time for the Clinic to upgrade our software to provide a much more efficient means of processing information.

As a result of grant funding provided by the Harry and Ethel West Foundation, the Ben H. and Gladys Arkelian Foundation and Guild House, the Clinic was able to purchase Office XP Professional software for all employee workstations. The new software enables Clinic staff to have the most current versions of programs such as Microsoft Office, Word, Excel and Publisher.

We are very fortunate during these difficult economic times for the support we received from these organizations to increase our technical efficiency and to ultimately better serve the children of our community.

AWARDS OF APPRECIATION



Scott Perlman



Mary Middleton



Marguerite Pulley



Theresa Jones

Denise Kooren presents award to Guild House President, **Theresa Jones**, (above).

Outgoing board members receiving service awards from Board President, Denise Kooren were **Scott Perlman, Mary Middleton** and **Marguerite Pulley**.

Weill Child Guidance Foundation Holiday Cards

The Weill Child Guidance Foundation is selling greeting cards featuring artwork by local children just in time for the holidays. Funds derived from the card sale support the work of the Henrietta Weill Memorial Child Guidance Clinic.

Each box of ten cards and envelopes contains two copies each of five different designs at a cost of \$15.00 per box. You may choose cards with either of the following messages: "Season's Greetings" or "Merry Christmas," or you may select cards with no message.



October 2002



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.

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

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Advanced reservations are requested but not required.

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CHILD
HENRIETTA WEILL MEMORIAL
GUIDANCE CLINIC

To help a troubled child find a future

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	1 <i>French Onion Soup Chicken Marsala Carmel Delight</i>	2 <i>Corn Chowder Pepper Steak Almond Joy Tart</i>	3 <i>Sherried Mushroom Soup Curried Chicken Crepes Lemon Ice Cream Melba</i>	4 <i>Artichoke Soup Rosemary Chicken Apricot Torte</i>
Weekly Entrée Salad - Citrus Chicken Salad			VICTORIA'S	
7 <i>Mushroom Consomme Chicken Enchilada ala Suisse Frosty Lime Pie</i>	8 <i>Cream of Celery Soup Game Hens Teriyaki Chocolate Bread Pudding</i>	9 <i>Potage Choufleur Country Seasoned Chicken Chocolate Decadence</i>	10 <i>Cream of Broccoli Soup Viennese Pork Bavarian Apple Tart</i>	11 <i>Red Pepper Soup Crab Quiche Pistachio Cheesecake</i>
Weekly Entrée Salad - Sonoma Chicken Salad			CLASSY KNITS	
14 <i>Cream of Lettuce Apricot Chicken Kona Pie</i>	15 <i>Winemaker Soup Pork Tebachapi Old Lace Cheesecake</i>	16 <i>Zesty Tomato Soup Swedish Meat Balls Lovely Lemon Pie</i>	17 <i>Cream of Zucchini Game Hens L'Orange Chocolate Coffee Torte</i>	18 <i>Mexican Chicken Broth Fiesta Chicken Acapulco Cake</i>
Weekly Entrée Salad - Valley Chicken Salad			PAPPAGALLO	
21 <i>Zesty Carrot Soup Beef Stroganoff Chocolate Imperial</i>	22 <i>English Pea Soup Pescado Del Mar Sour Cream Apple Pie</i>	23 <i>Autumn Tomato Soup Quiche Lorraine French Chocolate Cake</i>	24 <i>Sopa de Calabasas Vineyard Game Hens Lemon Glazed Cheesecake</i>	25 <i>Zuppa D' Aglio Pollo Italiano Italian Cream Cake</i>
Weekly Entrée Salad - Albacore Waldorf Salad			DREAMS	
28 <i>Cream of Peanut Brandied Pork Pumpkin Bread Pudding</i>	29 <i>Tomato Madrilene Beef Carbonnades Apple Cake w/Rum Sauce</i>	30 <i>Leek & Onion Soup Pollo Tuscany Pumpkin Pecan Pie</i>	31 <i>Bloody Mary Soup Ghoul's Delight Jack O' Lantern Cheesecake</i>	
Weekly Entree Salad - Caesar Salad w/Grilled Chicken			CHRISTINE'S	

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Mission Statement

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.

Delano Support Groups



One of the most difficult jobs is that of being a parent. How do you handle tough situations such as bad behavior, peer pressure and abuse? Who do you talk to when your child seems lost, depressed, angry or withdrawn? The Child Guidance Clinic began offering support groups in 1960 to help parents with these concerns. Groups enable the Clinic to serve a larger number of families and also provide a form a therapy that some families find more helpful.

The Clinic's Delano office offers a variety of support and education groups that help parents and guardians deal with problem situations. Parent Support Groups are offered every Monday from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. (Spanish) and Tuesday from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. (English). Parent Education Groups are offered on a weekly basis as well. A class for parents of children with Attention

Deficit Disorder is offered Mondays from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and Parent Education Classes are offered on Thursdays from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. These classes are in English and Spanish by appointment. The Delano Clinic also offers Teen Support Groups by appointment. (*Only the Parent Support Groups are open to the public at this time.*)

The Clinic recognizes the importance of a parent's role in a child's life and strives to help parents understand and deal appropriately with difficult situations. One of the difficulties parents often face when trying to attend these groups is finding someone to care for their children. A grant from the Kern County Community Foundation has enabled the Clinic to offer free child care services so that parents can attend these groups. This has helped to eliminate one of the major barriers that interfere with parents attending these valuable sessions.



New McFarland Office

The Child Guidance Clinic has relocated its McFarland office to Browning Road School at 410 E. Perkins Avenue. The Clinic shares a trailer at that site with the McFarland Healthy Start Program. The hours for counseling and groups will not change. We look forward to establishing a meaningful partnership with the Healthy Start Program that will enable us to better serve the children of McFarland.



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