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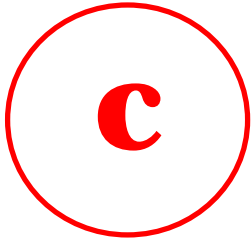
Child Abuse Network News



**Stop the hurt...
begin the healing**

Thank you to CAN's very own Tender Loving Clowns

By: Jennifer Marlar Frazee



Pictured: Tender Loving Clowns

Special Events:

- ✓ "Great Fall Fix-up"
The Market
➤ October 22, 2005
- ✓ CAN Film Festival
➤ November 6, 2005
- ✓ Trivia Night
➤ November 15, 2005

Tender Loving Clowns adhere to a busy schedule. Trained by Grace Hospice, the group visits nursing homes and hospitals in addition to livening up a plethora of charitable benefits. TLC has already contributed to ten *Make a Wish Foundation* events this year, as well as participating in *Race for the Cure*, and *Light the Night*, benefiting asthma. TLC clowns are also on hand for each of the Tulsa Zoo's annual festivities.

TLC's gentle and humorous performances, dedicated to touching the "inner child" of any audience, have made all of CAN's special events so much more delightful for the children and families we seek to help, as well as for our legions of supporters in the general public. CAN considers our partnership with Tender Loving Clowns as a great privilege, and we will never be able to thank them enough.

For more information on Tender Loving Clowns, go to www.tenderlovingclowns.com.



Of the innumerable individuals and organizations who so generously support the Child Abuse Network, one of the most dedicated and selfless is Tender Loving Clowns. TLC has donated immeasurable time, resources, and, certainly, the best talent in town to CAN events over the past five years.

Tender Loving Clowns was established in 2001, when Breezy the Clown recognized a need in the community to provide non-profits with the cathartic antics of professional clowns at no cost to the organizations. TLC clowns are specifically devoted to volunteerism to benefit charities without elaborate entertainment budgets. "We help in public relations and fundraising, making events more festive, splashier," says Breezy.

Breezy and the other professional clowns only work with novices who have the volunteer spirit, and are willing to give freely of their own time to the community. "We can teach the makeup, but not the heart."

TLC has particularly enjoyed their affiliation with the Child Abuse Network. The clowns' primary focus – to relate to "children of all ages," is a natural tie to CAN's child advocacy work. "We want to help in any way we can. It becomes a little bit of magic ...TLC clown Jehosephat said it best, that it's 'our gift we can give.'"



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From the Desk of The Executive Director

Numbed by Numbers



Barbara Findeiss

The Oklahoma Department of Human Services reported that in fiscal year 2004, 48,444 children were abused, 51 children died from abuse and another 42 children confirmed near deaths. I have a hard time comprehending these statistics. How about looking at these numbers differently - 136 abused children a day and one death per week. Does this make any difference?

Prevent Child Abuse America reports that child abuse costs the United States approximately \$94 billion per year in *direct* costs (including hospitalization, chronic health problems, mental health care, and child welfare, law enforcement and judicial systems) and *indirect* costs (special education, mental health care, juvenile delinquency, lost productivity, and adult criminality). That's \$94,000,000,000, or \$258,000,000 per day.

Last week Oprah declared war on child predators and just two days later, authorities, with information from her viewers, captured two of the men whom she had highlighted. This is good news considering that studies suggest that the "average" child molester abuses 117 children over his lifetime. We will never know how many children she helped save.

Obviously there is a big picture to child abuse in this country. However, I can not grasp the magnitude of the problem – it is so big that small efforts must not mean much, right? Just try to explain that to the little four year old boy who came to the Center this morning. Small efforts are what we specialize in everyday.

2005 CAN Services Statistics

April through June

New children served at CAN

Ages of these children were:

- 0-6 years 238
- 7-12 years 98
- 13-18 years 45
- Unknown 7

These children were seen for:

- Sexual Abuse 199
- Physical Abuse 161
- Witness to Violence 2
- Other 13
- Neglect 36

Heartfelt "Thanks" to the following individuals and organizations for their contributions: April 1, 2005 – June 30, 2005

Albertson's	CPCU Society - Ron Comeau -NE Chapter	Tracy and David Kyle	Ramon Rivera
Fred and Marilyn Allen	Pamela Cox	Pam and Carlos Langston	Karen Rose
Whitney and James Allen	Crow Delivery, Inc.	Deborah and Peter Lowen	John Russell
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		Heather E. Richetto-Rumley	Stephan and Deborah Zigo

** We apologize if we have mistakenly omitted your name. Please let us know.*

New Year, New Faces

The affairs of the Corporation are managed by the Board of Directors. CAN's fiscal year runs July 1 through June 30 with new directors elected to the board at the Annual Meeting in June. Regular Directors serve a three year term. Board meetings are held monthly and directors receive no compensation for their services. Board members are expected to attend all board and committee meetings as well as functions such as special events. Welcome to the newest members of the Child Abuse Network 2005-2006 Board of Directors.

- ◆ Tim Baker – Flemings's Prime Steakhouse and Wine Bar
- ◆ Keith Brender – Vanguard Car Rental USA, Inc.
- ◆ Frazier Henke – American Bank & Trust
- ◆ Daniel Wheeler – Plan Benefit Analysts of Tulsa
- ◆ Robert White – OK Financial Partners, ONB Bank & Trust Co.

We appreciate the commitment and service of Child Abuse Network's Board of Directors.

WISH LIST

CHILD ABUSE NETWORK, INC.
JUSTICE Center

The items listed below are suggestions from staff, and others who use the facilities at the Justice Center. If you would like to donate any of these items please contact us at 831-4550.

More detailed information available at CAN



- 50" Television
- Flat Screen Monitor for computer
- Information Signs
- Display Tablecloths
- Blank DVD –R Disks
- Polaroid Camera
- Easel Pad(s)
- Plain and Colored Paper for Copier
- Crayons & Coloring Books
- Puzzles (25 Piece Max)
- Disposable Diapers (Medium to Large Size)
- Snacks-Cracker Packages, Juice Boxes
- Plastic Cups/Coffee Cups
- US Postage 1st Class Stamps (rolls)
- Holiday Window Clings for Holiday Decorating
- Decorative Borders for all occasions for bulletin Boards
- School Supplies: Book Bags, Colored Pencils, Construction Paper, Crayons, Erasers, Glue sticks, Kleenex, Notebook Paper, Pens, Pencils



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Saturday, October 22, 2005

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