



Center Scenes

Newsletter of the Tammy Lynn Center for Developmental Disabilities

OUR MISSION

Tammy Lynn Center for Developmental Disabilities offers educational, residential, and family support services to children and adults with special needs. The Center's goal is to provide the individuals it serves the opportunity to maximize their abilities and potential in a loving and nurturing environment.

WHO WE ARE

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Tammy Lynn Begins Summer Camp Program

If you visited the Tammy Lynn Center this summer, you heard new sounds — the sounds of children running and yelling and playing. And that's a new and good thing.

There have always been too many summer camps to choose from for various activities — soccer, ballet, music, basketball, etc. — but very few that serve children with special needs. Our teachers saw an opportunity to provide a specially designed program for these children and their families.

In addition to offering a traditional summer special education and childcare program for

children with medically complex issues, we now serve children

program equipped with the skills to continue their educational progress.



Summer Campers and Staff enjoy a game of parachute ball at Field Day.

The response from the parents has been tremendous. "They want to know when they can sign up for next year," said Latoya Darden, Day Services Manager. "The fact that this program is inclusive of all children

with disabilities is very attractive to families."

with autism, children with Down syndrome, and children with behavioral issues in a summer camp setting. And in the midst of fun, play and arts and crafts, we mix educational activities. This way, the children are prepared to re-enter a school

As summer vacation comes to an end, we start preparing for the school year. But, we're already looking forward to next year's summer camp.



Tammy Lynn Golf Classic

A CHALLENGE AT THE CREEK

Monday, October 30, 2006
Brier Creek Country Club
10 am Shotgun Start
4 pm Awards Ceremony

For more information about sponsorship opportunities, please contact Lynne Wilkerson at (919) 832-3909 x 107 or via email at lwikerson@tammylynncenter.org.



Winners of the 2005 A Challenge at the Creek

l-r: Mike Miller (Wake County Public Schools), Dick Sears (Mayor, Town of Holly Springs), David Lazzo (ARCADIS & TLC Board Member), and Chet Van Fossen (Architect & Town Councillor, Holly Springs).



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From the President's Desk

The summer is quickly coming to an end, and I am reminded of how time passes so swiftly as we grow older. But I am also reminded of all the changes that have taken place over the course of a short year.

In January, we hired a new Development Director, Maria Hernandez. I am thrilled to have her be a part of our team. She began working immediately with the Board of Directors to make some significant changes to our fund raising efforts, and I am happy to say that we met with great success in achieving our charitable contributions goal.

In April, we hosted our 21st Annual *A Toast to the Triangle*™. We were faced with quite a challenge — hosting this event in a new venue with a staff that had never experienced the *Toast*™. Again, I'm pleased to say that it was a smashing success. Our staff and our dedicated volunteer committee worked diligently and competently to ensure the evening was as enjoyable as ever.

In May, we dedicated our new Adaptive Playground. Many thanks to Leadership Raleigh, Team 20, who raised over \$175,000 in contributions, in-kind donations, and labor to make this project possible. The new playground was built with children and adults with special needs in mind, providing a stimulating and instructional outdoor area for the children and families of Tammy Lynn.

We are looking forward to our first Blessing of the Animals Ceremony in October, as well as our annual golf tournament. We hope for great participation at both events and to make new friends along the way — perhaps, of the furry variety.

Thank you, as always, for your support and generosity. Your belief in our work inspires us daily to accomplish great things.

Warmest Regards,



About Tammy Lynn...

Located on a nine-acre campus near NC State's Centennial Campus in Raleigh, the Tammy Lynn Center for Developmental Disabilities offers educational, residential and family support services to over 350 children and adults with special needs.

The Tammy Lynn Center offers the following services and programs:

- **Early Intervention:** In-home therapy visits for children (ages 0—3 years) with, or at risk for, developmental disabilities and delays
- **Respite Care:** In-home relief for caregivers of those with developmental disabilities
- **Day Services:** Individualized special education, before/after-school childcare, and a summer program for children (3—21 years) with developmental disabilities
- **Residential Services:** On-campus housing with 24-hour care and specialized nursing for children and adults; an off-campus supervised living program for adults

Since its inception in 1969, the Tammy Lynn Center remains committed to providing the individuals it serves with the opportunity to maximize their abilities and potential in a loving, nurturing environment.

For more information, or to take a tour of the campus, please contact Maria Hernandez at (919) 832-3909 ext. 101 or via email at mhernandez@tammylynncenter.org.



David & his family are one of the many families served by the Tammy Lynn Center.

Business Owner Shares Time & Talent

Drew Robison has long been active in his local community. He has shared his talents and those of his staff at *BP Studios* (bpstudios.com) with many non-profits in the Triangle to design websites and marketing materials. So, when Randy Davies invited him to tour the Tammy Lynn Center, Drew wasn't sure it would be a good idea. "I was already stretching myself too thin."

But, after touring the Center and meeting the staff, students, and residents, Drew knew he couldn't do anything else but get involved. "My heart felt the desire to do something immediately."

Drew engaged *BP Studios* in helping to design the website and marketing materials for the 2003 *A Toast to the Triangle*™. Drew and his staff also were instrumental in the design and launch of the new branding

campaign, which included a custom *Toast*™ logo – the *Toast* Girl.

With this new *Toast* look, *BP Studios* began working with the development staff to design a whole new marketing campaign. From retooling the website to a sleeker look for the sponsorship brochures and event guide, the campaign was aimed at connecting with fine dining establishments and the people who enjoy them.

After launching this new campaign, Drew continued to look for ways to be involved with Tammy Lynn. "I am blessed to have a very talented staff and the ability for us to apply our gifts towards such a wonderful cause."

Drew and his staff continued to improve upon the *Toast* materials and to find ways to make the website more user-friendly



Drew Robison takes time out to share his thoughts on volunteering his time with the Tammy Lynn Center.

Drew continues to be a strong supporter of Tammy Lynn. He and his staff at *BP Studios* have brought much flair and creativity to *A Toast to the Triangle* and have been invaluable resources for the Tammy Lynn staff in finding ways to use our website to engage donors more. All the amazing things that have happened are proof that letting your heart stretch a little more is a very good thing.

to donors. He also developed a system for purchasing tickets online that would help facilitate ticket-processing at the *Toast* event. "Being able to create a process and see it put into action gives me a real sense of satisfaction."

Youth and Corporate Groups Volunteer Time on Campus

Finding ways to bring the community to the Tammy Lynn Center has always been a priority. When church youth groups, civic organizations, high schools and businesses call, we welcome them with open arms.

Over the last several months, the Tammy Lynn Center has been visited by several different groups who engage in various activities on our campus ranging from helping with yardwork to spending time with our summer campers at Field Day to spending one-on-one time with our residents.

Thank you to the following groups who have recently come to share their time and talents with the Tammy Lynn Center:



Youth from the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints visit the Tammy Lynn Center for their community service project.

- Apex Baptist Church Youth Group
- Cardinal Gibbons High School

- Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
- Critters for Christ Pet Therapy Group
 - Greater Raleigh Emerald Society
 - LexisNexis
 - NCSU Campus Civitans
 - United Parcel Service
 - White Memorial Presbyterian Church

If you are interested in volunteering with your church, school, club, or business, or as an individual, please contact Lauren Talton at (919) 832-3909 ext. 108 or via email at ltalton@tammylynncenter.org.



10th Annual Inside-Out Sports Classic

Sunday, October 22, 2006
 Half Marathon: 7:30 am
 10K: 7:45 am

To register online, go to www.insideoutsports.com

To volunteer to help at the race, please contact Lauren Talton at (919) 832-3909 x 108 or via email at ltalton@tammylynncenter.org.

2006 Toast was a Success

The 21st Annual *A Toast to the Triangle™* was held on Sunday, April 2, 2006, at the Triangle Town Center. Over 1,300 people turned out to support the Tammy Lynn Memorial Foundation and the children and families of the Tammy Lynn Center for Developmental Disabilities. The *Toast™* raised approximately \$175,000.

Thank you to all the individuals, businesses, restaurants, and beverage purveyors that helped make this year's *Toast* one the most successful ever. Here's to next year!!!



*Thank You
so much to all
the volunteers
— more than we
can possibly name
here — who gave
of their time and
talents to make
this year's A Toast
to the Triangle™
a huge success!*

*We could not
have done it
without you!*

Participating Restaurants and Beverage Purveyors

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Thank you to everyone who attended this year's event.

We appreciate your support!

Details for the 22nd Annual A Toast to the Triangle™ coming soon...

Food Competition Winners

People's Choice Award
• The Peak City Grill & Bar



Best Entree
• Wild Orchid



Best Ethnic
• Bombay Grille



Best Dessert
• Victoria's Sweets



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• Local gourmand
- Becky Christian**
• Ret. Sr. VP, Wake Medical, food writer and newspaper columnist
- Mark Horney**
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• President of the Greater Raleigh Chamber of Commerce

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• Published columnist, independent caterer and floral designer



(l-r) Harvey Schmitt, Winnie Bolton, Stacy-Lynn Waddell, Becky Christian, and Mark Horney sample food from all the Toast restaurants to determine the night's winning dishes.

Special Guests

- United States Congress**
- Senator Richard Burr
- Senator Elizabeth Dole's representative
- Congressman Brad Miller
- Congressman David Price



Senator Richard Burr & his wife, Brooke, with Ann & David White (TLC Board).

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- Ms. Joyce Kekas
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Jan Powell & Councilwoman Joyce Kekas

Cary Couple Give from the Heart

Steve Zaytoun was introduced to the Tammy Lynn Center by former board member, Tommy West. Sue Zaytoun came to visit the Center when it first opened as a student at Meredith. So their ties to Tammy Lynn go back quite a ways.

Steve began to service the Center's health and benefits program for Tammy Lynn employees through his business, Zaytoun & Associates, Inc. always looking for the best plan possible.

They have been long-time supporters of *A Toast to the Triangle™*, both personally and professionally. "It's a great event," said Steve. "It's a perfect combination of supporting a very worthy organization and patronizing some of my favorite restaurants. We look forward to it every year."

Steve and Sue recently toured the Center, and both agree it was a profound experience.



Steve and Sue Zaytoun are long-time supporters of the Tammy Lynn Center.

"Both of our children are very healthy and happy. What a miracle," said Sue. "But what a miracle this place is, too."

Steve and Sue were impressed by the wide array of services provided here. "The Tammy Lynn Center provides the opportunity for a parent to be a parent, not always just a caregiver," said Sue. "Everybody experiences a good quality of life."

"I have always known that amazing things were happening here," said Steve, "but it took seeing with my own eyes to know that everybody should have an attitude

of caring for all people."

Both Sue and Steve have relatives who have developmental disabilities, so they understand the need for a place like ours. "Where would these children and adults be without the Tammy Lynn Center?" asked Steve. "It's up to us and the community to ensure that Tammy Lynn is always here."

And the Zaytouns are doing their part to make sure the Tammy Lynn Center has the resources to continue providing quality and compassionate care to the children and families — they have pledged \$25,000 over 5 years. "We invite others to join us as financial supporters of Tammy Lynn," said Steve. "Why would you not?"

Others who go the extra mile...

Greater Raleigh Emerald Society — \$5,000

AIA Winter Social Silent Auction - — \$4,935

Knights of Columbus — \$3181.77

AIA Triangle/ International Interior Design Association Golf Tournament — \$2,050



Mary Freeman accepts a check from Tony Dorminey, who is a member of the Progress Energy Fossil Generation Department.

Piedmont Classic Chevy Club — \$1,000

Progress Energy Fossil Generation Department Children's Charity Invitational — \$3,000

Raleigh Spring Premier Benefit Horse Show — \$2,000

Doug Muhle's MuhleFest Benefit — \$10,000

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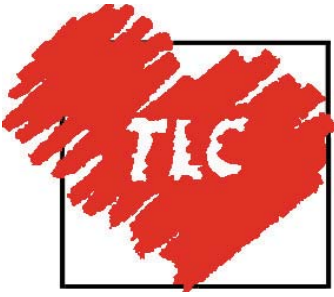
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Tammy Lynn Center Hosts Blessing of the Animals Ceremony

On Sunday, October 8th, people may notice the traffic flow on Chappell Drive a little heavier—and the passengers in the car more of the furry variety.

At the 1st Annual Blessing of the Animals, we expect a procession of animals, everything from dogs and cats to hamsters and horses.

This custom is conducted in remembrance of St. Francis of Assisi's love for all creatures. And

it has come to have significant meaning to people who are fortunate enough to have the love and companionship of an animal friend.



Rebekah and Grits the Dog enjoy each other's company. Grits, one of the pet therapy dogs who comes to visit the Center, blesses our lives with each visit. We can't wait to return the favor.

Most of us can remember a time when a pet brought us joy or comfort. A dog greeting you at the door with unbounding happiness makes a hard day at the office seem trivial.

Pets do not judge or hold grudges. They simply love and want to be loved. That pure friendship they give so freely is something that should be revered and respected.

On this day, we want to give people the opportunity to have their animal companions receive a special blessing in a setting where we recognize every day is a miracle. We hope you'll join us.

So, please, mark your calendars:

**Blessing of the Animals
Tammy Lynn Center
Sunday, October 8, 2006
2:30 pm
739 Chappell Drive
Raleigh, NC 27606**

NO RSVP NECESSARY!

For more information or to get involved, please contact Maria Hernandez at (919) 832-3909 x 101 or via email at mhernandez@tammylynncenter.org.