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Maggie's Story



Foster Parents Give Thanks

Tammy and John Schneidewind recently hosted an appreciation lunch at Family Resource Center to celebrate the adoption of their foster son, Jay. Jay is almost three years old and has been in the Schneidewind's care since he was 27 days old.

One week before Jay's adoption date, the Schneidewinds were astounded to learn that he needed immediate surgery on his spine and brain stem. Asked whether this gave them second thoughts about the adoption, they have a simple but eloquent response: "It was a no-brainer; he's our son." Jay now has a patch at the end of his spine to support brain tissue and he is responding well to physical therapy. He developed aseptic meningitis



"It was a no-brainer; he's our son."

a few weeks after the surgery and was rushed back to the hospital, but his long term prognosis is good: his growth should not be affected, and he should even be able to play sports.

The Schneidewinds began foster parenting four years ago when Tammy, a stay-at-home mother and grandmother, was driving past FRC and realized she wanted to take care of foster kids. She says, laughing, that she returned with John, "kicking and screaming." They have now fostered over 40 children. They both say they couldn't have done it without the assistance of Family Resource Center.



Greg Echele, Chief Executive Officer

DEAR FRIENDS,

Hero (hîr `ō) : 2. a person who, in the opinion of others, has heroic qualities or has performed a heroic act and is regarded as a model or ideal.

We all have them. Both my Dad and Mom were heroes in their own unique ways. After becoming the first college graduate in his family, and at the height of the Great Depression, Dad spent five years as a volunteer helping homeless, jobless and impoverished people by joining the Catholic Worker Movement of Dorothy Day. This theme of high ideals and service to others carried through his entire life of 97 years. Dad couldn't have done that without my second hero. Mom supported him through "thick and thin" by her wise and frugal use of our limited family income from Dad's work as a teacher. It was no accident my brother, sister and I had paying jobs by the time we were nine or ten.

Like my Mom and Dad, heroes don't set out to be heroes; they simply embrace life's challenges with integrity and grace. Last night, as I listened to the snow plow clear my street (and I pulled the covers tighter), I was reminded of the recent heroism of one of our foster care managers. On a cold and treacherous night just before Christmas,

she strapped two infant seats into her car, grabbed extra blankets, alerted a foster family to prepare baby bottles and cribs, and headed out into the blowing snow to bring two little children to warmth and safety.

Heroes are important role models also. Witness Marla, a college professor-turned-drug court mentor, who deftly guides her clients on the arduous path to drug-free and responsible adulthood (story on page 6).

And heroes are everywhere. In many ways, my Dad instilled my vision for social justice while Mom instilled my vision for frugality and financial responsibility. I've tried to follow both. But it's the heroes I work with everyday – a therapist with the patience of Job (see Maggie's story on page 4), a volunteer quietly arranging for hundreds of gifts to create a brighter holiday for children she doesn't know but loves, or a Board member who gives a day a week helping us raise funds so we can serve more kids – these are the folks who remind me why we do what we do. They challenge each of us to become a quiet hero by taking some kind of action, no matter how small, that changes the world around us.

If you're receiving this newsletter, you too are a hero – in my eyes and in the eyes of the children we serve. They may not know you personally, but they've experienced what "safer and healthier" feels like because someone – you – decided to help the world become a better place. Thank you.

With warmest regards,

Greg

FOSTER PARENTS GIVE THANKS

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John, a St. Louis City Firefighter, says it's essential that both husband and wife (and their biological children) agree with the decision to be a foster family. "It can't be one-sided. You need support from all sides." They recall feeling overwhelmed and unsure of themselves initially, but the staff at FRC provided excellent foster care training and the couple quickly bonded with other foster parents in their classes, learning from their experience and advice.

Ideally, John and Tammy would like to see their foster children reunited with their birth families, so they encourage the parents to do everything the court requires to regain custody of their children. "Bite your lip a lot, eat a lot of crow, and don't fight the courts,"

John advises them. "The longer you fight, the longer it will be before you get your child back." And how does he handle the bittersweet moment when a child returns to his or her birth parents? "You never get used to it," he says. "I cry after each kid leaves."

The Schneidewinds are proud of their son Jay's indomitable spirit. John says Jay's first wish after the surgery was to see the life-size Spider-Man in the playroom at Children's Hospital. As soon as they could safely move him, John wheeled him in a wagon, bandages, IV pole and all, through the hospital corridors. As the parents smile at the memory, it's clear they have found their very own superhero.



Members of FRC's foster care staff pose for a photo with the Schneidewinds



John and Jay spend a quiet moment together.

What does it take to be a foster parent?

One of our foster parents, a young, single woman, recalls being happily surprised that she met the requirements for fostering children. "I thought you had to be married and older," she says. "I was surprised to find out you could be single and young."

In Missouri you must be at least 21, be in good physical and mental health, have a stable income and have a permanent residence that meets licensing standards.

After an initial home visit you will be required to complete nine training sessions. The process goes quickly: the Schneidewinds recall that they had their first foster child within two weeks of completing the classes.

And then, says a foster mom, "you have to be comfortable with the unexpected and prepared to make quick decisions. When a child needs a home, you don't have a week to think it over!"

FRC Adds New Board Members

We are pleased to welcome Cindy Handy, Tina Shannon and Lina Young to FRC's Governance Board. Each of our new members brings a unique perspective, based on her life and work experiences, and it is that kind of diversity that enables FRC to serve the needs of children across the St. Louis community with such innovation and compassion.

Cindy Handy has been involved with FRC since 2007. She served as a committee member for the Gala Dinner and Auction, and she chaired the event in 2009. She has been on our Development Board for the past three years. She says she hopes to see FRC "build its name recognition with the donor community and also the local community." Cindy feels strongly that "FRC should be a first resource for information regarding child abuse and neglect."

Lina Young is Senior Vice President of Information Technology at Peabody Energy. Like Cindy, she began her involvement with FRC through her volunteer efforts for the Gala Dinner and Auction. She says she was amazed to learn of the number of families FRC serves, and the high quality of its services. In time she hopes to help FRC "grow financially so they can expand the critical services they provide to families in need."

Tina Shannon is the Lead Lobbyist for Ameren Missouri. This is Tina's first involvement with FRC, and she is looking forward to helping our children and families by using the skills she gained in her work with the Missouri legislature. She is enthusiastic about "the great work Family Resource Center does" and says, "I was always told that it takes a village to raise a child, but I believe it also takes caring people to make our families and communities better!"

THE DAY MAGGIE TALKED

We're going to begin by telling you the end of Maggie's story because, very simply, for Maggie the end is just the beginning.

The day Maggie graduated from our therapeutic preschool, she was talking and laughing.

She could finally tell us where she hurt, and why. She could tell us she needed a hug. She carried a bear in one hand, her dark eyes were dancing, and she ran straight into the welcoming arms of her great aunt. This was the end of her time with us, but it was a wonderful beginning for Maggie.

"Let Maggie talk today ... please ... Let today be the day Maggie talks. "

You see, for days and months Maggie's therapist said a silent prayer as she entered FRC each morning: Let Maggie talk today....please.... Let today be the day Maggie talks!

Maggie had been abused repeatedly, beginning when she was two years old. Her mother moved from place to place, living with one man after another, and each had had his way with Maggie. When she arrived at our preschool, her body was lacerated and bruised and she had stopped talking. Why talk when no one is listening?

Our therapists often use Play Therapy to connect with seriously traumatized children like Maggie, but this time their efforts seemed fruitless. Day after day she was led into a room filled with

Keeping kids like Maggie safe.



toys but she didn't know how to play with them. Hadn't she been everyone's toy? She was expendable and so were the toys, so she tore them apart and threw them. And all the while she was speechless. Maggie's therapists knew she was terribly hurt physically and emotionally, but her stony silence and her impassive face locked them out.

Then, one day, out of the blue, Maggie sat down among the toys, and started talking. She took two dolls and acted out the details of her abuse, and she began to explore and deal with the awful things that had happened to her. And the therapist who had prayed for the day that Maggie would speak said softly, "Never again, Maggie, never again."

That day marked the beginning.

PLAY THERAPY

We work with kids 3, 4 and 5 years old, and the horrific things that have happened to them are often beyond their ability to describe. Play Therapy provides a way for these children to demonstrate what they themselves cannot put into words.

In Play Therapy, the therapist uses toys, puppets, dolls and role playing to allow a child who has experienced extreme neglect, sexual or physical abuse, or chronic illness or death to describe and begin to deal with their trauma.

Courtney Schaefer, a Registered Play Therapist in private practice, recently joined FRC on a part-time basis. She specializes in toddlers who have attachment issues due to severe neglect. She says that Play Therapy allows the child a safe and nurturing environment where even the most troubling issues can be addressed. She likes to use simple but comforting supplies, like cotton balls, lotion, blankets, and bubbles. And, she says, activities always include feeding,"because feeding is the ultimate in nurture."

MENTOR BRINGS EXCEPTIONAL TALENTS TO JOB

Marla, an FRC drug court mentor, was intrigued by the phone call from her former client. She hadn't heard from Tanya in two years, so she was pleased to learn that she was engaged and would graduate from college in May. But Tanya admitted sheepishly that she had an ulterior motive for calling. She was writing a paper for an American Literature class on Edward Albee's play, "Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf," and she was stumped. Could her former mentor help? Marla was very familiar with the story: a sorry tale about alcoholism and verbal and physical abuse. "Tanya, you were just like that woman," she responded. "Write about your own journey and how you found your voice!"

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Four years ago, Tanya had been one of Marla's first clients, and Marla smiles as she recalls that learning experience. "Whatever Tanya thought she could do, I thought she could do! We learned together. She wanted a house in a safe drug-free neighborhood and I said we'll get you a house. She wanted to go to college, and I wrote the letters to get her in. We rode the bus together to Tanya's rehab sessions when my car wouldn't run. She accepted my criticism and she accepted my praise – and she's been sober ever since."

Marla's own unique journey contributes to her success as a mentor. She earned a doctoral degree, traveled abroad, worked as a journalist, and taught college – but all the while she struggled with other people's

expectations for her. It was only when she found her own voice that she realized she was happiest helping others. She says she gets more job satisfaction from drug court mentoring than from all of her previous professions.

She continues to be amazed by the transformation she sees in the young women in her charge. She says they come in angry and resentful of the drug court's intrusion in their lives, and then gradually learn to take control of their own future – because they want to, not because of a judge's order. "I can't count the number of times I've heard clients say, 'Why the hell am I here? I don't want to deal with you!' and then they realize they can do it."

Marla sticks to her clients like glue through every rise and fall in their struggle to overcome addiction, and she maintains contact with them long after they leave the court's supervision. "I'm the first one to cheer them on," she says, "so they continue to call me when they take positive steps in their lives." And, when it comes to getting help with class assignments, it doesn't hurt at all that your drug court mentor was a college professor!



DRUG COURT COMMISSIONER RELIES ON FRC MENTORS

Drug Court Commissioner Michael W. Noble spoke to FRC's Advocacy Board recently about his work with the drug courts and, specifically, about his reliance on the drug court mentors of Family Resource Center. "We'd be lost without them," he says.

FRC offers mentoring through its Missouri Mentoring Program, which has three components: drug court mentoring, employment mentoring, and mentoring for teen parents.

The individuals who appear before the drug court are nonviolent criminals, and the goal is to have them successfully complete the court's treatment program in nine months. Therapists and mentors, working as a team, assist with housing, child support and transportation, parenting classes and job training. Mr. Noble estimates that it costs \$16,000 to put someone in jail, but only \$6,000 to provide them with treatment.

Mr. Noble depends on FRC's mentors to support the mothers in Family Drug Court so



FRC Mentoring Program Coordinator Sue Clauss and Drug Court Commissioner Michael W. Noble

that they can be reunited with their children. The results are impressive: clients with mentors have a 2-1 success rate over those who don't receive mentoring. Mentors are able to bond with mothers and "flush out what the problem is," he says. "They can find a better solution than I can."

Mr. Noble notes that Family Resource Center provides a central location for both parenting skills and therapy, the kind of one-stop shopping that he appreciates. **"I'd give FRC an A+," he says. "Every time I've relied on them I've had a good return."**

STEVE GOLDSTEIN LEAVES GOVERNANCE BOARD . . . BUT HIS HEART REMAINS WITH FRC

Steve Goldstein is leaving FRC's Governance Board, after six years of outstanding leadership and passionate concern for our clients. He wore many hats during his tenure (President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer), and he was unstinting in his commitment to those roles. He will continue to serve on FRC's Advocacy Board.

Steve has been a friend of Family Resource Center since 1992, and we have come to rely, not only on his excellent legal experience and financial knowledge, but also on his candor. Steve has never been afraid to ask questions or challenge assumptions in order to accomplish the best results for our clients. He has been particularly appreciative of our hardworking staff, and shows a keen awareness of the challenges they face as the heart of FRC's efforts to make children safer.



Greg Echele, Molly, Steve, and Julia Goldstein and Laura Staley at the 2010 Love Grows Here Gala.

Steve's wife, Laura, and daughters, Molly and Julia, share his devotion to our kids and together they spearheaded *Shop for a Teen Angel* this past year.

Steve was the 2010 recipient of the Herman T. and Phenie R. Pott Child Advocacy Award. We are grateful for the place FRC holds in his heart and his life.

FRC AND THE BROWN SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK COLLABORATE ON RESEARCH INTO EVIDENCE BASED PRACTICE

Paul Lanier, a Ph.D. candidate in the Brown School of Social Work at Washington University in St. Louis, has presented some preliminary findings on his research into the effectiveness of Evidence Based Practices (EBP) in improving clinical outcomes for two of Family Resource Center's programs: *Parent Child Interaction Therapy (PCIT)* and *Parenting Wisely*. More than 500 parents participated in the research. Dawn Swinger, Family Treatment Manager, and Dr. Joan Benz, FRC's Family Treatment Coordinator, helped orchestrate the three year study, in which standardized measures of change were used at the beginning, midpoint, and end of treatment.

Mr. Lanier's research mentor at Washington University, Dr. Brett Drake, describes the collaborative effort with FRC as a "rare bird" and a critical link in the effort to take practices developed in a university setting and bring them to real life. His hope is that it will help to infuse Evidence Based Practice into the child welfare system in Missouri.

Family Resource Center has been a pioneer in the use of EBP, and CEO Greg Echele's goal is to transform the agency from one that is clinically well-respected and experience-based to one where the majority of its services are grounded in and strengthened by EBPs. This should mean that FRC client parents and children will achieve the best possible clinical outcomes.

Parent-Child Interaction Therapy was developed for families with young children experiencing behavioral and emotional

problems. It utilizes a team approach to teach parents very specific skills for increasing their child's pro-social behavior and decreasing negative behavior. Parents who completed *PCIT* showed statistically and clinically significant improvements in reduced parenting stress, improved mental health and overall parental functioning, as well as in their child's behavior problems. These improvements were found to be consistent, regardless of race, age, family income or referral sources. *PCIT* was equally effective whether provided in the family home or in the FRC office.

Parenting Wisely consists of a series of group or individual sessions designed to help parents better understand child development and acquire a range of new skills in order to become stronger, more nurturing and effective parents. Parents who completed *Parenting Wisely* showed an improvement of 25% in post-treatment vs. pre-treatment test scores. Parent satisfaction surveys highlighted improved communication with children as well as decreased use of physical discipline.

Mr. Lanier's next step will be to link information on this research to Missouri's child welfare data to determine whether the evidence based practices used by FRC had an impact, not only on strengthening parent knowledge, skills and satisfaction, but on preventing child maltreatment over time. He hopes to complete his research in summer 2011.

DAY TREATMENT PROGRAM BEGINS HIGHSCOPE CURRICULUM

For 36 years, the Therapeutic Day Treatment Program has formed the cornerstone of Family Resource Center's efforts to heal abused and neglected children.

Currently the program has fourteen 3 – 5 year-old children, of whom 6 are in foster care, 2 are in the care of relatives while the parents are incarcerated, 7 have been exposed to documented domestic violence, 5 have experienced homelessness, 7 were expelled previously from other preschools, and one, a four-year-old, is watching his 5 year-old brother die of brain cancer. Program Manager Aaron Daugherty notes that many of the children have experienced two or more of these traumatic circumstances in their young lives, and they carry with them the resulting sadness, confusion, anger and aggression.

The staff of the day treatment program is faced with two real challenges. First, licensed therapists help the children process their pain and trauma so they can begin to recover. Then teachers work to meet the academic needs of the children so they can eventually be mainstreamed into other schools. To improve the integration of both emotional and academic needs, the preschool is in the process of implementing the HighScope curriculum, a program funded in part by a grant from the PNC Foundation.



The HighScope curriculum is a comprehensive system in which teachers and children are active partners in the learning process. 40 years of research into the effectiveness of the curriculum indicates that adults who participated in HighScope as children are 50% more likely to hold jobs, have higher earnings, avoid crime, and graduate from high school than adults from similar backgrounds who didn't participate in the curriculum during their childhood.

Mr. Daugherty hopes to expand FRC's day treatment program in the future to accommodate even more abused and neglected children. He noted that our investment in the program now will result in tremendous savings to taxpayers later - as much as \$12 saved for every \$1 invested - as we do our part towards creating healthy, productive and law-abiding adults.

DAY TREATMENT PROGRAM . . . BY THE NUMBERS

- 14 Children, 3-5 years old
- 6 Live in foster homes
- 2 Live with relatives while parents are incarcerated
- 7 Have witnessed domestic abuse
- 5 Have experienced homelessness
- 7 Have been expelled from other preschools for emotional/behavioral problems



Parenting Wisely Classes

The next session of FREE Parenting Wisely Classes begins March 7th. To sign up, please contact Rebecca Wittie, MSW, LCSW at 314.534.9350 ext 297.

When: March 7 - April 11 on Monday evenings from 5:30 to 7:30 pm

Where: Mid-County Library 7821 Maryland Avenue, St. Louis MO



Shop for a Teen Angel 2010

This year 86 teenagers received new clothing for the holiday season, thanks to Steve Goldstein, who headed up the program, and his daughters, Julia and Molly.

Children and teens in foster care receive only \$250 a year for clothing – a mere drop in the bucket when one considers the need for teenagers to have shoes, coats, and something just a little bit trendy. When you factor in teenage growth spurts, the dollar amount is woefully inadequate! Our donors “adopt” a teen and, armed with the teen’s sizes and some sense of his or her fashion likes and dislikes, provide an outfit.

This year, donors came with big shopping bags and a great sense of fashion – in fact, some donors were very creative in their method of collecting clothing! Several work places held clothing drives, holiday party guests brought more clothing, and a Bunco Group outfitted a number of teens. In addition, individual donors gave generously.

If you would like to provide clothing for a teen in foster care in 2011, please call Tina Nelson at 314.534.9350.



700 CHILDREN EXPERIENCE HOLIDAY MAGIC

Lions and tigers and bears, oh my – and not just any bears, but bears that glow when you squeeze their paws! During December, volunteers from QuikTrip (QT) transformed FRC’s training room into a holiday wonderland, overflowing with new toys and gifts.

Volunteers and donors, including Emerson White Rogers, QT, MICDS, Toys for Tots, AT&T, Keefe/Centric Group, SLU College of Pharmacy, Cepia LLC, Oakhill School, Suburban Journals Old Newsboys Day, and many others, worked magic so that our client parents, along with our case managers, therapists and mentors, could make the holidays special for almost 700 children.

This is the 17th year that FRC has been able to help families by providing gifts for the children in our programs. Tina Nelson, FRC’s Events Manager, has organized Shop for an Angel for six years and she says she is always amazed at the tremendous generosity of our community.

Our training room is bare now, but Tina is already making plans for the 2011 Shop for an Angel. If you would like to take part in the joy of giving, give her a call!

PS: We recently found two heartwarming notes in our mailbox:

“Thank you for providing our two year old foster son with gifts this holiday season. He loves the helicopter and building blocks and proudly remarks ‘I did it!’ when he builds a tall tower. Thank you for your generosity and for always putting the children first!”

“Thanks so very much for making Christmas possible for my son! I don’t have money, but at least I can show my gratitude with this card.”

2010 SHOP FOR AN ANGEL VOLUNTEERS



Students and parents from MICDS drop off a load of toys from the school-wide toy drive



QuikTrip Volunteers Olga Morales, Randy Cooper, and Corey Wilson



Volunteers from QuikTrip transformed FRC’s training room into a holiday wonderland for shopping



The Shop for an Angel store is ready for action

TRIVIA NIGHT A GREAT SUCCESS . . . AND LOTS OF FUN!

The FRC Young Professionals Board’s first annual Trivia Night on November 12 was a huge success. The questions were tough, but our participants were tougher! As true professionals, they deftly handled even the most obscure facts – all the while maintaining a steady banter and downing lots of good food.

The fun-filled night at the Richmond Heights Community Center raised almost \$4,300. It costs FRC about \$600 to help one child, so our Young Professionals have ensured that 7 more children will be touched by the skills and love of our staff. Thank you. And a special thank you to Goldstein & Pressman, P.C. for sponsoring a trivia round.

It’s not too soon to get your trivia team in tow for the second annual Trivia Night - watch for the date on our website!





Coping With Winter

Winter blahs got you down? You may be experiencing Seasonal Affective Disorder (SAD), a very real phenomenon that strikes during the gray winter months and leaves you feeling moody and tired. Children don't seem to experience SAD with the same intensity as adults, but they are keenly aware of their parents' moods and may exhibit similar behavior. And at this time of year, holiday festivities are past, and spring break seems a long time in coming. Here are some ideas to brighten your family's frame of mind:

- Start a new family tradition by celebrating President's day on February 21 (red, white and blue decor, and cherry pie, of course) or Mardi Gras on March 8 (go Cajun).
- Plan a special family night for the additional hour of sunlight you'll gain on March 13 when we switch to Daylight Saving Time. Try a Redbox movie and popcorn, or pull out one of the kids' new games.
- Get the whole family involved in making a treat for a homebound neighbor. The warm glow they'll experience will have them begging to do it again.
- Start some seeds in pots on a sunny windowsill, and begin planning a summer garden.
- Put out food for the cardinals and other birds that winter-over in St. Louis. Their gratitude will do wonders for your spirits.
- Family Resource Center is always in need of volunteers. Just call 314.534.9350.

And remember, spring dawns on March 21.

LOVE GROWS HERE GALA DINNER AND AUCTION

Saturday, April 30, 2011
The Four Seasons Hotel

Save the date for FRC's annual gala featuring auctions, dinner, and entertainment! It's the most elegant and exciting event of the year - you won't want to miss this one!

Sign up online at www.frcmo.org or call 314.534.9350.



2010 Loves Grows Here Gala at the Four Seasons Hotel

17TH ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

Monday, August 22, 2011
The Country Club of St. Albans

Tee off at one of the beautiful, world class golf courses at the Country Club of St. Albans! The golf tournament includes lunch, 18 holes of golf, and a dinner reception. Now accepting corporate sponsorships for the event.

For more information, contact Tina Nelson at 314.534.9350 or tnelson@frcmo.org.



April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month

What can you do to help prevent abuse? Subscribe to FRC's blog at www.frcmo.org/blog to learn more.

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