President’s Message

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Spring is associated with new beginnings. This Spring brings several positive changes for the Friends of the Crisis Nurseries!

In December, Roy Alexander retired and we welcomed Dr. David Baker as the new Chief Executive Officer of the Sacramento Children’s Home. David is often seen among the volunteers, getting his hands dirty, and jumping in whenever needed. He brings many years experience and a fresh perspective on the future of the Home. We are also blessed with a new 24-Hour Programs Director Annette Jumper. (See newsletter article)

In addition, members of the Los Amigos Auxiliary have joined under the Friends of the Crisis Nurseries' umbrella. We are excited about this partnership. The Los Amigos group will continue to hold social functions and continue on with their annual Bridge and Dominoes luncheons, continuing their support of the Crisis Nursery Program. Welcome Los Amigos!

This year the Friends have many opportunities for you to support the Crisis Nursery Program:

- Los Amigos annual Dominoes Luncheon on Wednesday, May 9th and the Bridge Luncheon on Wednesday, May 16th.

- Arden Arcade Rotary Open Golf Tournament on Monday, June 18th at Del Paso Country Club—Come play or volunteer!

In the fall, we will continue with our Gifting Grandmas Luncheon on October 17th, Community Partner Drop-In Days, and the Second Annual Art For Babies—TBD. Come attend, donate or volunteer with friends old and new.

Thank you for your continued support. The year ahead promises to be a fun-filled and exciting time!

Emily P. Browne
Friends of the Crisis Nurseries
President
2nd Annual Arden Arcade Open Golf Tournament

Come join us for a fun day of golf, dinner, auction, raffle and camaraderie. This annual event benefits the Sacramento Children’s Home Crisis Nursery Program as well as Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Sacramento and the Arden Arcade Rotary Foundation.

The highlight of the day is the “Dimple Drop” of 1200 numbered golf balls from a helicopter at the 18th hole. The ball at the bottom of the hole or closest to pin wins 1st Prize $5,000. Next 2 closest balls win 2nd Prize $1,000, 3rd Prize $500. The Friends’ Board Members are selling the Dimple Drop tickets (no on-line sales). They sell for $20 each or 5 for $100; need not be present to win.

Please contact a Friends of the Crisis Nurseries board member or Andrea Westberg, ajwestberg@comcast.net if you wish to purchase these tickets.

This event is our biggest fundraiser of the year and we need your help, especially with live and silent auction/raffle donations. No item is too big or too small. Information regarding the event, sponsorships, and auction donations may be found at www.kidshome.org/events. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us. We will be happy to pick up your donation.

Art For Babies

Art For Babies, an art show, sale and silent auction featuring 30 local artists, is set for Sunday, May 6, from 1 to 5 PM at Milagro Center, 6241 Fair Oaks Blvd, in Carmichael. Artists will be displaying their art for sale and each artist will donate 30% of any sale to benefit the Crisis Nurseries. In addition, each artist has donated one piece of art for the silent auction. The Milagro Center is a new venue in Carmichael and is a beautiful site for this event. Wine and hors d’oeuvres will be served and patrons will enjoy music provided by local high school students.

The participating artists include: Carol Bone, Sally White, Gina Viani, Rhonda Egan, Vicki Foote, Suzy Pierce, Sharon Gerber, Ann Ragland Bowns, Cherys Jenkins, Carolyn Junge, Bill Reed, Shannon Raney, Gary Harris, Carol Brown, Diane Horner, Peter Foucault, Sid & Donnie Wellman, Megan Howser, Roger Stephens, Linda Nunes, Phyllis Crane, Barbara Denby, Abby Hewitt, Ann Kerr, Pat McHugh, Gene Renda, Carolyn Schilling, Beth Smith, and Sachi Sugawara. Their art includes oils, water colors, silk, photography and jewelry.

Co-Chairs are Patti Gantenbein and Sue Bonk: “We are reviving a special event for the Nurseries—our last Art for Babies was in 2001 and we hope to make this an annual event for the art patrons in the Sacramento area and to raise funds for the North and South Nurseries. Past events have raised over $15,000 for the Nurseries and our goal is to reach that level and hopefully surpass it!”

Tickets are $30 per person and reservations can be made online at: www.kidshome.org/events.
Congratulations, Annette! Our New Director of 24-Hour Programs!

In May of 2018, Annette Jumper will be celebrating 33 years of service at the Sacramento Children’s Home. Starting off as a volunteer as she was working on her masters, she knew she wanted to work with kids but was still unsure in what capacity. Within 6 months of her volunteering, a job vacancy became available. She happily accepted her first position in the agency as a Residential Counselor. From there she was promoted to a Lead Residential Counselor, Cottage Supervisor. In 2007 she became the Residential Program Manager. In January, 2018 Annette became the Director of 24-Hour Programs, which will now include overseeing the Crisis Nurseries.

After nearly 33 years, Annette still enjoys what she is doing. She says, “What has kept me here is working with the kids. Talking and connecting with the kids, seeing them laugh, smile and just be children. I also work with really dedicated, committed people, people who are here for the best interest of the kids.”

As Annette embarks in this new role she is looking forward to having a broader influence in the needs of the agency as a whole. While the Crisis Nurseries have a lot of similarities to her Residential experience, she is eager to work closely with the Crisis Nursery team and continue to keep the best interests of the children we serve a priority.

“All In For Arden Arcade” Celebrity Poker Tournament

The Friends of the Crisis Nurseries again hosted the “All In For Arden Arcade Horse Power and Hold'em” poker tournament on Saturday, March 10, 2018 at Mercedes-Benz of Rocklin. This was a joint fundraiser with Arden Arcade Rotary and The First Tee of Greater Sacramento. The 2018 poker tournament was a sold-out success providing thousands of dollars for each of these worthy non-profit organizations.

A big thank-you to Emily Browne, Carole Jacoby, Sharon Wills and Maggie Cox who did a fantastic job with the silent auction and to our sponsors and players!

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