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Foundation for Teen Health

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Centering Pregnancy Holiday Party

The Foundation for Teen Health annual holiday party for the families enrolled in our Centering Pregnancy Program was held on December 16. Everyone had a wonderful time celebrating with our families. We want to thank Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, the Xi Alpha Omega Chapter and Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, the Lambda Omega Sigma Chapter for donating diaper bags filled with necessities such as diapers and baby wipes, and toys for every young woman attending. Exxon Mobil provided a delicious buffet lunch and one of our board members, Brian Raines graciously agreed to be Santa! The day of the party Santa had plenty of elves to help him including our social work staff, board members Phyllis Williams and Clarease Yates, Kathy Wells and Shawn Simmons from Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority. Santa passed out loads of gifts thanks to the generous support of Annie Beck, Doe Florsheim, Dr. Geri Woods, Clarease Yates, Marsha Braniff, Phyllis Williams, Iris McWilliams and Janice Finder. Every family also went home with a bag of non perishable food thanks to the donors listed above and to board member, Reshonda Smith for loading her trunk with food and to Lauren Randle for the food drive she held at her law firm, Liskow and Lewis.

Once again, our supporters waved their magic wands and brought such happiness into the lives of our Centering Pregnancy families. It was a party filled with love and joy. It gave us all time to sit back, relax and enjoy the day. It definitely created a wonderful memory for us and especially for our young families.

We definitely believe in the magic of the season! We saw it first hand on December 16! Thank you to all our elves!

Cavalcade Teen Clinic

The Cavalcade Teen Clinic staff was recognized in November for their commitment and dedication. This site trains all are new employees. We considered them “Wonder Women” for being able to see a full schedule of patients while training someone new!

Pictured are the “Wonder Women” of Cavalcade
 Jennifer Scott – Nurse who joined the team in 2013
 Kay Havard - Lead Clerk joined us in 1997
 Evbu Osawaru– Nurse Practitioner has been with the clinics since 2008
 Sonja Conjura– Med Tech joined us in 2005
 Margaret Scranton – Clerk joined us in 2014
 Annette Johnson, our Social Worker has been with the clinic for 14 years.



Lawn Teen Clinic

The Lawn Teen Clinic staff was recognized in December for working above and beyond the call of duty. This “Dream Team” pulled together to schedule and see all patients while being short staffed and working with temporary employees.

Our Dream Team – Diane Pears, Nurse, one of the temps who has now joined us full time.

Azizi Johnson-Aubert,- Nurse Practitioner since 2011

Adhlin Jean Charles – Med Tech since 1995

Rebecca Lopez – Clerk since 2005

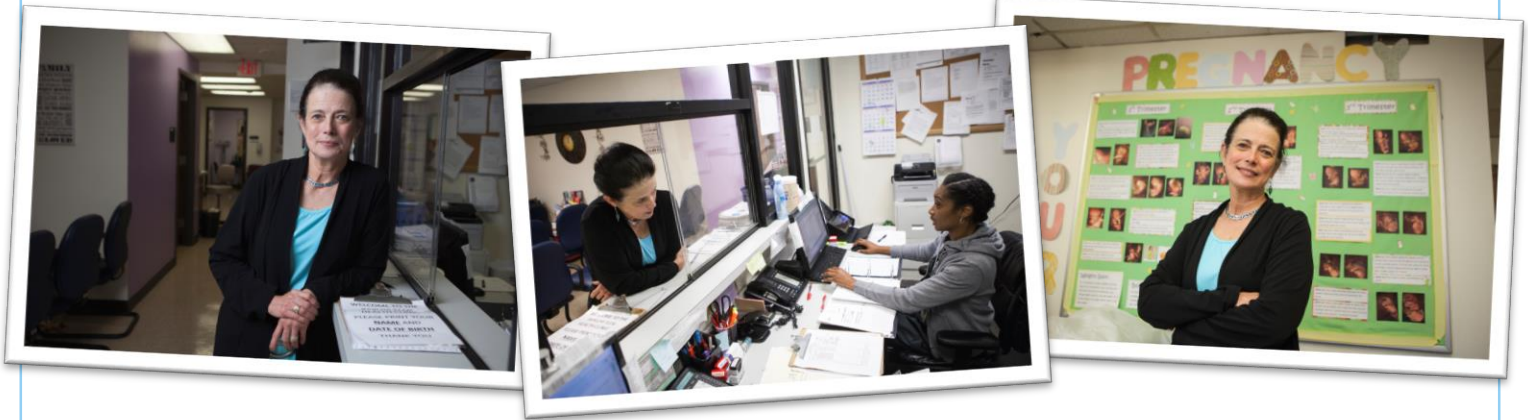
LeKeisha Alfred – Lead Clerk since February 2015

Latrovia Williams – Billing Department since 1990

Zoe Green – Clerk and now in billing began in 2007

Angela Roberson – Billing Supervisor joined us in 1991





The Dr. Peggy Smith Endowed Fund

The Baylor College of Medicine Teen Health Clinics are fast approaching our 50-year anniversary with Dr. Peggy Smith being our sole director. Though Dr. Smith has no intention of retiring we need to prepare for the future to ensure the Teen Health Clinics long-term continuity and sustainability.

We need you to help us make this a reality.

To honor her commitment to public health we have launched the Dr. Peggy Smith Endowed Fund. This fund will be used to attract and retain faculty that support adolescent health. It will enable Baylor College of Medicine to secure the future of one of the nation's leading providers of adolescent health care – the Baylor College of Medicine Teen Health Clinics.

Dr. Smith believes that better educated healthy, drug free teens are more likely to stay in school, demonstrate responsible social behavior, avoid the criminal justice system, and become contributing members of society rather than a burden. The clinics offer comprehensive medical services, health education, case management, counseling and support services and social services to young men and young women.

With the long history of caring for this age population the Teen Health Clinics are well suited to provide a medical home for young people and to continue this for generations to come. The Teen Health Clinics mission is to provide this age group with the best medical care in a timely and cost efficient manner in a culturally and age sensitive environment and it works well. The Teen Health Clinics have the proven ability to respond to the needs of our patients and the community.

Please use the enclosed card and make your donation today!



TMC Pulse

Please visit

www.tmcnews.org/2015/08/peggy-b-smith-ph-d/

TMC Pulse is the official news magazine for the Texas Medical Center. They interviewed Dr. Peggy Smith for the August 2015 edition and this article can be viewed by visiting the website listed above. It gives some background on Dr. Smith and insight into her commitment and passion for adolescent health care.

The photos above are from this article.

In Memory of Commissioner El Franco Lee

1944 - 2016

Commissioner El Franco Lee was a native Houstonian, who devoted his life to public service. A graduate of Wheatley High School, UH and TSU, the Commissioner was dedicated to the citizens of Harris County. He began his public service as a state representative in 1979 leaving that office to become County Commissioner of Precinct One in 1985. He brought organizations and people together to enrich the life of his constituents. He developed many programs for senior citizens. He also was devoted to the young people in his precinct. One of his favorite programs was Street Olympics which began in 1986 and has grown from a summer program to a year round program including recreation, education and health care. In 1990, he started the Northeast Adolescent Program to address the high rate of teen pregnancy. Of course the Baylor College of Medicine Teen Health Clinics and Dr. Peggy Smith have been deeply involved in the program since its inception and remain so to this day. Teen Clinic Social Workers are out in the schools throughout Precinct One every day educating and supporting students. Dr. Smith and Commissioner Lee had a mutual passion and drive to ensure health care was available to students. He gave the clinics space to open in Acres Homes, Kashmere Gardens and the Third Ward. Dr. Smith refers to Commissioner Lee as the clinic 's guardian angel. He understood that teens and young adults were underserved and did not qualify for most health care programs. He believed in the work of Dr. Smith reaching out to this population to ensure they receive the best medical care the county had to offer. Commissioner Lee was instrumental in the growth of the Baylor College of Medicine Teen Health Clinics throughout the county.

Commissioner Lee was a humble, unassuming public servant who believed in the job he did and in giving back to the community as a volunteer for many organizations. The Foundation for Teen Health and the Baylor College of Medicine Teen Health Clinics feel so fortunate to have worked with him. The Foundation for Teen Health honored Commissioner El Franco

Lee at our 2009 Building Brighter Futures Luncheon. Dr. Smith presented him with the June and Virgil Waggoner Award for Volunteerism. He set a shining example for all those not only in public office but for citizens of our community. We extend our sincere condolences to his family. Commissioner El Franco Lee will be deeply missed by many and especially by all of us at the Baylor College of Medicine Teen Health Clinics. He was not only our supporter but our friend.



Wish List

It is so important for our patients to come into a welcoming and professional environment. We want to provide them with health care and education that is equal to or better than the private sector. First impressions matter and walking into a beautifully furnished and cheerful environment sends a powerful message - we are here to take care of you and you are important to us. It also means a lot to our staff to be able to care for their patients latest in a nicely decorated space. We just have a few requests right now. Remember we are happy to accept gently used items! To donate an item contact Anne Van Horn, 713-2566-593 or avh@foundationforteenhealth.org or visit www.foundationforteenhealth.org and click on the donate tab. Thank you for all your support!!

The Foundation for Teen Health is a 501© 3 organization.

LBJ Hospital Clinic – space is at a premium and there is no room for us to expand. They would like 2 new work stations with hutches and file drawers to utilize every inch of space. **\$1500 each**



Cavalcade Clinic is another site where space is limited. They would like a locking storage cabinet. **\$400**



The clinics at Cavalcade, Cullen, Chavez, and Tejano Center for Community Concerns all would like wall mounted televisions with built in DVD players. **\$364 each** includes the wall-mounting bracket.



Lawn Clinic has a huge storage area that we want to use as a conference room for Project Bootstrap meetings. **\$500** for GOT JUNK to remove all the unwanted, broken items to make this room useful!!

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The Foundation for Teen Health was formed in 1990 to support the work of the Baylor College of Medicine Teen Health Clinics. The goal of the foundation is to raise funds and awareness for the programs provided to young men and women at the Teen Health Clinics. The clinics are now funded through a combination of federal, state, county and private philanthropy. The clinics' patients are the future of our community. We believe providing them with free or low cost health care and social services is not only the right thing to do but it makes economic sense. It is important for the overall health of our community to give teens and young adults the tools to be mentally and physically prepared to make the right choices in life.

Save the Date Tuesday, October 18, 2016

Hope for the Future Luncheon

Co Chairmen: Annie Beck & Lauren Randle

Stayed Tuned for Other Exciting Announcements

For any questions, more information or to arrange a tour of one of the Baylor College of Medicine Teen Health Clinics please contact Anne Van Horn 713-256-6593 or avh@foundationforteenhealth.org