

THANKS FROM STAFF

The board hosted a delightful cookout to show their appreciation to Redwood's staff for their amazing commitment of time, talent, and energy to advance Redwood's mission. The staff thinks the board is pretty special as well! They send a big thank you for the cookout and for the board's volunteer leadership of the organization! Everyone agrees! Working together, the staff and board make a great team!

CHILD DEVELOPMENT GETS 3 STARS

Redwood's Child Development division recently received news from Stars for Kids Now, Kentucky's voluntary child care quality rating system, that our Therapeutic Child Care Center has been awarded a 3-star rating!

A 3-star rating is a huge accomplishment for any child care organization! It confirms that the program meets exceptionally high standards for staff education, staff/child ratios and group size, curriculum/program, parental involvement, health, and safety. Research shows that meeting these standards of quality, in a safe and nurturing environment, dramatically enhances the physical, social, emotional, and intellectual development of children.

The entire Child Development staff demonstrated exemplary commitment and focus to achieving this rating.

As you might know, Redwood's Therapeutic Child care Center is also nationally accredited through the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC). We were one of the first programs in the country to earn the mark of quality represented by the reinvented NAEYC Accreditation system.

Redwood is committed to supporting regional excellence in child care services by adhering to quality standards, as measured by achieving a 3-star rating from *Stars for Kids Now* and maintaining our NAEYC accreditation.

If you or someone you know are looking for quality child care for children with or without special needs, contact our director of Child Development, **Katrina Murphy**, for more information (331-0880).

NEW TEAM!

Redwood's board formed a new committee to plan for the establishment of *Prescribed Pediatric Extended Care Services* (PPEC) at Redwood. The new group, as you might guess, is called the PPEC Committee. This new service would be a companion program to our licensed, nationally accredited, and star-rated Therapeutic Childcare Center. It would allow continuous skilled nursing assessment, treatment, and monitoring of health care needs by registered nurses stationed right in the classrooms!

It is a complicated process to become a PPEC provider. We have to apply for a *Certificate of Need*, a PPEC license, and to become a PPEC provider through Medicaid. Children who are eligible for PPEC services may receive assistance through Medicaid to cover those costs.

We have a great team, including **Dr. Ron Lubbe, Dr. Chuck Kelly, Dr Barry Brokaw, Tim Curl** (Director of Nursing at Beckfield College), and our own **Barbara Howard, Pam Millay, Peggy Farmer, and Katrina Murphy**. Community interest and support has been encouraging! **If you are interested in writing a Letter of Support for a PPEC program at Redwood, please contact Peggy Farmer or Katrina Murphy (331-0880) for more details.**

SPECIAL EVENTS

Special thanks to **John Kappesser, Kevin Borowski, Kim Hellmann, Kurt Pohlgeers** and **Ross Pope** for another outstanding **Golf Outing!** Their leadership, and the support of a host of volunteers, sponsors and **Twin Oaks Golf & Plantation Club**, made the event a great success. Thanks to all!

Mark your calendars for **A Bang Bang Night for Redwood** – Sunday, August 22 from 6 – 9 p.m. Enjoy this saucy night under the big top at Bonefish Grill in Crescent Springs, KY. Tickets are just \$40 including two drink tickets, live music, signature Bonefish dishes and cocktails. Invitations will be hitting mailboxes soon. For more information, contact the Development office (331-0880).

June Derby winners:
Ryan & Jamie Grubish, Tim Gruber, and Phil Schworer

PASSAGES

Congratulations to **Pam Millay** who recently was inducted as President of the Board of the Campbell Lodge Boys Home.

Our condolences to the family of **Terry Garnett**. Terry attended Redwood for decades until he moved out of state to reside with his sister. Our sympathies to former board member **Dan Phillips** whose wife passed away and to **Bob Groneck** whose brother and nephew passed away.

WELCOME NEW BOARD MEMBERS

Welcome to the following individuals who were inducted onto Redwood's board at the Annual Meeting.

Tom Gleeson (new overseer) – Tom is a member of the Knights of Columbus, and brings prior board experience to his new role. He was referred by Tom Jacober and Carl Biery. Tom lives in Ft. Mitchell and is joining the Strategic Planning Committee.

Nancy Goetz (new overseer) – Nancy is a Redwood parent and a Redwood Express volunteer. She is the Vice President/Senior Investigator for Bank of America. Nancy plans to put her organizational and fundraising skills to good use by joining the Special Event Oversight Committee. Nancy was referred by Telly McGaha and lives in Taylor Mill.

Anna Goldsholl (new overseer) – Anna has an MBA, a MA in chemical & materials engineering, is an adjunct instructor in general education (Math) for ITT-Technical Institute in Cincinnati, and serves as a repair engineer for GE Aviation. She was referred by Michael Driver, lives in West Chester and is joining the Assistive Technology Advisory Committee.

Aaron Goldsholl (new overseer) – Aaron has an MBA and a BS in mechanical engineering. He is Lean Six Sigma trained, has project management experience, and is a composite engineer with design, technology, and manufacturing background for GE Aviation. He was referred by Michael Driver, lives in West Chester and is joining the Assistive Technology Advisory Committee.

BOARD EDUCATION

Last month, we provided information about bylaws. A companion document to the bylaws is the Articles of Incorporation. Unlike bylaws, which are easily amended to reflect changes in detailed governance

polices, an organization's Articles of Incorporation is a legal document that must be filed with the Secretary of State. For that reason, the Articles of Incorporation are more generally written and are not frequently changed.

So what do Redwood's Articles of Incorporation include? First of all, the Articles provide our legal name and broadly describe our mission and functions. Secondly, they establish that we are a non-profit/non-stock organization of perpetual duration. Next, the Articles state that we have a governance board and bylaws to define the governance method. Some of the Articles define such topics as what we can and cannot do and how we can use our resources; indemnification; no debt obligation/personal liability; and limits of director liability of board members to Redwood. The Articles are wrapped up with a description of the registered agent and office.

Redwood's board is in the midst of restating the Articles of Incorporation to reflect changes that have occurred over time. If you are interested in receiving a copy of the Articles of Incorporation, please contact **Barbara Howard**.

WISH LIST

Special thanks to **Marilyn Young** for her generous sponsorship of the Golf Outing! Items/support still needed include:

Digital camera	Dry erase boards and markers
Wet wipes and tissues	Cooking ingredients
Post-it notes	Gardening tools
Board games	Art/craft supplies

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

When we don't enjoy what we do, we only nick the surface of our potential.

-Dennis Wholey

CALENDAR

8/22 – A Bang Bang Night for Redwood

6/7 to 8/18 – Summer Respite for Children

6/14 to 7/29 – Summer Preschool Education Program

COMMENTS/SUGGESTIONS

This is your newsletter. Suggestions or comments for/about articles are welcome. Direct responses to **Shannon Hollenkamp** at Redwood, 71 Orphanage Rd., Ft. Mitchell, KY Phone: 331-0880, Fax: 331-6177, Email: shollenkamp@redwoodnky.org