



Chaucie's Place Newsletter



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Thank you so much for your interest in and support of Chaucie's Place! We are so proud of the continued growth of our prevention programs and I hope you will take a few minutes to learn more about how our community is working to prevent child sexual abuse and youth suicide...and how you are a big part of that!

Sincerely,

Toby Stark
Executive Director

From Our President to You

Fifteen years of community service for the community, by the community.

Chaucie's Place - named in honor of Chaucie Quillen, a child sexual abuse victim from Hamilton County - is an example of good resulting from evil, love conquering hate, and compassion's triumph over tyranny. After eight years of sexual abuse by her biological father, her father's three-week trial and a judicial outcome of probation, Chaucie took her own life. The community was absolutely devastated and out of the ashes of their grief, Chaucie's Place opened its doors in 2001. A rarity, Chaucie's Place was truly created by the Hamilton County community.



While Chaucie's Place was originally founded to respond to allegations of child sexual abuse by providing forensic interviews to child victims, in 2010 the organization started its journey toward prevention - *preventing* harm from happening to our children, rather than responding to it. The Board called upon community leaders for guidance, evaluated the needs of the community, and honed the center's mission to focus on prevention and education.

Today, the Chaucie's Place Board of Directors, staff and community work daily to live the legacy that Chaucie left behind; to honor her by helping make sure other children don't suffer the same trauma.

Because of an innovative spirit, the ability to calculate risk and act decisively, Chaucie's Place has grown its Smart Steps: A Body Safety Program for Children™; implemented Stewards of Children®, a nationally recognized child sexual abuse prevention program that teaches parents and adults who work with or care about children how to prevent, recognize and react appropriately to child sexual abuse; and introduced Lifelines, a youth suicide prevention program targeting an entire school community.

Now almost 15 years later Chaucie's Place is on the forefront of child protection in Hamilton County and surrounding areas because of the commitment of so many. Thank you for your support to the Chaucie's Place mission and Chaucie's legacy. With your continued dedication, Chaucie's Place will leave a lasting legacy that is worthy of our community's children for future generations.

Richard F. Taylor III
Board President

THE FIRST
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THE DISTRICT BREW•FEST

PRESENTED BY

THE
Warehouse

A BENEFIT FOR

 *Chaucie's*
PLACE

AUGUST 22, 2015

Enjoy craft beer and support Chaucie's Place!

Join us for The First Annual District Brewfest from 3-7 pm!
There will be 40+ craft brews, food vendors and live music. They have selected Chaucie's Place as the beneficiary and we'll get a portion of all proceeds, so come out and have a good time for a good cause!

Click [HERE](#) to purchase tickets or for more information.

NEXTGEAR
CAPITAL. presents

TREASURE OUR CHILDREN BEACH DASH GOES CRUISIN'!

JOIN US ON BOARD SEPTEMBER 16TH, 2015
AT THE RITZ CHARLES

Boarding begins at 5:30 pm; Disembark at 9:00 pm.

12156 Meridian Street, Carmel

Cruisin' Buffet Dinner · Rum Runners · Silent and Live Auction

Master of Ceremonies: Anthony Calhoun,
Sports Director at WISH-TV



Tickets: \$75 per person

\$750 Table Sponsorship—Captain's Table for Eight

Casual/Cruising Attire

RSVP today at www.chauciesplace.org

YOUR HOSTS FOR THE EVENING ARE:

Help Prevent Child Sexual Abuse
and Youth Suicide!



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All Aboard!

Join us September 16th as *Treasure Our Children Goes Cruisin'!* You will be able to enjoy rum runners, a delicious buffet, and *amazing* live and silent auctions, all while wearing your flip flops. We're also having a \$20 wine pull and a \$10 Heads-or-Tails game, so bring plenty of cash and be ready to go cruisin'!

PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS TODAY!

Thanks to our Presenting Sponsor!

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Wish List

Following are items for which we have the greatest need. Your donation of these items enables us to maintain our focus where it's needed most... on the children we serve.

- Canon ink tanks (241XL Color and 240XL Black)
- 5" table easels (need around 25)
- 25 two-pocket folders (Black or red, glossy or flat - all the same)
- 8.5" x 11" white cardstock - 1 ream
- 1" or 1.5" binders (any color)
- Binder clips, various sizes
- Dry Erase Markers, multi colored
- Color Copy paper, 8.5" x 11" size, 28 lb weight
- Super Premium Bright White Ink Jet & Laser Paper - 28 lb and 97 bright
- Postage stamps
- Monetary Donations
- Patio furniture for our front patio

If you don't have time to pick up and deliver anything but wish to donate, these items can be ordered through our Amazon wish list, which can be found [HERE](#). Remember to use [AmazonSmile](#) and choose Chaucie's Place as a beneficiary!

You Shop, Amazon Gives

AmazonSmile is a website operated by Amazon that lets customers enjoy the same wide selection of products, low prices, and convenient shopping features as on Amazon.com. The difference is that when customers shop on AmazonSmile (smile.amazon.com), the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the price of eligible purchases to a charitable organization of your choosing.

How does AmazonSmile work? When first visiting AmazonSmile, you will be prompted to select a charitable organization from



almost one million eligible organizations. By choosing Chaucie's Place as the beneficiary, you will be helping support our child sexual abuse and youth suicide prevention programs.

SHOP NOW and support Chaucie's Place!

Rain rain go away...

We were scheduled to break ground on our Brick Garden June 25th, but the rain continues to delay the project. The Garden honors and pays tribute to all the lives impacted by Chaucie's Place. Bone Dry Masonry will be laying the Brick Garden (providing labor and materials) as a gift to Chaucie's Place and the community. Stay tuned...we will continue to keep you posted on their groundbreaking schedule.



Thank you to our Prevention Program Sponsors!



Hamilton County
Stewards of Children



Boone County
Smart Steps: A Body Safety Program for Children
TM



Hamilton, Tipton, Hancock &
Madison Counties

Smart Steps: A Body Safety Program for ChildrenTM
The staff at Chaucie's Place is ready for an exciting 2015-16 school year with our *Smart Steps: A Body Safety Program for ChildrenTM*. Last school year we reached nearly 19,000 elementary students, and we plan on reaching even more this school year as we bring the *Smart Steps* program to Boone, Hamilton, Madison, and Tipton counties! Thank you to our wonderful volunteers, sponsors, and strong community partners for making this possible.



During the *Smart Steps* presentation, Chaucie's Place staff and trained Volunteer Instructors teach children that their bodies belong to them, they have the right to say "NO!" to any unwanted touches from anyone, and that abuse is never their fault. The children also discuss when it is okay for private body parts to be touched, and who to tell about any touches that make them uncomfortable.

If you would like to become a *Smart Steps* Volunteer Instructor, please join us at our next *Smart Steps* Volunteer Instructor orientation. If you can spare one morning a week or one morning a month, you will make a difference in the life of a child!

JOIN US!

Smart Steps Volunteer Instructor Orientation

When: August 26, 2015

Time: 11:30-1:00pm

Where: Chaucie's Place
4607 E 106th St, Carmel, IN 46033

Register Now!

Stewards of Children®

Stewards of Children®, a nationally recognized child sexual abuse prevention program for parents and adults who work with children, is offered by Chaucie's Place staff to help protect our most important resource, OUR CHILDREN! Chaucie's Place facilitators have trained over 3,400 adults in our communities. This number will continue to increase over the next months with trainings scheduled for Noblesville, Westfield Washington, Sheridan teachers and staff; Jewish Community Center; Carmel Clay Parks & Recreation; and Northview Church's youth volunteers. In addition to these youth-serving organizations, we will have community trainings in Hamilton, Boone, Hancock, Madison, and Tipton counties throughout the year.

The *Stewards of Children* curriculum, created by Darkness to Light, empowers adults to overcome denial, fear and secrecy about this epidemic and allows them to create awareness and personal power. Studies indicate that 1 in 10 children are sexually abused by the age of 18, and sadly, 90 percent of victims know their abusers; so prevention programs, such as *Stewards of Children*, are critical to the safety of our children.

Please contact Cortney at 317-759-8008 if you are interested in training your youth-serving organization. Our next community training is . . .

September 8, 2015

5:30 - 8:00 pm

(Those arriving after 5:35 pm will not be admitted.)

**Westfield Police Department
17535 Dartown Rd
Westfield, IN 46074**

\$15.00 per person to attend
Register [HERE!](#)

Lifelines

Chaucie's Place provides *Lifelines*, a youth suicide prevention program for an entire school community. Chaucie's Place is currently working with Hamilton Heights School Corporation, Hamilton Southeastern Schools, Sheridan Community Schools, and Westfield Washington Schools to proactively prevent youth suicide in their school communities.



Lifelines has four sequential segments to ensure that students get the help they need and get it quickly: (1) school and district administration readiness consultation; (2) school faculty and staff training; (3) parent/guardian workshop; and (4) 8th-10th grade student curriculum that covers facts about suicide and the students' role in suicide prevention.

Thanks to a grant from Hamilton County, the *Lifelines* program is available to all Hamilton County public school districts free of charge. For more information about the program, please contact us 317-759-8008.



Welcome Amanda Bow

Amanda joined the Chaucie's Place team in May as our Administrative Assistant. She has 12 years of experience in Account Management and Office Administration. Amanda is a native Hoosier and has been very happily married to her husband, Travis, for 11 years.

She is settling in at Chaucie's Place nicely, and is looking forward to Treasure Our Children in September so that she can meet many of our supporters. Hopefully she'll see you there!

Board Member Spotlight: Patty Turner

Chaucie's Place board member Patty Turner, the Director of Events and Community Relations at NextGear Capital, first heard about the great work at Chaucie's Place when she met executive director, Toby Stark. "I met Toby and that was all it took to get involved. NextGear Capital has long been a supporter of Chaucie's Place and being a board member was the next step by NGC to partner in their mission. If you read the paper or watch TV, serving in some capacity for Chaucie's Place is a must. Children and teens need to know they can say no and ALL adults need to be trained on how to identify sexual abuse."



Patty was born and raised in Indiana and stays because it is home. She is lucky to travel with her job and in her free time, but feels even luckier to come home to Indiana! About her family, Patty shares, "I have been married for 6 years to a man that I had a crush on in 8th grade and ran in to after 40 years - I saved the best for last." Patty has one son who is a chef in Ashville, NC, a step-son who is a senior at Purdue, and is one of 7 children.

Many would be surprised to know that Patty is obsessed with cycling and tries to ride 100 miles a week; last year she and her husband rode 2,500 miles! A favorite area restaurant is Some Guys, "the best house salad and shrimp scampi in town!" And a good read according to Patty is Sarah's Keys.

Chaucie's Place is fortunate to have Patty serving on its Board of Directors on behalf of children and families in central Indiana. Thank You!

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About Chaucie's Place

Chaucie's Place works passionately to ensure the welfare of children by offering evidence-based, high-quality prevention programs to end the cycle of abuse and to empower children of central Indiana to live to their highest potential.

Chaucie's Place

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