CASA Glynn Inc.

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Message from the Director

Honest Moment: If someone had told me yesterday that this newsletter needed to be written, I would've had the desire to throw myself on the floor and tantrum like a two year old. Sometimes I envision that this is a lot like the inner desire of some of you each time we call and ask for yet another monthly report, or court report, or panel report. We know it's a lot, and I want nothing more than for you to know that as much as we value you as our Advocates, we value you as human beings more.

There is some kind of a sweet innocence in being human- in not having to be just happy or just sad- in the nature of being able to be both broken and whole, at the same time. ~C. JoyBell C.

As we approach a season of thanksgiving and celebration, please know that you are one of the things for which we are particularly thankful. And we celebrate you <u>every day!</u>

We are committed to our relationship with each of you — we want you to be well informed, cared for, motivated to succeed, and feel part of this wonderful group we call CASA volunteers! And if you need us, we're here for you!

The 2015 JINGLE ALL THE WAY 5K and Fun Run on Jekyll Island is set for Saturday, December 6th. Be watching for all the details! www.casajinglealltheway5k.com

NOTES TO VOLUNTEERS From Your Advocate Coordinators

WELCOME to our Fall CASA Training Class who were Sworn In as CASA Volunteers on Wednesday evening, October 15, 2014. It is a very talented group of individuals who bring to CASA a wealth of strengths, life experiences and a passion for the well-being of children. But most of all they bring a commitment and dedication that will allow them to advocate for children and make a difference in the lives of those children. Several of them have already taken cases and have "hit the ground running!" We're glad to have them. Please welcome: Lynette Altman, Debbie Cason, Gloria Daley, Caroline Dickson, Lynn Duff, Alex Graves, Sister Denise Lonergan, Larry Meagher and Chelsie Shaff.

To all of our outstanding CASA volunteers, we want you to always know that we appreciate you and the investment of time, energy and intellect that you make each month in advocating for your children. You truly make a difference in their lives. We are grateful over and over again for who you are, what you do, and how you do it! You're the best, and while we are not always able to make the level of difference we truly want in the lives of hurting children, we <u>ARE</u> making a difference nonetheless.

MANY, MANY THANKS to all of the Board members who provided meals for our recent Fall Training Classes. You are incredibly generous and all of the food you brought each week was enjoyed and appreciated. It makes such a difference to the new trainees that our Board members make these meals happen and we want you to know how important you are to us.

BE WATCHING FOR DETAILS ABOUT OUR CHRISTMAS PROJECT WITH THE GOOD PEOPLE AT FLETC. Details are being finalized and we'll have information for you soon. Remember that once everything is worked out, we have a narrow window to get in our Christmas lists and cooperate with FLETC in this major project that occurs each year.

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Sue Andersson
Joan Boorman
Dean Bray
Charlotte Caneva
Edward Cawthon
Stephanie Coffey
Tina Dear
Karen Drew
Susan Dunn
Alex Graves
Patrick Guilfoil
Sally Iacomini
Sister Denise Lonergan

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