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A KIND word:

Fall is fast arriving and change is in the air at KIND! Kids are back in school, our clinics are buzzing and our Chopper Topper program is underway.

A big round of applause is given to Cindy Brandich and Jeannie McNeil in our El Paso clinic. The El Paso clinic has more than doubled the number of kids seen since last year. And their value of service jumped from \$6,638 (June 2004) to \$12,750 (June 2005). Not to mention the El Paso clinic has undergone a makeover made possible by the donation of more space from Penrose – St. Francis Health Services. Now the clinic has a larger waiting room to accommodate more kids in need of dentistry!

It is only September, and the Chopper Topper staff has already visited four schools. I am proud to announce that our Chopper Topper program will be expanding thanks to a grant from the Delta Dental Foundation. This grant will allow us to hire a part-time Chopper Topper hygienist to help facilitate the growth of this program.

However, in the midst of such good news, KIND is sad to say goodbye to Julie Collett, our current Chopper Topper Coordinator. Julie has been with KIND for three years. She has helped to make the Chopper Topper program what it is today and she will be missed.

Change has also caught up to our Board of Trustees. I am happy to announce new mem-

The MILES FOR SMILES mobile dental unit goes to Lowry to help Katrina survivors

KIND's Miles for Smiles unit arrived at Lowry on Monday, September 19th to help Hurricane Katrina survivors. The mobile dental unit was at Lowry until Wednesday, September 29th. Each day, the mobile clinic was open from 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Because of the caring and generous hearts of the KIND Board of Trustees, Miles for Smiles volunteers were able to treat both adults and children. Approximately 20 patients were seen each day, whereas the Miles for Smiles van usually only sees 8-10 patients a day. This was due in large part to extra volunteer efforts from den-

tists, hygienists and dental assistants. Thank you to the KIND Board of Trustees for approving this work and to the volunteers who lent their time, talents and skills.

KIND welcomes any donations to be used toward this effort. It's not too late for generous donations. Please contact Jodi at 303-733-3710, x15 to donate by credit card, or simply mail a check, money order or supplies to:

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A happy KIND patient -- new to Denver from New Orleans

Please make checks payable to KIND and highlight it as a "Hurricane Katrina" donation. ☺

bers and new appointments to our Board of Trustees.

A warm welcome to Claire Krug, Chris Martinez, Annemarie Murphy and Regan Turner as the newest members of the board. Wendy Heckman has accepted the position of President, Lou Ann Wilroy has accepted the position of Vice President, Marion Leggett has accepted the position of Secretary, and Leslie Hannon has accepted the position of Treasurer.

With all these new relationships blooming, we must bid a sad fair well to Jim Knight. Jim joined the Board of Trustees in 2003. He was a wonderful addition to the board, not to mention a delightful man to work with. He will be missed.

Miles for Smiles hit the

road this fall to service various communities throughout Colorado including Boone, Granada, Lamar, Alamosa and Center. Miles for Smiles is scheduled to continue its journey of service in La Junta, Olney Springs, Rocky Ford and Los Animas. A huge thank you to our Miles for Smiles staff: Stephanie Lawson (MFS Coordinator), Pam Moore (MFS dental assistant), Dr. James Jack, Dr. Jason Conrad, Dr. Liz Twomey (MFS dentists) and Jack Montoya (MFS driver). Also, thank you to our Miles for Smiles partners along the route. Without everyone's hard work and compassion these kids would not have access to the dental care they so desperately need.

Thank you for your generous support to KIND. This

year has been an exciting and challenging year for KIND.

We will continue the hard work to help service our clients as we hope you will continue to support our programs.

Take care,
~Mary

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More photos from Lowry are on page 4!

Please visit our website at www.kindsmiles.org

Volunteer Spotlight: Drs. Betty & Nelle Barr

Drs. Elizabeth (Betty) and Nelle Barr have been KIND volunteer dentists for many years. Dr. Betty first volunteered for a half day, every other week, at our Commerce City clinic in 1978. She continues to donate her time and treat children in her office. Her sister, Dr. Nelle, joined the cause and also has been donating her time to KIND patients in her office for the past 12 years.

newest member and will be joining the practice in July. Dr. Caron Holmes has been seeing the older children in the practice for a couple of years now. Dr. Donald Kleier divides his time between Children's Dentistry and the University of Colorado



Drs. Betty and Nelle Barr, Dentists, sisters and KIND Volunteers

Both doctors are active with the Colorado Dental Association and the Colorado Academy of Pediatric Dentistry. Dr. Nelle is the current President of the CAPD.

Dentists such as Dr. Betty and Dr. Nelle, help fill the gap for our kids. We occasionally see kids in our clinics whose treatment require the specialized talents of dentists in specialty areas, such as, Pediatric Dentistry. These children's families also fit the low-income guidelines as prescribed by KIND. As our numbers grow, so does the need for more volunteer dentists. These dentists, generously share their time and expertise to at-risk kids.

Children's Dentistry, located in Westminster, also includes three other dentists and a large supporting staff; one of which has been a part of the team for 17 years. Dr. Sean Whalen is the

School of Dentistry as Professor and Chair of the Department of Surgical Dentistry and the Division of Endodontics. The values of this very special practice is best reflected in their mission statement: "We commit to continue to be the leader in pediatric dentistry by providing the highest quality care. We build long lasting relationships with our families through active listening and understanding. Our staff are motivated, talented and dedicated individuals who provide personal service for our families. The doctors and staff are proud of our practice, our level of service and our involvement in the community. Through teamwork and education we encourage life long oral health."

To learn more about Drs. Elizabeth and Nelle Barr, go to their website: www.ddschild.com. ☺

Strokes of KINDness...

Smiles were abundant at the 18th Annual, "Strokes of SKINDness," Golf Tournament to benefit Kids in Need of Dentistry. Perfect blue skies welcomed the golfers at The Golf Club at Bear Dance, near Larkspur, Colorado on June 28, this year. All the KIND golfers took to the greens like rabbits to a bowl of carrots, showing off their masterful skills; well, let's say they kept their golf balls from landing in the rough and sand traps, and made some impressive drives, all for a good cause! Following the exciting day of golf, KIND's guests enjoyed luncheon activities including a silent auction and trophy presentations. Kids in Need of Dentistry raised more than \$43,000, to benefit KIND's mission of providing low cost dental care to at risk children.

A big round of applause goes to Julie Collett, RDH, the "Strokes of KINDness" Event

Organizer, for her endless supply of energy! Thank you to our Chairman Dr. John Lydiatt for his wonderful volunteers and staff who kept the tournament humming before, during and after the event.

We are looking forward to seeing all our KIND friends back again at next year's tournament, June 26, 2006, at the beautiful, Golf Club at Bear Dance.

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Where could you see two top-line entertainment groups while benefiting two of Denver's most solid charities? This year's CoBiz Bash 2005 offered that and more! The Fillmore Auditorium was rocking with the sounds of the

Four Tops and the Temptations while guests raised funds for KIND and Project PAVE. Thanks to CoBiz Inc. parent of local financial institution, Colorado Business Bank, KIND was awarded more than \$146,000 to benefit our programs

providing dental services for low income children in Colorado. Our heartfelt thanks go to Darryl Schulte, President of CBC, and his staff for selecting KIND to be one of the '05-'06 recipients of this extraordinary fundraising event. ☺

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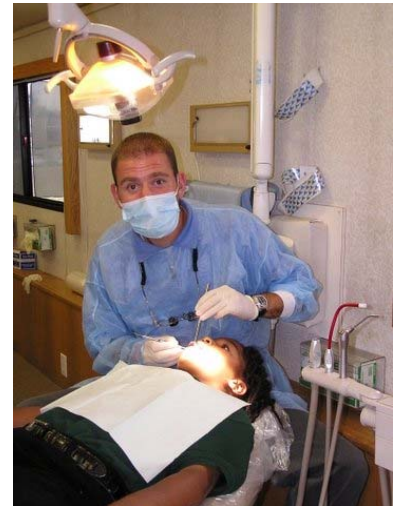


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Did you know there are more than ...

...500 Hurricane Katrina survivors living at Lowry? And, there are more than 1500 now living in the Denver area? Of these, there are:

- 810 women;
- 710 men;
- 15 newborns;
- and nearly 85% of the survivors are from Louisiana

Do you have a story you'd like to see highlighted in an upcoming issue of *KIND Words*? Send it to: Editor, *KIND Words*, 2465 So. Downing St., #207, Denver, CO 80210. ☺