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DIRECTORS MESSAGE

Message from the CEO

Happy Spring! I know in Texas we have multiple seasons this time of year, normally all four in one! Whether you're a fan of the colder weather like me, or you're ready for flip flops and shorts, we hope your 2024 has started off great!

We celebrated a wonderful Christmas for Kids season, serving over 300 children and families during the holiday season. Our thanks to those of you who participated in the special effort during Christmas.



January brought not only the new year, but the celebration of our Women of Hope's 5th Anniversary! We are so grateful for these ladies and their efforts supporting our children and families through specialized projects including room makeovers for child abuse victims, birthday boxes, and volunteer support to our center. Also, CAC experienced a recordbreaking year with our 23rd Annual Champagne & Diamonds presented by Legend Jewelers and underwritten by Shannon Health Care, Integris, LeGrand Headwaters Ranch, and Coralina Castle. We raised over \$133,000 for CAC! We wish to thank all of our supporters of this event!

Finally, April is quickly approaching. This special month is dedicated to the prevention of Child Abuse in our community and the Concho Valley region. You'll be hearing of many opportunities to be involved in, but personally I ask each of you to ask yourself two questions: 1) Do you know what to do if you see or suspect child abuse? and 2) Are your children safe? If you cannot answer these two questions with a resounding YES, let us help you. Our education and outreach team offer vital educational resources so the understanding of child abuse and the prevention of it is known by all in our community. If you need more information on preventing child abuse and safeguarding our children, reach out to the CAC today.

Don't forget to wear blue in April to show your support of Child Abuse Prevention Month! Snap a picture and share on social media using the hashtag #cacbluefriday!

Their Next Chapter Starts Here,

Justin M. DeLoach



THE SOLITARY FAIRIES: LEPRACAUN, CLURICAUN, FAR DARRIG

William Butler Yeats

"The name Lepracaun," Mr. Douglas Hyde writes to me, "is from the Irish leith brog -- i.e., the One-shoemaker, since he is generally seen working at a single shoe. It is spelt in Irish leith bhrogan, or leith phrogan, and is in some places pronounced Luchryman, as O' Kearney writes it in that very rare book, the Feis Tigh Chonain."

The Lepracaun, Cluricaun, and Far Darrig. Are these one spirit in different moods and shapes? Hardly two Irish writers are agreed. In many things these three fairies, if three, resemble each other. They are withered, old, and solitary, in every way unlike the sociable spirits of the first sections. They dress with all unfairy homeliness, and are, indeed, most sluttish, slouching, jeering, mischievous phantoms. They are the great practical jokers among the good people.

The Lepracaun makes shoes continually, and has grown very rich. Many treasure-crocks, buried of old in war-time, has he now for his own. In the early part of this century, according to Croker, in a newspaper office in Tipperary, they used to show a little shoe forgotten by a Lepracaun.



Image source: https://popgoesthepage.princeton.edu/tag/leprechauns/

The Cluricaun, (Clobhair-ceann, in O'Kearney) makes himself drunk in gentlemen's cellars. Some suppose he is merely the Lepracaun on a spree. He is almost unknown in Connaught and the north.

The Far Darrig (fear dearg), which means the Red Man, for he wears a red cap and coat, busies himself with practical joking, especially with gruesome joking. This he does, and nothing else.

- Source (books.google.com): William Butler Yeats, Fairy and Folk Tales of the Irish Peasantry (London: Walter Scott, 1888), p. 80.
- Source (Internet Archive): William Butler Yeats, Fairy and Folk Tales of the Irish Peasantry (London: Walter Scott, 1888), p. 80.



HONORING LOVED ONES; SUPPORTING THE CAC

Every year the Children's Advocacy Center recieves several donations in honor of loved ones. We are both grateful and honored by these donations and wish to thank these donors.

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CELEBRATING 5 YEARS OF

WOMEN OF HOPE

Women of Hope are ambassadors for children in the Concho Valley through their determination to increase community awareness, promote child abuse prevention efforts, and financially strengthen the Children's Advocacy Center of Greater West Texas, Inc.

CURRENT MEMBERSHIP

Sharon Alexander Liz Bates Lauren Bell Sierra Brooks Donna Cates Julie Cecil Kayla Hood Malinda Huffman Trisha Jordan
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EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

Candice Majors Parent Mentor

What's your favorite:

o Color: Blue

Holiday: 4th of July

Disney Movie: Moana

Song: Take it Easy (Eagles)

• Ice Cream: Baskin Robins Chocolate Chip



Candice has been with the CAC for 8 months. As a Parent Mentor, Candice helps facilitate different ways for parents and their children to strengthen their communication, even in difficult times. She says she is most "proud of the relationships I have built with my families. Often times even when a family has completed the program with me, they will reach out to me to let know how they are doing or even they will just call to check on me. I am grateful. They impact me just as much as I hope I have impacted them."





FEEL GOOD FEATURE

Mural Projects

We are grateful to the Rea Charitable Trust for their investment in our recent Mural Projects for our buildings. San Angelo Artisan & Muralists Crystal Goodman and Inx Davila recently completed murals in our Therapy and Hope House departments. We are blown away by their amazing talent and excited to have their designs for our children and families to enjoy!

2024 CHAMPAGNE & DIAMONDS



A record-breaking year! Over \$133,000 raised!

















POT OF GOLD

Color your pot of gold and tell us what you would do with it!





UPCOMING EVENTS

SAVE THE DATE

San Angelo Gives May 7, 2024

ADVOCACTING FOR CHILDREN

G O L F T O U R N A M E N T

May 20, 2024 | San Angelo Country Club

For more upcoming events, visit: https://cacgreaterwtx.org/news-events/



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