



Summer 2012

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Child Abuse Prevention Association
of Beaufort County, SC

Mission Statement: CAPA breaks the destructive cycle of child abuse and neglect by equipping parents, children and their caregivers with necessary skills, knowledge and values.

Fleetwood O'Farrell, Shelter Director, Retires Passing Torch to Tina Kuhn

Fleetwood O'Farrell, Director of CAPA's Open Arms Shelter for Abused and Neglected Children, officially retired as of July 1st. Fleetwood has been a dedicated employee for over nine years and has helped hundreds of local children transition through tough times. With a BA in Psychology and a Master's degree in Recreation and Parks Administration (Activity Therapy), she has worked for over 30 years in human services. In her nine years as the shelter director, Fleetwood was instrumental in the development and implementation of the CARE Curriculum, a Cornell University program specifically designed for emergency children's shelters. A native of South Carolina, Fleetwood encouraged a spirit of hospitality, treated everyone with respect and kept alive a sense of hope for a brighter tomorrow.

Upon Fleetwood's retirement on July 1, the shelter case manager, Tina Kuhn, took the reins as shelter director. Tina, with a BA in Interdis-

ciplinary Studies, has served as the shelter's case manager since 2008. She was the shelter's assistant case manager from 2004 to 2006, leaving to take the position of treatment coordinator for the Youth Advocate Program (YAP). Tina is also a graduate of the Model Leadership program with Columbia College. With a background in teaching and a great understanding of our area's resources, she brings a variety of skills and experience and will continue to move the shelter forward. Tina is patient and loving and always puts the needs of the children in the forefront. "I want to make a difference in each child's life during the short amount of time that we have them," stated Tina when asked about her role as shelter director.

The Open Arms Shelter is a Level One Group Home licensed by the Department of Social Services (DSS) and is staffed 24 hours a day, seven days a week. When a child is removed from his/her home and no



Pictured left to right: Tina Kuhn and Fleetwood O'Farrell

family member or foster home is available to take that child in, he or she will then be placed in the CAPA shelter. Since opening its doors in 1985, the shelter has served over 2,000 children. CAPA's Open Arms Shelter is the only shelter of its type serving the five county area – Beaufort, Jasper, Hampton, Colleton and Allendale.

The shelter is always looking for dedicated volunteers to spend quality time with the residents, including tutoring, arts and crafts, sports, and other activities. Please call CAPA at 843.524.4350 for more information.

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Summer Sales Soar For CAPA's Closet Thrift Shop

If you haven't stopped by to see the inside of the new CAPA's Closet Thrift Shop on Ribaut Road, you are missing out! The new location is bright, clean and full of fantastic bargains just waiting for you.

CAPA's Closet Thrift Shop is a community resource that relies 100% on community donations of clothing, books, furniture and appliances. The store is a critical revenue source that helps to support the many child abuse prevention and intervention programs offered by CAPA including parent education, school-based safety and character development education programs for children, and CAPA's Open Arms Shelter for Abused and Neglected Children.

The store is open Monday through Friday from 10:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. If you have items to donate, drop offs are accepted until 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday and until 1:00 p.m. on Saturday.

If you want to get a front-row look at all the new items, please consider volunteering at CAPA's Closet. You can make a huge impact in just a

few hours a week. Contact Barbara Aimar, manager, at 843.524.0281 to find out more.

2012 Mid-Year Financial Snapshot

Total Income	\$529,561
Thrift Shop Income	111,146
Government Funds	211,524
Contributions	156,795
Other Income	50,096
Total Expense	\$482,838
Operating	51,222
Outreach	115,183
Shelter	265,056
Thrift Shop Expenses	51,377
Net Income	\$46,723

Bucks from BI-LO

Earn dollars for CAPA when you shop at BI-LO! Take this barcode with you on your next trip to BI-LO and have the cashier scan it along with your existing BI-LO BONUSCARD. This one-time scan keeps your BONUSCARD linked to CAPA until the following May. You will continue to receive your discounts and CAPA will receive 1% of your purchases each time you shop with



1. Give this enrollment card to the cashier with your BONUSCARD one time during the program term.
2. One percent of your purchases will be donated to your designated group through May 31.
3. Call 800-768-4438 if you have any questions.

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Upcoming Board Meetings

CAPA is governed by a Board of Directors, a group of dedicated volunteers who are committed to making a difference in the lives of local children. The board meets on the 2nd Thursday of each month at 5:30 p.m. in the Parent Center (the newly-renovated building behind CAPA's Closet, 1340 Ribaut Road). All board meetings are open to the public. Please join us on:

Thursday, October 11th

Thursday, November 8th

Thursday, December 13th

Spooktacular Ghost Tours!

Cooler weather brings one of Beaufort's favorite events - The Exchange Club Ghost Tours to Benefit CAPA. This October marks the 20th year of the tours with eight nights of fun! Take a carriage ride or walking tour through the moss lined streets of Beaufort's historic district while listening to storytellers tell haunting tales of the area. All tales are considered true and have been shared by current and former residents of some of Beaufort's oldest homes.

Tour dates are October 12-13, 19-21 and 26-28. Carriage rides are \$20 per adult and \$10 per child ages 3-11. Walking tours are \$12 each (all ages) and offered only on October 19, 20, 26 and 27. Call the "ghost line" at 52-GHOST (843.524.4678) for more information and reservation details.

A Silver Anniversary and An Evening of HOPE for the Children

The Exchange Club of Beaufort is excited to announce the 25th Annual Auction to benefit CAPA is planned for Saturday, November 17th at The Shed in Port Royal. The United States boasts more than 700 Exchange clubs whose national project is the prevention of child abuse. Our local club, The Exchange Club of Beaufort, has been working hard all year to make this auction the best yet. The auction, *An Evening of HOPE for the Children*, will be a fun-filled night featuring a live and silent auction, cash bar and refreshments.

If you would like to donate an item, service or trip to the auction, please call Ron Voegeli, Auction Chairman, at 843.812.2796. All proceeds from the auction benefit CAPA.



Feeling Lucky??

CAPA is participating in the annual Sea Island Rotary Club Charity Shrimp Race again this year. Adopt a shrimp (or multiple shrimp) for \$10 each and 100% of your money goes directly to CAPA.

The first 10 shrimp (they are rubber, not live) to cross the finish line share \$5,000 in cash prizes and have a chance to win the \$1,000,000 Grand Prize! You don't have to be present to win.

You may adopt online by visiting www.rotaryshrimprace.com or pick up an adoption form at one of the official Adoption Centers including CAPA's Closet, Bundy Appraisal & Management and Harvey's Barber-shop. When adopting, be sure to select CAPA as the solicitor/beneficiary.



Thank You to Our Local Funding Partners

CAPA heavily relies on the generosity of local funders and businesses to help us keep our shelter doors open and programs available. We would like to take a moment to thank the following partners:

- **St. Francis Thrift Shop** for providing funding for our school-based outreach programs and parenting classes
- **Bargain Box** for providing funding for CAPA's Open Arms Shelter
- **Community Foundation of the Lowcountry** for providing the funding to renovate the Parent Center building behind the new CAPA's Closet
- **SC District Exchange Clubs** for providing funding to purchase cribs and materials for the Cribs for Kids program
- **Sea Island Rotary Club** for providing much-needed operating funds
- **Kiwanis Club of Beaufort** for providing much-needed operating funds
- **Al's Vista Landscaping and Lawn Solutions, LLC** for generously taking over our landscaping needs
- **Keith's Plumbing** for helping us with all plumbing problems
- **Baptist Church of Beaufort, Hobbit Hill Preschools, Honeytree Preschool and Wardle Family YMCA** for allowing residents of the shelter to attend their programs throughout the year



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