

SUMMER 2011



In Memorium

BOBBYE GREGORY, CLINICAL DIRECTOR OF COURT CLINIC, LOST A COURAGEOUS BATTLE WITH CANCER ON JUNE 29, 2011. THE STAFF AT COURT CLINIC WHO WORKED UNDER HER SUPERVISION WOULD LIKE TO SHARE THE FOLLOWING MEMORIAL TO INFORM YOU OF HER VALUABLE CONTRIBUTIONS TO CENTRAL CLINIC/COURT CLINIC AND TO LET EVERYONE KNOW HOW MUCH BOBBYE WAS LOVED.

In Memory of Bobbye Gregory

By Gina, Alison, Margo, Janet, Christine, Pam, Christina, Emily, Donna, Janis, Ambre, Karen, and Jean



Bobbye Gregory, LISW-S, was a person to be remembered as easy going, humorous, caring, and supportive. Her tenure at Court Clinic began on December 2, 1996 as a Clinical Social Worker in the Court Clinic Forensic Division. In 2001 she became the Program Coordinator of the newly founded program, The Alternative Interventions for Women (AIW). Bobbye, with a limited staff, worked all aspects of the program. As the program grew, she was able to hire others to help develop the program as you know it today. Under Bobbye's leadership, the AIW program was nationally recognized and received the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) Award in October 2007.

The AIW program was very important to Bobbye and her presence will be missed greatly, but her caring spirit will live on. The AIW staff would like to continue her legacy by starting a



memorial fund to assist the women to continue making positive changes in their lives.

To Make a Contribution

If you are interested in making a contribution to the Bobbye Gregory Memorial Fund, make checks payable to Central Clinic (please write Bobbye Gregory Memorial Fund on memo line), and send to:

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311 Albert Sabin Way
Cincinnati, Ohio 45229

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Central Clinic Ranked #9 in Cincinnati

Top Workplaces leads the way in measuring the health of US companies based upon employee opinions. The Enquirer Media recognized 75 companies within our region as Top Workplaces. We are pleased to announce that Central Clinic was listed in 9th place among the mid-size companies (150-499 employees).

WHAT DID SOME EMPLOYEES SAY WHEN ASKED: "WHAT THINGS DO YOU LIKE MOST ABOUT YOUR JOB?"

- "I am a part of a company that improves the lives of people who are unable to afford private mental health care."
- "Helping the clients, and the coworkers, try to work together."
- "I feel supported and appreciated in my job. My supervisor is always available if I need advice or direction."

INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT CENTRAL CLINIC:

Central Clinic's administrative location, Logan Hall, was constructed by Samuel Hannaford & Sons in 1915 and is listed in the National Register



Central Clinic was founded by United Way (then Community Chest), and is the oldest Community Mental Health Agency west of the Allegheny Mountains. Dr. Raymond Walter, then President of the University of Cincinnati, worked out a plan to move the clinic to UC Medical Campus to provide training and community wide services. Trainees joined staff to provide Mental Health service to any County resident regardless of ability to pay. Our comprehensive programs now impact on 12,000 to 15,000 people annually. Several of Central Clinic's programs for children and for adults have received national recognition



as evidence-based practices. Central Clinic strives to have positive and emotionally healthy workplaces. As a result, Central Clinic is a highly sought out place of employment and has the lowest turnover rate (3%) of any non-profit in the Mental Health industry in this region.

Annual Client Satisfaction Report

As part of Central Clinic's ongoing commitment to quality improvement in the services it provides to mental health consumers, a yearly inquiry is made of clients. Efforts are made to obtain a wide sample of service recipients from each of the Clinic's clinical programs. All clients receiving services at Central Clinic between April 16th and May 18th were given a satisfaction survey to complete. A total of 558 clients completed the confidential satisfaction survey, which is just above 10% of the clients served by the agency annually. This number

CLIENTS COMPLETING THE SURVEY REPORT:

- 97% are satisfied with Central Clinic services.
- 98% are satisfied with staff's ability to work with individual characteristics.
- 97% report that staff listen to me and know what I want.
- 97% are satisfied with amount of input in treatment.

exceeds the number of surveys collected in the previous year by almost 100 surveys. Findings from our survey

indicate a very high level of satisfaction expressed by clients.

Congratulations to Central Clinic Staff

Several staff of Central Clinic and its Divisions have made notable strides in the field of mental health/substance abuse. We congratulate them for the special awards, recognitions, and accomplishments.

Kristen Sandmann, LSW.

Ms. Sandmann was a social work student from the University of Kentucky and trained at Central Clinic's Adult Treatment Center under the supervision of Linda Chernus, MSW, LISW-S, until July 2011. Ms. Sandmann was awarded the Judith Holmes Award for the outstanding social work student by the Ohio Clinical Social Work Society.

Kieran Hurley, Cincinnati Magazine chose 35 men and women of Cincinnati who "are shaping the city today with a bold vision of tomorrow." Kieran Hurley, Project Coordinator, Hamilton County Common Pleas Specialty Courts, who is on staff at Central Clinic's Court Clinic, was named one of these "Next Power Brokers." He was featured in the magazine, with the following blurb: To stem the tsunami of mentally ill repeat offenders, the new Felony Mental Health Court is "a small but important step," says public defender Tim Cutcher. Heading it up, Kieran

Hurley uses the power of the court to orchestrate therapists, probation officers, and others. A Tender Mercies caseworker-turned-attorney, Hurley says it means "a better outcome for the individuals and for society." Five years from now: "I would hope that specialty courts (including the County's veteran's court and drug court) become part of the discussion when we talk about how to address crime." *Cincinnati, April 2011.*

Peirce Johnston, MD.

Dr. Johnston, who finished a two-year outpatient residency at Central Clinic in June, 2011 through the University of Cincinnati Psychiatry Department, and who is now one of the attending psychiatrists here, has an unusual claim to fame. Dr. Johnston was a \$38,600 winner on the nationally syndicated TV game show, *Who Wants to Be a Millionaire?* that aired May 24, 2011. Hosted by Meredith Viera, the show was taped at ABC studios in New York.

According to *UC HealthNews*, July

7, 2011: Johnston successfully fielded eight questions having to do with topics including music, movies, explorers and nuts but was stumped by the \$100,000 question, which gave him the names of the first three notes of Beethoven's Fifth Symphony (all are G-naturals) and challenged him to identify the fourth. Johnston chose to walk away at that point, as an incorrect answer would have cost him \$13,000 by sending him back down to the \$25,000 level...

"It was a good experience, and fun," Johnston says. "I was thinking before the show, if I won \$30,000 or so I'd be pretty happy—not because of the money, but because it would mean I did pretty well. And as it turned out, that's about how much I won."

2011 Psychiatry Residency Graduation. On June 4, 2011, nine doctors graduated from the University of Cincinnati, Department of Psychiatry. All of them did outpatient psychiatry at Central Clinic as 3rd and/or 4th year residents. Two of them are now attend-

ing psychiatrists on Central Clinic staff. Those who were graduates of General Psychiatry were: Anthony Cavaliere, MD, Teresa Cone, MD, Arman Danielyan, MD, Lisa Gray, MD, and Peirce Johnston, MD. One doctor was a graduate of the Family Medicine/Psychiatry (Double Board) program: Bryan Cairns, MD. There were three graduates of the Pediatrics/Psychiatry/Child Psychiatry (Triple Board) program: Chinwe Erike, MD, Justus Kam, MD, and Loretta Sonnier, MD.

Brian Evans, MD. Dr. Brian Evans became Director of the Residency Training Program at the University of Cincinnati effective August 1, 2011. Dr. Evans did his two-year outpatient psychiatric residency with Central Clinic. He worked as Assistant Director of the program under Dr. Aurora Bennett for three years, so with her promotion he was the obvious person to replace her. He is an excellent educator and administrator and is ready for a larger leadership role in education.

Central Clinic Walked for NAMI

On Saturday May 14, 2011 Central Clinic was proud to participate in the Hamilton County NAMI Walk. Over 40 staff members, family, clients, and pets joined together for the walk which started at Sawyer Point, continued across the Purple People Bridge, and finished along the waterfront path. It was a rainy day, but that didn't stop the determined walkers. It was a fun and successful walk.

MHAP and Central Clinic staff worked together to raise funds for NAMI of Hamilton County. A coffee and baked goods sale, as well as additional contributions from the Clinic, staff, family, and friends, helped raise over \$2,400.00 in donations. A big thank you goes out to all who made this possible!



National Award for the After-School Program

Ethel M. Taylor Academy is a winner of the 2011 Community Schools National Awards of Excellence for its Community Learning Center (CLC). Community Learning Centers are schools that use multiple public-private partnerships to offer wrap-around services for its children and families. The award was given by the Coalition for Community Schools. This is a NATIONAL honor; the 411-student, preK - 8 school was among only three schools chosen out of the entire country. We are very excited, because Central Clinic is the lead agency at Taylor. As part of CLC, Central Clinic provides the Resource Coordinator, Annie Bogenschutz, and the After-School Program. A huge “thank you” goes to the entire Central Clinic team at Taylor.

TAYLOR AT-A-GLANCE

Grade Level: PreK-8

Number of Students: 430

Demographics: 94.4% African-American, 3.1% Multi-Racial, 2.5% Other

ELL Students: 1.3%

Special Education Students: 24.4%

Eligible for Free/Reduced

Lunch: 100%

Student Mobility Rate: 25.9%

WHO'S WHO AT TAYLOR

- **Mary Ronan**, Superintendent, Cincinnati Public Schools
- **Dr. Sean McCauley**, Principal

- **Annie Bogenschutz**, Resource Coordinator
- **Dr. Walter Smitson and Trena Goodwin**, Central Clinic

Source: 2011 Institute for Educational Leadership

TESTIMONY OF THE RESULTS OF EXCELLENT WORK AT TAYLOR

Dion had always been an average student. He never loved going to school, but was never a huge “problem child” either. After a meeting with his teachers, Dion was identified as a student “on the bubble” (a student on the verge of progressing from basic proficiency), but with the supportive services that the school offered, he could potentially thrive — without them he might fall through the cracks. After Dion was identified by his teachers, he and his family took the initiative to make sure that he joined the after-school program, attended tutoring regularly and even became involved in the Junior Community Action Committee, a student group that plans volunteer and leadership activities. Dion did indeed thrive with the help of these opportunities. Taylor Academy was able to support Dion’s academic goals, by providing him with what he needed. Now he ranks at the top of his class academically and is viewed as a leader by his classmates.

Source: Ethel M. Taylor Academy, Cincinnati Public Schools, Cincinnati, OH. 2011 Institute for Educational Leadership



On June 16th, Ms. Bogenschutz, along with Dr. Sean McCauley, Taylor Academy Principal, and Eve Bolton, District School Board President went to Washington DC to accept the award.

New Clinical Director Named

Dr. Sheila Cohen, who served as Clinical Director of the Child and Family Treatment Center of Central Clinic, resigned the position to pursue her work in the private sector. Dr. Cohen will continue for approximately three hours per week on a contractual arrangement with the Clinic. Our special thanks to Dr. Cohen for her dedication, hard work, and expertise as a leader in the Child Division.

Effective, July 1, 2011, Dr. Maria Piombo accepted the position of Clinical Director of the Child & Family Treatment Center of Central Clinic. She joined Central Clinic in September 2009 and has done excellent work in both our clinical and prevention programs. Dr. Piombo has her Masters and Doctoral degrees from the University of Cincinnati and is a licensed Professional Clinical Counselor in Ohio.

Welcome New Residents and Students

Since 1933 Central Clinic has served as a training center to the psychiatric residents in the University of Cincinnati Department of Psychiatry. The Clinic also provides training experiences to social work, counseling, nursing, and psychology trainees and interns from various area universities and colleges.

July 1st marks the end of one training year and begins the year

for the new residents and interns. At the end of the first year some stay for a 2nd year of training here, others either graduate from their program or go on to other specialized training. 2011 brought a new rotation of residents and trainees. We welcome all of the incoming residents, interns, and trainees. We look forward to working with you this year.

Central Clinic Welcomes New Director of Development

Central Clinic has named Francie Morrison as its Director of Development, a newly created position. She will work part-time to enhance Central Clinic's fundraising and public relations programs. Francie is also president of MR & Company, a

publisher of [The Cincinnati Area Foundation Directory](#). She has served on several non-profit boards including The Seven Hills Schools, Joy Outdoor Education Center, and Episcopal Community Services Foundation.

Central Clinic: Vision, Mission, and Values

OUR VISION

To be a leader in providing and advocating for accessibility, best practices and outcome-driven behavioral health services for consumers and their families.

OUR MISSION

To provide culturally sensitive and outcome-driven Mental Health, Substance Abuse, Forensic, and Prevention Services to children, adults, and families. Central Clinic accomplishes this by making services accessible, individualized, effective, consumer oriented, and recovery/resiliency based.

OUR VALUES

- We value our staff and the individual contributions it makes.
- We honor and respect the breadth of cultural diversity, values and ideas of our staff, clients and community partners.
- We treat our staff and clients with dignity and respect.
- We believe that recovery is possible.
- We value giving clients reasons to hope for recovery.
- We value making resources available to clients to assist in their recovery.
- We understand and promote the active participation of clients in their plan for improving their lives.
- We value the dignity and rights of the clients and families we serve.
- We value the right of privacy of our clients.
- We value and actively seek community/systems collaboration to improve the quality of life in our community.
- We are committed to using outcome data to drive management decisions in our programs.

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