



THE WOMEN'S AUXILIARY OF NEXUS



UPCOMING EVENTS

April 30, 2007

**Afternoon Tea with Sean
M. Bidic, MD**

2:00 - 4:00pm

Underwritten by Merrill Lynch
Private Client Group

Contact Mrs. Cory (Leigh) Olson

May 17, 2007

**Annual Meeting &
Luncheon**

11:30am

At the Dallas Country Club

**Tours of Nexus Recovery
Center - as requested**

Contact Ms. Caroline Casteel

**2008 Memberships Start
June 1**

Contact Mrs. James (Donna)
Boyter

Auxiliary Announces Spring Fundraising Campaign

We are very excited to announce some wonderful new plans for the Women's Auxiliary of Nexus Recovery Center!

As most of you know, Faye Briggs generously supported a strategic plan for the Auxiliary last fall. As a result, we have determined that the new fundraising plan for the Auxiliary will include the following:

Small "friend raising" events to be hosted by Auxiliary members and community partners. The Escada fashion show and luncheon hosted by Saks Fifth Avenue was our first such event. Our second event was recently hosted by Wachovia Private Risk Management and AIG Private Client Group on the 29th of March. All of these events will be used to cultivate greater interest in the work of Nexus Recovery Center.

More face-to-face solicitation of corporate and individual gifts to secure operational support. With that goal in mind, we have recently launched a spring fundraising campaign to replace our annual fundraising event. Our goal is to present Nexus with a check for \$150,000 at our membership luncheon on May 17, 2007.

Honoree fundraising campaign. This campaign will raise money with a large lead gift from the

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Holiday Bazaar Co-chairs Cheryl Brown and Lori Alexander with Faye Briggs. Not only did Faye generously underwrite the strategic plan, but she also hosted the bazaar.



Spring Fundraising Campaign Chair Leigh Olson, Executive Director Becca Crowell, and Auxiliary President Carolyn Waghorne.

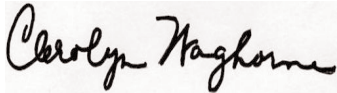
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honoree supplemented by gifts from the honoree's friends, associates, and relatives in his/her honor.

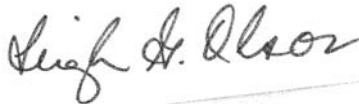
We have both pledged \$5,000 to the spring fundraising campaign and are challenging other individuals to support this very worthwhile cause at a high level. The Auxiliary's fundraising dollars have become critical to the ongoing success of Nexus Recovery Center. Every dollar raised in this campaign will go directly to the programs at Nexus.

We are proud to be a part of the life-saving work Nexus does in our community. We are also proud of the Auxiliary and the women who have committed their generous hearts to this important work. Thank you for all you do for the Women's Auxiliary of Nexus and thank you for considering a gift at this time.

Sincerely,



Carolyn Waghorne, President



Leigh Olson, Spring Fundraising Chair



Far left: Escada designer Daniel Wingate with auxiliary member Carole Ann Brown, wearing vintage Escada. Left: Saks Fifth Avenue General Manager and Vice President Karen Olivarri with Event Chair Leigh Olson. Photos by Kristina Bowman.

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Saks Fifth Avenue Escada Fashion Show

It was a perfect winter day to see Escada's upcoming Spring Collection. While the Northeast was covered up with record snow Dallas was a flawless sixty-four degrees. Saks Fifth Avenue-Galleria hosted a lovely fashion show featuring Escada designer Daniel Wingate's collection. The luncheon following was designed to gather women together for an engaging afternoon while introducing the message of The Women's Auxiliary of Nexus Recovery Center.

Leigh Olson presided as Chair over the event, and her touch could be seen everywhere. No detail was too small to be considered and the final product was evidence not only of her abilities as a hostess, but of her commitment to Nexus. During lunch Nexus Executive Director Becca Crowell introduced three Nexus alumni who were recognized at the event. Afterwards, each woman was greeted by many of the luncheon attendees.

After the luncheon Saks treated guests to petit fours and a personal tour through designer Daniel Wingate's collection for Escada. It was a great way to wind down the afternoon and have plenty of time to catch up with friends and continue to learn more about Nexus.

"This was a great event that wouldn't have been possible without the generosity of Saks Fifth Avenue-Galleria," said Leigh Olson, Luncheon Chair. Saks generously provided complete underwriting for the luncheon including a delightful lunch from the Westin Galleria kitchen. Olson went on to say, "I want to thank Karen Olivarri, General Manager and Vice President of Saks Fifth Avenue-Galleria for her graciousness." Ms. Olivarri took a moment just after the fashion show to thank all of the attendees and acknowledged the work Nexus is doing in the community.

Kris Kringle Christmas Bazaar

When Santa Claus is your Honorary Chair you know it's going to be a great event. The Kris Kringle Christmas Bazaar didn't disappoint.

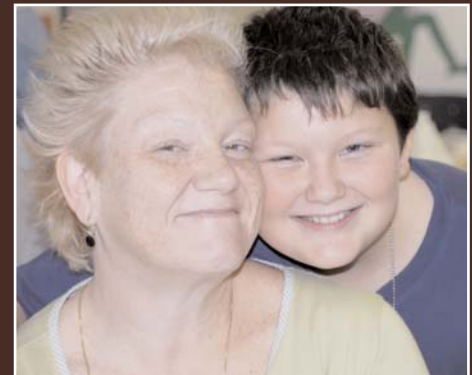
Hosted by, and in the home of, Faye Briggs, the event boasted 27 participating local merchants some of which include Lucky Dog Barkery, Ken's Man's Shop, Cultured Cup, Haute Baby and Noel Christmas Store. Each vendor donated 20% of their proceeds to the Women's Auxiliary. Additionally, there were three booths exclusive to Nexus: The Sweet Shoppe, Hodge Podge and Puppies for Sale with 100% of these proceeds going directly to Nexus. The dress was Christmas casual and with more than 200 in attendance the mood was merry.

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HOLIDAY PARTY



The Women's Auxiliary hosted a Christmas party at Nexus December 15. Children had their pictures taken with Santa, decorated cookies, painted picture frames and played games.



This proved to be a great opportunity for the mother's at Nexus to have some hands-on time with their little ones!



In addition to Auxiliary members, a group of young volunteers from Skyline High School were in attendance to lend a hand and take part. Photos by Suzette Reed.

EVENT PHOTOS

Cheryl Brown and Lori Alexander co-chaired the event and were in full form dressed as Mrs. Claus and a Christmas Elf respectively. The room was abuzz with activity, including chance raffles and prizes. Chance tickets sold for \$5 each with one prize including an entire Christmas dinner for 12-14 people. This chance prize catered dinner was graciously underwritten by Patricia Deason and the winning ticket belonged to our very own Leigh Olson. The Women's Auxiliary raised more than \$12,000 with the holiday bazaar this year.

A great deal of volunteer hours went into the planning and implementation of this event. After the dust settled from the event Cheryl Brown and Lori Alexander were anxious to thank the volunteers for their generosity. Coming together again to co-host an afternoon tea at City Café, Cheryl and Lori honored the volunteers that made this event a huge success.

Fall Membership Tea

Every fall the Women's Auxiliary of Nexus Recovery Center hosts a Membership Tea. The tea is an opportunity for current members to honor new members and to invite friends to learn more about Nexus. Later in the day guests are given an opportunity to join the Auxiliary and participate in upcoming projects. Jennifer Houser chaired this year's Fall Membership Tea and broke the mold with a record 220 attendees.



Auxiliary Advisory Board member Joan Foster with hostess Kelly Green.

Kelly Green, also an Auxiliary member, was kind enough to host the event in her beautiful home which served as the perfect backdrop for the day. Nexus graduate Toni L. spoke to the women in attendance about her experience at Nexus. When she came to Nexus Toni had just been released from the Dallas jail and had recently discovered she was pregnant. While in jail Toni was introduced to Nexus. With the knowledge she would soon be a mother, she decided to take action and enrolled in Nexus' Pregnant/Parenting Women with Children program. On May 24, 2006 Toni celebrated six years of sobriety. Today Toni is gainfully employed, and as of September 2006 she became a proud first time home owner.



Joy Gissler, Ella Banks, Wally Pendarvis and Carol Botefuhr with Santa at the Kris Kringle Christmas Bazaar.



Cai Glackin, Carolyn Waghorne, Nancy Zogg and Farrow Gregory Herold provided volunteer help during the bazaar.



Chair Jennifer Houser, Adult Women Program Director Connie McCarty, Executive Director Becca Crowell, and Nexus graduate Toni at the fall membership tea.