

the family resource

THE RENOVATED FAMILY RETREAT CENTER WILL OPEN THIS SUMMER

Did you go to camp as a child? Perhaps you, or someone you know, attended or worked at the Fresh Air Camp in the Cranberry area, operated by the Pittsburgh Association for the Improvement of the Poor (PAIP) beginning in 1937.

If so, you will be amazed and pleased at the transformation the camp has made.

Shortly after PAIP and the Child Abuse Prevention Center merged in 1986 to form Family Resources, the camp began to change its traditional two-week camping program in order to align with the mission to prevent and treat child abuse by strengthening families and neighborhoods. The Fresh Air Camp became the Family Retreat Center.

The camp looked much like many other children's summer camps you might remember. There were bright white barracks-like cabins, bathhouses, a dining hall and a recreational hall, all built in the late 1930s to give urban children a two-week vacation free from Pittsburgh's industrial pollution and sweltering heat.

The schedule of activities followed the patterns set down in camps across the country: crafts, volleyball, softball, swimming, carnival night, campfires and hayrides.

The Fresh Air Camp made a difference in many young lives. "I'm sure it makes some small contribution to the characters of children, makes them more responsible and more responsive to the rights and need of others," noted E. W. Seifert, general manager of PAIP in the 1960s. "I suppose it makes the parents more aware of their children's



Construction of the all-season cabins progresses during the winter. Each cabin can accommodate up to 20 people.

requirements. Probably, the experience lasts some of the campers all their lives, and makes better adults of them."

Today, the Family Retreat Center aims to accomplish a similar goal by reaching out to families — many of them at risk for child abuse — and engaging them in positive interaction in a warm and nurturing atmosphere. Many of our families spend relaxing weekends at the Retreat Center, away from the pressures of daily life. Programs held year round at the facility offer families an opportunity to focus on developing healthy relationships, learn non-violent, effective means of discipline, and build networks of support with other families from their community.

In order to meet the needs of our families and others we serve, Family Resources embarked upon a \$6.2 million capital campaign in 2005 to build a new dining hall, meeting areas, a cabana, athletic fields and 10 new cabins. These buildings and the fields will be ready for use during the summer of 2007.

If you were a camper, a counselor, an administrator or maintenance worker at the Fresh Air Camp, Family Resources wants to hear from you. Call the Development Office, 412-363-1702, ext. 1172.

Please share your stories with us. Family Resources is preserving one original cabin — Nanticoke — and will convert it into an area to display the history of the Family Retreat Center.

The accompanying photos show the construction at the Family Retreat Center.



The two-story dining hall will seat 200 for meals as well as meetings.



FROM OUR DIRECTOR • *Walter Howard Smith, Jr., Ph.D.*

Double Standard for Children

During a recent lecture on child abuse, the audience confronted me with a common reason for discounting my assertion that even mild forms of child maltreatment injure children. One older woman proclaimed, "My father used a belt when I was bad, and I never did those bad things again!" Other audience members nodded and more stories spontaneously spilled forward. Collectively, they looked at me as if to say: "So there, Doctor Smith, what do you have to say about that!"

These critical moments in lectures remind me how far we have not come in preventing child abuse. I have been in 30 or more cities in three countries, and the proclamations remain the same. We heard the same proclamations in the war against smoking and excessive drinking. We all knew someone who smoked three packs a day into their 80s, or drank martinis each night with no ill

effects. I still hear of people who can eat anything and everything and not gain a pound. These arguments ultimately blame the victim in denying that cigarettes, alcohol, fatty foods, and inflicting pain cause problems. Since I know someone who survived, the problem must be with the person who suffers.

At the lecture, I reached deep into my little black bag of potent arguments, and by the end (an hour of fierce and interesting discussion), half of the audience decided I had a point. The older woman said with tears in her eyes, "I just can't think of what my father did as abuse." The other half of the audience stopped making eye contact, smiling thinly and courteously but convinced that the speaker had no idea what he was talking about.

My argument and strategy goes like this... No matter what people say as a rationale for parents hitting children, I ask repeatedly if

they would tolerate their spouse, boss, or neighbor doing the same to them as adults. "But I deserved what my father did!" I respond, "That's right. So the next time you are late with a report at work your boss can slap you on the back of your head!" "But what can you do when a child doesn't listen?" I proclaim, "Sure, and when you make repeated mistakes at home, your spouse can pop you one!"

People in the audience argue that I am absurd for suggesting their boss, spouse, neighbor, older parent, and even lecturer could inflict pain on them. Then I ask why we would justify doing the same to those more vulnerable, weaker, and less mature.

I have never received an answer. Try it with your friends, co-workers, and family. Don't expect hugs and kisses. However, we must figure out how to put an end to our double standard for children.

PENNSYLVANIA'S MANDATORY CHILD ABUSE REPORTING STATUTE AMENDED

In November 2006, Pennsylvania's Governor Edward Rendell signed into law Act 179 of 2006, amending the Child Protective Services Law that governs the mandatory reporting of suspected child abuse. This law goes into effect May 28, 2007.

Briefly, the amendment to the law affects psychologists who treat minors in private practice, agency and institutional settings.

Suspected child abuse must be reported when the child is under the care, supervision, guidance or training of the psychologist, agency, institution, organization or other entity with which the psychologist is affiliated. Suspected abuse must be reported if it is being conducted by a perpetrator as defined by law, as well as a non-statutorily defined perpetrator, ie, a person who is not responsible for the welfare of a child, is not a paramour of the child's parent, and does not reside in the same home.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!



April 24, 2007

The Child Abuse Prevention Month Awards Benefit takes place at the Westin Convention Center Hotel in Pittsburgh. Invitations will be mailed shortly. For more information contact Andi Fischhoff, development director, 412-363-1702, ext. 1168.

June 2007

Former Steelers Coach Bill Cowher will host a mini football camp for kids, and Kaye Cowher will conduct a basketball mini camp at the Family Retreat Center. Watch for more details on this exciting event.

October 25, 2007

The renowned Casbah restaurant on Highland Avenue in Shadyside will sponsor a delicious dinner with wine for 50 guests. Tickets are \$150 per person. To reserve your ticket, call Rebecca Hebert, director of individual giving and the comprehensive campaign, 412-363-1702, ext. 1015. All proceeds benefit the work of child abuse prevention.

THE FAMILY RETREAT CENTER 127 YEARS OF GROWTH

The Family Retreat Center, located on 230 serene, wooded acres in the affluent suburbs of Marshall and Cranberry Townships, had its origins 127 years ago in a much different environment.

We can only imagine the existence of those living in Pittsburgh in the late nineteenth century. While some residents lived in comfortable or modest homes, thousands of the city's population subsisted in unimaginable squalor and struggled to meet their basic needs for food, clothing and shelter.

A Duty to Help the Needy

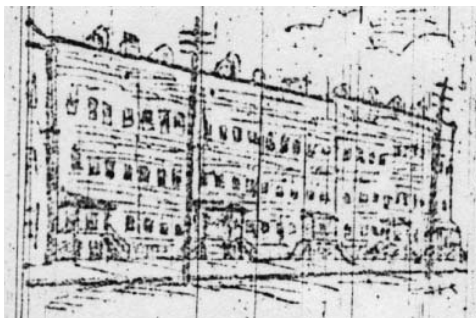
Founded in 1875, the Pittsburgh Association for the Improvement of the Poor (PAIP) — the predecessor of Family Resources — sought to administer charity to the indigent of the city.

The organizers of PAIP, Mary Copley Thaw and Louisa Hills Herron, wives of wealthy financiers, recruited women from their social circle to serve as managers on the board. As devout Christian women, the managers believed it was their duty to provide charitable relief, both physical and spiritual.

Rev. E. R. Donehoo, PAIP general agent and pastor of the Temperanceville Presbyterian Church, wrote in the annual report of 1880, "To administer wisely, economically and successfully, the charities of such a city as ours, with its mixed population gathered from every land and crowded into ill-ventilated courts and narrow alleys, into dingy garrets and gloomy cellars, demands something besides money."

The managers of PAIP realized that the most efficient way to assess the needs of the poor was to send paid female missionaries, or visitors, into their homes. The work of the visitors was performed for the sake of God, and charitable relief was given regardless of denomination, country of origin or race.

The visitors traveled throughout the city, fearlessly entering grim living quarters in over-crowded tenements, where the summer heat was brutal. In July 1887, a visitor described an apartment house along Second Avenue — Yellow Row — to a reporter from the Pittsburgh Commercial Gazette, stating that it was "one of the most wretched" buildings she had seen.



The Infamous Yellow Row

Inside, a dying baby was resting on a coarse, dirty pillow. Flies gathered on the folds of a newspaper the mother was using as a fan. Earlier that week, several other children had died from cholera and convulsions due to poor hygiene, contaminated food and polluted water.

That year, Pittsburgh Health Officer Bradley noted that, between May 1 and June 30, 205 children under age 10 had died. To emphasize how dramatic this statistic is, the combined population of both the City of Pittsburgh and Allegheny City was roughly 300,000.

Childhood deaths were so common in the tenements that people seemed indifferent, according to the reporter. One mother who had lost her child said she didn't see whose business it was beside her own if her children died.

Free Summer Excursions

Benevolent members of Pittsburgh's middle and upper classes were appalled at the living conditions of the poor. Philanthropist Orlando Metcalf, treasurer of the Verona Tool Works, knew about free summer excursions in New York designed to take the poor into the country for a day of relaxation.

These were part of the new Fresh Air movement that arose out of concern for impoverished children living in urban areas.

Mr. Metcalf proposed this idea to Rev. W. R. Mackay, pastor of St. Peter Episcopal Church and a member of PAIP's Advisory Board.

On June 23, 1879, the managers of PAIP met in their office at 75 Fourth Avenue to make arrangements for the first free riverboat excursion. It was decided that city newspapers — *The Commercial Gazette*, *Post*, *Dispatch*, *Freiheit's Freund*, *Chronicle*, *Leader* and *Telegraph* — would serve as depositories for receiving monetary contributions to defray the expenses.

Hill Burgwin, Esq., solicitor for Dollar Savings Bank, chartered and paid for a day's use of the steamer *Chartiers Valley*. PAIP asked citizens to donate money, supplies and food for the excursion. The first citizen to contribute was George W. Petty, who sent \$5 to PAIP.

The First Trip

The *Chartiers Valley*, filled with 450 cheerful passengers, steamed away from the Monongahela River wharf at 9:15 AM on Wednesday, July 2, and headed upriver to Glenwood Grove, a wooded picnic area near the present Glenwood Bridge.

Joining the children and their parents were members of PAIP's Excursion Committee — Mrs. Alfred Mason, Mrs. Samuel McKee, Mrs. Alex Duncan, Mrs. David Carter, Mrs. Alexander Rook and Mrs. Sarah Lippincott. Guests were treated to musical entertainment by the popular Great Western Band, organized in 1866 and led by Balthasar Weis. Dr. George Purviance and Dr. Archibald

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Chessrown were on board with a stock of medicines to administer care to anyone needing it.

The *Pittsburgh Commercial Gazette* reported on the success of the excursion in the next day's edition. "Hardly had the children set foot on the grassy shore than they scattered in every direction. At the grove the children soon managed to make themselves at home without difficulties and a right merry time they had."

The newspaper further stated, "There was an abundance of food for everyone, thanks to the kindness of the numerous persons who take an interest in the excursions. There was tea and coffee and 125 gallons of fresh sweet milk." Ham and tongue sandwiches were served at Glenwood Grove, and on the way home lunch was served on the boat. When the Chartiers Valley docked at 6:30 PM, there wasn't one hungry passenger.

The free excursion generated so much enthusiasm and interest that railroads made offers to take children on day trips the following year.

Beyond the Excursions

By 1882, PAIP had discontinued the one-day excursions and opened a summer boarding home along the banks of the Ohio River near Shousetown in Crescent Township. This facility, the Children's Home, was moved to a 2.5-acre site in Oakmont in 1887 and the name was subsequently changed to the Fresh Air Home. As need grew, the Fresh Air Home moved to its present location in Marshall Township in 1937.

This is the first of a series of articles tracing the history of the Family Retreat Center and its role in providing services to families in need in our region. The next issue of The Family Resource will focus on the boarding home in Shousetown.

Donors Develop Creative Ways to Help FAMILY RESOURCES

- Each year, Kappa Delta Sorority (Xi Chapter) at the University of Pittsburgh holds a Shamrock Festival to raise money for child abuse prevention. In 2006, Family Resources, one of the beneficiaries, received \$617 from this philanthropic event. The donation supports prevention programs such as Parents Anonymous and the Parenting WARMLINE at Family Resources.
- The Win One for Kids Tennis Tournament was the idea of Chip Burke and Peter Coulson, students at Fox Chapel Area High School. They were inspired to host the tournament after they and their families volunteered at the Family Retreat Center. The tournament, held at the Fox Chapel Golf Club in August, attracted 29 players and raised \$1,820 for Family Resources. "I think other kids should try and do projects like these," said Chip. "It makes you feel like you've really done something to help out."

- Allie Zeh dreams of becoming a concert promoter. So, when the Shaler High School senior was asked by her class advisor what she planned to do for her senior project, Allie enthusiastically resolved to hold a benefit rock concert and make Family Resources the recipient of the proceeds.

The concert took place September 23, 2006 at the Boyd Community Center in Fox Chapel. Allie asked seven local high school bands to play — Entrails, Horwood, Those Who Fear, Colossus, Monument the Ghost, Failure to Fall, and Belie My Burial. The bands graciously offered to entertain at no cost.

On the night of the concert, parents volunteered to staff the doors for the 200 attendees. The concert was a huge hit and netted \$400 for Family Resources.

- Lynlott Miniatures in Aspinwall created a "Hedge Fund" for Family Resources. Weather permitting, gently worn toys and household items are set out on the hedge in front of the store, usually selling for \$1.00 or less. All proceeds are dropped into the Family Resources Donation Box. Passersby have begun to look forward to seeing what items might appear on the hedge, and have come to enjoy supporting Family Resources.

In the past year, \$225.00 has been raised, one dollar at a time. Owner Debbie McManus has found this to be an excellent venue for her spring cleaning, all in support of a good cause.

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Generous GIFTS

- Community groups in Fox Chapel and the North Hills contributed toys, books, and gift cards that were distributed to hundreds of families.
- Students at Fox Chapel Area High School collected gift cards for children in approximately 80 families that relocated here from New Orleans and other communities affected by Hurricane Katrina.
- A volunteer in Ellwood City wrote a letter to friends and relatives encouraging them to donate gift cards, toys, and clothing; among the donations were enough maternity clothes for 12 pregnant teens participating in our support groups and parenting classes in McKeesport.
- One family — parents and their two teenage daughters — went shopping, filling up their car with toys and gifts for children in our services. A staff member from Family Resources arranged to meet the family in a parking lot in Monroeville, where we transferred all the toys and gifts from one car to another, along with a generous check for Family Resources.
- A woman who had recently moved to Pittsburgh organized a toy drive at her child's preschool and collected several carloads of new and gently used toys, children's clothing, books, maternity clothes, and baby equipment, especially

Throughout the year, Family Resources receives many calls from people looking for ways to get involved — perhaps to read to children at our therapeutic preschool, volunteer at the BJWL Children's Program after school or during the summer, or provide support to a struggling family during the holiday season.

During the past several months we received many generous gifts from individuals and groups whose support means so much to the families we work with. How can we thank you enough, especially during the holidays? Our families — including many with very limited resources — want to do something special for their children during the holiday season, and your generosity has helped make this possible. In 2006, all the families participating in Family Resources programs that needed extra help around the holidays received it.

helpful to the teen mothers we are working with, who have so little.

- Several callers asked to “adopt” a family, giving very generously to help a specific family in difficulty.

These are some accounts from our staff about how the gifts helped specific families:

“One of the many families that received gifts and gift cards was a single mom age 25 with a three-year-old son. This family had a tough year. The mother was struggling with depression and financial hardship, and they were homeless for much of the year. The young mother finally received Section 8 housing and had a roof over her head but had no furniture and was struggling to keep her son fed. During the month before Christmas she became even more saddened that her son would not have gifts for Christmas. I was able to provide her with \$100 in gift cards as well as toys for her son. With tears rolling down her face, she told me that her son was finally going to be able to have a nice Christmas with toys and a home-cooked Christmas dinner. This mother and son have no other family and she often feels alone. The donations gave her hope that people do care.”

“I gave Giant Eagle and Target gift cards to one of my clients. I had originally planned to give them to another mother but this particular client had recently moved to another

apartment and came into the session talking about how stressed out she was from the upcoming holidays. She said that the money that she and the father of their children had been counting on to come in was not going to be available until sometime in 2007. She was concerned that she didn't have money for diapers or food for her infant son and she is also eight months pregnant. I gave her the gift cards and she immediately burst into tears. It was a heartfelt moment and she expressed a lot of gratitude. She asked who she could thank for being so kind and compassionate to her, and I explained how Family Resources had received donations from other families in the community who wanted to reach out and help others. It really felt good to be able to bring joy into what I'm sure she saw as a hopeless time.”

“E. is a single father. His children's mother left him and the three children about a year ago. The children are six, four, and three years old. Their father has been struggling financially for the past year, adjusting to fit his income to meet all the needs of his children. When I gave him the toys and clothing for his children, he was overwhelmed and said that they would truly make a difference for his family this holiday season. Please pass on my thanks, as well, as I got to see the smiles that these gifts created ‘first hand’ on the faces of the families I work with. These donors are wonderful!”

DEAR FRIEND OF FAMILY RESOURCES,

You can support Family Resources in our efforts to serve families at risk for child abuse and neglect by purchasing a brick or a 6 x 6 tile that will be installed at the Family Retreat Center.

Family Resources has many supporters who care deeply about the children, teens and parents we serve. Please consider purchasing a brick or a tile to show our families—in a visible and lasting way—that they are not alone in their struggles, that others support them in their efforts to build safe and nurturing relationships with their children.

You also may consider making a gift/pledge to support the capital campaign and the renovations at the Family Retreat Center.

Thank you.

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For further information, please call 412-363-1702 ext 1015 or email rhebert@familyresourcesofpa.org.

Helping heal the wounds of sexual abuse

Alex* was born prematurely and spent the first four months of his life in the neonatal ICU of a local hospital. Due to pressures from her family, Alex's teenage mother Ronna seldom visited her sick infant. At a very formative stage of development, when infants require nurturing and love, Alex received very little attention or affection from his mother.

When Alex was well enough to leave the hospital, Ronna took him home to her mother's small apartment. Ronna had never bonded with her baby and found it difficult to care for the frail infant. Her mother was not supportive, and Ronna felt frightened and isolated.

Alex was nearly three when concerned neighbors called Allegheny County's Department of Children, Youth and Families (CYF). They reported that the toddler was left alone periodically, and he appeared undernourished and dirty.

Case workers from CYF visited Ronna. They found that Alex was neglected and had behavioral problems. Alex was placed in a foster home, and he was taken to Family Resources for play therapy in Outpatient Psychotherapy Services.

Ronna was enrolled in Family Resources Crisis Intervention Services, programs designed to bring more stability into the lives of the parents and make the home safer for children. She attended parenting support groups, and her progress was monitored by CYF.

CYF prepared a detailed family services plan for Ronna that included drug and alcohol counseling, parenting classes, and obtaining her own apartment. When Ronna successfully met these requirements the following year, the court ordered that Alex be reunited with his mother and that CYF provide after-care visits.

For the first time, Ronna felt confident and in control of her life. But that changed when she met Chuck, an addict, and he moved in with her. Within two years, the couple had two children. During a routine visit by CYF, seven-year-old Alex confided that Chuck was "touching" him.

CYF removed Alex, along with his siblings, from Ronna's care and placed them in foster homes. Alex was placed with Erin and Sam, a couple who wished to adopt him.

Alex again was brought to Family Resources for Outpatient Psychotherapy Services. Alex's therapist stated, "When I first met with Alex, he was trying to make sense of the abuse he suffered." Alex was acting out — not following rules at home or in school, lying, stealing, and engaging in sexual play with children younger than he is. He was injuring himself by hitting his head and scratching his body.

Terrified of being rejected, Alex had learned to be superficially pleasing and charming to disguise the fear he felt. "Because of the abuse and neglect, Alex could not handle his emotions," noted his therapist. "At times he clung to strangers and demanded their attention. At other times he was angry and very fearful of adults."

His therapist uses play therapy with Alex. "Because young children lack adequate verbal skills, play becomes the child's way of

communicating. Play therapy helps Alex work through the feelings of his past neglect and abandonment."

Alex loves playing with stuffed animals. He feeds them, brushes their fur, and sings to them when they get hurt. This is one technique used to help Alex overcome his fear of attachment.

At this time, Alex is reluctant to discuss his sexual abuse, so his therapist is helping him be more comfortable talking about feelings.

The therapist also provides separate therapy sessions for Erin and Sam that focus on parenting and how to help Alex defuse his anger in non-violent ways. She helps them understand how Alex's early experiences influence his behavior, and she developed a plan that gives a list of sexual behaviors to look for. When Alex feels out of control, he knows he can tell Erin and Sam. They intervene in a non-threatening way by taking Alex for a walk, reading a book to him, or playing with him on the swings.

Erin and Sam learned to set rules for behavior that cannot be tolerated, like when Alex hurts himself or others. Sending Alex to his room makes him feel abandoned again, so they give him a "time-out" and stay nearby.

The therapist reports that Alex shows signs of bonding with his foster family. "He can tell them when he is angry and when he is happy. Recently, he told Erin and Sam that he loves them."

The therapist is pleased that Alex is making steady progress in dealing with his sexual abuse and neglect. Each session brings him closer to the goal of a happier childhood.

For more information about Family Resources programs for families with abused and neglected children, call 412-363-1702 and ask to speak with Intake, Information and Referral.

* names have been changed

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- Students at Fox Chapel Area High School held their 17th annual telethon on December 22, 2006, and raised \$7,057 for Family Resources. The theme of the two-hour telethon was "Cabin Fever," and it involved students from the high school, Hartwood Elementary School and Kerr Elementary School.

The telethon is a project of the television production and marketing/management students of the high school. It was broadcast live from a remote location inside the high school and was viewed by Comcast cable customers in the school district's area. Residents also could see a rebroadcast of the telethon from December 23 to 29.

In 17 years, the telethon has enabled students to donate more than \$365,000 to charitable organizations.

Family Resources is grateful to our generous and creative donors. Thank you!

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