

*Programs and services for children and adults living with autism and related disabilities*

# Linwood Highlights 2013

## **FEBRUARY**

### **Mockingbird Foundation Awards Grant**

In February, we received a special gift from The Mockingbird Foundation. The all-volunteer nonprofit gave us a \$4,000 grant to purchase musical instruments for our Fine Arts Program. In addition to being fun and rewarding for the students, music improves inattentiveness and other behaviors in individuals with autism.

The Mockingbird Foundation was founded by fans of the rock band Phish. Fundraising through Phish-related projects supports the Foundation and its grants program.

Linwood was one of just 10 organizations to win a grant from the Foundation, which received over 1,300 inquiries this year.



## **MARCH**

### **Linwood Hosts Appreciation Social**

Over 50 donors and other community leaders gathered on St. Patrick's Day for the first Annual Linwood Appreciation Social.

The event honors members of the Jeanne M. Simons Society, which was established in memory of the autism pioneer and Linwood Center founder and to recognize major contributors who support our programs and services for children and adults living with autism.

Among the guests of honor were Howard County Executive Ken Ulman and his family, County Council members Calvin Ball and Mary Kay Sigaty, Delegate Guy Guzzone and School Board members Sandra French and Ellen Flynn Giles.

Don Reuwer hosted the event at his Pleasant Prospect Farm in Brookeville. St. Patrick's Day refreshments were provided by Rob and Steve Wecker of the Iron Bridge Wine Company in Columbia.



*TOP: Howard County Executive Ken Ulman spoke at the Linwood Appreciation Social. Listening to his remarks were (from l.) Delegate Guy Guzzone, daughters Lily and Maddie and wife Jaki Ulman.*

*BOTTOM: Linwood Center Executive Director Bill Moss thanked the crowd of donors and other friends at the Appreciation Social, while Linwood team members (from l.) Director of Medical and Clinical Services Scott Hagaman, Director of Adult Services Dwayne Wilson and Deputy Executive Director Kim Manning looked on.*

## APRIL

### Chuck Ecker Shares Linwood News Over Lunch

Former County Executive Charles I. (Chuck) Ecker, celebrated Autism Awareness Month by hosting a luncheon at Tersiguel's French Country Restaurant in Ellicott City. Ecker wanted to bring his friends up to date on all the latest news about Linwood. Ecker is the Linwood Center's Advisory Board's Chief Educational Advisor and is the immediate past Superintendent of Carroll County Public Schools.

## AUGUST

### Our New School Opens

More than 150 parents of children with autism, elected officials, educators, donors and other community members joined us to celebrate the opening of our beautiful new school.

The hub of the school is the library and a state-of-the-art technology center which includes dedicated areas for multi-sensory environments, computer labs, speech and language therapy, occupational therapy and fine arts.

The new 36,000 square foot building allows us to better meet the ever-growing demand for our services. We can now serve 70 students on all levels of the autism spectrum from kindergarten through 12th grade in separate areas for elementary, middle and high school. In addition to our Special Education Program serving students ages 5-21 in a nongraded program, we also offer a General Education Program for students in Kindergarten and Grades 1 through 8. Our curriculum is aligned with the Common Core Standards and our students learn a variety of critical functional life skills.

At the dedication ceremony, Delegate Guy Guzzone said the new school will help bring children with autism "up to their fullest potential." Courtney Watson, our district's County Council member, called the building a noteworthy example of a public-private partnership. And Howard County Executive Ken Ulman said it's an "investment representing the values of Howard County."

The \$6.5 million building, adjacent to our historic manor house, was made possible by government grants, individual donations and local financing.

## OCTOBER

### Spooktacular Way To Celebrate Halloween

Ghosts, goblins and even a princess gathered at Hebron House on Oct. 26 for the Gala Spooktacular to benefit Linwood.

Bill and Sherry Santo of Ellicott City hosted the evening of magic, music, dancing and an opportunity to dress up in Halloween "finery." The Voodoo Yahoos provided the music. Gold Sponsors of the event were CWR Technologies, Human Touch LLD and National Government Services. Chuck and Peggy Ecker, Tedd and Kim Manning, Jean Moon & Associates, Bill and Cheryl Moss and Chris's Lawn Service were Bronze Sponsors.

## DECEMBER

### Candlelight Concert Society Visits

Our students, participants in the Adult Services Program and staff members enjoyed a pre-holiday concert in December when The Candlelight Concert Society brought violinist Melissa Hullman and cellist Dolug Jameson to Linwood.

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*Patricia A. Daley, Executive Director of Special Education and Student Services for the Howard County Public School System, praised Linwood's educational program. "Our partnership has just begun," she said.*

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*Teacher Harriet Bishop helps student Jonathan Gutierrez with his lesson in one of Linwood's new classrooms.*

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*The Candlelight Concert Society brought violinist Melissa Hullman and cellist Doug Jameson to Linwood for a greatly appreciated concert in December.*

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*Howard High School students helped with the Linwood Center beautification project.*

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*Rock band Phish's Mockingbird Foundation gave Linwood a grant to buy musical instruments.*

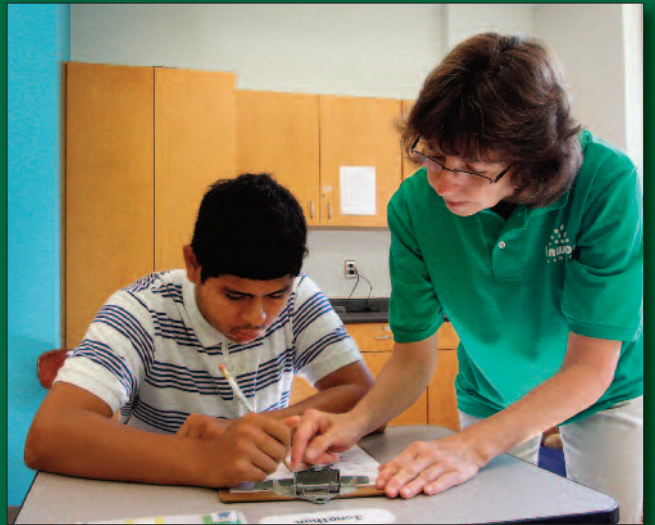
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*Advisory Board member Chuck Ecker held a "friendraising luncheon" for Linwood at Tersiguel's French Country Restaurant. Enjoying the occasion were (standing from l.) Deputy Executive Director Kim Manning, Michel Tersiguel, Bob Manfuso, Executive Director Bill Moss, Roger Caplan and (seated from l.) Ecker, Mike Davis and Chip Lundy.*





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### \$1.65 Million

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### \$30,000-\$50,000

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