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Today's Program: TBA

April 4, 2019

Exchange Club Marks Child Abuse Prevention Month

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Pictured: Jason Powell (Tuscaloosa County Sheriff's Office) Josh Hastings (TCSO), Lillie Leatherwood (Tuscaloosa Police Dept.), Chief Anderson (TPD), Carla Kapera (DCH Regional Medical Center), Lynn Morrison (DCH), Anna Randall (Northport Police Dept.), Nan Glaus (Exchange Club Child Abuse Prevention Committee Chairman, front in chair), Duane Barnes (Northport Fire Dept.), Terry Jacobs (Tuscaloosa Fire Dept.), and Chief Gerald Barton (Northport Police).

Last week, the Exchange Club presented 29 blue ribbons and over 500 "Sir Care A Lot" Teddy Bears in observance of *National Child Abuse Prevention Month* in April.

The Tuscaloosa Exchange Club held its annual Child Abuse Prevention Program on Thursday, March 28. As part of the program, 550 Sir Care-A-Lot Teddy Bears were provided by the club to The Tuscaloosa Police Department, Northport Police Department, Tuscaloosa County Sheriff's Department, DCH Trauma Unit, DCH Pediatric Unit, and the Northport DCH Pediatric Unit to give to children who need comfort during times of trauma or distress.

Large blue ribbons to promote child abuse prevention awareness were given to the Tuscaloosa Fire Department, Northport Fire Department, and the American Red Cross. Police Chief Anderson from the Tuscaloosa Police Department, Chief Barton from the Northport Police Department, and Lynn Morrison, Nurse Manager for the DCH Pediatric Units spoke about the impact the trauma bears have had on the populations they serve and how such a small little item as this teddy bear provides comfort and compassion to patients and children under stress.

Stephanie Corarubia and Amy Crosby from Child Development Resources at the University of Alabama were guest speakers who informed the club and guests about many services available to help families and the long term affects of ACES (Adverse Childhood Experiences).

-Nan Glaus, Chair of Child Abuse Prevention, Exchange Club of Tuscaloosa



Birthdays

<i>John Poole</i>	<i>3-Apr</i>
<i>Emily Fitzhugh</i>	<i>6-Apr</i>
<i>Ron Davis</i>	<i>8-Apr</i>
<i>George O'Rear, Jr.</i>	<i>11-Apr</i>
<i>Chris Thigpen</i>	<i>12-Apr</i>
<i>Nick Porter</i>	<i>14-Apr</i>
<i>Robert (Bob) Poellnitz</i>	<i>15-Apr</i>
<i>Gregg Kosloff</i>	<i>21-Apr</i>
<i>John Hisey</i>	<i>25-Apr</i>



After our program recently by Ken Gaddy, Director of the Bryant Museum, I was pleased to take my son, Kent, and grandsons to see the newly remodeled exhibits. Pictured are Luke Jackson, 3, and Charlie, 6, with their father. Charlie proudly wears Tua's jersey, #13!



4th grade essay contest winners last month read their winning essays on "What America Means to Me." Pictured here with their teachers. L-R: Woodland Forrest winner - Elsa Totenhagen (her teacher, Ms. Graham, was not present); Verner winner – Leila Foster and her teacher, Ms. Thomas; Magnet School winner – Lamarreya Harden and her teacher, Mr. Albritton; University Place winner – Janaryah Williams and her teacher, Ms. Conyers; and Arcadia winner – Brandi Short, whose teacher, Ms. Robertson, was not present.

The judges were Betsy Jarnigan, Karla Barksdale, Ken Elmer, Phyllis Gamble, and committee chair Whit Whitfield. They reviewed over 30 essays from the five schools. Each judge rated the essays based on individual criteria, providing a wide dispersion of viewpoints, said Whit.

Each winning submission receives a \$50 cashier's check, which the student can use for their own purposes. Each teacher of a winning student receives a \$50 gift certificate.