



# Turner House Children's Clinic

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## Welcome New Staff 2006 — 2007!

- Rachel Duarte, Medical Assistant, August 2006
- Janet Gomez and Sierra Haynes, Front Desk Receptionists, March 2007
- Phyllis White, Director of Development, January 2007

### WISH LIST

- Diaper Genie
- Boxes of Kleenex
- White Copy Paper
- Smoke detectors with batteries (for families)
- Spirometry machine
- Nebulizers
- Asthma medications

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## We Couldn't Do It Without YOU!

Turner House could not meet the needs of its community without the generous charitable donations from individuals, corporations, and foundations. Our sincere thanks go out to all who have

contributed to the clinic.

Blue Cross Blue Shield of Kansas City made a special visit to Turner House Children's Clinic in June to present a \$50,000 check!

Generous support from the community allows us to expand our staff and services to provide quality primary healthcare to Kansas City's uninsured and underserved children.



Blue Cross Blue Shield of Kansas City staff present a check to Turner House Children's Clinic. Left to right: Joseph So, former Executive Director; Alice Ellison, BCBS; ———, BCBS; Becca Coleman, former Turner House board member; Juliet Hawley, ———; Roger Lambson, Turner House board member.

## Turner House Supports ROR-KC

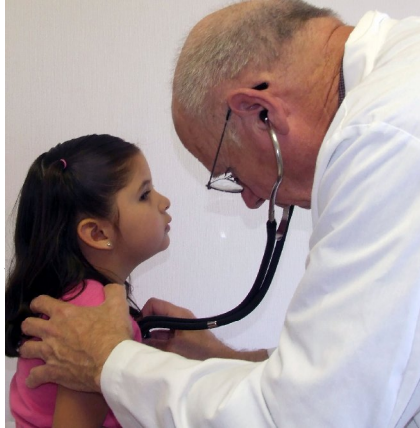
Professionals from Turner House Children's Clinic join local staff physicians and nurse providers who give books to children and advice to parents during well-child visits. Kudos to Allison Anderson, M.D., Nancy Beezley, M.D., Thelma Brown, R.N., Betse Gage, M.D., Michelle Haley, M.D., Sally Veenstra, M.D., and Joseph Wise, M.D., for supporting Reach Out and Read Kansas City (ROR-KC)!

Learn more about Reach Out and Read Kansas City at their website: [www.reachoutandreadkc.org](http://www.reachoutandreadkc.org).

## Volunteer Spotlight: Dr. Paul Johnson

During 36 years of practicing general medicine in Leavenworth, Kansas, Dr. Paul Johnson delivered some 1,500 babies. Since retiring in 2001, he has been an active volunteer at Turner House Children's Clinic, often filling in on short notice.

Dr. Johnson says he finds working with both the patients and staff at Turner House immensely gratifying, and that "volunteer medicine is the best kind." He encourages



Dr. Johnson with a young patient.

other physicians to consider volunteering at Turner House.

Dr. Johnson received his undergraduate and medical degrees from the University of Kansas, interned at George Washington University in Washington, D.C., and continued further training at Bethesda Medical Center. He lives

in Leavenworth with his wife Becky. They have three children and five grandchildren.

Turner House Children's Clinic was founded by volunteer physicians in 1989, and continues to rely on volunteers to provide a significant amount of services. We are grateful to Dr. Johnson for his ongoing commitment to our mission to provide primary health care to Kansas City's uninsured and underserved children.

Thank you Dr. Johnson!

## Turner House Announces Expanded Hours Thanks to Grant Award

Turner House Children's Clinic is excited to announce that it plans to expand its operating hours to include two evenings each week. The expansion has been made possible due to a grant it received from the newly formed REACH Healthcare Foundation.

The expanded operating hours will allow the clinic to see an additional twelve patients per evening, which means that the clinic will not only be able to provide care to more children, but the evening hours will be more convenient for working parents who might otherwise have to take their children to a hospital emergency room for treatment.

The clinic operating hours now include Mondays and Wednesdays from 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm.

As a result of its plans to expand operating hours to include two evenings each week, Turner House Children's Clinic has need of volunteers to staff its facilities.

### Seeking Volunteers

Would you or someone you know be interested in working at the reception desk, as a medical assistant, in a clerical capacity, or as a doctor, nurse, or translator? Interested volunteers are encouraged to contact the clinic. Turner House offers a variety of volunteer dates and times to work with busy schedules.

Learn more about Turner House on our website at [www.thcckc.org](http://www.thcckc.org).

Please contact us at:

(913) 342-2552 (phone)

(913)-342-3220 (fax)

Please stop by to visit the clinic at 21 N. 12th St., Suite 300, Kansas City, Kansas.

Turner House Clinic is located in the Bethany Medical Plaza near the intersection of 12th Street and Central Avenue in Kansas City, Kansas.

Parking is available both in front and in back of the office.

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# A Word From...Our Board President

Turner House Children's Clinic enters the 2007-2008 school year with the goal of making our clinic the medical home of every qualified child who needs our care.

We have seen the seasonal explosion of school physicals and immunizations.

Recently we began an asthma program to benefit children with this affliction.

All of this results from the cooperative effort of our staff, our volunteers, a dedicated board and generous financial supporters.

My thanks go out to all of you.

This effort truly supports our patients and the Wyandotte County community.

**Scott Wasserman,**

Board President

## Gardenology Raffle Benefits Turner House Clinic

Lenexa garden and home décor boutique Gardenology enticed customers from all over the metro during their Gypsy Garden Festival by raffling off a custom-made potting bench, with all proceeds benefiting Turner House Children's Clinic.

Gardenology owner Julie Pishny explained, "We have been seeking a charity that directly benefits women and children—one that is not so well known—that Gardenology staff and customers can support. We're delighted to support Turner House Children's Clinic."

One lucky raffle ticket was chosen, and a beautiful handmade wooden potting bench was given away over



the weekend of September 15 and 16. Julie Pishny proudly presented Turner House representatives

Becca Coleman and Phyllis White with over \$100 from the raffle.

Gardenology is located at 12202 West 87th Street in Lenexa ([www.gardenologykc.com](http://www.gardenologykc.com)). Hours are 10 am to 5 pm, Tuesday through Saturday. Telephone: 913-227-0334.

Look for another THCC benefit presented by Gardenology during the upcoming holiday season!

## New Board Members

Turner House Children's Clinic Board President Scott Wasserman announced the new 2007—2008 Board of Directors roster August 28.

We extend our sincere thanks to THCC Board members, new and returning, for their service:

Irene Caudillo

Richard Chaurette, M.D.

Antoni "Toni" Diehl, M.D.

Roger Lambson

Lance Miller

Bill Moran

Rev. Ken Nettling

Scott Wasserman

Gloria Willis

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**THANK YOU!**



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