

MEMORANDUM

To: All OGC Families, Staff and Volunteers
From: Kyle Hauth, Executive Director
Subject: **OGC Update**
Date: June 3, 2008

Thanks to so many of you, we are really making progress on our capital campaign. We are now half way toward our goal of \$4.7 million dollars and we have already begun utilizing these funds to improve our operation and services. We have obtained much needed equipment to our health and dental clinics and the new building at the recycling center is now almost complete. The new recycling building ensures that product coming into the facility is now kept dry and out of the elements until proper sorting can take place. The appearance of the yard is improving and additional indoor space is being made available for our workers. There will be even more obvious changes taking place in the next few months which will create notable benefits to the people we serve. We will be changing lives for the better and your gift has made all of this possible. Please continue to tell others why Orange Grove is such a good investment and point them in our direction. There are still opportunities to contribute to our campaign and every gift will be highly prized.

Please consider buying a \$5.00 ticket to the Kiwanis Duck Race and chance winning \$2,000.00 in cash (first place prize) or \$1,000.00 in cash (second place prize) or \$500.00 (third place prize). The proceeds from the Kiwanis Duck Race is earmarked for the Orange Grove Center as a method of supporting our capital campaign. Buying a ticket is as easy as making three clicks on your computer or just picking up the phone and calling Orange Grove. If you would like to obtain your ticket on line, just go to our website and following the links. You may click directly on the purchase page by going to www.orangegrovecenter.org/www/docs/158. If you prefer to call Orange Grove and have us obtain a ticket for you, we can do that and work out the payment arrangements. Keep in mind that anyone over 18 can purchase these tickets. They are not like our previous ticket sells where staff members were excluded. They are open to anyone associated with Orange Grove, so please spread the word that this fun and exciting method of supporting Orange Grove is now available.

Progress is underway for Dr. Cheetham to be practicing as our licensed Medical Director by July 1st. He is waiting for his Tennessee license to be approved and for the various managed care organizations to approve him for billable services. In the meantime, he is taking full advantage of the next few weeks to get to know all of the people we serve and their families. He is visiting homes, classrooms, work locations and making every opportunity to become acquainted with the wonderful people who make up the Orange Grove family. If you missed his reception or if you just want to talk with him further, do not hesitate to contact his direct line and arrange a time to meet with him. His direct line is 493-2932.

Please mark your calendar for the July 22nd parent meeting (7:00 p.m.). We will meet in the Habilitation Center Training Room, where we usually meet. I will provide additional reminders of this meeting before July 22nd, but please mark your calendar now and plan to join us.