



June 2018

NEW OFFICE BUILDING AND FOUNDATION

As announced last month, we have purchased the building at 1420 Harrison Street. We will be moving our furniture and equipment on Thursday, June 14th. Interruption to the services we provide should be minimal. If you are unable to reach us at the office number during the move, please call 217-242-8892. Renovations have been made to the child and family waiting room, as well as the forensic interview room.

We are excited to take this step in purchasing a place to call our own. Due to the purchase and in looking to the future, we have started the Advocacy Network for Children Foundation. The purpose of the Foundation is to build up and strengthen the agency's assets to insure our future of helping the abused and neglected children is strong.

The Advocacy Network for Children Foundation board of directors has been formed. Members are Jeff Spear, President; Lowell Yates, Vice President; Kristie Chevalier, Treasurer/Secretary, Bob Daly and Hal Oakley. We would like to thank these individuals for agreeing to help form and guide this new Foundation.

HANCOCK COUNTY CASA

The first group of Hancock County CASA volunteers were sworn in on May 22nd, along with Hancock County CASA Coordinator Mandy Humphry and staff member Karolina Anton. Pictured are (left to right) Judge Rodney Clark, Humphry, Danielle Woodyard, CASA Manager, Anton, Donna McVeigh, Patricia Scheuermann, Bree Hartley and Elizabeth Dixon.

Welcome and thank you to these new CASA volunteers for their dedication and commitment to the children in our community.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

June

- 06 Evening In-Service - Quincy
- 12 Brown Bag Lunch - Macomb
- 14 Noon Networking - Cornerstone, Quincy

July

- 04 Office closed
- 12 Noon Networking - Quincy office
- 18 Noon Networking - Upper Moorman Park

We currently have the following volunteer needs:

- Happy Bear Presentations
- Fundraising
- Mailings

If you would like to help, please contact our office at 217-223-2272.

Our agency could not continue its mission of advocating for children without your help. You can help by:

- Monetary Donation
- Endowment Fund Donation
- Office Supply Donation

CRIME VICTIM'S COMP TRAINING

Advocacy Network for Children sponsored a 2-hour training on the Illinois Crime Victim Compensation Program. In Illinois, eligible victims of violent crime can receive up to \$27,000.00 in financial assistance for certain out-of-pocket expenses resulting from the crime. We would like to thank Kimberly Murray, Outreach Specialist in the Crime Victim Services Division of the Illinois Attorney General's Office for her presentation. We would also like to thank everyone who attended this important training.

THANK YOU

Advocacy Network for Children was the recipient of coins placed in the Quincy Mall fountain court during the month of April and \$185.80 was collected. Thank you to everyone who tossed a coin or two in the fountain and to the Quincy Mall for selecting area not-for-profits to receive these funds.

Culbertson Memorial Hospital donated \$105.00 to the Schuyler County Children's Advocacy Center. The money was donated by hospital employees during April's Casual for a Cause event.

We truly appreciate your support of our agency, its mission and programs!

BEST OF LUCK TO BROOKE BALDWIN

After nearly 16 years with the agency, and most recently as the Director of Forensic Interviewing, Brooke Baldwin resigned her position. Brooke's last day was May 29th. We wish her all the best in her new endeavors and thank her for the passion and dedication she has given during her years with the agency. She will truly be missed!

STAFF NEWS

Jessica Bolton will be the new Director of Forensic Interviewing following the resignation of Brooke Baldwin. Jessica has been with the agency for 12 years and was previously the CAC Coordinator for Hancock, McDonough, Brown and Schuyler counties, as well as the agency's Prevention Specialist.

Karolina Anton was hired full-time to assume the duties of Jessica Bolton. Karolina started as an intern with the agency in January and graduated in May from Western Illinois University. We would like to welcome her as an official member of our team.

Advocacy Network for Children is looking to hire a CASA Coordinator for Morgan County. This is a part-time (25 hours/week) position. Interested individuals should mail or email their resume to Danielle Woodyard, CASA Manager. Danielle's email is dwoodyard@advonet.org.

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