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## With Oklahaven Children's Chiropractic Center

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4500 N. Meridian

Oklahoma City, OK 73112

### Celebrating 45 Years of Restoring The Lifeforce Within Our Children

The Children's Chiropractic Center will be celebrating its 45th anniversary in 2007. Over the past couple of years Oklahaven's founders and friends have collected their stories and memories, to retell its history. This history reveals the courage of many dedicated people that brought it to the present.

#### A Timeline History of Oklahaven

**1962** – Six chiropractors created the Children's Chiropractic Health Center of Oklahoma. They were **Dr. Raymond E. Cook, Dr. Melvin Wayne Clark, Dr. H. J. Lynch, Dr. Ed Lynch, Dr. J. C. Getteys, and Dr. Bob Baker.** When these doctors met again, six more joined the group, including Dr. Eva Thompson, Dr. Antonio Guadagno, Dr. Kent Carder, Dr. Orville S. Witt, Dr. Lou Santelli and Dr. John R. Carver. At the third meeting the group grew to eighteen.

**1963** – Ladies in Blue Auxiliary helped at the Center and held bake sales and soup dinners.

Received a clinic space from **R. Lewis Barton**, a wealthy entrepreneur in Oklahoma City.

**1965** – The Center moved into the offices of **Dr. H. J. and Dr. Ed Lynch.**

**1966** – Obtained 501(c)3 charitable non-profit status

**1973** – Name changed to **Oklahaven Children's Chiropractic Center.** Moved into the clinic of **Drs. Orville S. & Ruth Witt**

**1977** – **Dr. Bobby Doscher** recruited to run the center

**1979** – **Drs. William and Bobby Doscher** assumed responsibility of Center's daily operations. Dr. Bobby became President and CEO.

**1981** – **Dr. Orville S. Witt** bequeathed his building to Oklahaven and upon his death, the Center fulfilled the terms of his will and inherited the building and equipment located on 2245 N. W. 12th Street, which the Center still owns.

**1986** – Dr. Bobby was invited to Jordan to treat a cerebral palsy child. Beginning of Oklahaven on the Move.

**1987** – First video: public service announcement produced



Above: The Children's Chiropractic Center, Oklahaven. Above right: Dr. Bobby Doscher, 1977.

**1993** – Facility at 4500 N. Meridian purchased and remodeled with the help of Dr. William Doscher. This is the Center's current home.

**1993 – Present** – "**Oklahaven on the Move**" travels to locations around the globe including Poland, Austria, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico and many cities within the United States. Dr. Bobby lectures at many Chiropractic Colleges and conventions, showing case studies of children returning to health.

**1995** – Second video produced

**1997** – Parent Support Group established by Tammy Ward.

**1999** – "**Have-A-Heart**" Fundraiser began with **Dr. Darren R. Bell**, in New York state. **The International Chiropractic Student Association** headed by **Dr. Angie Welikala** of Cleveland Chiropractic College, Los Angeles, implemented the idea into twenty of the chiropractic colleges throughout the world and then into private chiropractic offices. Today it has expanded to the business sector. During the week of Valentine's Day, Oklahaven's video is shown to increase awareness of chiropractic for children and support Oklahaven.

**2001** – 40th Anniversary. Third video was produced which made a powerful statement by the parents of the effectiveness of chiropractic.

**2006** – 45th Anniversary Celebration and new book.\*

*\*Your continued donations and support have given us the resources to produce a new book titled "And Now What Do I Do?", Oklahaven's informative guide to the chiropractic premise honoring the lifeforce within the body and a natural, drug-free lifestyle.*

#### PARENT SUPPORT

**Everything's Coming Up Roses!**

#### 2007 Opening Ceremonies of the Rose Parade

**Oklahoma's All\*Star Centennial Band**, celebrating Oklahoma's 100th birthday, will lead the opening ceremonies of the Tournament of Roses Parade this New Year's Day. **Robert Barnes**, one of Oklahaven's patients, has been chosen to play his saxophone and march with the band.

Paula brought her son, Robert, to Oklahaven as a last resort. Nearly twelve years ago, Robert shuffled into Oklahaven bent over at the hips and knees and looking very much like a little old man. He was only 2 1/2 years old suffering the ravages of Juvenile Rheumatoid Arthritis. She believes this manifested as a result of the vaccinations he received at age two. To relieve the symptoms, he took prescribed anti-inflammatory medications until age five. His joints were stiff and swollen much of the time; he had difficulty with fine motor, as well as large motor activities and his emotions were extreme. A very cautious preschooler, Robert longed to play, but was afraid to because of the pain. In addition, the medications suppressed his appetite, caused digestive problems, and kept him very thin. When the rheumatologist prescribed a chemotherapy drug that has since been taken off the market, Paula decided there had to be a better way. Her research led her to Oklahaven.

Today at 17, after a lifetime of chiropractic care, Robert is healthy, an outstanding student and school leader. He is an accomplished pianist, who has earned eight years of honors from state competitions and has a job.

Congratulations to Paula and Robert. We know the commitment it takes to heal a child.

*Juvenile idiopathic arthritis (JIA) formerly known as Juvenile Rheumatoid Arthritis (JRA) or Juvenile Chronic Arthritis (JCA) is one of the commonest chronic inflammatory diseases of children, affecting about 1 in 1,000 children. Currently, an estimated 300,000 children in the United States are diagnosed with Juvenile Rheumatoid Arthritis.*

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**SEMINAR NEWS**

**Oklahaven on the Move**

*Oklahaven has sponsored four seminars this year:*

**January** – Video-taped Board member **Dr. John Carver**, who presented the Carver perspective of chiropractic history and demonstrated the Carver analysis and adjusting techniques of the spine.

**July** — Lecture **Karl Parker Seminar**, Philadelphia.

**August** – **Dr. Laura Weller** of St. Petersburg, FL, continued “**Oklahaven on the Move**” seeing some of the children from previous seminars in her clinic with great success. Thank you!

**September** – At Oklahaven, the seminar reviewed the “**Functional Neurological Evaluation of a Child**” booklet. **Dr. Bobby** taught how an unbalanced body manifests neurological dis-organization as learning disabilities, developmentally delayed, dyslexia ADD, ADHD, autism, and cerebral palsy. **Dr. Elizabeth Erkenwick** from Chicago with Dr. Bobby taught specific techniques.

**October** – Los Angeles- **Dr. & Mrs. Jeff Patack** and **Dr. Rachel Miller** invited us for a panel discussion of a new documentary titled “**What Babies Want: An Exploration of the Consciousness of Infants**” by chiropractor **Debby Takikawa**. In the afternoon Dr. Bobby lectured to the students at Cleveland Chiropractic College and in the evening at the **Dead Chiropractic Society**, a philosophical chiropractic organization, who embraced our vision of leading the way with the children. **The Citizens Committee on Human Rights International**, who are raising awareness of the danger of psychotropic drugs, especially for the children, presented their information and aligned with us. We played our video, and showed a power point presentation, which graphically illustrated how damaged the children are that we help. They were very encouraged to see these children regain their health through chiropractic. They literally kept us up until midnight asking questions and requesting information. We agreed to return in January to bring “Oklahaven on the Move” to Los Angeles.

Oklahaven hosted **Dr. Roger Turner** from Toronto, who donated his time to see the children at Oklahaven Friday, and presented his **Cranial Adjusting Techniques Seminar (CATS)** both Saturday and Sunday. Chiropractic students and chiropractors learned his techniques and the unique challenges in adjusting the children through our video. Thank you, Dr. Turner!

Annual visit to **Northwestern Chiropractic College** in Minnesota, to show the power of chiropractic through our. Thanks to **Dr. Ann Spicer, Dr. Joseph Swere**, and **Sara Jane Curell** for making it happen.

**Next year:**

**January**, in Los Angeles

**August**, in Florida

**September 22, 2007**, Guest lecture at Oklahaven

**TRAVEL NEWS**

**Dr. Bobby** traveled to San Pedro Sula, Honduras Memorial Day, 4th of July and Labor Day weekends to support the work of *Foundacion Hondurena de Capacitacion Especial (Funhcae)*. These children’s conditions ranged from profound immobility, cerebral palsy, learning disabilities and severe autism. During each 3-day visit, the children showed significant improvements, became calmer, sitting up for the first time, responding to commands properly and more quickly, were happier, with clearer vision, exhibiting more organized walking and running. Three of the children were able to go to a disco dance, which touched my heart.

“I’m always touched and gratified by the support, encouragement and deep appreciation that is extended to me by the parents of these children. There’s nothing better than seeing the children regain their health and bring joy to their families,” said Dr. Bobby.



**Have-A-Heart “Golden Heart” Award**

Originally, the golden heart was a blessing from God, the giver of life. The only one who may possess it is he who gives it away from hand to hand and heart to heart. We believe this award is a wonderful way to exemplify the true meaning of the golden heart for our annual Have-A-Heart Campaign. The award is given to the clinic and the college that sells the most hearts.

This year, 2006, The Golden Heart Award went to **Dr. Howard Berg** and the **Island Chiropractic and Golf Fitness Center and their Staff** in St. Simons Island, Georgia (again), and to **Logan College of Chiropractic**. We especially want to thank **Stephanie Leindecker, The Pediatrics Club** and the faculty advisor, **Dr. Patrick Montgomery**.

We thank the doctors, offices, staff and students who participated this year. With every heart sponsored and displayed, the message of health is spreading. Let’s not keep natural health a secret!

It’s time again to sign up and join the chiropractic students and the profession by opening your hearts to the children through the **Have-A-Heart 2007** campaign. Everyone should have the opportunity to see Oklahaven’s video to help them understand the true story of chiropractic. The video makes a powerful statement as to the incredible healing power of the body and that children are spiritual beings who can reach their optimal potential. Receive this video as Oklahaven’s gift when you join our **Have-a-Heart Campaign** and show our video during Valentine’s week.

**CALL, WRITE OR SIGN UP ON LINE:**  
[www.chiropractic4kids.com](http://www.chiropractic4kids.com)



*“An enlightened person goes to the source of wisdom, which is always within.”*  
– **Harold Klemp**

**A WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT**

Oklahaven has reached a wonderful milestone — our 45th Anniversary! Your generous support of our vision of restoring children’s health has helped countless children and their families.

Oklahaven has always been the last resort for sick and neurologically dis-organized children. **This year we are embarking on a new vision** — one of making chiropractic the first resort for health for the children.

Our nation is facing an unbelievable health crisis on every front. The current statistics are shocking. Today, the Center for Disease Control and other sources state:

- 1 child in 6 is developmentally delayed
- 3 million children have learning disabilities
- 1 child in 166 is autistic
- 300,000 children suffer from Juvenile Rheumatoid Arthritis
- 1 child in 400-500 is diabetic
- 9 million children are asthmatic
- 17 million children worldwide (10 million in the U.S.) are prescribed psychotropic drugs.
- 10% of teens abuse these drugs.

Children 5 years & younger are the fastest growing segment of the population receiving prescription anti-depressants, and that’s just the tip of the iceberg.

We are committed to building a dynamic, ongoing educational system by publishing a new book, sending our videos, and supporting colleagues at seminars both home and away. We are determined to raise the consciousness of a natural drug-free lifestyle for the children. To this end, I am asking you to join me for we cannot do this alone. Your donation of time or money, no matter the amount, will assure that the necessary resources are in place.

Thank you again for helping us reach our milestone without federal, state, or United Way funding and for sharing our vision. Certainly nothing is more important than our children and the health of future generations.

Love, Dr. Bobby



*“Got Subluxation? Get Adjusted” was the theme of the 5k Run/Walk event held in San Francisco to benefit Oklahabaven.*

*Special thanks to all who have done Independent Fundraisers, please know we know the amount of work involved,— this is the greatest grass roots effort! We thank you, you know who you are and please know we appreciate all of your efforts.*

**YOU CAN CREATE A MIRACLE!**

**Give the gift of health and make a real difference in a child’s life today!**

Donations may be made online at [www.chiropractic4kids.com](http://www.chiropractic4kids.com):

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\_\_\_\_\_ \$1,000 Reproduce Videos and other Educational Materials

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