Michael Phelps, The Most Decorated Olympian of All Time, to Headline Champion Honors Luncheon

RANCHO MIRAGE, Calif., Jan. 9, 2017/PRNewswire—Michael Phelps, the American swimmer and holder of 23 Olympic gold medals, will headline the Annual Champion Honors Luncheon benefitting the Barbara Sinatra Children’s Center as the 2017 Champion Honoree. Phelps, who holds the all-time records for Olympic gold medals (23), Olympic gold medals in individual events (13), and Olympic medals in individual events (16), will conduct a rare and unforgettable intimate conversation with a surprise celebrity conversationalist as a part of the luncheon program. The Champion Honors Luncheon will be at 11:30 am on March 3, 2017, at the Hyatt Regency Resort and Spa in Indian Wells, CA.

“I am extremely honored to have been invited to the Barbara Sinatra Center for Abused Children Annual Champion Honors Luncheon, and to support Barbara. I applaud the efforts of Barbara and Frank in establishing a facility and program 30 years ago for children who have suffered abuse,” said Phelps.

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Dear Friends,

I’m truly overwhelmed with gratitude by all the generous donors that have supported our programs and continue to help the Center grow and prosper. It warms my heart and would make my husband very proud that what we helped start many years ago is a sanctuary for the wonderful children and their families that we work with daily. I would be remiss if I also did not thank my dear friend Nelda Linsk who together with our Director, John Thoresen, worked with the executor of the estate of our long-time supporter Cal Vander Woude who contributed over $1,000,000 to our Children’s Center this past year.

I was so pleased to be able to attend the recent Teen Self-Esteem graduation for the nearly 20 girls and boys who completed the 8-week program. These are children who have progressed in individual counseling and are benefitted by an additional group program. To see firsthand those children grow with renewed hope and trust is such a tribute to the fine work of our therapists and the instructors in the program. I wish everyone could experience the joy I see on the faces of the parents, grandparents, and guardians as their children, who have suffered so much, exhibit a new level of self-esteem.

I wish all of you a happy and healthy 2017, and again thank you for all you contribute in terms of dollars, volunteering, and making our Children’s Center such an outstanding institution.

With my love and gratitude,

Barbara Sinatra
Founder & Chairwoman
Greetings, as we begin the new year, I would like to reflect on the successes of the past year.

The Champion Honors Luncheon featuring baseball legend Hank Aaron being interviewed by the former Commissioner of Baseball Bud Selig was informative and entertaining. The luncheon attended by 700 people received a preview of the new “Protect Yourself Rules” child abuse prevention videos for grades K-3 and 4-6. Last September, the Center launched the videos on the internet and the response has been overwhelmingly favorable both domestically and internationally. The treatment of child abuse is addressed through counseling, however giving the children the tools to “protect themselves” will give them the knowledge and power to prevent and thwart a potential instance of abuse. The therapists, staff and board are very proud of this new program, as preventing children from abuse is our goal. The videos can be found at www.fightchildabuse.org.

December was a joyous time for the children. The Center was aglow with holiday decorations. Once again, the Affiliates outdid themselves to provide the children with a party featuring a magician, baton twirler, Santa and refreshments. Of course, Christmas would not be complete without presents. The fire department arrived with three fire engines and the fire fighters handed out toys to the children. To see their smiling faces was truly rewarding.

2017 promises to be an equally exciting year. On March 3rd, 2017, the Champion Honors Luncheon will feature Michael Phelps, America’s most decorated Olympian. Make your reservations early as we expect it to sell out.

The children we serve could not have the care and counseling without your support. On behalf of the board, therapists and staff, we thank you.

On a personal note, a special thank you to the Affiliates. They are the pulse of the Center, planning and executing parties, self-esteem graduations and special events. They work tirelessly with joy and love.

Thank you for the privilege to serve as your president. Wishing you a happy and healthy new year.

Angie Gerber, President of the Board

On behalf of the Board of Directors and the staff, first let me thank the donors listed in this newsletter who have provided the support necessary to help the children and their families we serve every day at the Barbara Sinatra Children’s Center. I also want to thank the many donors who this past holiday season brought in a number of toys, games, clothes, and gift cards that afforded us the opportunity to distribute those items to our patients and their families that made for a more special holiday.

We continue to be good stewards of the annual donations and endowment that allows us to provide both the services here at the Children’s Center and provide national and international awareness and prevention with our national “Protect Yourself Rules” program for children in grades K-6. This last fiscal year ended with another operational surplus and assets that exceeded $25 million. The new Barbara Sinatra Children’s Center Foundation is now the repository of our largest assets in the investment and endowment pool.

I want to encourage our wonderful donors and friends to consider a bequest or planned gift that helps assure the legacy that Barbara and Frank started over 31 years ago grows and prospers well into the future. I would encourage you to visit the “Leave a Legacy” tab at the foundation website (www.bsccfoundation.org) to explore the myriad of tools available to you. Always seek professional counsel in determining the best avenue for a potential planned gift.

Lastly, the Champion Honors Luncheon is such a wonderful event to attract new aunts and uncles to the Children’s Center. I encourage you to bring a prospect on March 3 and all will be treated to another high energy, fun, and wonderful event.

Happy and healthy new year and thank you!

John E. Thoresen, Director/Executive Officer
National “Protect Yourself Rules” Initiative — Great Results

The Barbara Sinatra Children’s Center Foundation launched the National “Protect Yourself Rules” initiative in September for the back-to-school timeframe. The response has been fabulous. As of the first of the year, the website www.fightchildabuse.org has seen 3,000 sessions and nearly the same amount of downloads of materials and views of the videos. We have seen activity in every state of the union and many countries around the world.

The kindergarten lesson plan and student activities books are the most downloaded item by users that include teachers, after-school providers and parents. Also heavily downloaded are the pre-screening guidance and the entire K-3 video file. After Grade K, the next most used materials are from grades 1, 4, 3 and 6.

Working with McCabe Message Partners in Washington, DC, the initiative has gained outstanding national support and endorsement from the following groups: The National YMCA, the National Rural Education Association, the International Forensic Nurses Association, Association of American Educators, Association of School Psychologists, the National Summer Learning Association and others.

The next push will be starting next month to get as many teachers and schools nationwide to help children protect themselves by showing the videos during National Child Abuse Prevention Month in April.

 Needless to say, we are extremely delighted with the response to our national and international outreach with the development and distribution of these animated videos and the collateral material. What Barbara and Frank Sinatra started over 30 years ago on the campus of Eisenhower Medical Center is now reaching children all over the world. In the future we hope to add additional video lessons, provide the videos in other languages, and work on bringing leaders together from throughout the United States to help shape an agenda that encourages schools to take an aggressive approach in grades K-6 to bring awareness and help protect children from abuse.

The Board of Trustees of the Children’s Center and the Foundation are to be congratulated for having the foresight to fund this outstanding venture.
Case Study

The client is a 6-year-old Caucasian boy referred by Child Protective Services, living with his grandparents, due to his biological parents’ drug addiction history and family violence. The grandmother sought treatment at the Children’s Center, as the grandparents are the sole guardians. He has been with grandparents on and off most of his life. The grandmother is not sure about wanting to take on the lifelong responsibility of raising this boy. At home, the boy is acting out by throwing things, hitting, yelling and being defiant. He is now enrolled in a pre-K program and is functioning well there. Treatment goals have included referring the grandparents to the Center’s parenting skills classes; for the boy, treatment goals include behavioral modification, such as keeping his hands to himself, and to reduce history of bad nightmares. For the nightmares, the therapist has successfully worked on restructuring his thoughts, called Cognitive Behavioral Therapy, where he now incorporates the belief of feeling safe and secure in his bedroom. His nightmares have stopped over the few months he has been treated at the Center. Additional issues to be addressed will incorporate working through loss and grief feelings regarding the abandonment of his parents. Also, age appropriate education about drugs and alcohol will be provided in therapy. As the client’s symptoms are reducing and subsiding, the grandmother is now considering commitment to long term guardianship, and possible adoption.
Children Enjoy the Holidays with a Spectacular Party

A very big THANK YOU to all of our generous donors and supporters for contributing to our children’s Holiday Party. We are so appreciative of our wonderful Affiliates for putting the party together, which included a magic show with the very talented magician McHugh and the Amazing Pamela, a baton twirling performance by Jessica Jordon, and a visit from Santa (aka. Scott Hooten). The party wasn’t complete until we received our annual visit from the Rancho Mirage and Palm Desert fire fighters, who distributed toys to the children.

We’d also like to thank the following people for donating toys and gift cards to our children: Board Members: Jackie Autry, Marta Danks, Angie Gerber, Andy Gladstein, Teri Ketover, Louise Korshak, Michael Landes, Carole Haes Landon, Harold Matzner, Missy McCarthy and Jane Saltonstall, as well as Magician McHugh and the Amazing Pamela, Jessica Jordon, our community fire fighter’s “Spark of Love” toy drive with Mission Hills Golf Club, City of Rancho Mirage Fire Fighters, City of Palm Desert Fire Fighters, PetSmart’s “Chance and Lucky” program and the Palm Desert PetSmart Town Center, Hard Rock Hotel Palm Springs, Gelson’s Market Rancho Mirage, Sonus Hearing Care Professionals - both Hemet and Corona locations, Dolly Sinatra Lodge, Ann Marie Lynn and Elita Hemmati with Fox Entertainment.

We are so grateful to you all for supporting the work we do and for making our children’s holidays so much brighter this year!
The Psychobiology of Hope

In October, two of our therapists attended an excellent seminar in Palm Springs on the Psychobiology of Hope, presented by Jaime Kurtz, PhD. Many principles and characteristics of hope were presented, and it addressed how hope can relieve pain, anxiety, fatigue and trauma. The psychology of hope and how it can be used in the therapy setting was emphasized. It has been researched and documented that hope is related to optimism, self-esteem, meaning in life, and happiness. Higher hope levels in children is consistently related to better academics and graduation rates, as well as higher GPA, improved physical health — better adjustment to chronic illness, severe injury, and handicaps (see Sneder, Rand, & Sigmon, 2005 for a review), and psychological adjustment — positive moods and thoughts. Children with a more hopeful outlook and approach demonstrate lower levels of anxiety and depression.

Many handouts, surveys and activities were distributed to use with children to increase their impulse control, self-care, and compassion.

What do hopeful people do?

- **A clear strategy:** They have plans to achieve their goal.
- **Motivation:** They have the initiative to implement their plans.
- **Personal power:** A deeply held belief that they can do it.
- **Impulse control:** They are able to stay focused on the long term goals, even in the face of temptation.
- **Self-care:** They have healthy habits for sleep, diet, exercise, especially when stressed.
- **Self-compassion:** They are a “friend to themselves.” They forgive themselves their (inevitable) slip-ups, realizing that everyone has them.
- **Growth mindset:** The belief that effort is the key to success.

Sinatra Center Reaches Out to Coachella Valley Residents and Students

Community outreach targets different populations to provide education and awareness. On October 19th, BSCC participated in the Mecca Resource Fair, which is held annually. The purpose of the fair was to reach out to families (parents and children) about resources available in Riverside County. BSCC had a booth with information about the centers mission, clinical services, facts, education, safety, and awareness. This fair had over 500 people in attendance.

On December 7th, BSCC participated in a college fair for seniors at Amistad High School. BSCC had a booth with clinical information for students interested in a career path in psychology or related field. This is the second year Amistad High School extended the invitation to BSCC. The goal is to motivate students about the importance of continuing education after high school.
Diana Faugno Awarded *Highest Honor* In Forensic Nursing

It is with great pride that we announce that our forensic nurse, Diana Faugno, has been awarded the Virginia A. Lynch Pioneer Award in Forensic Nursing for 2016. This is the highest award the Association of Forensic Nursing bestows to honor an individual who has made exceptional contributions to the field of forensic nursing. These contributions may be made through clinical programs development, scientific achievement, legislation changes, or educational activities. No more than one award will be made each year. Virginia Lynch Award recipient receives a lifetime honorary membership to the association.

**Criteria**

- The nominee is an International Association of Forensic Nurses voting member (*Registered Nurse or equivalent*).
- The nominee has demonstrated innovative and creative methods to promote and enhance Forensic Nursing to the nursing community as well as community at large.
- The nominee must have made significant contributions to the development of Forensic Nursing through demonstrated leadership at the local, state, and national/international levels.
- The nominee has worked with other organizations/disciplines to set standards of practice for the care of victims and/or offenders of violence.
- The nominee has increased the realm of possibilities for the organization and the practice of Forensic Nursing.

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**New Victim Family Advocate Position at the Barbara Sinatra Children’s Center**

In response to the recent Governor’s Office Grant received by the BSCC that requires us to have an advocate assist the families of abuse victims with a variety of services, Isabel Tovar, who has been a medical receptionist and clinical support staff member for the past 9 years, has been promoted to Clinical Operations Assistant/Victim Family Advocate. Isabel is currently in training to receive her certificate and we expect she will start formal advocacy later this month. Isabel will help the families with transportation, receiving victim compensation, and helping them understand the legal process relative to the prosecution of the abuse perpetrator. During a forensic interview or a forensic medical exam, Isabel will be present to lend support to each family. Nearly 500 such cases occur annually at the Children’s Center.
State-of-the-Art Forensic Recording Equipment Installed

Thanks to a grant from the Eisenhower Auxiliary, new state-of-the-art recording equipment was installed for the Multi-disciplinary Forensics Team at the Barbara Sinatra Children’s Center. The new equipment includes a 32-inch TV monitor so law enforcement, CPS workers and representatives from the District Attorney’s office do not have to watch the interview on a small computer monitor. With the recent remodeling project, the interview room as well as the equipment and viewing room were upgraded. Denise Bowman, who is the lead forensic interviewer, shares an office with Forensic Nurse, Diana Faugno, and their space was also improved. The equipment is vital to the evidence gathering support in the criminal investigations of suspected child abuse in the area.

A day long interview was recently conducted by agents of the FBI and Las Vegas police who had not been to the Barbara Sinatra Center previously. The lead FBI interviewer and the detectives from Las Vegas were very impressed with the high quality of our facility and the equipment and made a point to seek out John Thoresen to compliment the Center.

Over 400 forensic interviews were conducted at the BSCC this past year which totals more than 33% of child abuse forensic interviews in all of Riverside County.

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Event Chair and Center Trustee, Helene Galen, indicated, “We are delighted Michael Phelps is coming to share some outstanding stories of life and accomplishment with us. Michael has a history of giving back to children as evidenced by his efforts with the Michael Phelps Foundation and that fits well with what the Barbara Sinatra Center does making a difference in the lives of the children it serves.” Hal Gershowitz, Co-Chair of the Host Committee, states, “We are expecting the same kind of entertainment, energy, and surprises at this year’s event, as we enjoyed last year.

After the 2008 Summer Olympics, Phelps started the Michael Phelps Foundation, which focuses on growing the sport of swimming and promoting healthier lifestyles. Phelps retired following the 2012 Olympics, but in April 2014 he made a comeback. At the 2016 Summer Olympics in Rio de Janeiro, his fifth Olympics, he won five golds and one silver.

John Thoresen, Chief Executive Officer of the Children’s Center, expects luncheon tickets to go quickly. “While we have a history of attracting world class athletes and sports executives to our luncheon, this will be our first Olympian, and America’s most decorated athlete. We are very excited to have Michael serve as our headliner especially following an Olympic summer and a full schedule,” Thoresen added. People wishing tables of 10 or individual tickets are encouraged to contact the Children’s Center at 760-773-1636 for more information."