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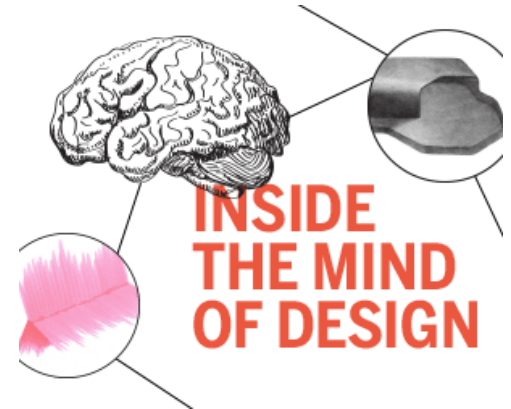
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People & Places: 10-year-old with cerebral palsy sets big goal to help Little Light House



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Keith Boyd poses with one of the tents for Keith's Ice Cold Lemonade, which will begin raising funds for the Little Light House this Wednesday. Courtesy



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The cerebral palsy that keeps Keith Boyd from walking on his own feet or speaking what's on his mind has had little effect on this 10-year-old's ambition.

Boyd is launching Keith's Ice Cold Lemonade Stand, which he hopes will raise \$250,000 for the Little Light House in Tulsa.

Stands will be set up between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Wednesdays until Aug. 20.

Since 1972, when it was founded by Phil and Marcia Mitchell, The Little Light House has provided children with special needs the mentoring, education and practical tools they need to have the quality of life needed for them to thrive.

Boyd is an alumnus of The Little Light House, where he received the special computer he uses to communicate. The device tracks Boyd's eye movements as he selects letters to form words, which are then spoken aloud through the system's speech generator.

Boyd started his first lemonade stand a

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couple of years ago to raise the money to buy a toy he wanted. The stand was such a success that, once the toy was purchased, Boyd donated the rest to The Little Light House.

Using his special computer, Boyd wrote a business plan for Keith's Ice Cold Lemonade Stand. His efforts caught the attention of Arthur Greeno, a Little Light House board member and owner of one of Tulsa's Chick-Fil-A franchises.

"I knew I had to meet Keith when I heard his story," Greeno said. "I was so inspired when he shared his business plan with me that he had written with his eyes. Many people dream big, but to take action like this is very admirable."

Chick-Fil-A will be donating the lemonade sold at the Keith's Ice Cold Lemonade Stands. All proceeds from the stands will go to the Little Light House, to help fund the organization's capital campaign to expand its facilities to serve more special-needs children.

Those who make a donation of \$100 will receive a special souvenir cup that will entitle them to free lemonade at any Tulsa Chick-Fil-A restaurant through Aug. 20.

Principal sponsors of Keith's Ice Cold Lemonade Stand include Chick-Fil-A, Bob Hurley Ford, Lawn America, KOKI Channel 23, The Vintage Pearl and M&M Lumber.

Learn where the stands will be and get more information at keithsicecoldlemonade.com

Library Speakeasy

The Roaring '20s will come to life, as the Tulsa Library Trust hosts "Speakeasy," a fundraising event for the library's Central Library Renewed campaign that will be held Wednesday, June 18, at Tulsa's Mayo Hotel.

Janis Updike Walker, executive director of the Tulsa Library Trust, said, "This event is the beginning for the public portion of the campaign. We are hoping to raise a total of \$1 million between now and when the new Central Library opens.

"We don't expect to raise the entire \$1 million this Wednesday," Walker said, laughing. "But you never know."

"Speakeasy" will feature cocktails, canapes, music courtesy of vocalist Sarah Maud and her band, and dancing by the Oklahoma Swing Syndicate - all served up with a 1920s flair, and with a sterling view of Tulsa from the Mayo Hotel Penthouse Rooftop Bar and Lounge.

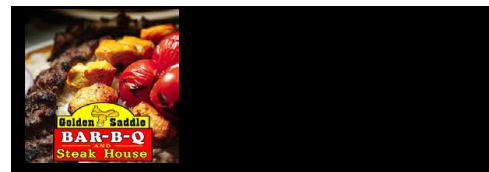
Event details: 5:30-7:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 18, at the Mayo Hotel, 115 W. Fifth St.

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It may not quite be a trip through the looking-glass or a tumble down a rabbit hole, but the fanciful world of "Alice in Wonderland" will set the mood for the Mad Hatter Casino night July 19, benefiting the Family Crisis & Counseling Center in Bartlesville.

The evening will include a VIP cocktail reception for sponsors, a cash bar, casino tables, silent auction and buffet dinner.

After dinner, honorary chairman Roger Skelly will conduct a live auction for a number of big-ticket items, including a seven-day cruise for two on Holland America plus a \$500 airfare voucher from Spears Travel; hot air balloon rides for four; and a stay for two at a Cabo San Lucas all-inclusive luxury resort from Earth, Sea & Sky Vacation.

New this year is a special raffle for one's choice of three vacations: to Nashville to attend the Country Music Awards show; to San Diego, to sail aboard the America's Cup yacht Stars and Stripes; or to California's Sonoma wine country.

The Mad Hatter Casino Night is designed to be a fun event, but it serves a serious purpose.

Family Crisis & Counseling Center is a Bartlesville organization that offers prevention, intervention and educational programs as well as a shelter for sexual/domestic violence and stalking victims.

Chedra Keller, FCC executive director, said proceeds from FCC's annual fundraiser support the programs that deal with a broad range of family issues.

"A very important part of our function is to provide a local support system and the counseling people need to divest themselves from these harmful situations and start a new life," Keller said.

Event details: 6 p.m. reception, 7:30 p.m. dinner, Saturday July 19 at Hillcrest Country Club, 1901 Price Road, Bartlesville

Attire: Resort or country club casual, augmented by one's wildest, most fun hat

Tickets: \$100. Raffle tickets \$25 or \$50 for three.

For more information: 918-336-1188

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