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*turning dreams into realities,
one person at a time*



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OUR MISSION:
To advance the independence,
productivity, and
full citizenship of people
with cerebral palsy and
other disabilities.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

I am honored and privileged to have the opportunity to lead a dynamic organization such as UCP of Central Maryland. One of my first tasks since taking the reigns of UCP in July has been to initiate a strategic planning process to set the course for the organization over the next five years. The planning process, with the input of staff throughout the organization, will expand on the vision and mission of UCP and assess our current programs and services in order to better meet the needs of those we serve. This process will involve developing a funding plan and determining priorities. In the planning process, the following questions will be answered:

- What types of disabilities should we serve?
- What ages should we serve (infants and toddlers, school age, adults, seniors)?
- What should be the range of programs we provide for the targeted disabilities and ages as well as the breadth and depth of our services?
- What geographic areas should we serve?

All of this will result in an even stronger UCP to serve the needs of individuals with many different types of disabilities. I hope to work toward a fully integrated, developmentally focused program

for children with disabilities. This will start with infants and toddlers day care and continue with a comprehensive educational and therapeutic school program at Delrey, aiming to successfully mainstream special needs children into a public or private school system. It has been proven that early intervention is the key to managing disabilities and to enabling people to reach their full potential.

Meeting the needs of the people we serve

Our Medical Adult Day Care program provides activity-based programs that have been developed to meet the individual needs of the people we serve. Through this program, we continually strive to enable individuals to meet their full potential. Our Day Habilitation and Employment Services programs are prime examples of our progressive approach to supporting the individuals we serve. We are not caregivers, but rather enablers, allowing people to take responsibility for their own lives.

As UCP strives to offer a continuum of care to individuals with disabilities and their families, we

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NEW APPOINTMENTS

Tom Bonomo Named Interim President And CEO For UCP Of Central Maryland

Thomas D. Bonomo recently was named interim president and chief



executive officer of UCP of Central Maryland. Tom is no stranger to UCP of Central Maryland, having served as the organi-

zation's chief financial officer (CFO) for the past six years. Over the past four years, Tom also assisted the national office as a consultant to the financial director, serving as the organization's CFO.

Tom brings a wide range of experience to his new position. Prior to coming to UCP, Tom spent ten years in the health care field in Maryland as a controller for Helix and LifeBridge health systems. He also was a senior accountant for The Equitable Bank and worked for ten years in manufacturing as a plant accountant for M & T Chemicals and Universal Foods.

He received a bachelor's degree in accounting from the University of Baltimore in 1980 and is a Certified Public Accountant. He also has taken courses in computer science. He is a member of the Maryland Association of Certified Public Accountants and of the Healthcare Finance Management Association.

Additionally, Tom is director of the Nicole Van Horn Foundation, a foundation he set up in memory of his niece who died of cancer at the age of 16. He also has been one of

the owners of Baltimore County Gymnastics (BCG) in White Marsh, Md., for the past 20 years. BCG provides gymnastic instruction for more than 650 children as well as 80 competitive gymnasts.

A native of Baltimore, Tom has been married to Leslie, his high school sweetheart, for 25 years, and they have two children. Ryan, 21, is a senior at University of North Carolina, Wilmington, majoring in business administration. Lindsey, age 19, is a junior at the University of Maryland, majoring in kinesiology. Lindsey is also a gymnast for the Terps, competing on vault, beam and floor exercise. Tom attends all of his daughter's gymnastic meets. Tom resides with his family in Harford County and enjoys golf and spending time with his family.

Debbie Daskaloff Chief Development Officer

Debbie Daskaloff, who has been named chief development officer of UCP of Central Maryland, will



oversee the organization's fundraising and marketing efforts. Debbie brings many years of experience to her new position.

She came to UCP from Union Memorial Hospital, where she was the assistant vice president for public relations/communications. Prior to that, Debbie was executive director of the Howard Hospital Foundation for more than seven years, where she successfully com-

pleted a \$5 million capital campaign. For 10 consecutive seasons, Debbie developed, marketed and managed Symphony of Lights, a six-week, drive-thru holiday lights display, which raised more than \$850,000 for Howard County General Hospital. Associated with the hospital since 1986, she served as its assistant director of public relations, director of volunteer services and corporate projects administrator before assuming the role of executive director for the foundation.

Debbie is a graduate of the College of William and Mary with a bachelor's degree in psychology. In 2000, she received a certificate of completion in major gifts and capital campaigns from the Madison Institute, an intensive program sponsored by the Association of Healthcare Philanthropy and the University of Wisconsin's Graduate School of Business.

An active member of the community, Debbie has served on many boards, including the ARC of Howard County, where she developed her interest in serving people with disabilities. She also chaired the Howard County Community Partnerships Board of the United Way and is a Class of '95 Leadership Howard County Alumnus as well as a member of the Association for Healthcare Philanthropy, the Association of Fundraising Professionals, and the Maryland Society for Healthcare Strategy and Market Development.

Debbie grew up in Southern Virginia and has lived in Howard County with her husband Tom since 1982.

Program Service Feature

UCP's No Boundaries Assistive Technology Center Opens Doors

At 6 a.m., Angela Strauch, the director of UCP's No Boundaries Assistive Technology Center, is headed out for her first appointment of the day.

Heading to Oakland, Md., Angela is meeting with Paul, a man with cerebral palsy who is training to become an accountant. Due to his cerebral palsy, Paul has dysarthria, a severe expressive language disorder commonly marked by speech that is slurred, slow and difficult to understand. Today, Angela assesses Paul to determine how much he can do, how often he can be understood, and, if necessary, which communication device is best.

Finding the best communicating device

During the two-to-three hour assessment, Angela tests a range of communication devices with Paul to find the one that best meets Paul's needs as well as makes him feel most comfortable. Together, they select the Dynawrite device that uses a computerized voice to speak for the user. Using a headstick (a tool consisting of a head band with a stick attached that is used to hit the keys) to access this device, Paul can feel confident that he will be able to communicate with his employer and clients without the use of a translator. For Angela, use of the Dynawrite illustrates the No Boundaries program's main objective—to help individuals with disabilities become more independent.



Assisted by Angela Strauch, director of UCP's No Boundaries Assistive Technology Center, Vivian is shown using the voice recognition software "Dragon Naturally Speaking."

A need to be independent was the motivation for Angela's second appointment of the day. Mike, a high school senior with a learning disability, is headed off to college. His difficulty reading, poor spelling, illegible handwriting and disorganization are hurdles to Mike's chance to be independent and successful in his college years and beyond. Angela suggests the Kurzweil 3000 software, a computerized reading program that helps with reading comprehension by allowing Mike to scan textbook chapters onto the computer. Providing visual and audio support, the program reads the scanned text aloud and highlights each word as it's said. Additionally, the Kurzweil 3000 serves as an editing tool; after scanning a report Mike has written, the program reads the report aloud,

enabling Mike to make sure his report makes sense.

Providing more solutions

To tackle spelling difficulties, Angela suggests a word prediction program called Co: Writer Solo, which creates a word list of possible words the program thinks Mike is trying to spell. Mike can select the correct word from that list and insert it into his document. This program also has a flexible spelling tool, which takes into consideration misspellings that occur as a result of poor phonetic skills. Troubleshooting another area of concern for Mike, Angela recommends using a digital voice recorder to record class notes. Finally, Angela suggests using a personal digital assistant such as a PalmPilot to help Mike electronically organize

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No Boundaries Center

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his assignments and appointments. These devices also come equipped with an alarm setting to ensure that Mike gets to class on time—something he previously relied on someone else to do for him. Yet again, Angela has given Mike the tools necessary for independence and success.

Voice command recognition helps to navigate the internet

After completing her work with Mike, Angela goes to help Mary, a woman with quadriplegia who, due to a spinal injury, has no use of her arms and legs, but is determined to continue her work in data entry. Angela recommends using the voice recognition software program “Dragon Naturally Speaking,” which enables users to control every aspect of the computer using their voice. Once someone puts a microphone on her and turns on the computer, Mary can use her voice to search the Internet, open or close programs, write an e-mail, create a word document, and complete tasks that ordinarily utilize a keyboard or mouse.

Completing her final client appointment for the day, Angela loads the equipment back into her car, hits the road and gets home at 9 p.m. While certainly a full day, Angela’s efforts have helped three people overcome their disabilities, empowering them to achieve their dreams one person at a time.

For more information on the No Boundaries Assistive Technology program, call 443-279-0209.

FAREWELL

Pat Sandusky Retires After 30 Years Of Service To UCP

Patricia A. Sandusky was a part of the UCP family since 1976 when she joined the organization as assistant to the director. She served in that position until 1978 when she was named associate director, a position she held until 1986 when she was named president and CEO. Under Pat’s leadership, UCP grew from a grassroots community organization to a statewide organization serving adults and children with disabilities throughout Central Maryland, the Eastern Shore, and Western Maryland. Additionally, the organization has become recognized by national UCP as one of its strongest affiliates.

Pat started many innovative programs, among them Casual Day, which UCP pioneered. Casual Day has since been adopted as a fundraiser by many other organizations nationwide. Pat also was active in the national UCP organization and served on numerous national committees. She chaired the National Administrative Council and the Regional Administrative Council as well as served as interim executive director for the UCP Association from July 2002–June 2003.



Pat has received many awards and accolades for her work with the disabled both on the local and national level. She also was a member of the executive committee for the Baltimore County Commission on Disabilities and was on the Governor’s Task Force on Medicaid rates. Pat’s expertise was recognized on the international level, and, in 1997, she was a representative for the United States Disability Service and traveled to Oman, Jordan, to meet with secretaries of Health, Education and State in Oman to provide information and assistance regarding the coordination of nationwide disability services.

Indeed, UCP has been fortunate to have Pat’s services, dedication and expertise for so many years. We all wish her a wonderful and well-deserved retirement with her husband Jim; children Craig and Carole; and grandchildren Ashley, Austin and Garret.

Student Success

Jarred Aaron Jones 2006 Delrey Graduate

It was an exciting day for 9-year-old Jarred Jones and his family, as well as The Delrey School staff, when Jarred graduated from The Delrey School. Jarred, who started at Delrey at age 3, is attending third grade at Edmondson Heights Elementary School this fall. His mother, Vanessa, attributes his success to the skilled and compassionate staff at Delrey. She explains that when Jarred entered Delrey he could barely sit up, he had limited language skills and he did not like mealtime. “I never really anticipated all of the learning and kinds of activities he would be involved in,” she says.

By the time Jarred was 5, he was reading words on sight, had a wonderful appetite and was racing around the halls on a specially adapted walker. He was able to sit independently to play along side his classmates. His parents knew they had made the right choice selecting Delrey over



the neighborhood public school. They were looking for a place that could meet his therapeutic and learning needs and would help Jarred successfully transition to an elementary school program —Delrey was it.

“Delrey is an exceptional program. I know it has worked not just for Jarred, but for all types of children with special needs, and they have been very supportive of me and my family.”

Today at age 9, Jarred reads, loves math, counts by 10s, and adds and subtracts. He especially enjoys doing his schoolwork on his laptop computer. His language development skills blossomed at Delrey, and he can talk well and carry on an animated conversation. Jarred feeds himself and truly enjoys mealtimes. He enjoys many of the same things as other 9-year-old boys. He loves sports, especially baseball, basketball, football, soccer and lacrosse. Jarred goes everywhere in his power wheelchair and also uses a walker. Jarred is very involved in family activities as well as church activities as an usher at his church. He is a happy, social child and has devel-

oped emotionally, physically and academically during his time at Delrey.

Jarred’s family says that Delrey was able to meet Jarred’s physical, occupational and speech therapy needs as well as provide him with the special educational services he needed. The school sparked his interest to learn. Jarred is entering public school with a love of learning and the confidence to be independent and mainstream with the other children. “Delrey is an exceptional program. I know it has worked not just for Jarred, but for all types of children with special needs, and they have been very supportive of me and my family,” says Jarred’s mother Vanessa, who also served as president of Delrey’s Parent Association.

On June 12, 2006, Jarred joined fellow Delrey students, Foster Trent Covert, Markita Nicole Gamble, Zachary Alexander George, Samantha Ansu Kaldahl, Rakai Khalid Robers, Kamara Anika Washington and Antonio Maurice Wilson at a beautiful graduation ceremony. Also, graduating from the day care center were Patrick Glenn Adams, Thomas Bradley Kaldahl and Caitlin Coriander McCormick.

New Building Campaign

UCP Constructing New Building In Owings Mills

To allow UCP to expand and deliver its quality services in physical facilities that match the high level of its programming, UCP is building a new, state-of-the-art, two-story

facility on a 6.58-acre lot in Owings Mills. The site, located off Red Run Boulevard at the intersection of Pleasant Hill Road, will offer convenient access to Interstate 795. The new facility will permit UCP to centralize many of its programs and services into one location, expand existing services, and initiate and offer new services, while at the same time addressing the agency's physical site and accessibility needs. The new building will house UCP's preschool and child development center, now located on Delrey Avenue in Catonsville, and will feature educationally based day care designed for children with and without disabilities. The second floor will include a therapeutic services suite that offers outpatient services as well as therapies for our onsite students. The UCP administrative headquarters, now located in Reisterstown, also will be relocated to the new facility.

clinic, the assistive technology center and equipment lending library, a carpentry shop, a sewing room, evaluation and training rooms, and much more.

Covering the costs

\$13 million will be required to complete the project, including land acquisition, building development, construction, and equipment and furnishings. All of the project's financial requirements will be funded through fundraising and a bond issuance.

A \$7 million capital campaign is being conducted to provide funding toward the project. A generous lead gift of \$2 million has already been pledged by long-time UCP friend and supporter, attorney Stephen L. Snyder. The campaign is based on a five-year pledge period with major naming opportunities throughout the building. Additional opportunities are available for naming equipment and furnishings. All gifts of \$5,000 or greater will be recognized with a plaque on the Campaign Major Donor Wall, which will be prominently displayed in the main entrance lobby. Groundbreaking is expected to occur in the spring of 2007, and UCP hopes to occupy the new building in January 2008. For opportunities to contribute to the capital campaign, please contact Chief Development Officer Debbie Daskaloff at 410-484-4540, ext. 4085.

The new building will allow UCP to:

- ❑ Streamline the provision of services, offering the convenience of having numerous programs and services in one location
- ❑ Provide a building that is completely handicapped accessible
- ❑ Expand existing services
- ❑ Offer new clinical and therapeutic services to respond to the changing needs of the disabilities community
- ❑ Decrease facility operating expenses as five of the seven sites currently operated by UCP in the Baltimore metro area will be consolidated allowing additional funds to be used for services and programs
- ❑ Increase UCP's visibility in the community

Special project features

Some of the special features of the project include an accessible playground with a unique sensory garden and outdoor classroom. The playground will have a special surface that can be used by children with wheelchairs and walkers and will help prevent children who fall from getting hurt. Other features include: a computer lab with accessibility modifications, a sensory integration room, a library, a wheelchair

Volunteer Highlight

Marc DeSimone Received Volunteer of the Year Award

UCP volunteer Marc DeSimone, Jr. made us all proud when he was selected as the Volunteer of the Year by the Maryland Association of Community Service, (MACS). Marc, an attorney, has been volunteering for the past four years on UCP's Quality Assurance Standing Committee. Marc is truly an inspiration to all who are disabled and is an amazing example of a person who wouldn't give up. UCP was pleased to have been given the opportunity to nominate Marc for this award.

Marc has found his work with UCP very gratifying and knows firsthand how important it is that UCP's services and programs meet high quality standards. He knows that a good school like Delrey and quality therapy services start children with disabilities off right and make it easier for them to mainstream.

On volunteering

"It is always important to give back, and, for me, this is a very fulfilling way to do that," says Marc. "Serving on the Quality Assurance Committee has allowed me to play a part in ensuring that everyone UCP serves is treated properly and with respect. I also am pleased that I can play a part helping to identify ways UCP's services can be improved. I have nothing but the utmost respect for the wonderful professionals at UCP. They do their job well and can be proud of how they serve people with disabilities."

About Marc

Marc was diagnosed with ataxic cerebral palsy before he was 2 years old. Doctors gave his parents little hope, saying he should be institutionalized. His parents ignored this advice and embarked on their own program of stimulation of both mind and body. Marc began playing the violin at 18 months, the piano by age 4, and, at 3 years of age, he was reading at a second grade level.

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Marc DeSimone (4th from left) with UCP staff members Debbie Daskaloff, Linda Rinehart, Tom Bonomo, Pat Sandusky, and Kathe Apesos-Poulos.

The elementary school years were difficult and challenging as teachers did not understand how to handle students with disabilities or prevent teasing by other children. With a combination of public school and home schooling, Marc made it through elementary school and enrolled in Loyola Blakefield for high school. He did so well academically that he graduated a year early and developed a

near-photographic memory to compensate for being unable to write things down. By that time, he also wanted to do what other kids did, and, among other accomplishments, Marc got his boating license and became an Eagle Scout.

Marc was accepted into Loyola College, where he double majored in history and fine arts, with a concentration in music performance on the pipe organ. He graduated in three years from Loyola and went on to the University of Maryland School

of Law, where he graduated Order of the Coif and Order of the Barristers in the top 6th percentile of his class and passed the Bar exam on the first try.

Following his passion

Since 2005, Marc has been an associate in the law firm of Lord & Whip, making regular appearances in both state and federal trial courts. On September 1, 2006, Marc left Lord & Whip to join the Maryland Office of the Public Defender in its appellate division. In making this move, Marc is following his passion to hone his skills as an appellate practitioner and to handle matters of a constitutional importance while in the service of those in need.



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Board Member Profile

Woodrow S. Dellinger, Jr.

Woodrow Dellinger, known as Skip, has been a UCP board member for the past three and a half years and also serves on the Program Services Committee. He has very much enjoyed his

involvement with UCP and helping plan the new Owings Mills facility, which will allow for expansion of programs and services. He is especially pleased that the new building will allow Delrey to serve more students in a state-of-the-art facility, and it will enable UCP to start an infant and toddler's program.

Skip joined the board at a time when it was expanding to deal with several major issues and move the organization to the next level. Skip says that it has been an exciting time to be part of UCP and see the organization grow.

In 1940, after his mother was in labor for 52 hours, Skip entered the world with central nervous system damage and ultimately was diagnosed with a form of cerebral palsy. He has experienced firsthand the challenges that confront both children and adults with disabilities. A wonderful example of overcoming barriers, Skip graduated with a bachelor's degree from Lebanon Valley College and earned master's degrees from Marshall University and The Johns Hopkins University.

Since 1976, Skip has been on the faculty of Johns Hopkins



University School of Hygiene and Public Health, Department of Population, Family and Reproductive Health in Baltimore. He has a special concern for and interest in children with

special health needs and their families, making his service on the UCP board a perfect fit. It was actually one of Skip's students, a UCP physical therapist, who suggested him for the board.

With many publications to his credit, some of which deal with prenatal and maternity care, he has also been honored for his contributions by several organizations. He was president of the Maryland/D.C. Chapter, International Association for Infant Mental Health; he received alumni association awards from Lebanon Valley College and from The Johns Hopkins University, School of Hygiene and Public Health where he was awarded the Department of Maternal and Child Health Alumni Award. Skip also received The Johns Hopkins University Alumni Association Heritage Award and was a member of the The Johns Hopkins University School of Public Health Omega Honor Society. He lists memberships in the American Academy of Cerebral Palsy and Developmental Medicine among his professional affiliations.

UCP is extremely fortunate to have Skip on its board.

Development

Sons Of The American Legion And The American Legion Donate Generously To UCP Of Central Maryland



On May 23, 2006, Sons of the American Legion State Commander Maurice Morton (pictured left) and Detachment Commander's Project Chairman Tom Deal (pictured right) presented this year's checks, totaling \$17,285, to

Debbie Daskaloff, chief developmental officer for UCP of Central Maryland. Commander Morton chose UCP as his commander's project this year, and the Detachment of Maryland was very generous in support of his project. Morton chose UCP because of the impact The Delrey School had on the life of his sister and family. His sister attended Delrey prior to mainstreaming into public school.

We also appreciate the ongoing support of the American Legion and would like to acknowledge its generous gifts totaling more than \$28,000 to UCP of Central Maryland this past year.

The Easy Way to Give to UCP of Central Maryland: Payroll Deductions

It's easy to donate to UCP of Central Maryland through payroll deductions. All you have to do is write in our name and code number on your United Way pledge form. UCP is a member of Community Health Charities of Maryland (CHC), the largest federation of health organizations in the state. CHC encourages you to designate an agency or agencies to receive your payroll deduction contribution. It's your money and you should decide where it goes. **When you complete your payroll deduction form for 2006, look for the space for designated donations and write in UCP of Central Maryland and our identification code number, 024.** Having only a few dollars a week deducted from your paycheck every pay period can make a big difference in helping to support our work and the services we provide to the physically disabled in our community.

If your place of work holds a federal campaign through the Combined Federal Campaign of the National Capital Area (CFC), you still can designate UCP as the agency where you want your money to go. UCP is listed as a local unaffiliated agency, **and our code number for the federal campaign is 7534.**

Ravens Roost #55 Donates Laptop to Delrey Student

Ravens Roost 55 of Catonsville, Md., donated a laptop computer to 8 year-old Zachary George, a graduate of Delrey, providing a child with cerebral palsy with the tools to succeed in a technology-driven society.

"Zachary is a very smart boy, and this laptop that he will use at his new school will provide a foundation for his transition to a less structured school environment," said Mimi Wang, principal of Delrey.



(left to right) Ron Grabl, Ravens Roost #55 past president; Steve Sokalski, Ravens Roost #55 Web site chair; Zachary, pictured with his new computer; Kay Hammon, Ravens Roost #55 executive board member; Laura Poling, Ravens Roost #55 corresponding secretary; and Bridget Flynn, Delrey teacher.

Founded in 2001, Ravens Roost #55 is a Baltimore Ravens fan club with added dedication to charitable work in Catonsville. Its philosophy is to support the Baltimore Ravens while contributing to and enhancing the quality of life in the local community. We thank them for supporting a Delrey student.

Development

What would you think if I sang out of tune?
 Would you stand up and walk out on me?
 Lend me your ears and I'll sing you a song
 And I'll try not to sing out of key.

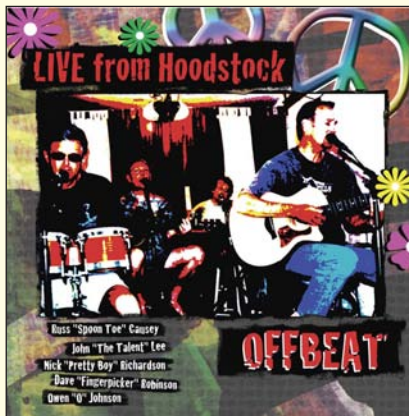
Day three of the 1969 Woodstock concert, Joe Cocker belted out these lyrics to the Beatles song "With a Little Help From My Friends." More than 30 years later, Russ Causey, Gracie Musher, Larry Musher and Jennifer Pansoy—the four members that make up Hoodstock Productions—for the third year in a row got some help from their friends to support a worthy cause through Hoodstock, an acoustic music festival that features live music and late 60's fashion.

All proceeds from this year's Hoodstock, which was held at Otterbein Swim Club and Pavilion on Saturday, September 9, will benefit United Cerebral Palsy of Central Maryland (UCP). These funds further UCP's efforts to help those with cerebral palsy and other disabilities.

To generate monies to support UCP, rock fans were asked to donate a minimum of \$20. In addition to enjoying good music, music aficionados delighted in good food, wine, beer and sodas as well as purchased Hoodstock III t-shirts to commemorate the event.

Following in the footsteps of last year's successful Hoodstock concert, this year's festival sported 130 attendees and grossed more than \$6,000. For Russ Causey, the underwriter for this year's event and a UCP board member, this event is a fun event that garners some great exposure for the organization. "There are many people who attend Hoodstock that have resources that can be very helpful to UCP," says Causey. "Exposing this group of people to the UCP story will hopefully motivate them to use those resources for the individuals served by UCP."

In the spirit of Woodstock's rock legends, Hoodstock headliners included: Offbeat, an acoustic band that boasts three UCP board members: Russ Causey, John Lee and Nick Richardson, as well as Roger "The Blues" Frisky and the Nick John Combo.

**WISH LIST:**

Can you help our wish come true?

At UCP, we are always looking for the latest technology to help people with CP and other physical disabilities. Recently, we saw in action a new eye-controlled communication system called MyTobii, which is especially designed to help people with cerebral palsy, ALS, high-level spinal injury and multiple sclerosis. Computer functions can be controlled solely by eye movements and pointer boards are not needed. E-mail can be accessed, and documents can be inputted and edited. It takes eye control to a whole new level.

Here is what one user who has CP says: "For many years I used a pointing board for communicating with my family and at school. But now that I got MyTobii, I understand how quickly I can say what I want to say, even though I have CP. I can communicate very fast, writing text and sending e-mails, just as quickly as my schoolmates."

Each MyTobii unit costs \$16,000, and UCP would like to raise the money to purchase two units. To date, a generous donor has pledged \$8,000 toward the first unit. Can we count on you to help us come up with the rest of money needed? If you are interested in helping UCP purchase two MyTobii units, call Debbie Daskaloff, chief development officer, at **410-484-4540, ext. 4085.**



Staff member John Henry (far left) assists James and John, two participants in one of UCP's adult day care programs.



Joined by three staff members, Stephanie (seated in middle) greets visitors to Port Discovery, a children's museum in Baltimore.

Let Your Wheels Help Turn Our Wheels

Help children and adults with cerebral palsy and other disabilities through our Vehicle Donation Program. Towing is free and your donation may be tax-deductible!

It's easy to donate your car. Just call 1-800-4WHEELS (1-800-494-3357) and we'll do the rest. You also can donate online at www.ucp-cm.org and click on vehicle donation, or complete the form below and mail it with a completed title to:

UCP Vehicle Donation Program

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How to complete title:

On the back of the title, top block only,

“Assignment of Ownership”

1. On the top line where it reads “Buyer or Purchaser.” Write: United Cerebral Palsy
2. On the Date of Sale line, write the current date.
3. On the Signature of Seller line, sign your name exactly as it appears on the front side of the title certificate.

NOTE: If there is a lien showing on the front of the vehicle, please send lien release.

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For sponsorship and ticket information
call **410-484-4540, ext 4090.**

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

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have identified the need to better serve the transitioning youth population. Through our programs, activities and vocational services, we are developing an environment that will better support young adults with disabilities.

I hope to see UCP become even more community based, offering our services not only in our new Owings Mills facility and in our other centers throughout the state, but also directly in the community. In other words, I want us to be able to take our show on the road and, as needed, partner with school systems to provide educational support services as well as with other agencies serving people with disabilities to provide community-based therapeutic services.

In summary, to be an aggressive and progressive organization as well as a national leader in the disabilities field, UCP must have a strong advocacy focus and be a major referral source for people with disabilities. I know these are ambitious goals. They will, however, be achieved with the support of our dedicated board, staff and generous donors as we strive together to maintain our high quality services. I look forward to working with all of you to enhance the lives of the children and adults we serve.

Sincerely,



Thomas Bonomo
President and CEO



**Help Us Help You Advocate
For The Disabled**

From time to time, disability issues come up in the legislature that need our support to get passed. Calls, letters and e-mails to your elected officials do make a difference.

We ask you to please send us your e-mail address, so that we can contact you on public policy disability issues when we need your help. Rest assured that we are very selective and will ask for your support no more than two to three times during the legislative session. Please consider helping us to help you by sending your e-mail address to Judy Cox at jcox@ucp-cm.org.



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