DEVEREUX REVELS IN THE RUN FOR THE ROSES AT SAVOR THE HOPE GALA

Derby-Themed Evening Honors Longtime Supporter Gary Worsham

Houston’s Hotel ZaZa rivaled Churchill Downs on April 12 as guests in wide-brimmed hats, fashionable fascinators and other derby duds marked an important milestone — the return of Devereux Texas’ annual Savor the Hope Gala.

The first such event since Hurricane Harvey wreaked havoc across our Texas campuses and led to the cancellation of the 2018 gala, the evening aided in recovering funds lost due to the record-breaking storm, and benefitted those served by Devereux Texas.

Emcee Suzi Hanks kept the fun going as gala attendees enjoyed scrumptious foods, bid on fabulous silent auction packages and danced the night away to live music by Rapture — A Musical Journey. Hanks and co-auctioneer TJ Aulds had people bidding loud, excited to pony up for Devereux Texas during the night’s live auction. Among the evening’s most memorable moments was the Devereux Run for the Roses horse race, which encouraged those in attendance to cross their fingers and cheer their chosen thoroughbred on to victory, all the while supporting a worthy cause.

This year’s Emy Award went to Gary Worsham, who has volunteered his time and talents to support Devereux Texas for 15 years. Worsham has put his long career in banking to work for our nonprofit, helping to connect us to valuable private foundations and donors — and raise more than $800,000 for our Victoria campus.

Worsham, who currently serves as secretary of Devereux’s South Texas Advisory Council, noted that Devereux’s loving work is a group effort. “I’m just one person, but it takes all of us to make it work,” he said. “It’s teamwork that makes the dream work.” That teamwork is crucial when it comes to an issue as important as mental health, Devereux Texas Executive Director Pam Reed said.

“Whole person health is critical to a happy and fulfilled life,” Reed said. “I’m happy to report that the individuals in Devereux’s care come from all over the country, as well as our great state. And they all have a similar hope — hope of healing and effective treatment that can change their lives forever.”

Tracy Faulkner, who chaired the gala alongside her husband, Harry Faulkner, thanked attendees for helping to make a difference to Devereux. That support is especially important now, with the organization still working to recover $700,000 in storm-related financial losses.

“It is our honor to be here tonight, and it is our request that each and every one of you who has a healthy child — a healthy niece, nephew, grandchild, grandson, granddaughter — if you do not need Devereux, you need to… thank God that you don’t,” she said. “And thank God that they exist. Because without Devereux, there are so many individuals in need that would go uncared for. And they give the best care ever.”

View the full photo gallery at savorthehope.org.
Generous Contributions Help Fund School Renovations

Devereux Texas sends a big “thank you” to the M.G. & Lillie A. Johnson Foundation, Discount Tire/Diane & Bruce Halle Foundation, and numerous other donors for supporting the Devereux Barclay Education Center renovation. The Johnson Foundation’s $150,000 matching gift challenge was instrumental in helping us not only meet, but exceed, our goal of raising $300,000. Likewise, South Texas Advisory Council member Gary Worsham’s ongoing dedication and leadership has made a world of difference.

Built more than 50 years ago on our Victoria campus, the Barclay Education Center serves those ages 5 to 14 in the children’s residential treatment program. Construction begins soon. Thank you again to everyone who helped make this project possible.

Thank You, First English Lutheran Church!

Devereux is grateful for First English Lutheran Church’s continued generosity and support. Their recent $1,000 Heritage Day donation will help launch the hydroponic conversion of some Devereux Growing Center greenhouses, allowing us to grow plants using water and minerals, rather than traditional soil. In addition, Rachel’s Circle, one of the church’s women’s groups, purchases gifts each year for our Angel Tree project, providing our wonderful residential clients the opportunity to enjoy the Christmas season. Thank you, First English, for all that you do!

Pictured, from left: Dick Martin and Melanie Janak of First English Lutheran Church, Devereux Victoria Development Specialist Janet Lyon and Trinka Martin of First English Lutheran Church

The Mommie Series Names Devereux as Spring Charity of Choice

Devereux Texas was honored to serve as charity of choice at The Mommie Series — Houston’s Spring Edition event. The Mommie Series brings women together to network, connect and discuss issues relating to family, health, finance and fashion. We were grateful for the opportunity to meet with incredible go-getters from around Houston, and to spread the word about Devereux and our mission.

Pictured, from left: Devereux Texas Director of Development Joni Robertson and Misti Pace-Krahle, Founder of The Mommie Series

Beach Masters Tournament Takes to the Water for Devereux

Devereux Texas is proud to announce the Beach Masters Tournament has named us the beneficiary of their upcoming charity fishing event! The catch-and-release tournament takes place June 8 — 9 along the Texas Gulf Coast, and features prizes for largest caught sharks and redfish, kids’ categories and even a chili cook-off. An awards presentation takes place June 9 at Galveston’s Jamaica Beach Park. Thank you, Beach Masters, for your support of Devereux and our clients!

For more information, call 409.750.3618 or visit facebook.com/beachmasterstournament

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Hungry to Help a Worthy Cause

At Devereux Texas, we are big believers in treating others the way we would like to be treated. We were glad to join forces with the Rotary Club of League City and aid in food distribution with the Galveston County Food Bank. It was wonderful to help give back to the community that gives so much to us and our clients!

Spring Fling Comes to Full Bloom

Overflowing greenhouses provided a delightful selection of plants, hanging baskets, herbs, flowers, fruit trees and more at Devereux’s 11th Annual Spring Fling. The March 9 event, which took place at the Victoria campus Growing Center, provided attendees with gorgeous options for the spring planting season — and the chance to make a difference. Devereux clients gain valuable, fulfilling work skills while nurturing and growing plants, and purchases at Devereux’s Growing Center benefit the Adult Vocational program all year long. Thank you to all those who volunteer with, donate to and sponsor this important program and event.

Grant Arms Devereux Professionals with Advanced Trauma-Informed Training

Clinicians and staff members from both Devereux Texas campuses are better prepared to provide trauma-level support, thanks to a $50,000 Texas Center for Child and Family Studies grant. The funding allowed us to certify all clinicians as professional trauma specialists and provide training focused on self-care and healing to 123 staffers, including direct care professionals, unit supervisors, special education teachers, nurses and case coordinators. We are grateful for the opportunity to better serve our incredible clients and team members.

Devereux Clients Win Big with Thrivent Game Drive

Devereux’s League City campus has tons of fun new game night options, thanks to community partner Thrivent. Activity shelves are now packed with everything from classics like “Connect 4” and “Battleship” to trivia challenges that will get our clients using their noggin. Thank you, Thrivent, for this fun-filled display of generosity!

Pictured, from left: Thrivent representatives Pete Seroka, Frank Holder and Miko Thomas Tisdale

Save the Dates!

Make plans to join Devereux Texas at these fun-filled events for a cause!

Wildcat Golf Club | Houston
Noon Tee Time
Proceeds benefit the Devereux School and scholarship program
divotsfordevereux.com

Opus Ocean Grille | Clear Lake Shores
Proceeds benefit the youth in Devereux’s intensive residential treatment program
devereuxspirit.org

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