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Ozanam Charitable Pharmacy special visit during Holy Week

Thursday, April 21st was a special day for Ozanam Charitable Pharmacy our Board of Directors, volunteers and staff were excited to meet Most Reverend Thomas J. Rodi, Archbishop of Mobile.



Ozanam's Board President Mrs. Cathy Whelton with Most Reverend Archbishop Thomas J. Rodi

Archbishop Rodi and Marilyn King, Executive Director for Catholic Social Services, paid Ozanam a visit. We were able to talk with the Archbishop and Mrs. King about our favorite subject, Ozanam. The Archdiocese has played such a huge part in Ozanam's 13 years of success. Support from Catholic Charities makes it possible for Ozanam to assist so many with life sustaining medication. The Catholic Service Center was Ozanam's first home.

Today, the Archdiocese provides Ozanam with space at 571 Dauphin Street next to the Service center to dispense medications. It takes a village to provide medications, in addition to funding and space, dedicated caseworkers from the Service Center spend thousands of hours each year certifying patients to use Ozanam's services. Together, the Archdiocese and Ozanam Charitable Pharmacy have provided thousands of chronically ill patients with an estimated \$10 million dollars in retail value of medications.



Archbishop Rodi speaking with Ozanam's staff and volunteers.

Winn Dixie helps Ozanam provide medication for the uninsured

Recently, Ozanam Charitable Pharmacy received \$10,000 from the Winn-Dixie Foundation to help us achieve our mission of keeping individuals connected with their medications. Winn-Dixie recently gave \$1.3 million to 81 charities throughout its Southeast operating areas. "The Winn-Dixie Foundation realizes the importance of giving back to the communities, especially in times of need," noted Mary Kellmanson, president of the Jacksonville, Fla.-based enterprise. "For more than 68 years, the Winn-Dixie Foundation has donated funds to worthy not-for-profit organizations, empowering them to share our goal of helping to improve the lives of families in each neighborhood we serve." The Winn-Dixie Foundation funds were raised, through a new Nationwide Tour golf tournament The



In the photo (Health Edwards, Winn Dixie Store Manager; Ron Fennessy, Winn Dixie District Manager; Shearie Archer, Ozanam Charitable Pharmacy Executive Director; Mary Lee Jones, Ozanam Charitable Pharmacy Patient Relations and Andrew Kettler, Winn Dixie Assistant Manager. The photo was taken by Nicki Jackson.

Winn-Dixie Jacksonville Open presented by Planters, which was title sponsored by Winn-Dixie.

Noteworthy



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The generous customers and dedicated staff of B & B Pet Stop raised \$1803.88 for Ozanam Charitable Pharmacy during the B & B Pet Stop Charity Round up in May. Thank you to everyone who donated funds to help patients obtain life-sustaining medication from Ozanam. According to Sally Trufant, General Manager, of B & B Pet Stop ,this was the most they ever raised for a group. Outstanding Job! Since March 2007," B & B Pet Stop's Round Up for Charity" raised over \$70,000 for local charities. Visit B & B Pet Stop at 5035 Cottage Hill Road.



A special thanks to the beautiful voices of Gloria Dei Chorale for honoring Ozanam Charitable Pharmacy. On Sunday, April 17th Gloria Dei Chorale raised \$611.00 for Ozanam Charitable Pharmacy. The concert was called "A Concert for Passiontide". The concert was held at St. Mary Catholic Church on 1458 Old Shell Road. Included on the program was Duruflé's Ubi Caritas, Lotti's Miserere, Rheinberger's Stabat Mater, and Reimann's Requiem in E flat. Local composer Matthew S. Still's new Ave Maria debuted at this concert. The concert was offered to the glory of God and in loving memory of one of Gloria Dei Chorale founders, Bette Coan. Auditions are ongoing, call 251-533-9810 for an appointment. Rehearsals are on Monday nights beginning August 29; the Christmas concert is scheduled for December 4, 2011.



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Ozanam's Lucky Ducky Derby was a huge success!



The Ducks are off to a good start



2500 ducks in a row



And the Winner is.....



Musician Mr. Daryl Phillips playing cool jazz

Ozanam Charitable Pharmacy's 2nd Annual Lucky Ducky Derby was a huge success! On Saturday, April 9, a massive flock of yellow smiling ducks — rubber ducks, that is — bobbed their way down the beautiful pond at Providence Hospital to raise money for people who need medications. This event raised over \$17,000. About 350 little kids and big kids attended Ozanam's Lucky Ducky Derby. To make the day even more exciting there were beautiful cars from the Mobile Bay Mustang Club, cute dogs for adoption from the Friends of Mobile Animal Shelter, fun tile painting from Paint that Tile, Sunshine the Clown, McGruff the Crime Dog, popcorn from Mobile Popcorn, donated drinks from Buffalo Rock. Also joining us was Mr. Daryl Phillips playing cool jazz which was especially nice because it was a hot spring day. Right about 10am the ducks were released down the pond and the grand prizewinner, Mr. Jeff St. Clair, with Spring Hill Medical Center won a Med Spa Party for up to 12 people valued over \$500 from Mobile Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery and Dermatology. Other great prizes included a gift basket from The Fresh Market, Made with Love hand made jewelry by Pat Allen, a vase by local artist Tony Wright, a gift certificate to the Shed, and handmade deck chairs by Daisy Howell, just to name a few. All together we had 77 wonderful prizes from local stores, restaurants and artists. A special thanks to our dedicated committee members and folks who helped to make this premiere event a success our list includes Christine Cumbie (Chairperson), committee members Mitchell Company Employees, Providence employees, and City of Mobile Fire Department, and the Auburn University's Harrison School of Pharmacy, Ozanam Staff and Board member, Pat Allen, Cathy Whelton, Mary Stone, Marilyn Graf, Martha Allegri, Tammy Henry, Lisa Brunies, Claire Moore, George Yurcisin, Thao Do, Louchard Lamothe,



Harrison School of Pharmacy Students working hard entering duck data



Meet Sunshine the Clown

Erica Perkins, Lanier Employees, Gardberg and Clausen Employees. Funds from this event will help Ozanam patients stay connected with their medication and out of the Emergency Rooms. We are planning to have the 3rd Annual Lucky Ducky Derby next year in April at Providence Hospital. For more information about how you can sponsor, volunteer or donate a prize to this special event. Please call (251) 432-4111 or email sar-cher@ozanampharmacy.org.

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Ozanam Charitable Pharmacy receives a prestigious award.



Shearie Archer, Director of Ozanam and Julie McGee, Director of the Area Agency on Aging holding the beautiful ACS

On March 31st, Ozanam Charitable Pharmacy was honored with the Alabama Gerontological Society (AGS) Organizational Award for outstanding contributions on behalf of older Alabamians at a luncheon at the Wynn-frey Hotel in Birmingham. Ozanam Charitable Pharmacy's Past Board President and current board member, Julie McGee, and Executive Director Shearie Archer, were in attendance to receive the prestigious award at the award banquet and conference. Before Medicare Part D was available to seniors, Ozanam assisted with enhancing the well being of older Alabamians by providing emergency medication from our in-

house formulary at no cost when seniors reach the Medicare Gap. We are able to provide them with at least 6 to 8 weeks of medications while their application is being process with Senior Rx, a patient assistance program provided by the Area Agency on Aging. This emergency supply of medication keeps our older Alabamians connected with their medications and out of the emergency rooms. Ozanam actively participates in energizing the aging community. Thanks to our partnership with one of our founding benefactors, the South Alabama Regional Commission Area Agency on Aging we continue to provide life sustaining medication to our older Alabamians.

Mr. Jonathan Gardberg has award named in honor of his outstanding contributions to Ozanam

By Shearie Archer

Ozanam Charitable Pharmacy's Board of Directors has established a Community Leadership Award in honor of its first recipient, Mr. Jonathan Gardberg of Gardberg and Clausen, Attorneys at Law. The award was inspired by the works and teachings of Ozanam Charitable Pharmacy's namesake, Frederick Ozanam. This special award, named the Jonathan Gardberg Community Leadership Award, will be given to community leaders who assist in moving Ozanam Charitable Pharmacy's mission of providing medication to the poor and uninsured. Three years ago after a local Chamber of Commerce meeting, Mr. Gardberg and Christine Cumbie, the Firm Administrator with Gardberg and Clausen, asked me what could they do to assist Ozanam Pharmacy. At the time, I was a new Executive Director praying for assistance. Two angels were sent my way. A few weeks later, I met with Mr. Gardberg and Mrs. Cumbie and a plan was made. This plan involved three areas of support, awareness, chronic illness education, and fundraising. In March of 2009, we had our first prevention series called Living with and Preventing Diabetes conducted by Mrs. Joy Gardberg MS, RD, CDE. Today, this program is a one on one program conducted by our 4th year Pharmacy Students from the Auburn University's Harrison School of Pharmacy at Ozanam. One day while passing through North Alabama, Mr. Gardberg came across a fundraiser which was a rubber duck race. Immediately, Mr. Gardberg presented the idea to start a duck race for Ozanam and gave the resources to make it happen. As a result, Mr. Gardberg is the founder of our primary fundraiser, Ozanam's Lucky Ducky Derby, and is responsible for the 2500 yellow rubber ducks waddling down the pond at Providence Hospital each year.

Meanwhile, the second annual event was held in April of this year and raised much-needed funds for Ozanam. Mr. Gardberg knows it takes a village, as a result; he has recruited staff, friends and family to assist us with this event. With the Lucky Ducky Derby fundraiser we have gained more corporate support through sponsorships and more awareness through media support. With Mr. Gardberg's support we have met and exceeded the goals set forth three years ago. Mr. Gardberg exemplifies the spirit of Frederick Ozanam. Like Frederick Ozanam, the founder of the Society of St. Vincent De Paul, Mr. Gardberg is an attorney helping the sick and disabled with his social security and veterans disability practice. Also, like Frederick Ozanam, Mr. Gardberg did not just stand by and watch the poor suffer. He took action and found a way to assist with easing the pain of others. It is compassion like this that created the Society of St. Vincent De Paul.



Ozanam Leadership Award named in honor of Jonathan Gardberg

"Charity must never look back, but always ahead, for the number of its past benefits is always quite small, as the present and future miseries it should alleviate are infinite".--Frederic Ozanam