



FROM THE CEO

Dear Marymead Supporters

A huge thank you to the Cassells family and all the generous people in Canberra who gave to the building fund in 2007 – we are now proudly operating from our fabulous new 'Cassells Building' - and what a huge benefit it is for Marymead! There will be an official opening in November & I'm delighted to say that the Governor General, Her Excellency Ms Quentin Bryce AC, will be present to formally open the building.

The fundraising events that I mentioned in the last newsletter have all occurred & were really successful. The Perri Cutten Fashion Parade at the Embassy of Brazil attracted approximately 140 fashionistas with the stylish casual & formal clothes that Perri Cutten is famous for, paraded to the swaying rhythms of Latin America. The venue, complemented by the sunset, was lovely & we really appreciated being able to use it for this exciting event. Later in the week we were transported to Turkey for the Tontine Cocktail Party at the Turkish Embassy which was attended by another 140 people. The delicious Turkish food, generous supply of wine, beer & soft drinks & the excitement of the reverse auction for the \$15 000 diamond made this a night to remember. Many thanks to our supporters for these 2 fantastic events: Eva Buchanec & Perri Cutten, Robert Kennedy & the staff of Oakton, Jim Murphy, the Turkish Pide House, Creations Jewellers, our Tontine MC, Fiona Nelson from Southern Cross Ten, our Tontine auctioneers Richard Keeley and Tim Burke from Richard Luton Properties, Quantum Ideas, Paragon Printers and the many others that made these nights such a success. Special thanks also to the Ambassadors of Brazil & Turkey who have made us so welcome & enabled us to use their facilities. The Turkish Ambassador, Murat Ersavci, & his wife Zeynep, have unfortunately left Australia after being posted to Brussels. We are very sorry to see them go because they have shown a keen interest in Marymead & indeed the whole Canberra community during their stay here. We wish them well for the future.

Demand for our services continues to grow and we are pleased to see that our support program for Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander families is going from strength to strength in helping to meet their needs. Our Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander playgroup, which started out earlier this year at only one day a week, will double to two days next term because of the strong demand. The playgroup gives staff the opportunity to assist parents with a range of issues such as food & nutrition, educational play activities, health care etc, all designed to give the kids a better start in life. We also make sure that the skills & expertise of our Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander staff are shared across Marymead so that any Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander family can feel welcome & supported when they come here.

As you can see it's been a busy few weeks in every respect. I'm taking a short break to visit my mother in the UK, but will be back in early November with the pleasure of the official opening to look forward to. As I am writing this it's cold and wet ... not often that you can expect the weather in England to be better than here, but I'm hoping!

Hilary Martin
Chief Executive Officer



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FROM THE EDITOR

Well here we are, just 8 weeks until Christmas! I'm told the years don't get any faster but I do wonder sometimes!!

For Marymead it's been a very exciting year, with a busy schedule for all of our Programs, some wonderful fundraising events, the completion of the 'Cassells Building', and the addition of some new sponsors and corporate partners.

Marymead is fortunate in having some very strong, long term supporters including the Canberra Southern Cross Club, Oakton, Calvary Hospital, The Tradies and the CFMEU. In addition to this wonderful support, Marymead has this year been joined by Southern Cross Ten, the IMB Community Foundation, Bunnings Fyshwick, Southern Cross Ten Production and the staff of the 'Bulk Water Alliance'. We are also pleased to announce the recent signing of a further two new corporate partners, National Capital Motors and Goulburn Toyota as Marymead's vehicle sponsor. We would like to thank the organisations listed above plus all of our Marymead friends for their support.

In addition to the above support there have been many notable contributions made throughout the year from our local community. These include the Year 10 students from Radford College and Canberra Boys Grammar who distributed fliers throughout the region promoting Marymead Foster Care and other Marymead programs and students from Radford who also sorted our toy room in readiness for Christmas. Marymead also recently received a donation of funds raised by the students of Penola House at Merici College and will shortly be receiving some 'hands-on support' by Year 9 students from St Francis Xavier College prior to Christmas. Special thanks also needs to go to PHAT Snowboards at Fyshwick, Southern Cross Ten and Perisher Blue who made it possible for four of our Marymead boys to go snow boarding this winter, with three of these boys seeing snow for the very first time! A big thank you from Marymead.

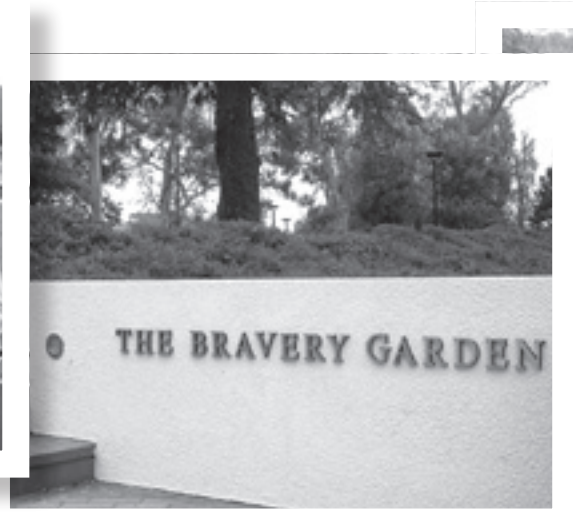
Included within this edition of Marymeadia, our last for the year, is information regarding our Christmas Toy Appeal, our fete, which is just days away and some photographs from our Auxiliary's Government House Spring Morning Tea that featured a tour of the gardens including a walk through the 'garden dedicated to brave Australians' and a fabulous live vocal performance by 'Credo'.

Enclosed also is a 'Christmas Appeal' donation card together with a reply paid envelope. Your generosity at this time of year in particular is appreciated.

2010 promises to be a very exciting year for Marymead with our new television advertisements, thanks to Southern Cross Ten, now on air, plus a new major fundraising initiative planned for May next year, amongst our regular events and fundraising activities.

Finally, on behalf of the Board, Management, staff and children of Marymead I would like to wish you all a very happy and safe Christmas.

Jeff Griffiths
Marketing and Community Relations Manager



OAKTON

Oakton, working with Marymead to provide a brighter future for the Canberra Community

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In the ACT the primary customer of Oakton is the Federal Government. Oakton deliver solutions across a broad range of business management and IT applications services.

There have been many occasions where our services have been of benefit to Marymead. Our consultants have worked with Marymead to consider the feasibility, business advantages and requirements of a new project as well as providing change management.

We have been supporting Marymead for 10 years (previously through Acumen Alliance) and see this relationship as an important method to be connected as well as give something back to the Canberra community.

Importantly Oakton's relationship with Marymead is driven by our staff. The activities conducted with and for Marymead by Oakton involve staff input, management and often donation of both time and money. Our staff takes great pleasure in interacting with Marymead and the relationship provides a great personal satisfaction for many, as much as it provides corporate benefits to the wider Oakton group.

Oakton's support to Marymead involves an annual fund raising event – The Marymead Tontine – which is held late in September and was a great success this year. Robert Kennedy, Executive Director and Board member of Oakton, is instrumental in putting this event together. "We find great enjoyment in the idea that we can bring together a group of people who all want to support the extraordinary cause of Marymead".

Oakton looks forward to continuing a great relationship with Marymead into the future.



FUNDRAISING

TELFER MEMORIAL FUND PRESENTATION TO MARYMEAD

The late Colin Telfer was a generous supporter of the Canberra community during his lifetime and established under his will the 'Colin Cyril Telfer Memorial Fund'.

In just over two year's since his passing, Colin's legacy has resulted in his three favourite charities, Marymead being one, each receiving \$18,850 in income. This is a guaranteed, passive income for Marymead and is free of administrative costs. This annual income will continue to grow into perpetuity, ensuring that Colin's generosity will permanently benefit Marymead.

Greater Good, the Capital Region Community Foundation, is Canberra's own community foundation established in 2003. There are currently 29 separate Trust accounts in the Foundation totalling \$6.1 million and annually benefiting 39 charities.

Marymead, together with Greater Good, pays tribute to Colin Telfer for his thoughtfulness and progressive thinking in making this bequest.



Matt Friend and ACTEW Managing Director, Mark Sullivan.

Marymead is a charity close to the heart of many Canberrans. This made choosing a corporate charity for the team delivering ACTEW Corporation's Water Security – Major Projects, the Bulk Water Alliance, an easy decision.

The Bulk Water Alliance includes ACTEW working with ActewAGL and alliance partners, Abigroup, John Holland and GHD. Collectively, over 300 staff have donated money, supported functions and bought raffle tickets to raise money for Marymead, and as Program Director Paul Gallagher says, 'We couldn't think of a worthier cause'.

A great many staff members have moved to Canberra to contribute to ACTEW's water security projects, and in the process of embracing Canberra, have also embraced Marymead as their charity of choice.

Site Administration Co-ordinator for the Googong Dam Spillway project, Sue Shelley, purchases fruit, chocolates and muesli bars each week, which she then sells to hungry onsite construction staff, with all proceeds going to Marymead. Sue's proactive efforts, combined with ongoing coin collections, has raised over \$2,000 in less than four months for Marymead. Her fundraising efforts have earned Sue the respect of all, and have made her the site leader in raising money for Marymead.

To continue our support of Marymead, ACTEW recently contributed some amazing prizes for a staff raffle, including two tickets to see Britney Spears live in concert in Sydney, via a private, fully catered box, including a luxury Audi to drive to and from the concert. This hotly contested raffle raised over \$1,700 for Marymead, and the grand prize was won by an excited Matt Friend, a Water Conservation Officer, who will be taking his girlfriend to see the concert. Another lucky prize winner was Anne Lim, Environmental Administration Assistant.

Future fundraising activities to support Marymead include a corporate golf day in February 2010, a staff trivia night, and community open days. Sue will also continue to sell her chocolates and fruit.



Marymead CEO Hilary Martin receiving a cheque for \$11,850 from the Deputy Public Trustee, Doug Gillespie, representing this year's income from the Colin Telfer Memorial Fund.





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MARYMEAD'S ANNUAL FETE



It's on again... **The Marymead**

Fete



WANTED!

Donations of items suitable for our fete
Books • Bric A Brac
Craft • Clothes • Toys
Cakes • Chocolate
wheel prizes.

Items can be dropped into Marymead just prior to our fete on **Thursday 5th** or **Friday 6th November**.



Saturday 7th Nov
9.00am–2.00pm

255 Goyder Street Narrabundah

Kids Activities • Jumping Castle • Craft • Food • Drinks
Devonshire Tea • Plants • Books • Bric A Brac • Clothes
Sausage Sizzle • Chocolate Wheel • Toys • Raffles
Woodworking • Music and Much More!

Proceeds To Marymead!

For further information please contact
Jeff Griffiths on 6162 5824 or
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2009 Auxiliary Raffle Drawn at the Fete!



We thank you for your support.



MARYMEAD CAR



As mentioned earlier in this edition of Marymeadia, 'Goulburn Toyota' has recently been signed as Marymead's vehicle sponsor. Amongst other benefits, this two year agreement will assist Marymead tremendously in our community awareness activities throughout the archdiocese of Canberra and Goulburn. Marymead is extremely grateful of the support of Goulburn Toyota and looks forward to a long and rewarding relationship with our new sponsor. Keep your eyes out for the new Marymead car!



THANK YOU TO OUR VERY KIND SUPPORTERS

In each edition of Marymeadia we thank some of the local businesses and organisations that generously support Marymead enabling us to continue the work we do with many families and children throughout our local community.

HERE ARE JUST A FEW...

- ACT Chief Minister's Department
- ACT Department of Education
- ACT Woodcraft Guild
- Canberra City Lions Club
- Canberra Printing
- Clubs ACT
- Cusacks
- FaHCSIA
- Fuji Xerox
- Ginninderra Rotary Club
- India Australia Association
- Jim Murphy
- Kambah Lions Club
- Perri Cutten
- Quota Club of Canberra
- Snedden Hall and Gallop

MARYMEAD AUXILIARY

The Marymead Auxiliary meets on the first Thursday of each month at Marymead. New members are always welcome. Should you require any further information please contact Mary Cousins on 6288 3233 or Cathi Moore on 6291 0042.



MARYMEAD XMAS TOY APPEAL IS ON AGAIN!

Marymead is seeking new children's toys for Christmas

Yes it's on again! Our annual XMAS Toy appeal. New toys, preferably unwrapped please, gift vouchers, movie vouchers and wrapping paper can be donated to Marymead at any time from now until Christmas. Please drop your items during business hours at Marymead, 255 Goyder Street Narrabundah. For further information please call Jeff Griffiths on 6162 5824 or email Jeff at jeff.griffiths@marymead.org.au.



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