

STACIE MCCLANE, MD, AND FACES FOR LOVE FOUNDATION'S FIRST ANNUAL "TEA FOR TOTS" RAISES NEARLY \$20,000. BENEFICIARIES INCLUDE THE PRIMO CENTER FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN AND CONNECTIONS FOR ABUSED WOMEN AND THEIR CHILDREN

Faces for Love Foundation presented its first annual event, "Tea for Tots," at the Peninsula Hotel Chicago on Saturday, May 18. Stacie McClane, MD, hosted over 80 guests raising almost \$20,000. The Primo Center for Women and Children (PCWC) and Connections for Abused Women and their Children (CAWC), both located in the Chicagoland area, to benefit. Those in attendance graciously donated books, games and toys to both charities.

"The first annual Tea for Tots exceeded my expectations. We experienced an overwhelming expression of generosity and good will. The guests involved reached out to help empower women and children who are victims of homelessness and abuse," shared Faces for Love Foundation Founder, Stacie McClane, MD. "The money raised at this event will support our mission which is to assist women and children in distressed situations and help them build better futures for themselves. I was especially thrilled to see the children enjoying the tea and crafts while learning about the importance of giving back to the community."

A major highlight of the event included remarks by both Anne Borg, Director of Development for Connections for Abused Women and Their Children and Shelley Cooper, Chief Development Officer for the Primo Center. A special donation by a loyal friend and supporter sparked an outpouring of generosity.

Festivities began at 11:30 a.m as guests were greeted with silver trays of champagne and wine as well as a fun, specialty drink for the children. Immediately, the children became busy at the activity table and snuggled with the over-sized Peninsula teddy bears. Tea service began shortly with an assortment of delicious gourmet finger sandwiches and desserts for the adults. Selections included smoked salmon, dill cream cheese, pumpernickel and cucumber as well as grilled chicken, butternut squash, apples, herb aioli, sundried tomato bread tea sandwiches. Some pastries offered were hazelnut financier, chocolate chestnut pot de crème and passion fruit tart. Children enjoyed the Peninsula's version of PB & J, mini burgers and fries and yummy treats topped with gummy bears.

Dr. McClane welcomed everyone, discussed the mission of the recently founded Faces For Love Foundation and thanked all of those who took time to support this worthy cause. The directors of both beneficiaries shared the needs of their organizations and the work they are doing in the Chicagoland area. Guests received a "thank you" bag containing a preview of Dr. McClane's new skin care line, FACELIFT SKINCARE Oxygen Moisturizing Cream as they exited the event. Henceforth, this new skin care line, FACELIFT SKINCARE, will donate a percentage of the profits to Faces for Love Foundation.

ABOUT FACES FOR LOVE FOUNDATION

Faces for Love, was founded in 2012 by professional women whose mission is to assist women and children in distressed situations. By helping to improve the circumstances of these women and children, the foundation strives to provide hope while empowering the women and children served. Faces for Love plans to educate and involve the children of it's members and guests about the needs and giving opportunities in our communities.

THE PRIMO CENTER FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN

The Primo Center for Women and Children's (PCWC) mission is to empower women and children to become productive, responsible and independent members of their communities. Through implementing innovative solutions, such as transitional housing, counseling and support services, including education, they believe they can end homelessness one family at a time.

CONNECTIONS FOR ABUSED WOMEN AND THEIR CHILDREN

Connections for Abused Women and their Children (CAWC), formerly Chicago Abused Women Coalition, is committed to ending domestic violence. Using a self-help, empowerment approach, they provide a shelter for women and children, and counseling, advocacy, and a 24-hour hotline for people affected by domestic violence. They work for social change through education, service collaboration and institutional advocacy.

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