

# children's special needs network

2nd quarter  
2012



## *A Note from the Board President-*

*Greetings everyone in 2012. As many of you know, CSNN has gone through some growing pains in 2011. While they have not been fun for everybody, they have led to some very beneficial changes to the organization. Much of the growth had to do with ensuring that our policies and procedures were the best they could be as we look forward to serving our community for decades to come. I won't bore you with the details, I realize that not everyone likes policies as much as I do. What hasn't changed is the commitment of CSNN to encourage the networking of families with children with special needs to other families and services for support. We also look forward to raising awareness in our communities about children with special needs, encouraging others to get involved and play a role in the lives of the children. I want to thank everyone for their understanding and support as we transitioned, and to express what an honor it has been to get to know each of you and especially these wonderful children. One addition you will see in the office is Mrs. Molly Clark, our new Executive Director. I encourage you to call or stop by and get to know her, as well as the rest of the team. Again, Thank you for your support, and we look forward to having a great year together!*

*Nathan Parr*

Watch your email for your Save the Date for

**PLAY DAY**  
**2012**  
**at Peaceable Kingdom Retreat Center**

This annual event is a wonderful time for our CSNN family to enjoy fun and fellowship! We hope that you can make it!  
More information to follow soon!

## Did you know...

Did you know that CSNN has a Diaper Closet? Families can come into the CSNN office and receive diapers when available. We are proud to offer this service but need your help!

Certain sizes are difficult to find and  
we are in need of:

Size 4, 5, and 6 Diapers

Size 4T and 5T Boys Pull Ups

Size Small and Medium Boys Goodnights

Thank you for your support of this program!

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## meet the csnn staff

Hello! My name is Janiece Dzedzic and I am currently serving as the CSNN Office Coordinator. I began working here in October 2011. I am originally from Fort Worth, Texas but now live in Harker Heights with my 6 year old Staffordshire Terrior, Sasha, and my 7 year old kitty named Toby! I feel very blessed to have been given this wonderful opportunity to work with all the children and families of the Children's Special Needs Network!

Hi there! My name is Rayne Jones and I am the new Project Assistant here at CSNN! I started my journey here in October 2011 and so far I have loved every minute of it. I am from the Austin area and relocated to Belton over the summer. I am the mother of a wonderful and vibrant 5 year old, Emma Grayce. I have really enjoyed living here and getting to know the families that CSNN serves.

My name is Molly Clark and I am thrilled to be the new Executive Director for CSNN! I grew up in Temple and attended Thornton Elementary, Bonham Middle School, and Temple High School. After high school, I attended Texas A&M University and earned my Bachelors of Business Administration in Marketing. My husband, Brad, and I have been married for 6 wonderful years. We have a sweet and rambunctious yellow Labrador Retriever who is very excited about moving to the Lake Belton area. I can not wait to get to know you all and help share the amazing work that CSNN is doing in our community!

### Respite Care Opportunities

#### Hillsboro Respite

1st Saturday of every month  
1045 Park Dr. Hillsboro, TX 76645

#### Temple Respite

2nd Saturday of every month  
2000 Marlandwood Rd. Temple, TX 76502

#### Killeen Respite

3rd Saturday of every month  
2207 Florence Rd. Killeen, TX 76542

#### Waco Respite

4th Saturday of every month  
7129 New Dalhi Rd. Waco, TX 76712

Please register with the CSNN office within 1 week prior to the event. In the month of April, Waco Respite will be held on the 3rd Saturday (April 21).

## *Texas Angels Pageant*

The First Annual Texas Angels Pageant will be held on Saturday, February 25th at the Lee Lockwood Scottish Rite Museum located at 2801 W Waco Drive in Waco, Texas.

The pageant is open to boys and girls with special needs between birth and 21 years of age. There is no entry fee for participants. For additional information, call (254) 722-8337.

## **Spring 2012 Transition Fair**

ESC Region 12 will host their transition fair on May 4 at McLennan Community College located at 1400 College Dr. in Waco, TX. The day will include programs that will show case various post-secondary schools and training programs in Texas.

There is no cost to participate!

Register online at [www.esc12.net](http://www.esc12.net)

### *Care Givers Ladder*

Meetings are held on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of every month at the Wilson Recreation Center in Temple, TX from 6pm to 7:30pm. At this time, childcare is not provided.

For more information, contact  
Michelle Bartlett  
(254) 217-8011

### **A+ Support Group**

A support group for those involved in the lives of children with autism spectrum disorders, chronic illness and other disabilities. Childcare is provided-please register prior to meetings.

For more information, contact  
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