

2011 Pot of Gold Luncheon

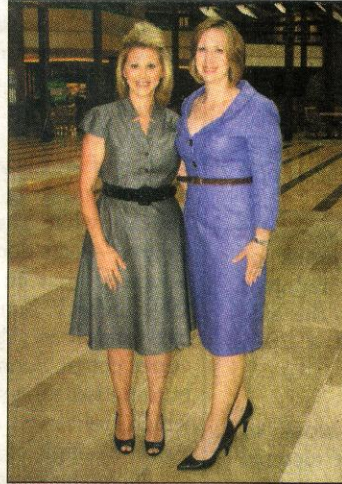
Benefiting Rainbow Days, Inc.

The 14th Annual Pot of Gold Luncheon presented by AT&T raised nearly \$135,000 in support of the programs and services of **Rainbow Days**. Nearly 450 guests gathered at the Hilton Anatole to enjoy lunch, a silent auction, watch a colorful performance by Rainbow Days' children, hear compelling testimonials and stories of children and youth who have been a part of the program and raise support.

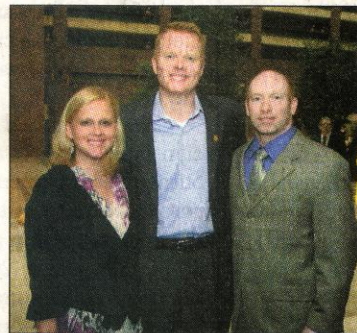
Co-chairs **Lesley Ardemagni** and **Jennifer Bishop** agree: "Rainbow Days is a great example of wonderful people who are using their unique talents and skills to make a positive difference in their communities. Each year, Rainbow Days gives children hope for a promising future by partnering with 81 different schools, homeless shelters and recreation centers in the Dallas community to serve over 9,500 children who are "at risk" for making bad choices, including over 1,000 homeless children. We are pleased to be a part of this year's Pot of Gold Luncheon which is raising much-needed dollars for a worthwhile organization that is making a significant difference in children and families lives in our community." **Todd Whitthorne**, CEO, Cooper Concepts, served as emcee.

Dr. George Fair, Dean of the School of Interdisciplinary Studies at the University of Texas at Dallas was the Luncheon Honoree. Almost two decades ago, Dr. Fair and **Cathey Brown**, CEO and founder, Rainbow Days, recognized the need for homeless children to have constructive, affirming experiences that increase their interest in higher education and Kids' University was born. During the weeklong camp sessions, children explore their personal goals for their educational future and learn self sufficiency, increase their sense of hope, self-awareness and self-esteem, all while having fun and making new friends on a college campus. They also experience their own cap-and-gown graduation at the end of each camp.

Photos by Rob Wythe



Lesley Ardemagni and Jennifer Bishop, Luncheon Co-chairs



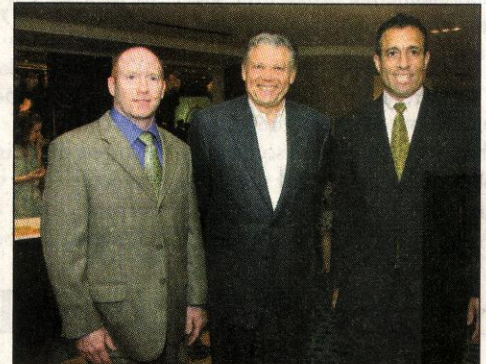
Meredith and Will Ridgway; Toby Fails



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Don Krasen,
Barbara Womble*



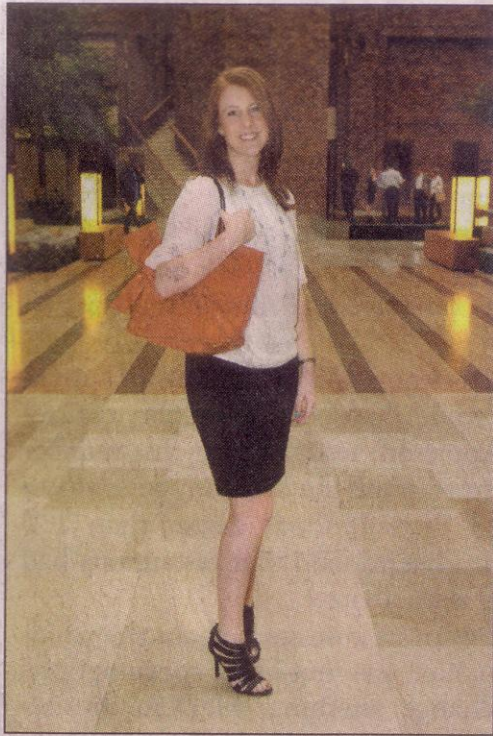
Cathey Brown, Founder and CEO, Rainbow Days, Inc.; Mary Broulliette, Director of Development and Alumni Relations at UT Dallas, accepting the award on behalf of UTD; Fred Halfpap, Chairman of the Board, Rainbow Days, Inc.



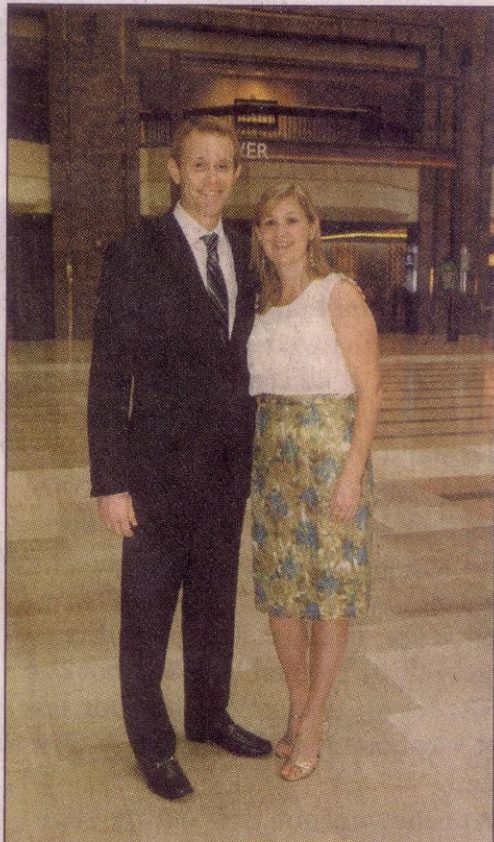
Toby Fails, Chuck Curtis, Geoff Green



Debbie Pyle, Angela Ross, Kara DeVita



Emily Hess



Carolyn Hess, board member; Jim McKinney



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Greg
Pascuzzi,
Jody
Bishop*



*Gwen Murphy, Jennifer Kirk, Lindsay Mitchell,
Janet Mitchell.*



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Eric and
Heather
Appel,
board
members*

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Becky and
Matt Ray,
board member
and former
luncheon co-
chair*

