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## Moms, Kids, Dignitaries Cheer as New Parenting Center Opens

On May 18, Second Genesis celebrated the Grand Opening of the new Parenting Center at the Mellwood Women and Children's Residential Treatment Facility in Upper Marlboro, Maryland. The program consisted of a presentation, a tour of the facility, and lunch with the Mellwood Family.

Attendees included Second Genesis board members; representatives of BSAS, ADAA, CASA, and Judge Pamela



From left: Suzette Tucker, Manager of Women's Services, ADAA; Nike Hamilton, Program Director, Harvard Street; Michelle Larkins, Director of Human Resources; Jacquelyn S. Camper, Health Program Analyst, BSAS, and Lynn Burke-Reyes, Assistant Director of Clinical Operations

Genesis President and CEO, discussed the history of Mellwood, the importance of community assistance to our programming, and future priorities.



From left: Mark Segal, Director of Clinical Operations; Amy Kleine, Harry Abel, Director of Development

Gray of the D.C. Family Treatment Court; vendors; donors; Second Genesis staff, and Mellwood Family members.

Jack Klimp, Second

Amy Kleine, Program Director for The Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Foundation, Inc., acting as a representative of all the donors, accepted a plaque from Second Genesis. The plaque will be prominently displayed in the parenting center at the facility.

Also recognized was "Cubes2u,"

who donated new cribs and furniture for the lounge area and Commercial Carpets of America, who donated and installed new carpeting in the reception area and in the fitness center.

An emotional highlight was a talk by Betty Middlebrook, a Mellwood graduate, about her experience there and how Second Genesis changed her life.

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## ONDCP Directors Tour Mellwood, Praise Women and Staff

The mothers are there, receiving therapy. The children are there with their mothers, receiving love and supervision.

The White House Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP) wanted to learn how the program uses family-based treatment to help women with substance abuse disorders. So last March, Deputy Directors Ben Tucker and David Mineta visited Second Genesis' Mellwood facility for women and children in Upper Marlboro, Maryland.

With space for 44 women and 35 children, the facility provides quality inpatient rehabilitative services to women with and without children, helps women balance self-help with raising children, and supports mothers as they encourage their children to develop physically, emotionally, and academically.

Since 1992, the facility has helped thousands of women recover by allowing them to bring up to four of their children with them while receiving addiction treatment.

During the tour, one current client discussed

the challenges she faced while using drugs and the benefits she found at the facility, which provided her with treatment during the day while her kids were at school but also offered a



*From left, Jack Klimp, David Mineta, Ben Tucker, Thom Browne, Nancy Dudley Heaslip*

safe space for them to be together at night.

In addition to providing treatment, the facility has collaborated with the Guiding the Recovery of Women (GROW) program, which enhances access to treatment for women and their families in Afghanistan, Africa, and South America.

By hosting and facilitating discussions between medical doctors, nurses, social workers, and educators from various countries across the globe, the GROW program and Second Genesis work to improve the lives of women both domestically and internationally.

At a followup meeting with ONDCP, Second Genesis management discussed the possibility of using National Institute on Drug Abuse funds to test and track program ideas, including online health management packages.

Another discussion centered on developing a model program for returning veterans and their families, especially in light of Second Genesis' experience treating homeless veterans at the Crownsville facility.



## 'Tee it up for the Troops' Supports Veterans at Crownsville

Crownsville clients saluted more than a brand new flag on June 12.

At a special flag-raising ceremony on that Sunday morning, with over 60 clients and guests attending, Second Genesis presented *Tee it up for the Troops, Inc.*, a Burnsville, Minnesota, veterans support group, with a plaque recognizing their contribution of \$12,500 to create a fitness and entertainment center for the homeless veterans program at our Crownsville facility.

The generous donation included the installation of a new flag pole at the facility where the presentation was held, as well as exercise equipment (cardio and weights), pool table resurfacing, a new ping pong table, sports and



entertainment equipment and furniture.

Following the presentation, Jeff Anderson, President, and Alex Plechash, President Elect of *Tee it up for the Troops*, toured the area where the center will be built and joined the veterans in residence at Crownsville for breakfast.



## ReGEN Program Blossoms as New Greenhouse Opens

This past December Second Genesis' women and children facility got a new addition – a hoop house!

A hoop house is an economical greenhouse made of metal tubing covered with heavy duty plastic. This structure is a key part of implementing the gardening component of Second Genesis' ReGEN program (Recovery through Gardening, Exercise and Nutrition) at Mellwood. The hoop house enables clients to grow fresh produce year round. The hoop house was funded through generous contributions from the Biophilia Foundation and the Wachovia

Wells Fargo Foundation.

Each Wednesday morning Melissa Gerber, a volunteer through the Biophilia Foundation, teaches a gardening class with the women at Mellwood. A group of clients are assigned to water and harvest the plants throughout the week. Just being outdoors and nurturing plants can be a very therapeutic process. For many of the clients this is the first time they have gotten their hands in the dirt in order to grow something to eat.

“Not only is it therapeutic,” says Katie Garriott, Director of Nutrition Services, “but it is also a great way to introduce new vegetables into one’s diet. If you know where it comes from and watch it grow, it can spark more curiosity.”

Last week the clients harvested several varieties of lettuce and greens that showed up on the salad bar. We look forward to the future food and growth opportunities the hoop house will offer to our clients. If you want to contribute supplies or dollars to the project, contact Harry Abel at 301-563-1545, ext. 204.





## MEET THE DIRECTORS

**Mandy Smith**

**Program Director, Crownsville**

I am honored and excited to join Second Genesis.

I began my professional career providing programs and counseling for the City of Rockville. Early on, I asked someone about the facility called The Avery Road Treatment Facility – and learned they worked with women and their children.

Touring the facility, I remember thinking how impressed I was: It was clean, staff were friendly, and the clients seemed well adjusted and happy to be there.

Fascinated by the world of mental health, I opened a clinic in Baltimore located above a methadone clinic – and soon received clients from them. They suffered from addiction and mental health issues – plus a plethora of other unmet needs. I realized that to serve this population in a way that truly mattered, I needed to grow.

Three years later, as director of the Carroll County Long Term Treatment Facility I learned what a “Therapeutic Community” meant – and was thrilled to be at a place that addressed the complexities of addiction while helping motivated individuals and families improve their lives.

Since coming to Second Genesis, I often think back to my visit of Avery Road. It feels wonderful to be a part of something larger. I am grateful for the support I receive from the dedicated and hard working staff and look forward to learning and growing with them as we provide a high level of treatment and care in a safe and supportive environment.

## Harvard Street Director Speaks At National Ethnic Fairness Conference

Speaking in front of state supreme court judges and other national court officials at the National Consortium on Racial and Ethnic Fairness in the Courts Conference in New Orleans, Nike Hamilton established the case for customized sentencing.

Nike (pronounced Ne-kay), is Program Director at Second Genesis’ Harvard Street facility.

“All people with co-occurring conditions are not the same, so different parts of the system have responsibility to provide co-occurring capable services for different populations,” she remarked, presenting statistical evidence that ethnic minorities are often misjudged and unfairly sentenced. She advised judges to listen more carefully to their treatment departments.



*Nike Hamilton, M.Ed., LPC, CRC*

Especially destructive is the mandatory 24-month PCP sentence, a springboard for Ms. Hamilton’s presentation of cases where creative interventions may have saved not only money for state budgets, but also lives and futures for many one-time users.

## New Corporate Advisory Council Adds Depth, Influence to Second Genesis

The board of directors of Second Genesis is proud to announce its new Corporate Advisory Council:

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## Maryland Increases Alcohol Tax; No Longer Lowest in U.S.

Responding to legislative testimony by Second Genesis and other advocates over the years, the Maryland Comptroller's Office announced a new alcoholic beverage tax rate of 9%, up from 6%, effective July 1, 2011.

Historically Maryland has been one of the country's most lenient states in making alcoholic beverages financially accessible.

Of primary importance to Second Genesis is the positive effect the new rate may have in reducing addiction to alcohol.

## Lawsuit Pushes VA To House 14,400 Homeless Veterans

Alleging failure by the Department of Veterans Affairs, the American Civil Liberties Union is asking judges to mandate stable housing for a class of veterans who suffer from post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), according to a *Washington Post* article on June 9, 2011.

For more than a year, Second Genesis has treated homeless veterans and encourages the use of residential treatment for PTSD victims, whose symptoms often co-occur with alcohol or drug addiction. The Veterans Administration has been responsive to Second Genesis.

## The Low Cost of Treatment Versus the High Cost of Prison

Second Genesis has advocated for years that our annual prison price tag of \$70 billion (which also happens to be the world's highest) can and should be reduced with prison reform that treats a significant percentage of inmates with effective addiction therapy as part of their sentence.

As budget crises stare figures like this directly in the face, both conservatives, who want to reduce costs, and progressives, who want to administer fairness to disproportionate ethnic

incarceration (see Nike Hamilton article, p. 4) are motivated to act.

The fact is, every \$1 spent by the courts in successful addiction treatment saves about \$7 in warehousing the same people in prisons. Second Genesis hopes prison reform will accelerate in the budget debates and help both sides of the aisle reach their goals.

## Do Drug Cartels Bribe Border Patrol Agents?

According to Federal Diary columnist Joe Davidson (*Washington Post*, June 9, 2011), the answer is yes, and at increasing rates. Adding to the danger is friction between conflicting authorities who investigate these cases – the inspector general's office of the Department of Homeland Security and the Internal Affairs office of the U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP).

Availability of drugs is, of course, the “elephant in the room” among the demons addicts face. A strong and effective CBP is our first line of defense, and one of the campaign issues in 2012 will be tightening our capabilities to plug the supply line of narcotics from Mexico.

## Baby Boomers Spur Increase In Seniors Seeking Treatment

What used to be primarily a youth issue is showing up as a disease for all ages. A report by the Associated Press airing on NPR on May 18 indicated substance abuse treatment admissions in the 50+ bracket doubled between 1992 and 2008 – while in proportion, those for other age groups decreased slightly. The figures came from a study by the federal Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration.

Whether the increase is related to the 1960s drug culture or whether it's a lessening of the stigma of talking about addiction – or both – is not known, but more and more seniors are asking for, and receiving, treatment.



# James' Story

*"I was heartless, brainless, angry, and impulsive."*

My name is James.

I graduated from Second Genesis 35 years ago. I left my old life behind and never looked back. I didn't look up old friends, I didn't go back to my old neighborhood. I didn't move in with family.

I walked out of Second Genesis with the clothes on my back and used the School of Life tools I learned there to build a new life. In my case Thomas Wolfe was right, once you have left your old life behind, "you can't go home again."

This is my story.

The destruction of my life involved following my feelings wherever they led me. This began the summer after 6th grade when I woke up in the hospital. My skull was fractured by a drunk driver while I was riding my bike through an elementary school zone. Up until then I was a solid A/B student, somewhat reserved, cooperative, serious and never in a fight. When school started that fall my head was full of violent fantasies, I couldn't get serious and my vocabulary was permeated with four letter words.

This was the year that I started getting high. By the time I was 18, there was no calendar, no day, no schedule. I was heartless, brainless, angry and impulsive, following my feelings 24/7. When I wasn't getting high, getting sex or getting angry, I was stealing or dealing. On all of the traditional measures of success, I was a failure. I didn't listen, didn't learn and didn't succeed.

I didn't pull my own weight in relationships. I thought helping others was getting them high

for free. My angry, immature "I don't give a shit" attitude put me into constant conflict with the authorities and won me Olympic gold in downhill personal relationships. I didn't pull my own weight in the community. I had no occupational skills, no career interest, an attitude of entitlement to easy money and no motivation to change. I did what I wanted, when I wanted, for the reason I wanted. I had no responsible schedule and no internal compass providing a direction in life. Since I didn't learn from my burglary arrest in DC and I didn't learn from either of my drug-related liver disease hospitalizations and I didn't learn from my 4th head injury during a drug-related robbery in the Bronx,

I finally got what I deserved and was incarcerated in a maximum security facility without bond. On drug possession and trafficking charges alone, I was facing several hundred years. I had completely alienated my family and remember being told, "You got your damn self in there, now you get your damn self out".

### **Only Second Genesis Was Willing To Help Me**

Like other inmates with too much time on their hands, I kept writing letters to people I thought might help get me out. Second Genesis was the only program willing to consider me for treatment. They sent Michelle Pendleton and Donald Jackson to interview me. I remember telling Donald that if accepted I would "try" to change. He told me I couldn't just try, I had to "do it". Second Genesis saved my life.

I remember arriving through the back gate in the alley behind the King Street house, seeing the ants scurry around with their little jobs and feeling the confidence of the anteater surveying the hill. It was summer, it was warm and I was free again and in control. Like every other place, it was going to be me versus the authorities who would wait and react to whatever I did. This time it looked like it was going to be me versus a guy named Eddie Flowers, a facility director with drill instructor vocabulary, volume and valor. He had the habit of adding "er..uh" to his speech a lot, but this was no damn stutter. It was an instinctive pause that gave him time to evaluate where you were coming from. He was George Foreman with hair, sizing you up for a grilling. Eddie was known for his straight to the core, no bullshit, death before dishonor integrity. He called this "getting back to the basics" which like military basic training would often start with a white glove inspected "GI" scrubbing of the whole house. I called my old friends and told them I'd be back soon.

#### **Boot Camp for the Fiercely Immature**

On my third day, Eddie confronted my negative image with a learning experience called "the bench". I sat on the bench all day and all night. I was not allowed to speak to anyone, nor were they allowed to speak to me. I had plenty of time to watch the ants and consider what this might be about. The ants referred to their little community as "the house" and considered everyone in their little anthill as "family". The following afternoon, Eddie called me into his office and asked if I was planning to stay or leave. I was caught off guard by this proactive Marine Corps hit first, hit hard approach. The first position that Second Genesis took with me was a commitment move that forced me to temporarily drop the "I don't care" attitude and say that I wanted to stay. Then Eddie made it clear, if I wanted to stay, I had to change.

I ignored Donald and Eddie, I didn't "do it" and I didn't change. I took my opportunity for granted. After a year in treatment I was ap-

proved for a home visit on the buddy system with a kid who was considered an "older" resident because he had been there longer than me. The kid was only 17 and I took complete advantage of him by associating with old negative friends, abusing alcohol and reckless driving. I reverted back to my old fiercely immature self with no concept of anxiety over my impulses or the possible consequences. I was having a great time. I felt that I had won. I had beaten Eddie and Second Genesis. I had reaffirmed two things to myself: 1) Second Genesis couldn't change me, and 2) I didn't give a damn about this therapeutic community or anyone in it.

Not long after my home visit, defense erosion had occurred. The therapeutic community had worn my emotional mirrored sun glasses thin and made it impossible for me to deny that it was my responsibility if the kid ran and ruined his damn life. I felt like shit and I couldn't really say that I didn't give a damn. This was my first taste of concern and I was sucking lemons. Do the right thing; tell the truth just to pull some snotty nosed kid out of his acting out tail spin? This would be freedom suicide, open confession to a definite parole violation. Showing concern was going to end up tasting like prison food.

I packed my emotional bags and "got honest" about what I had done. Second Genesis didn't throw me out. I wasn't sent back to prison. There was a house meeting. I was suspended from all regular duties but allowed to earn another chance by completing a treatment commitment "contract". From my perspective, the whole damn place was already pretty much like one big emotional boot camp and the "contract" was special duty training in character development.

#### **No Mirrored Sunglasses To Hide Behind**

Since I was afraid to face others without my image, that was the first thing to go. After the head buzz, all I needed was a pair of fatigues and the whole Marine Corps motif would be complete. I was given a large cardboard sign to wear that said, "My jailhouse image of a man is killing me". This was a radical image adjustment in the era of



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shoulder length hair and bell bottom pants. There was nothing left to hide behind. No emotional mirrored sun glasses, no hair and no tough guy image. I wasn't able to get bored. Emotional survival training was on and I was going to have to develop a pretty big callous over my fiercely immature baby feelings in order to control myself and not be thrown out.

For some reason, I was starting to pay attention and get it.

Of course, paying attention is less of a problem when the person in front of you is screaming until spit comes out of their mouth. Standing at attention during a verbal haircut designed to take about an inch of bad attitude off the top was a pretty effective page out of this emotional boot camp manual they seemed to be following. In all honesty, I had to admit they were right about the whole withholding permission to speak thing. I really never did learn a damn thing while I was running my damn mouth. I discovered that there is nothing in this world that 120 decibel straight to the core truth can't penetrate.

#### **At Last, I Could Feel the Cure**

The whole house had that "brother's keeper" thing going that made it clear my unit was not going to leave me behind so I might as well just change my attitude, change my socks and start marching in the right direction. Completing my contract did more than just allow me to work off a parole violation by community service or make amends for the trust that I had abused. As my hair started to grow back so did my dignity through my honesty, my maturity through consistency and my wisdom through humility. This was the second time that Second Genesis saved my life.

Treatment continued and continued. The residents of Second Genesis would go to all of the graduations. Second Genesis founder Dr. Sidney Shankman was often present. He was a distinguished Harvard Medical School psychiatrist who had had that whole Sigmund Freud black bearded trench coat mysterious intensity look

going. In one of the graduations I attended, the parting words from Dr. Shankman were "If you forget where you came from, you are doomed to return there".

If the goal was not to go back, then I needed to stop taking the present for granted, remember the past and put some serious behavior change distance between then and now. All that tough talk about "I'm tired of this shit, you're just holding me back" was only true when I intended to go right back where I came from and do the same immature crap with the same immature people in the same waste of time places that made up my failure comfort zone.

Feeling sorry for myself wasn't getting me anywhere. Second Genesis wasn't really holding me back, it was me. I needed to take the next step. It was my responsibility to face the world on its terms: to look others in the eye and deal with my emotions (without mirrored sun glasses to hide behind); to compete using their rules (not act tough and break the rules because I was afraid of losing) and; to adapt to the present (without forgetting the past). This crisis was about refusal to really look at where I came from, admit "You can't go home again" and start using the tools I learned to build a new life.

#### **Fear of Re-entry**

Not long after this I was moved into the "re-entry" phase of treatment where I enrolled in the local community college. For the first time in my life I was experiencing anxiety over possible consequences, fear that I would not succeed. At that time I was attending a Second Genesis community re-entry group led by Dr. Al Rochlin. He was a kind, insightful man, fairly large in stature and wit, with a somewhat dry, perhaps British sense of humor. When I finally got the courage to open up in group and admit that I was scared as shit, Dr. Rochlin asked me a question in the form of a story. It went like this... "If I get up in the morning scared as shit when I look myself in the mirror but I shave and shower and go out there and do what I gotta do. And get up the next day scared

as shit when I look myself in the mirror but shave and shower and go out there and do what I gotta do. And so on each day... Am I a man?"

I remember answering, "yes you are". When he asked "why?", I found myself saying "because you're facing your fears".

### **I Learned That Fear Breeds Courage**

This learning experience was a real turning point for me. It helped me understand that there can be no success without courage, no courage without fear and that a man is someone who pushes past their fear in order to meet their responsibilities. The understanding of character and courage I received combined with the learning experience tenacity and self-discipline I developed gave me a two year track record of doing the right thing for the right reason at the right time. With Eddie Flowers you had a choice, do it right once or do it right twice and so after failing my first year, I graduated from Second Genesis with three years of therapeutic community treatment under my belt.

So here's the short version of how it all turned out for me. Every day, I packed my Second Genesis learning experience toolbox and went to the community college, the four year college, the graduate school, the postdoctoral training and finally out into the professional working world.

Over the next ten years, I paid off my \$50,000 in student loans while paying my mortgage, car loan, taxes and developing a professional career. I view paying my taxes as paying my dues and am grateful for the opportunity to work in my chosen field. I have been pulling my own weight in the community for 25 years now. There were many bumps in the road but each time the tools I learned at Second Genesis pulled me through.

### **Second Genesis Made Me a Rich Man**

I have rich and rewarding family relationships. My relationships with significant others have also changed dramatically. I have been married over 20 years now to a wonderful woman who I must credit for much of our family success. It's Sunday

and I'm watching the game with my son who came home for the weekend from college to see a concert with his girlfriend and visit us. We are having one of his favorite dinners in honor of this visit and the fact that we recently received a letter from the university announcing that he was on the Dean's list for academic achievement.

We live a comfortable life outside of the city where the lake view from our home is a source of relaxation after a long day's work. The hard family work is over. I am now in the company of many other "empty nesters" who are completing their last social responsibility through the payment of college bills to provide the next generation with their start in what we hope will be a productive, meaningful and satisfying life. It has been a rewarding journey with many fond memories.

I have a rich and rewarding career in one of the most fulfilling jobs in the world, I get paid to help others. I am nearing the end of my career and when I look back, my world changed as a result of the School of Life therapeutic community treatment I received. Second Genesis took me in as family, refused to leave me behind when I faltered, gave me the tools to succeed in life and left me with an internal compass to steer me back when I get off track.

I have kept my Second Genesis therapeutic community program description with me for 35 years. It outlines the basic School of Life training that I received at the first therapeutic community opened by Second Genesis. A therapeutic community is only as strong as its number of positive role models and the attached description includes pictures of my positive staff role models, Eddie Flowers, Al Rochlin and Sid Shankman as I remember them. I am including this material with my enduring gratitude.

In the "Six-Word Memoir" book series, the task is to distill your life story into exactly six words. My six word memoir is...

"Second Genesis saved my life twice."

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Kastles stars Venus and Serena Williams will take on Aces stars, and tennis legend Chris Evert will play in a special celebrity match. For tickets, contact Harry Abel (harry.abel@secondgenesis.org) or 301-563-1545, ext. 204.

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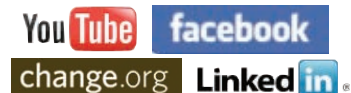
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