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Inaugural Toast and Roast Benefits the Children's Advocacy Center of Brevard; Honors State Attorney Norm Wolfinger

Melbourne, Fla.—The Children's Advocacy Center of Brevard will benefit from the inaugural Toast and Roast event on April 4 being hosted by the Friends of the Children's Advocacy Center of Brevard in the Rotunda at the King Center for Performing Arts in Melbourne. The event will honor State Attorney Norman Wolfinger for his commitment to abused children and kick off Child Abuse Prevention Month.

The evening begins at 6:00 p.m. with hors d'oeuvres and the music of Dr. David Sims on the piano. A full dinner buffet follows at 7:00 p.m. and Emcee Jim Theriac starts the Toast and Roast of State Attorney Norman Wolfinger at 8:00 p.m. The fun continues after the toasting and roasting when guests are treated to the music of The Florida Tech Twitchy Band. Attire for the occasion is business casual and the cost is \$75 per person.

Event sponsors to date are Community Credit Union, Whittaker Cooper Financial Group, the Sanford family, and Delores and Guy Spearman. For information about event sponsorships or reservations call Helene Sanford at 729-5132 or 431-8007 (cell), or Kim Gwiazda at 617-7510. You may also visit the CACB website at www.cacbrevard.org to obtain a sponsor/reservation form

The Friends of the Children's Advocacy Center of Brevard is a 501 (c) (3) nonprofit organization comprised of volunteers whose purpose is to increase awareness of the issues of child abuse and neglect in our community, and to raise funding to support the mission of the Children's Advocacy Center of Brevard. In addition to Sanford and Gwiazda, the Board members are Donald Hemmenway, Kenneth Whittaker, David Brock, Jessie Das Kirk, Maxwell C. King, Ed.D., Diane Scott, Delores Spearman, and Norman Wolfinger.

Established in 1996, the Children's Advocacy Center of Brevard (CACB) is affiliated with Wuesthoff Health Services and is a multi-agency collaboration of the Child Protection Team, the Florida Department of Children and Families, both of which are onsite at the Advocacy Center; Brevard County Sheriff's Office and municipal law enforcement agencies, the Office of the State Attorney and community mental health professionals. Advocacy Center partners intervene in the most severe cases of child abuse in the county and in fiscal year 2007-2008 assessed 1,074 cases of child sexual abuse, and the worst cases of physical abuse and neglect in our community. Major onsite services provided by the Child Protection Team include medical exams, medical consultations, and specialized and forensic interviews. The CACB Clinical Intervention Program provides crisis and short-term counseling for child victims and their non-offending family members.

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