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CHILD ADVOCATES OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY

Gala Special Edition

ore than 500 guests filled the ballroom at The Woodlands Waterway Marriott Hotel and Convention Center for a magical evening in the Land of Oz on Saturday, January 25th, 2014. This year marks the 19th year of the CASA Gala which boasted the theme, "A Night in Oz – There's No Place Like Home." The ballroom was transformed into a glamorous Emerald City in rich hues of green, black, and gold. Hosted by long-time CASA supporter and friend, Master of Ceremonies Dana Tyson of Sunny 99.1, the annual event raised over \$300,000 to support CASA Child Advocates of Montgomery County's ongoing efforts in providing a voice for abused children.



This year's CASA Gala presented by TETRA Technologies, Inc.—provided guests with a large selection of silent auction items including tickets to Houston Rodeo concerts, a football autographed by Johnny "Football" Manziel, fabulous art pieces and stunning jewelry.

The live auction included fantastic trips to California, Lake Tahoe, Cabo San Lucas, and Key West, plus a pair of custom RJ Boots by local boot maker to the stars - Rocky Carroll. Guests enjoyed a special performance from Wizard of Oz, The Musical by Stage Right Productions including a perfect rendition of "Over the Rainbow."

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A Night in



"This year's Gala surpassed all previous revenue goals thanks to fantastic supporters," said Ann

McAlpin, Executive Director of CASA Child Advocate of Montgomery County, "It costs \$1200 to support a child with a CASA Advocate for one year, so this single event will allow us to provide Advocates for over 250 children."

After the heart-warming story of Advocate Jennifer Reitmeyer and her efforts to find little Bailey a forever home, the Fund a Child

pledge drive kicked off with a \$10,000 anonymous donation, inspiring guests to give over \$100,000 — a record-breaking amount!

Thank you to our sponsors, event underwriters, and volunteers for making the night an incredible success. A very special thank you to the 2014 CASA Gala Committee (led by Chair Deanne Biles and Vice-Chair Joni Barker) for their time, talent, and amazing effort to take us all "over the rainbow." We hope to see everyone again for our 2015 Gala! For photos from the Gala, visit www.flickr.com/casaspeaks4kids



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