

#### Meet the Families who Shared at the Golf Tournament!

During our lunch program between auction items we invited four of our CFCE families up to the front to share with our supporters a little about what CFCE means to them and why our supporters are so important to us.

#### Meet Scott and his Mom:

Scott and his mother, Juli, were the first family to come up and share a little about their story. Juli stated, "Scott has been attending CFCE for almost 3 years now and is always showing great improvement during our sessions." Juli shared about the differences between traditional therapies and Conductive Education. The reason why they continue to come to CFCE is partially the value and intensity they get due to our low prices and longer sessions than most therapies. Scott comes for 4 hours a week and it is thanks to money raised that we can charge a low hourly rate so that they can afford to bring him. She also shared that CE was far more challenging and encompassed all areas of his development



rather than just one area at a time. Scott also mentioned that he likes the games we play during his sessions.



#### Meet Zachary and his Dad:

Zachary and his dad, Nathan, were up next and they spoke a little more about why CE has been a consistent therapy for them. They have tried all the different types of therapies, interventions and opportunities available in the US, but they felt that CE was the only therapy that had the biggest effect on Zachary and met all areas that other therapies only half covered. They also love the intensity and routine that is involved in CE. Zachary responds very well to CE and they see big improvements in his independence and motivation when he regularly attends CE programs.

#### **Meet Charlotte:**

Charlotte, age 7, is a very smart and courageous girl. She decided to write her own speech for the golf tournament and got up to the front all on her own to tell our supporters about our BOEC adaptive ski program. She talked about how much fun she has when skiing at Breckenridge. Charlotte mentioned hunting for a very large mysterious dog that supposedly hides in the ski runs. She also wanted to encourage supporters to pledge money towards our ski days in 2015 so that her and her friends can go again next year. She loves the ski program and even volunteered to go around with a sign up sheet to encourage supporters to pledge towards this wonderful program. Find out more about our pledges on page 6.



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#### Meet Hudson's Mom:

Our last family was Hudson's mom, Robyn. Unfortunately, Hudson was unable to come to the Golf Tournament but his mom wanted to share just a little about the progress she has seen in her son since he started attending CFCE. Hudson used to swing through crutches, unable to support his weight through his legs and was unable to stand for very long without his crutches, therefore falling frequently and often hurting himself. Now, over a year later, Hudson has become so much stronger in his legs that he no longer uses crutches but rather simple walking sticks just for balance. He hardly ever falls now and can walk further and faster using his legs than ever before. Hudson is continuously getting stronger and is relying less and less on canes to walk. This is all

thanks to our CE program, which pushed him to reach his full potential that other therapies were unable to achieve.



# June Summer Camp Sum Up



June brought about our CFCE summer camp in Denver, Colorado. We had a very successful 4 week camp in our new location at Two Roads Charter School in Arvada, Colorado. We served 10 children at our camp this year and each one had a fun, exciting and challenging month. Our camp runs for 5 hours everyday during the week, where the kids work through a number of programs together, focusing on a range of tasks in lying, sitting, standing and walking. It is always such a joy seeing how far the kids come in achieving their goals by the end of the four weeks.

This year we had our visiting Conductor, Pearl from Canada, come to lead the camp along with a team of class assistants and volunteers to assist the children. Please enjoy these photos from our summer camp and see how we use your support and donations to provide

camps like these for children who have so much potential but just need the right environment in which to achieve it.

The summer camps are expensive to run with all the staff, equipment and cost for a location, so we often use money that we raise at fundraisers to cover the expenses so that the parents pay a lower price to bring their children

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#### It's Not Too Late to Pledge

CFCE is so grateful for the support you all have given to our two pledges at this years golf tournament. We offered an opportunity to pledge any amount you wished towards two programs: a ski day with the Breckenridge Outdoor Education Center's (BOEC) adaptive ski program and for CFCE Equipment. As always, you blew us away with your caring generosity!



The children are so excited about skiing with BOEC each year. Currently, we have two dates scheduled already for the BOEC program at Breckenridge on January 24th and February 28th, 2015. Due to the generosity of our supporters, we managed to raise enough money to send every child who is interested at CFCE to both ski days and add an extra ski day possibly at Winter Park Ski Resort.

You also generously pledged toward purchasing much needed equipment for our center. Now that we have an in-

crease in the number of children attending CFCE and two centers to equip, we could use a few extra pieces of equipment, which unfortunately isn't cheap. We would like to purchase an adapted bicycle for children with motor disabilities. Prices Range from: \$1,200 - \$2,500 which we were unable to purchase last year and ended up buying some other equipment including benches, toys, bolster stools and other useful pieces of equipment. We did not manage to raise enough again this year so we are asking that if anyone would still be interested in pledging towards the purchase of a



bicycle to call Kirsten at the office on (970)667-0348 or at office@conductiveed.com to find out more information about pledging. If we are unable to find enough money we will certainly use the money raised to purchase other equipment that the children will make good use of.

On behalf of all of us at CFCE, thank you to all those who have already pledged! If you did not have the opportunity to pledge, it's not too late! BOEC is an outstanding organization who can get every child on the slopes, whether it is in a Bi-ski, standing in a frame, or on their own. They will make sure every child gets to learn something new on the slopes. Also, the desired equipment is needed for our growing classrooms in Denver and in Loveland. Please pledge as little or as much as you can!

# Meet a Child: Charlotte (written by her mom, Amanda)



Charlotte is an energetic, inquisitive, and bubbly seven year old, who likes to ride her bike, kayak, play with Barbies and read until well past her bedtime. Charlotte also has cerebral palsy. Born three months premature, Charlotte only weighed I pound 6 ounces, and spent the first 3 months of her life in the NICU battling ventilators and infections. We knew from the start that there would be challenges ahead for her.

At 3 months old, Charlotte began to take part in traditional therapies to help her reach her developmental milestones. But it wasn't until we started Conductive Education when she was 18 months old, that she really started to blossom. Immediately we realized

that working on strengthening, stretching, and walking is much more enjoyable for her when she can do it with her friends. Six years of Conductive Education has offered Charlotte the opportunity to work on important skills like eating, dressing and

walking independently, all while making life-long friends and having fun!

Through summer camps, after school sessions and adaptive skiing in the winter we plan to keep Conductive Education in our lives for a long time as Charlotte continues to develop into an independent young lady.



# What's Going on at CFCE This Month?



Following our June summer camp in Denver we moved all of our equipment up to Loveland, Colorado to hold our second 4 week summer camp, which serves children in Northern Colorado. This year we have 9 children attending our Loveland July summer camp, some of whom have attended our CFCE summer camps since we first opened! This is the 6th summer camp we have held in Northern Colorado and we hope to continue serving this community for many years to come. We even have a few kids who have visited our summer

camp and have shown an interest in signing up for next year already!

In Loveland, we have a returning Conductor, Agnes, from Hungary. She has come to lead our July camp and the kids and families really love her and how she runs the program. We have already had water fights, tug of war and many other exciting, challenging games. The Loveland camp has older kids this year so it creates a fun and competitive environment, which the kids thrive in. We have one more week left of this camp before we return to our normal schedule. We can already see the kids becoming stronger, more flexible, increasing their stamina and achieving their goals! Thank you again for helping us make this summer camp possible.



















# **Meet our Visiting Conductor, Agnes!**

Agnes is currently leading our July summer camp in Loveland, CO and has come all the way from Hungary to serve us here at CFCE. We are so grateful for her work with CFCE that we would like to introduce our supporters to her and why she has come to CFCE for the past two years! Here are a few comments from Agnes:



After high school when I was 18 years old I wanted to be a teacher but I looked for something different because I felt that I wanted to help and educate people with special needs. That led me to Conductive Education. I graduated with my degree in 1995 and have been a conductor/teacher for 19 years. I started to work in the kindergarten program at the Peto Institute that year in a residential group. This group were children with CP who live in rural areas and would come and live at the Peto Institute Monday to Friday every week. It was very intensive and required a lot of time but I really liked that kind of CE. However, after my sons were born I needed to change because of the intense work schedule. Since 2007 I have been working in a special integrated kindergarten group at the Institute where we offer integrated education to able bodied and disabled children. This requires a completely different point of view of education so I decided to take my Masters degree in teaching of inclusive education at a university in Budapest. I am very busy during the school year as I have a full time job, two sons (11,13), a busy husband, and a house with a garden! My boys are both competitive swimmers with training everyday and competitions on the weekends.

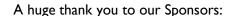
We love traveling so at least two times a year we travel abroad to Europe, Africa, and the USA once together. When I have a little spare time on my own I like working in my garden, going to museums, reading a good book, and running outside.

As a teacher in Hungary we have a long summer vacation and from the beginning of my professional career I like to combine some work with a holiday. Since I am so lucky that I can do both, I always like to travel somewhere to work as a conductor and share my knowledge and experience with people around the world and to see and meet different kinds of culture and beautiful places! Not to mention that I am happy to leave my busy life in Budapest for a month or so!

Colorado is beautiful. After spending so many summers in Arizona, I love the weather here and being outside in the surrounding nature. My Grandfather was a sculptor in Hungary, so I love seeing all the art in Loveland and taking pictures in the Sculpture parks.

CFCE is a well organized program. The families and the staff are dedicated to serve the children with the best intentions. There is so much potential in this program and with these wonderful and enthusiastic people I know they can reach their goals.

I wish you all the best!



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