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TLC RECEIVES PROCEEDS FROM BOB RYAN'S ALMANAC

Rockville, MD, August 12, 2003 – The Treatment and Learning Centers, a non-profit organization, which helps children and adults with a wide range of disabilities, today announced that they have been awarded in excess of \$6,600 in proceeds from Bob Ryan's Almanac. The sale of 17,000 copies of Bob Ryan's 2003 Almanac and Guide for the Weatherwise raised \$33,000 for local Washington, D.C. children's charities. TLC was chosen as one of the children's charities several years ago to receive proceeds from the almanac.

The proceeds are unrestricted funds, which allows TLC the freedom to allocate them into any one of their many programs. The check was presented to TLC at a ceremony held at the Hospital for Sick Children. NEWS4 at 4 anchor, Pat Lawson Muse was the mistress of ceremonies.

"NBC Channel 4 has been extremely supportive of our center in a variety of ways for many, many years," said Richard Pavlin, executive director at TLC. "We are very fortunate to have been selected again this year as one of the children's charities to receive proceeds."

Chief meteorologist at NBC NEWS4, Bob Ryan has published the Almanac for 23 years and has partnered with Giant Food Stores to sell the publication for the benefit of children's charities for 17 of those years. Giant Food not only sells the Almanacs in all of its stores in the region but also donated all the accounting and the administrative support needed to ensure that 100% of the money raised goes directly to the charities. The Almanac has brought in more than half a million dollars in total to support the efforts of organizations working to improve children's health.

About TLC

The Treatment and Learning Centers, located in Rockville, Maryland, enables children and adults to develop to their full potential, to communicate effectively with others, and to achieve educational and vocational success. TLC provides services that strengthen their abilities and respond to their changing needs. With over 53 years of service to the community, TLC is committed to integrity and excellence in our care and will strive to assist all, regardless of their ability to pay. For more information call 301-424-5200 or visit www.ttlc.org.

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