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TLC—The Treatment and Learning Centers Selected as Recipient of *The Gazette of Politics and Business* Fourth Annual Exceptional 53 Business Award

60's Style Awards Event Attracts Business Executives from across Maryland

Gaithersburg, Md. – [*The Gazette of Politics and Business*](#) released its list of the 53 top businesses and organizations in the State of Maryland. The program, produced by The Gazette P&B, acknowledges the top 53 businesses and organizations in Maryland based on criteria that included the recipient company's annual revenue and employee growth as well as noteworthy product or service innovations, community service efforts, how they have steered their way through the economic downturn, and how the companies portrayed themselves as "good places to work." [TLC—The Treatment and Learning Centers](#) debuted at number 31.

The fourth annual awards ceremony, held Wednesday October 19, 2011 at the Doubletree by Hilton Hotel in Bethesda, attracted over 320 appreciative attendees eager to celebrate the accomplishments of the top 53 companies. The retro Ed Sullivan theme awards show, featured Johnny Seaton as Elvis Presley and his band Bad Behavior. Each company was presented with a "gold record" for "topping the charts" as one of Maryland's Top 53 Hits. The event was presented by DARCARS Automotive with the help of Johns Hopkins University Montgomery County, Montgomery College, M&T Bank, Conference and Visitors Bureau of Montgomery County, Montgomery County Department of Economic Development, and CPR Multimedia Solutions.

"To make the 53 list is a great accomplishment," said **Cliff Chiet**, publisher of The Gazette P&B. "It was fun producing an Ed Sullivan-esque Show! This year's list features companies from the State of Maryland that have had success in a wide variety of fields, and each company deserved recognition of their accomplishments." TLC—The Treatment and Learning Centers was profiled along with other winners in a special section as part of the Friday October 21, 2011 edition of *The Gazette of Politics and Business*.

TLC—The Treatment and Learning Centers was recognized for its innovative and exceptional growth during the last three years as well as its community service programs, including scholarships and subsidies; annual special-offer community free screenings, seminars and workshops; and nominal fee screenings and workshops for schools and the community. TLC's services include speech-language and occupational therapy, psychoeducational testing, tutoring, coaching, audiology, a childcare/preschool program and employment support for adults, as well as a private special education school. **Dr. Patricia Ritter**, Executive Director of TLC was extremely pleased for TLC to have been named to the list of 53 Exceptional Maryland companies. "TLC's culture of collaboration enabled the organization to remain opportunity-driven despite our current risk-averse environment, while staying true to its vision. The most important asset TLC has is its talented and dedicated staff. I am so pleased PB53 recognizes the accomplishments of everyone at TLC," Ritter said.

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About TLC

[TLC—The Treatment and Learning Centers](#), located in Rockville, Md., improves lives and expands possibilities for individuals with special needs. Celebrating over 60 years of serving to the community in 2011, TLC is committed to integrity and excellence in our care and strives to assist all, regardless of their ability to pay. For more information visit www.ttlc.org.

About The Gazette

[The Gazette of Politics & Business](#) publishes weekly reaching over 20,000 business owners and politically savvy subscribers. The Newspaper focuses on the business and political news of the State of Maryland and is commonly recognized as the leading newspaper covering political activities at the state capital. *The Politics and Business Gazette* is the state's "must read" newspaper for news about the business and political affairs in the State. *The Gazette of Politics & Business* is owned and published by the well-known Suburban Maryland top-rated Gazette Newspaper that distributes community newspapers in more than 50 communities in Montgomery, Frederick, and Prince George's counties in Maryland. Boasting a readership as high as 90 percent, *The Gazette* publications reach about 1.5 million readers. Part of the Community Newspaper Group of Post-Newsweek Media Inc., a division of The Washington Post Company, *The Gazette* has been publishing weekly newspapers in the Maryland suburbs since 1959.

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