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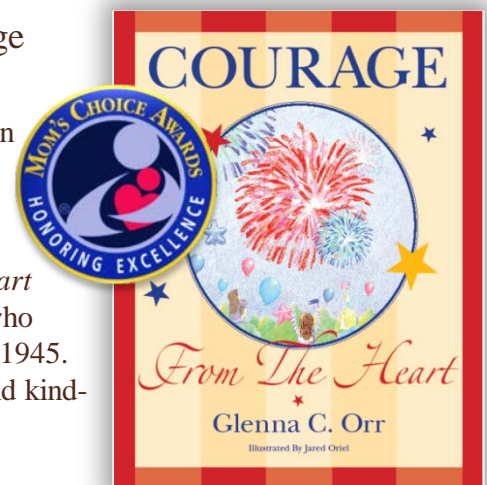
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Glenna C. Orr, a Reading Specialist with two Masters and a Postgraduate Professional Teaching License (effective 2016 to 2021) has taught school in five states and in the Department of Defense School system in Germany and Panama. She is currently a board member of Reading is Fundamental of Northern Virginia. Glenna established Volunteer Intergenerational Programs after school for 20 years while teaching full time. Her achievements and recognitions include:

- Recipient of Mom's Choice Award for her Book, "*Courage From The Heart*".
- Recipient of Mom's Choice Award for her Book, "*Friendships With The Heart*".
- Recipient of Mom's Choice Award for her Book, "*Hearts Always Open*".
- Establishing the Intergenerational Program in Washington, D.C. for General Colin Powell's "America's Promise - The Alliance for Youth".
- Being published by The Institute of Continuing Care (Chicago, Illinois) and the Washington Post.
- Nomination as the Volunteer of the Year by the Tallahassee Democrat Newspaper.
- Identification as one of the "Top Thirty Military Spouses Leading Extraordinary Lives" (Army Times Magazine).
- Receipt of a Certificate for Volunteering Excellence from Virginia Governor L. Douglas Wilder.
- Receipt of a Scroll of Appreciation from General George Joulwan, US Army.

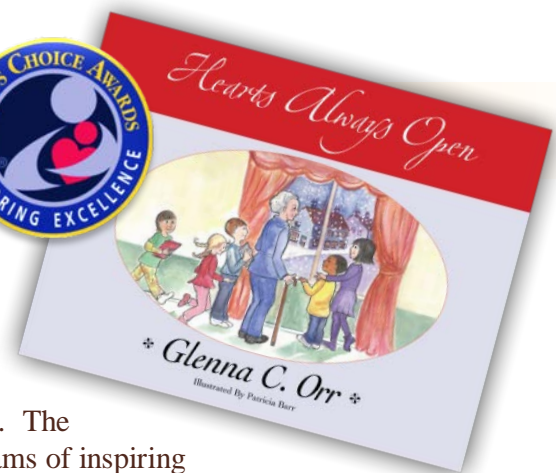
My Book "Courage From The Heart" evolved through years of inspiration from children, those individuals who had a lifetime of memories to share, and America's finest...the men and women in uniform who serve in The United States Armed Forces. The characters in my fifth book exemplify a nature to give of themselves and to care for others. *Courage From The Heart* remembers and pays tribute to the United States Army and Navy Nurses who were stationed at several U.S. base hospitals in the Philippines from 1941-1945. These women nurses that were sent into combat were strong, confident, and kind-their kindness was framed in courage.



Volunteerism

The Kind Kids, Inc. Organization

The Kind Kids is a non-profit 501(c)3 organization that instills volunteerism in community activities and promotes literacy for people of all ages. Individuals and groups of people learn the value of volunteering while reading, working, and learning from each other. The Kind Kids Organization promotes Volunteer Intergenerational Programs of inspiring activities between children of all ages and senior residents of retirement centers, assisted living facilities, and nursing homes. “*Open Minds, Open Hearts A Journey With The Ages*”, “*Hearts Always Open*”, “*Memories With The Heart*”, “*Friendships With The Heart*” and “*Courage From The Heart*” are books that I have written that work side by side my organization, The Kind Kids Inc. All five writings exemplify the learning, the compassion, and the heartfelt experiences that we all as individuals become a part of, as we journey through our lives. I am most fortunate to meet hundreds of people and travel to many places as I am sharing my own personal experiences and my writings. And, it is always such a privilege and such an honor for me to listen, to learn, and to be inspired by those individuals that share their journeys with me. My hope is to continue to author books, support intergenerational initiatives, and help organizations that meet the needs of those individuals that require devotion and encouragement.

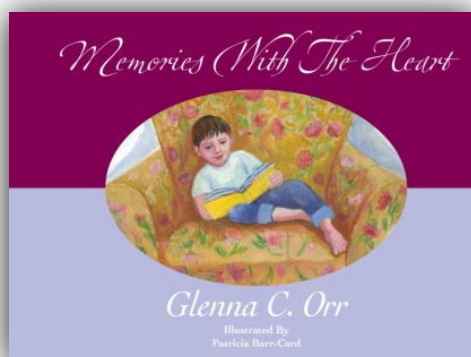


My Book “*Friendships With The Heart*”, illustrated by Michele C. Barnes, is a presentation of some pretty remarkable friendships. The people and four-legged creatures that I have written about in this book have plenty in common – they all are very special and they accept one another with unconditional love and care. It has been possible for them to celebrate the joyous times together and in turn...find the strength to sustain the challenges that perhaps may have come their way. My special friends in this collection of stories share the common threads of compassion and trust – they educate, care for, and protect each other's hearts. Friendships give us laughter and comfort – the encouragement and the freedom to be ourselves.

My Book “*Hearts Always Open*” is a realistic fiction picture book that tells the story of a very special elderly resident that lives in a community retirement center and the children who have come to visit with her, on a cold and snowy December afternoon. The open-hearted friendship that is shared between dear Mrs. Tully and the children allows for a lifetime of memories to come to life. *Hearts Always Open* is a book for all ages to read, and a book that speaks to the understanding and compassion that can present itself while bringing the young and the not-so-young together.

My Book “*Open Minds, Open Hearts – A Journey With The Ages*” is a collection of memories about events in time when Intergenerational Programs were created to bring together two distinct groups of people at very different stages of life: those who were just beginning their journey and those who had a lifetime of experiences to share.

My Book “*Memories With The Heart*” is a book that recounts true to life experiences between a grandmother and her grandson. So many events that have been shared between the two, they come to life during the most unexpected and unassuming moments and the memories have become everlasting. Memories, they allow people of all ages to reminisce and to recall those times when nothing else matters except those that they truly love.



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