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Presbyterian Home for Children

. . . *Glorifying God by caring for children and families*

Hundreds Volunteer for Work, Worship, Play Day

By Stacy Hart

Imagine the Presbyterian Home for Children campus covered with more than 250 volunteers. Folks are busy moving mulch, landscaping, reroofing a dugout, planting trees, clearing a hiking trail, making building repairs, deep cleaning and preparing for lunch. That was the scene for the home's Spring 2006 Work, Worship and Play Day.

Volunteers arrived ready to work on Saturday, March 18. Churches and groups represented included Asheville Christian Academy, Black Mountain Presbyterian Church, Cedar Springs Presbyterian Church (Knoxville, TN), First Presbyterian Church Asheville, First Presbyterian Church Morganton, First Presbyterian Church Waynesville, Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church, Kenilworth Presbyterian Church, Riceville Presbyterian Church and Matt Sloan and his



PHFC youth and volunteers tidy flower beds at Parks House.

"Band of Brothers and Sisters."

After a couple of hours of hard work, everyone came together to enjoy lunch provided by businesses, churches and individuals. Salads were supplied by Frank Brooks of Farm Fresh Produce; Bob Jackson of Jackson's Cafeteria, sponsored by New Hope Presbyterian Gastonia, brought the roast beef; homemade bread was prepared by the women at Reems Creek-Beech Presbyterian Church; baked beans were cooked by Delores Roberts and Cora Small; and cookies were provided by First Presbyterian Church Newton.

After lunch, everyone gathered in the Community Room to

celebrate and worship. Loretta, acting president of the Youth Leadership Team, welcomed guests and gave an overview of the YLT. Stephanie, YLT secretary, led the group in prayer. Then PHFC President Tom Campbell introduced those gathered to a special guest. Jack Herren, an alumnus of the home, came out to visit and record a video testimony of his 1922-33 stay.

Following a round of applause for Mr. Herren, Paul Scouten, PHFC's Covenant Coordinator, and members of the YLT led everyone in several worship songs. Rev. Margaret Torrence rounded out the presentation with a time of devotion.

Finally, youth and volunteers ended the afternoon with an extra large game of dodgeball.



Volunteers reroofing the baseball dugout.

A Word from the President - Tom Campbell



Spring is in the air and we've enjoyed watching the trees burst into color, flowers bloom and the grass turn green again. Spring seems to bring with it a renewed sense of life, energy and even hope. There is a relatively new hymn called "Hymn of Promise," written by Natalie Sleeth in 1986, that mirrors this feeling of new hope and promise. It's a feeling that we all long to have, especially the "at-promise" children we serve through the

ministry at Presbyterian Home for Children.

Every day we work with children, youth and families who come to us seeking fresh hope for their lives. This hymn reminds us that God wants to bring out "the dawn in every darkness." Only He knows what can be revealed in each life.

PHFC provides help in so many ways to people who are hurting. Because of individuals like you, who lovingly care and faithfully support us, we can provide children with the hope for a renewed life they deserve. Thank you for all you do.

Hymn of Promise

*"In the bulb there is a flower;
in the seed an apple tree;
In cocoons, a hidden promise;
butterflies will soon be free!
In the cold and snow of winter
there's a spring that waits to be,
Unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.
There's a song in every silence,
seeking word and melody;
There's a dawn in every
darkness, bringing hope to you
and me.
From the past will come the
future; what it holds a mystery,
Unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see."*

PHFC's Annual Egg Hunt

By Cheryl Campbell

Easter was a hopping good time for PHFC's youth.

Kenilworth Presbyterian Church invited the children to their church for an egg hunt and lunch. First Presbyterian Church of Hendersonville filled 600

Easter eggs with candy for a hunt at the Campbell's house.

First Presbyterian Church of Asheville provided each child with an Easter bag filled with goodies and Sylva Presbyterian Church helped the Easter bunny provide a basket for each child Easter morning.

The children and youth enjoyed all the festivities, the goodies and of course, the candy. Thank you for making their Easter so special.

HE IS RISEN!



Thank You!



A Second Century of Caring Completes Advanced Phase

By Terri Bowman

The Second Century of Caring campaign is moving forward with 39% of the \$4.8 million raised as of April 15, 2006. While the home is off to a great start, there's still plenty to do to accomplish campaign goals:

- 1) Increase awareness of the PHFC ministry and generate support for the *Every Day Fund* in order to maintain a balanced budget;
- 2) Strengthen current programs and extend the continuum of care by raising funds for capital improvements, new programs and renovations;
- 3) Continue to grow the Home's endowment to insure the program's long-term growth and operation.

In order to accomplish these goals, the home needs:

Strong Leadership - In October 2005, PHFC Board of Directors unanimously approved plans to adopt the *Second Century of Caring* campaign. Recently, 100% of the Board of Directors and the Board of the Children's Home Foundation pledged their gifts and financial support to the campaign. Following their lead, 100% of staff stepped out in faith to support the campaign as well.

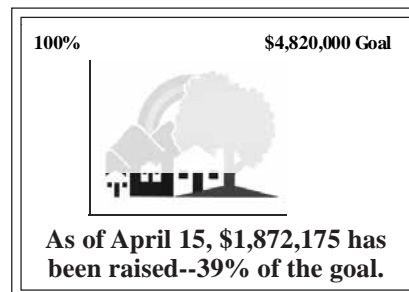
Committed Volunteers - Local architect Danie Johnson is lending his talents to develop drawings for the Independent Living facility, the Vocational Education building and future Transitional Living houses.

Several churches and individuals are stepping forward to offer their time, money and expertise to assist with clearing trails, renovating the Barkley Building and making repairs to other buildings and grounds around the PHFC Campus.

Volunteer leaders for four out of six WNC Presbytery clusters have come together to begin organizing a series of events that will help spread the word about the Home and the SCC campaign.

Generous Supporters - To date, gifts from foundations include: the Foundation for the Carolinas, Koops Family Foundation, Wal-Mart, Neisler Foundation, Rostan Foundation, Janirve Foundation and a generous donation by the Waldensian Presbyterian Church. Several individuals have also pledged their generous support.

Strategic Planning - As the "Advanced Gifts Phase" draws to a close, we're able to set our sights on the *Business Phase* - how your business can support the Home; and the *Church Cluster Phase* - six major events to be held in WNC churches throughout the Summer of 2006.



Top 10 (+1) Projects

1. House Sponsor – Come once a quarter for a year to host a cookout or work project for a house on campus.

2. Teachers/Volunteers – Teach piano, guitar, drums, pottery, photography, crafts, voice, dance, aerobics, etc. Be willing to come in for one hour per week to teach a six-week course.

3. Skilled Craftsmen – Plumbers, electricians, painters, landscapers, carpenters, stonemasons, etc. for time-limited projects.

4. Seamstress – Willing to make curtains and pillows.

5. Draftsman/Architect – Help develop a campus master plan.

6. Gardener/Landscaper – Able to plant a garden or bed for the Home, or help maintain a portion of campus landscape.

7. Photographer – Able to take high quality digital photos of the children and campus for use in publicity materials and the newsletter.

8. Trainer/Speaker – Be willing to provide a two-hour training session to our staff or provide resource materials.

9. Woodworker – Able to make picture frames, birdhouses and other items.

10. Clerical Support/Data Entry/Website – Be willing to commit time to helping in the office. We also need assistance with website design and set up.

11. Computer Repair / IT Specialist – willing to help with computer and other information technology issues

To volunteer,
call (828) 686-3451.

Asheville Christian Academy Volunteers



By Bill Brown

Once again, hard working youth have visited PHFC. On April 27, 25 high school students and five teachers from Asheville Christian Academy traveled to the PHFC campus to put in four hours of service.

The group of dedicated teachers and students spread 16 cubic yards of mulch around the Home's azalea plantings; weeded

the playground area and spread 12 cubic yards of mulch; and dug 28 holes for apple trees donated by Bill Metts, PHFC's volunteer orchard specialist.

Thanks to: Dottie Edwards, James Faust, Kathy Hardin, Cheryl McIntosh, Ginny Pierson, Josiah Hester, Kyle Barnett, Jennifer Buchannon, Hannah Clark, Lydia Johnson, Chris Cate, Jonathan Chalvet, Chris Lewis,

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Planting apple trees.

By Neil Caddell

The number of volunteers continues to increase and more groups are coming onto campus to help youth and staff.

Tom Hoffman continues to volunteer with our Buildings and Grounds Coordinator and also volunteers as a tutor.

RuthMary and Lamar Williamson have been volunteering for over nine years reading and tutoring.

Rudy Hentschell, Herb Higgins, Stella Hillsman, Carol Kavalhuna and Megan Riser continue to tutor youth.

Students from **Montreat College** also help during study hall and up to twelve students from **Warren Wilson College**

Volunteer Spotlight

volunteer during study hall and during recreation activities in the afternoons and evenings.

The **Junior League of Asheville** completed their series of lectures on life skills and independent living topics. There were up to ten youth at each class. The class, held during the school year, is made possible through a grant provided by the Junior League of Asheville.

Several churches and other groups have come to campus to give their time, talents and donations to work on our

mountain property; plant fruit trees, azaleas, cedar trees and other plants; to spread mulch; and also to remodel part of Barkley Building.

Unity Presbyterian Church and **Gastonia First Presbyterian Church** recently came with youth and adults to complete some of the projects listed above.

Asheville Christian Academy came to the Home for the sixth year for their Community Service Day (see above) and one of **Owen High School's** Occupational Preparation Classes comes weekly to complete a variety of projects on the property.

Gifts to the Home *January 1 - March 31, 2006*

Church Donations

Black Mountain Presbyterian
 Brevard-Davidson Presbyterian
 Bryson City Presbyterian
 Cullowhee Presbyterian
 Dorland Memorial Presbyterian
 Etowah Presbyterian
 First Presbyterian Asheville
 First Presbyterian Belmont
 First Presbyterian Forest City
 First Presbyterian Gastonia Women
 First Presbyterian Gastonia
 First Presbyterian Hendersonville
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 First Presbyterian Lincolnton
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 First Presbyterian Swannanoa
 First Presbyterian Sylva
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 Long Creek Presbyterian
 Micaville Presbyterian
 Mills River Presbyterian Women
 Montreat Presbyterian
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 New Hope Gastonia Presb. Women
 New Hope Presbyterian Gastonia
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 Tryon Presbyterian Church
 Unity Presbyterian Church
 Warren Wilson College Service Learning

Cedar Springs Church Volunteers Build Trail

By Bill Brown

For this year's Work, Worship & Play Day, the Home hosted a very special group from Tennessee. Sixty members of Cedar Springs Presbyterian Church in Knoxville arrived on campus Friday night and stayed until late Monday afternoon.

PHFC has a 17+ acre plot known as the "Mountain Property" on land behind Charles D. Owen High School in need of a trail to and through it. Cedar Springs volunteered to tackle the daunting task. Conditions were brutal, with the proposed trail



Clearing the way for future enjoyment.

running up steep slopes and through many blown down trees.

This special group began early Saturday morning, worked all day, rested on Sunday and resumed their mission on Monday. Saturday was a sunny, warm day, while Monday was cold, rainy and snowy. These wonderful people called on God's promise in Philippians 4:13. "I can do all things in through Christ who strengthens me." At the end of Monday, the Presbyterian Home for Children had a 2000-foot long, 10-foot wide, raked clean, "interstate" to

the top of the mountain. Not only was the trail completed, but several sites were cleared for future construction. Eventually, the Home plans to build a chapel, camping sheds and a "Low Ropes" course on the land.

More than 300 members of the church will be returning in late May to continue work. The group will stay at "Windy Gap," a "Young Life" camp north of Asheville. Groups of 80-100 will travel to the Home each day.

Our deepest appreciation goes out to Cedar Springs Presbyterian Church.



Heading up the mountain.

PHFC's Alumni Picnic

PHFC's annual Alumni picnic will be held Saturday, July 15, 2006, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Home in Black Mountain.

We are very interested in developing and strengthening our Alumni Association. We would like to have alumni volunteers

help plan the activities for the day. If you would like to help with the picnic, or have ideas on strengthening the Alumni Association, please contact Sarah Thomas, Director of Development & PR at 828-686-3451 x31.

Alum Jack Herren, pictured with PHFC President Tom Campbell, came out for Work, Worship & Play Day this spring.



YLT President Snowballed at Retreat



Everyone hits the hill at once for great sledding.

Earlier this year, volunteer Sarah Thomas lead a group of youth in a news-writing class. The following is their collaborative story about a Leadership Team retreat this past February.

By Becca, Loretta, Scottie and Stephanie

Ray Goode, president of the Presbyterian Home for Children PHFC Leadership Team, got snowballed during the team's retreat in Boone, NC, February 17-19, 2006.

The leadership team traveled from Black Mountain, NC, to Boone in three vehicles. This was an opportunity for the youth to have fun. They left at 10:30 a.m. in the morning and the first stop was Linville Falls.



Stockpiling snowballs for that battle coming up.

Everyone rushed out the vans to go on a hike.

Following lunch at the falls, everyone asked to stop at a gas station where every kid jumped out of the vans. They all ran to get drinks

and snacks, making that gas station very busy.

Finally heading off to Boone and the church where they were staying; the group was looking forward to a great weekend in the snow. When the group arrived, they rested and were greeted by a member of the church. While the church finished getting ready for the youth, they headed off to the park, spending two great hours playing games and relaxing.

After dinner the group prac-

ticed "Arise My Love," and then did devotions and had more free time. When they got back to the church and settled in, they stayed up most of the night playing games and woke up the next morning with big snowflakes falling from the sky.

The next morning, the leadership team got up, had breakfast and did devotions once again, then went outside to play in the snow. That was when Ray got



Fun in the snow with the team.

snowballed!

Next, the youth went back inside and had hot chocolate and lunch to warm up. After lunch they went sledding in the snow. They ate dinner and later on that night watched a movie. Once again, the group closed the evening with devotions.

Sunday, the youth leadership team had church in the morning and attended Sunday School with the youth from the local church. Concluding the service, the group sang two songs for the church-- "Give Thanks" and "Sanctuary." Then the time came to leave.

On the way home, the van ride was quiet all the way.

YLT Grows through Nurturing and Care

By Paul Scouten

As the weather warms, the trees are budding and the wild flowers are blooming again. During this time of renewal and resurrection, it is appropriate to celebrate the blossoming of the Youth Leadership Team. Weekly meetings, regular service projects, and off-campus retreats all provide opportunities for relationship building, personal growth, and education. Through the charismatic yet grounded leadership of PHFC President, Tom Campbell, the Youth Leadership Team has taken root and the “runners” of new growth are extending into the lives of all involved.

“Cultivation” over the past few months has come to the Youth Leadership Team through numerous service projects, such as Operation Christmas Child (sending 17 shoe boxes to children abroad); gathering and sending Christmas toys to victims of the Katrina Hurricane; baking cookies for residents at Highland Farms Retirement Community; raising money to donate to a children’s hospital in Malawi; working in our local Kiwanis Thrift Store, and helping at a local wolf rehabilitation center.

“Pruning” has come through our Banner Elk Snow Retreat, YLT Officer’s planning retreat, Spring Break Retreat, leadership in the campus Valentine’s Dance, and our weekly Youth Leadership Team meetings.

Looking ahead, YLT is planning to share a liturgical dance with Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church on May 5, and then again at Shelby Presbyterian Church on May 28. Incorporated with our dancing at Shelby Presbyterian Church is a Memorial Day Weekend Retreat. At the beginning of June, YLT will be doing a daily clean-up after a local festival to raise money to fund service projects and retreats. From June 12-19, YLT will have it’s annual Beach Retreat. On July 19, they will

enjoy tubing down “Deep Creek,” located in Bryson City, NC. July 30-August 5, reps from YLT have been invited to participate in the “Shepherd of the Ozarks” program in Arkansas. It’s a full summer of learning opportunities.

Flowers hold the promise of fruit during the harvest. As we nurture our youth, we watch them blossom and grow. This amazing transformation gives us hope for a bountiful harvest in the lives of these children.

School Update & Awards Banquet

Yet another school year is about to come to a close. End of grade testing will occur May 15-18, 2006, and the last day of school is June 5. Four residents were on the A/B Honor Roll for the last grading period.

In addition, Nikki received a certificate for “Most Improved” in her class for the third grading period.

To honor students and the volunteers who help them succeed, PHFC is having its First Annual School Awards & Volunteer Appreciation Banquet on June 7, 2006, at 4:30 p.m.

Dinner will follow the program in the campus Community Room. Highlights



Hitting the books with a little extra help.

for this event include recognition of A/B Honor Roll, extracurricular activities or club participation at school, perfect attendance and most improved student.

Volunteers who work with youth, the Home and staff will also be recognized for all of the love, compassion, hard work and time they provide the Ministry.

We're Getting Results!



In the February 2006 newsletter, we asked for donations of new or gently used digital cameras.

Susan Jones, who was sent a newsletter by her parents who attend a Presbyterian Church in Franklin, NC, answered that call by sending us a brand new Panasonic camera all the way from Japan where she's currently stationed in the Air Force. God is always at work! Thanks Susan, we'll make good use of the camera.

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Top 10 Needs

1. **Sleeping Bags**
2. **Welding and Torch Equipment**
3. **Recreation Equipment** (softballs, jump ropes, etc.)
4. **Ice Cream Makers**
5. **Beach Towels & Toys**



6. **Carpet Cleaning Machine** (Oreck Rinse-A-Matic Steamer)
7. **Age Appropriate Bibles**
8. **Digital Cameras**
9. **Gift Cards** (to use as incentives/for birthdays)
10. **Arts and Crafts Supplies**