



Presbyterian Home for Children

... Glorifying God by caring for children and families

Summer Experiences Make Impact

Summer has long been a special time for children--school is out, the swimming pool is open and there's time to learn and explore. For youth at PHFC, the summer of 2010 offered up a myriad of new experiences.

Highlights included two educational incentive trips. The first was for youth who earned a 3.0 GPA or better for the school year. Thanks to the RYE Foundation, eleven young people got to visit Disney World in June.

The second trip was for youth who made at least a 2.0 GPA for the year. Almost all PHFC youth earned the week-long trip to Garden City Beach in SC courtesy of Garden City Chapel.

Other activities this summer included making pottery, a trip to



PHFC Youth learned to make pottery at Montreat Conference Center--just one of a variety of new experiences for many of the kids.

the Schiele Museum, a back-to-school rafting trip, fishing, hiking the Appalachian Trail, volunteering at Shepherd of the Ozarks, a Fourth

of July bike parade, cookouts, trips to the pool, science experiments and more. Check out inside pages for more photos of summer fun.

Annual Fall Festival Slated for October 16



Festival goes bid during the silent auction. Last year, the festival raised more than \$10,000 for the Home's Every Day Fund.

Games for children, wagon rides, inflatables, food, live music and a silent auction draw visitors to Presbyterian Home for Children each October.

The annual Fall Festival offers visitors an opportunity to come out to the PHFC campus in Black Mountain for fun and a good cause. Auction funds raised during the event go toward the Home's \$1 million Every Day Fund goal. Food sales support the

Youth Leadership Team's outreach efforts.

Each year hundreds of guests come out to enjoy fall color, tours of campus and the chance to bid on themed gift baskets and high end crafts.

Anyone interested in donating items for the silent auction or volunteering during the festival is encouraged to contact either Sarah Thomas or Candice Walsh at 828-686-3451.

A Word from the President - Tom Campbell

Youth and staff have enjoyed a wonderful summer thanks to your generous monetary and in-kind gifts. This summer included many first-time experiences for our youth. For some it was the first time they visited the beach.

"I went to the ocean for the first time in my life and it's because of you all." – Big Red

"It was my first for a lot of things such as going to the beach, swimming in the ocean and body surfing!" – Richard

"It has been a joy to watch several kids experience the beach

for the first time and to join them on adventures we would otherwise not be able to have." – House Parent Vanessa Washburn

For others, this summer included spiritual changes. Youth made important decisions to follow Christ, be baptized or rededicate their lives to Him.

"I loved Dylan's devotion. It was just what I needed to get me moving again." – Victoria

"You have no idea what impact all of this has had on me. My life hasn't exactly been what I've wanted it to be, but I believe this

will have a change on me!" – Scott

"I have witnessed the kids and teens growing as individuals, leaders and disciples of Jesus Christ. I am learning much as I participate, serve and have fun with them." – Intern Hillary Irusta

Thank you for helping us share the love of Christ with these youth as they participate in retreats, hear devotions and worship with fellow believers. Please join us in praying for our youth as they begin a new school year. It is our hope that they will continue to grow strong in the Lord.

Alumni Picnic Featured in *Citizen-Times*



Alumni visit with PHFC President Tom Campbell (center in burgundy) during their annual reunion.

The Home's annual Alumni Picnic and Reunion was held Saturday, July 17. The annual event offers past residents, staff, volunteers and others associated with the Home a chance to come out and tour the campus, look through photo albums, share stories of days gone by, and enjoy lunch at PHFC.

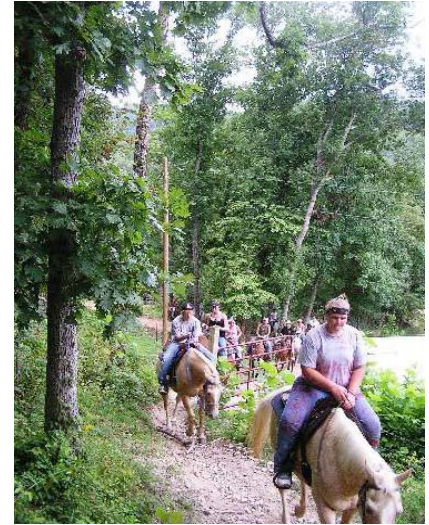
The reunion and picnic was covered by the *Asheville Citizen-Times* this year. Alumni Ed Meyers, Lamar Hedrick, Nick Shull and Clifford & Thelma Smathers were interviewed for the article along with current resident Mariah Goode.

"I tell people often that if a kid couldn't grow up in a well-rounded, loving home with pop and mom and siblings, this would be the next best thing," said Hedrick to the newspaper.

Top 10 Projects

- Gazebo Construction** – someone to build a gazebo at the Independent Living Village.
- Teachers** – piano, crafts, photography, etc.; 1 hour weekly for 6-weeks.
- Hair Stylists** – to provide hair cuts for the children.
- Tutors** – help children who are behind academically.
- Bike Repair** – help maintain our bicycles throughout the year.
- Gardener/Landscaper** – able to plant or maintain landscape.
- Painters** – for a variety of painting projects around campus.
- Woodworker** – help youth make frames, birdhouses, etc.
- Develop Nature Area** - help clear trails and build a bridge.
- Plumber** – help with plumbing projects on an as needed basis.

Summer Filled with Fun and Education



In July youth participated in an Iron Chef cooking competition. They used local ingredients to create dishes like peach cobbler, vegetable lasagna, fruit smoothies, blackberry iced tea and chicken Florentine. Austin (pictured on left) won the Best Dessert award while Andy (on right) won the award for the Most Creative Dish.

Youth who exhibit strong leadership qualities were able to go to the Shepherd of the Ozarks in August. In addition to completing work projects, youth enjoyed fun activities like horseback riding and rock climbing.



Educational incentive trips included a beach trip for youth who earned at least a 2.0 GPA for the year (pictured above) and a trip to Disney World (below) for those who earned a 3.0 GPA or better. Both trips were made possible by donors committed to seeing youth at Presbyterian Home strive for excellence in education.

Just a few of the campus activities included team-building, archery, mud pit tug-of-war and the world's largest slip-n-slide.



PHFC Holds Monthly Open Houses

Have you ever wanted to learn more about Presbyterian Home for Children? To tour the campus and have a chance to ask about the ministry?

The Home has begun holding open houses on the second Wednesday of each month. Visitors arrive at 10 a.m. to enjoy refreshments and receive an overview of the ministry. The group then goes on a walking and driving tour of campus that ends with a question and answer session.

Open Houses are led by PHFC staff and board members who have a passion for sharing their love of the ministry with visitors. Future open houses will be offered:



Visitors are welcome to come out and learn more about the ministry at Presbyterian Home on the second Wednesday of each month from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. To make a reservation, call 828-686-3451 or e-mail sthomas@presbyterianhomeforchildren.org today.

October 13, November 10,
February 9, March 9, April 13,
May 11 and June 8.

To attend an open house, contact Sarah Thomas or Candice Walsh at 828-686-3451.

Seeking Santas



Each year PHFC invites donors to provide gifts for our children on Christmas morning. Our goal is to find groups and individuals to make all the Christmas wishes of our 30+ children come true. If you'd like to learn more, call Cheryl Campbell at 545-4068.

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Those who remember the Home become members of the Hazel Johnson Legacy Society.

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Any donor who gives a minimum of \$10,000 to PHFC's Every Day Fund will be named an "Oak Sentinel," helping PHFC nurture a new generation of children, raising them up like mighty oaks. Sentinels are listed in a year's worth of newsletters. Our first sentinel:
Sidney Powell PC--Federal Appeals.com

Top 10 Needs

- 1. Supplies for the Independent Living Village** see gift registries at Target and Bed, Bath & Beyond. Look under first name "PHFC" and last name "youth"
- 2. Seasonal Decorations** - to keep campus fun and festive
- 3. Blenders and electric frying pans** - for youth cottage kitchens
- 4. Sleeping Bags** - for youth retreats
- 5. Good used vehicles** - for youth entering Independent Living
- 6. Leaf blowers and edgers**
- 7. Yard games** - to keep youth outside and active
- 8. Foster care supplies** - baby and toddler items, diapers, clothing, children's furniture
- 9. Interior Decor** - wall art, artificial plants, etc.
- 10. Sponsors for Independent Living Youth** - Two young men need sponsors who will help them meet daily needs and will keep up with special events (like birthdays)



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