



# Presbyterian Home for Children

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

## PHFC Sets \$1 Million EDF Goal

Presbyterian Home for Children has not only set a goal of increasing its annual Every Day Fund support, but also of reducing its dependence on government funding.

Everyone knows times are tough, but Presbyterian Home for Children has a big advantage—we have faith that God will direct us through challenging times.

In recent years, government funding has been steadily decreasing. As a result, the Home's Board of Directors has made it a goal for the ministry to become independent of government funds. Doing so will allow us to serve children and families in more flexible and sensitive ways. In order to accomplish this goal, PHFC needs to raise at least \$1 million in the coming fiscal year. That



*PHFC saw six youth graduate high school in 2009 with four youth beginning their college careers. Pictured left to right are Meg, Brandy, Victor, Logan and Mariah (Megan not pictured). Successes like these are made possible by the Home's many supporters.*

will allow us to continue serving children as government funding continues to decrease.

Please consider how you can help PHFC meet its fundraising goal and continue to help children.



*PHFC youth enjoyed a summer filled with activities made possible by generous donors. Outings to Camp Rockmont, Garden City and other locations would not be possible without your assistance. On-campus programs like Mind & Body challenged youth to remain active and engaged as they learned new skills, visited new places and grew in their Christian faith. Here, youth and staff cheer a young person taking a breathtaking trip down a water slide during PHFC's annual trip to Garden City Chapel in SC.*

## A Word from the President - Tom Campbell

*“This service that you perform is not only supplying the needs of God’s people but is also overflowing in many expressions of thanks to God. Because of the service by which you have proved yourselves, men will praise God for the obedience that accompanies your confession of the gospel of Christ, and for your generosity in sharing with them and with everyone else.” – 2 Corinthians 9:12-13*

Our youth and staff had a wonderful summer. We are ever grateful to our generous donors who helped us provide different activities this summer. From the beach retreat, to day camp at Camp Rockmont, to the on-campus Mind & Body program, it’s been a full summer. I hope the following words of thanks from our youth, staff and volunteers demonstrate how thankful we are and how your gifts impact the lives of our youth.

“...the sand castle toys provided led to the best traditional sand castle contest we have had in four years.” – Dan (Recreation Coordinator)

“Thank you so much for all you have done this week. I have really enjoyed all the activities and getting to know all the staff.

“I loved this chance to come and relax because I’ve been under a lot of pressure and needed a break. Thank you for your hard work. I can see y’all really care.” – Victoria

“Thank you for the love that you show for these growing young people, and thank you for

planting seeds of hope, forgiveness, and Christ in their hearts.” – Adam (House Parent)

“I’ve never been to the beach before and I’m so glad I chose this year to do it.... I just had a great time!” – Kendra

“Thank you for all the beach supplies! That aloe lotion felt great after too much fun-in-the-sun.” – Shelby (volunteer)

“No matter what my life is like when I go to [Wilderness Trail] when I leave I know I am going to live my life for God and that I can get through anything... You come from a bad past and for one week you are surrounded by positive. Positive people, positive music and devotion and it is so hard to leave.” – Mariah

“As House Parents, we try to do all we can for our kids, but we often forget that there are wonderful people, like you, who care about PHFC, who pray for the ministry we love, and who take the time and energy to share with us. All the sand toys and towels were great and will be used all week. The kids had a

great time sitting in the Yum-Yum Shop laughing and talking and eating ice cream. Thank you for your ministry to our kids. Thank you for keeping us in your thoughts and prayers.” – Billy (House Parent)

The relationships I see forming between our donors and our youth and staff are priceless. Please accept my heartfelt appreciation for your prayers, support, and generosity. You are making a difference in the lives of the youth we serve.



*PHFC President Tom Campbell and his wife Cheryl help lead the beach retreat each year.*

## Top 10 Projects

1. **Golf Tournament Host** – willing to help organize and run a golf tournament to benefit PHFC.
2. **Teachers** – piano, guitar, crafts, etc.; 1 hour weekly for 6-weeks.
3. **Skilled Craftsmen** – carvers to sculpt tree trunks.
4. **Tutors** – help children who are behind academically.
5. **Bike Repair** – help us maintain our bicycles.
6. **Gardener/Landscaper** – able to plant or maintain landscape.
7. **Auto Mechanic** – someone to help repair and maintain PHFC’s vehicles.
8. **Woodworker** – help youth make frames, birdhouses, etc.
9. **Plumber** – help with plumbing projects on an as needed basis.
10. **Develop Nature Area** - help clear trails and build a bridge.

## Alumni Picnic Time for Remembering



*Alumni Association President Ed Meyers (far right) visits with Bob O'Dell (second from right) and Ray Foster who attended the reunion with his wife Ann.*



*Alumni ranged from youth who have been at the Home in recent years to those who were residents in the 40s, 50s and 60s.*

## PHFC Fall Festival Includes Dedication

The Home's annual Fall Festival will be held October 17, 2009, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. The festival includes a silent auction, children's games, live music by Bobby & Blue Ridge Tradition, food and wagon rides.

An exciting addition for 2009 is the dedication of PHFC's new picnic pavilion. The shelter that can seat 250 was made possible in large part due to the generosity of First Presbyterian Church, Gastonia, which contributed funding and volunteer labor.

The pavilion is located near the Home's ballfields and includes bathrooms, water fountains and an impressive outdoor cooker. The space will be used for special events and outdoor activities in addition to providing comfort and shelter to PHFC youth enjoying the fields.

Visitors will also have a chance to see renovations volun-



*Staff, youth and volunteers enjoy music, food, games and a silent auction each year at PHFC's annual Fall Festival. The fundraising goal for 2009 is \$10,000.*

teers from First Presbyterian, Gastonia, made to Barkley Building, which is used for donations and volunteer housing.

Funds raised during the festival will go to support the annual Every Day Fund that meets the daily needs of children in care.

Donations of theme baskets and high end craft items are currently being accepted for the silent auction. Those interested in making a donation or learning more should contact Sarah Thomas at 828-686-3451 x31 or [Sarah\\_phfc@bellsouth.net](mailto:Sarah_phfc@bellsouth.net).

# Mind & Body Keeps Youth Active

## *Summer Program Made Possible by Donors*

by Paul Scouten, Community Coordinator

Lights, Camera, Action! Mind & Body, PHFC's summer educational program, encourages youth to catch up on their learning and keep their brains active through the long summer months by engaging them in hands on learning.

Youth kicked off the program by attending one full week of Day Camp at Camp Rockmont. PHFC was blessed by generous donations from the camp and various local benefactors whose sponsorship made this week a reality. Youth pushed their limits with rock climbing, horseback riding, kayaking and even hip hop dancing. Throughout the whole week, youth wore genuine smiles they could not hide.

Donna Marie Todd led week two with drama classes. Todd led improv games, helped youth



*Dalton gave making pottery a whirl at Montreat.*



*Youth learn new skills while keeping fit with mountain biking.*



*Katie got to meet a spider.*

create masks, and facilitated children scripting their own dramas. Once comfortable with the improv process, the youth involved demonstrated their creativity and talent.

"Up, Up, and Away", the theme for the third week of Mind and Body, included making and launching rockets on campus. The week ended with a tour of Odyssey Aviation, a private jet agency at the Asheville Airport.

Youth were able to see the inside of a private jet in addition to hearing a private pilot share the educational requirements for becoming a pilot, what activities would assist a hopeful young



*Brandy experienced riding.*

pilot to prepare, and what it is like being a pilot.

Week four was Public Safety Week with tours of local fire, EMS and police stations. Survivor Week challenged youth limits with outdoor activities, sports and a challenge course run.

The Mind & Body program concluded with youth and staff's favorite week--the Iron Chef Cook-Off. Youth shopped for local foods at the Western North Carolina Farmer's Market and then prepared delicious dishes to tempt the judges in this popular, annual competition.

Summer programming was made possible thanks to donors.

# Beach Retreat Offers New Experience

by Adam Hill, House Parent

As a House Parent for the past three years, I had yet to have the pleasure of going on the beach retreat that many of our youth have experienced with us. This year, it was time!

Day one started in a blur after our commute over to the fabulous Garden City Chapel which served as our lodging for the week. It immediately felt special to be there as we all witnessed several young people in our group stick their feet in the ocean for the first time, having only dreamed what the sand and sea would look and feel like!

A walk along the beach over to the pier allowed us all to get an idea of our surroundings for the adventure that was coming.

Each day, we were encouraged to do some self reflection and step it up in showing leadership. The recurrent theme for the week focused on having a personal relationship with Christ. Jeff

Beacraft, a regular participant in the beach retreats, led several devotions to that effect. A real life example was also provided by the excellent staffs from PHFC and Garden City Chapel.

Each day, our group was blessed with great food (and the cooks who prepared it), awesome activities and beautiful beach weather. We visited theaters, a water park, and an aquarium all courtesy of Garden City Chapel.

Trips to the beach provided us with the opportunity to body surf, throw a football around, play keep-away and have the meanest sand castle competition that Garden City has ever seen!

The annual PHFC Sand Volleyball game, along with some games in the pool, allowed the kids to learn about competition and sportsmanship, while our trips to the local ice cream shop kept us well fed!

And just like that . . . it was over. We were heading back to



*House Parent Adam poses with youth while playing mini golf.*

Black Mountain wondering what happened to the days, as the pull of the beach reminded each of us that we couldn't neglect what we had learned about ourselves and our Savior while there.

As I think back on my experience at the 2009 PHFC Beach Retreat, I challenge everyone reading this to pray, not only for the young people who will be a part of the next trip, but also for the ways that we can play a part in changing the lives of the youth at PHFC each day.

## Gifts to the Home May 16-July 31, 2009

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Consider planned giving as a way to ensure PHFC will continue in its mission to glorify God by caring for children and families for years to come. The simplest ways to remember the Home are through bequests or by naming PHFC as a beneficiary of an insurance policy. Call 828-686-3451 for more information.

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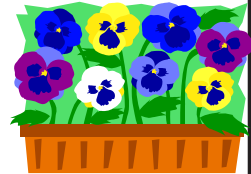
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## Top 10 Needs

- 1. Supplies for the Independent Living Village** see gift registries at Target, Wal-Mart and Bed, Bath & Beyond. Look under first name "PHFC" and last name "youth"
- 2. Twin bedding for teens** - spreads, sheets and pillows for older youth
- 3. Hair straighteners and small fans** for youth rooms
- 4. Two 60-foot I-beams** - to build a bridge to our nature area
- 5. Good used vehicles** - for youth entering the Independent Living Program
- 6. Gas weed eaters & leaf blowers**
- 7. Porch planters and porch furniture** - to beautify campus
- 8. Sound system** - for new picnic pavilion
- 9. Foster care supplies** - diapers, car seats, new clothing, baby supplies, etc.
- 10. Holiday decor** - Halloween, Thanksgiving, Christmas, Valentine's Day, Easter, etc.



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