

Wings

A Newsletter for Friends of Youth Home, Inc. Summer 2006



Eggstrodinary Results!!

"Eggstrodinary" best describes Eggshibition XV, Youth Home's largest fundraiser, held on Friday, April 7, 2006 at Clear Channel Metroplex. The beautiful decorations, delicious food, and egg-citing auction items made this an event to remember!



This year Eggshibition netted over \$147,000, making it Youth Home's most successful event to date.

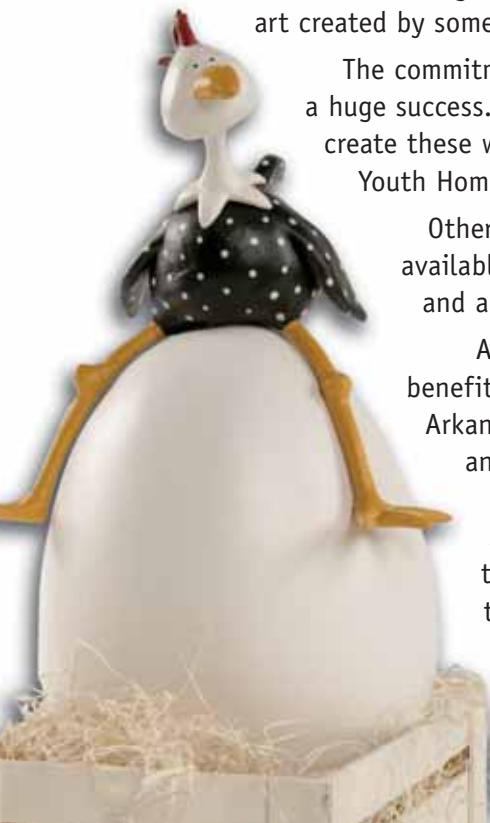
More than 750 guests bid on egg-cellent pieces of original art created by some of Arkansas' most renowned artists.

The commitment of the Egg artists makes this event a huge success. The donation of their time and talents to create these works of art is a special gift to the kids at Youth Home.

Other silent and live auction items were also available including a flyaway dinner to Destin and a chance to see Dr. Phil in Hollywood.

All proceeds from Eggshibition directly benefit the programs at Youth Home, helping Arkansas' emotionally troubled adolescents and families become healthier contributing members of the community. The continued support of all our donors, including those who give to Eggshibition, ensures that Youth Home will remain the highest quality provider of mental health services for youth in Arkansas.

To help with Eggshibition 2007, call Chrissy Jennings at 501.821.5500.



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Youth Home Welcomes New Chief Operating Officer

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New Executive Board Officers and Board Member of the Year

Plus more...

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Youth Home, Inc. is to help emotionally troubled adolescents and families become healthier contributing members of the community.



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Division of Youth Services awards \$100,000 Grant to Youth Home

The Division of Youth Services awarded Youth Home a \$100,000 Juvenile Justice grant for the "Strengthening Families" program. Youth Home's Community Program Manager, Tracy Caldwell, is excited about the addition of "Strengthening Families" to the programs and services of Youth Home, Inc. "We are thrilled to have been awarded this grant. We believe that juveniles and their families can make major changes with enough support and encouragement."

"Strengthening Families" is an innovative program that will focus on youth ages 10 to 14. The program will focus on preventing juvenile delinquency and helping these youth remain out of the juvenile justice system. The program will provide intensive case management services, individual and family therapy. Other components of the program include making positive life changes and promoting positive ways to resolve conflicts and problems.



A BIG Youth Home THANKS

to Arthur Murray Dance Studio for donating over 400 books to Youth Home's Siebert Educational Center Library!

HONORARIUMS AND MEMORIALS

Honorariums

Carolyn McCune
By Elizabeth McCune

Felisha Baquera (Graduation)
By Fran Carter
Chrissy Jennings
Matt Cleveland
Katresha Bell

Tracy Caldwell
By W. K. Mouser

Carter Harbuck
Martha Harbuck
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Memorials

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Robert Dean Smith IV
Sidney A. Newbomb
Anna Marie Highsmith Magro
Guy W. Kochel Sr.
Johnnie Ruth Elza Qualls
By Ralph G. Brodie

Marjorie Lou Harris
By Antje Harris

Ruth Sipes
By Margaret S. Kolb

Shelly Kay Pharis
By Caroline and Cliff Riggs

Greek Food Festival

Youth Home, Inc. was one of six non-profits which benefited from the International Greek Food Festival. The festival was held May 19-21 at the Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church in Little Rock.

Youth Home provided 85 volunteers who worked 118 shifts for a total of 450 volunteer hours!

A special thank you to all the volunteers who helped make this a successful event to benefit the kids of Youth Home.



Youth Home Gets a New Look

Changes have been taking place on the Youth Home campus. Facilities Director Brian Carroll and the maintenance department have put in long hours to update the interior of Youth Home's Carol Burns Smelley Administration building. Interior colors have been updated to give Youth Home a fresh new look as we celebrate 40 years of providing quality service to emotionally troubled adolescents in Arkansas.



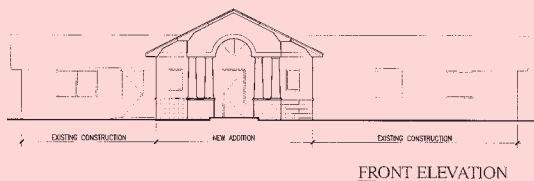
Youth Home, Inc. Young Professionals Group

A young professionals group that will host special events benefiting Youth Home is currently accepting members. The "Founders" membership fee is \$15 through September 2006, and will increase to \$25 after this date. The young professionals group will provide networking opportunities and plan special events to benefit the programs and services of Youth Home, Inc. The first meeting date is scheduled for October 2006. If you are interested in being a part of this exciting new group contact Chrissy Jennings, Special Event Coordinator, at 501.821.5500 or by email at chrissy.jennings@youthhome.org.

Youth Home Receives \$100,000 Grant for Crestview House

Youth Home is the recipient of a \$100,000 grant from the Roy and Christine Sturgis Charitable and Educational Trust of Dallas. The grant will allow Youth Home to make safety and structural improvements to Crestview House, which offers residential treatment for emotionally troubled adolescent boys.

In October 2005, Crestview transitioned from a boys' foster care program to a boys' residential treatment program. Beth Cartwright, Youth Home's executive director said, "This grant will enable us to provide a safer and more secure environment for our patients at Crestview House, and in turn allow us to more effectively meet the challenge of caring for Arkansas' most severely emotionally troubled teenagers."



Youth Home's 2006 Graduation

Youth Home's Siebert Educational Center held its 2006 High School Graduation on Thursday, May 25. Siebert Educational Center students, staff, family and friends celebrated the graduation of three high school students with a ceremony in the Youth Home gymnasium. Ann Greiman, Education Director, spoke words of encouragement to the students and presented them with a gift to honor their accomplishments as they received their high school diplomas.



New Faces at Youth Home



David Napier
Chief Operating Officer

David Napier joined Youth Home, Inc. as Chief Operating Officer in April. David is a licensed building contractor and was a self-employed contractor and project manager with Napier Inc. of Florida. David served as pastor of Broadmoor Baptist Church in Baton Rouge, Louisiana for two years, and he served as senior associate pastor of Immanuel Baptist Church in Little Rock for 18 years.

David is an alumnus of Leadership Greater Little Rock VI, Florida State University, University of Florida, and New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary. David previously served as President of Youth Home's Board of Directors from 1997-1998.

"I was a youth minister and have always had a special place in my heart for teenagers, a 'calling', if you will. I love being part of an organization that is devoted to helping young people through the rough places in life."



Daria Jacobs
Admissions Coordinator

Daria Jacobs is a recent graduate of the University of Arkansas at Little Rock with a Bachelor's Degree in Psychology. Daria began her work at Youth Home as a Behavioral Specialist at Ozark House before joining the Admissions Department. Daria says that she enjoys her job as Admissions Coordinator because, "I realize that because of me one more child will be helped."



John Siccardi
Human Resources Generalist

John Siccardi is a native of Fayetteville, Arkansas, but grew up on the beaches of San Diego. John received a Master's Degree in Organizational Psychology from the University of Tulsa. His professional experiences include parent education, specialty recruiting, and drug and alcohol counseling. John says, "I feel very fortunate to be able to tie all my previous experiences into Human Resources with Youth Home."



Jami Hutton
Administrative Secretary

Jami Hutton was born in Clovis, New Mexico, but has lived in Little Rock for most of her life. She received a Bachelor's degree in Psychology from State University of New York at Potsdam. Jami came to work for Youth Home in March 2006 as receptionist, but was recently promoted to Administrative Secretary. Jami says, "I respect the work that Youth Home does by touching the lives of emotionally troubled kids."



Farewell to Fred

Fred Woodard received a warm farewell from the Youth Home family during a luncheon held in his honor on Monday, May 22. Fred retired from Youth Home after 21 years of service in March of this year. Tracy Caldwell, Program Manager, and Andrew Schubert, Clinical Therapist, shared kind words about Fred's tenure at Youth Home. Beth Cartwright, Executive Director, presented Fred with a plaque in honor of his commitment and dedication to the children at Youth Home.



Good Neighbors contribute to Youth Home

Neighbor-to-Neighbor is Youth Home's annual giving campaign that raises funds to support the programs and services that we offer to Arkansas' most severely emotionally troubled adolescents.

Each year Youth Home reaches out to the community, our Board of Directors, friends and employees to come together and make an annual gift to support Youth Home. The 2005-2006 Neighbor-to-Neighbor campaign raised nearly \$30,000 for the boys and girls at Youth Home.

With 100% participation from Youth Home's Board of Directors and Executive Staff, generous employee contributions and a great response from the community, we are able to meet many additional needs of the emotionally troubled teens Youth Home serves.

Your Neighbor-to-Neighbor dollars fund programs at Youth Home such as recreation therapy, charity care, transportation assistance for families, and social activities for patients and their families.

Thank you to everyone who gives annually to make Youth Home a better place for children and families to become healthier contributing members of their community. Through your support Youth Home is able to change lives and save families. To make your gift this year, please call Matt Cleveland at 501.821.5500.

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"At Youth Home, I was around peers that cared about me, and the Youth Home staff never gave up on me."

-Youth Home Patient

"...We all know that all the money in the world cannot save a child from the cruel twist of fate; only people like all of you can help a child in dire need; and only people like all of you are willing to sacrifice."

*-The Jackson Family
In a Letter to Youth Home*

It's Back-to-School time! Visit our website at www.YouthHome.org for a list of supplies needed to help our kids this school year.

Board Bits

Board Dinner and New Executive Officers

In June, Youth Home's Annual Board Dinner was held at Brave New Restaurant, where the board assigned new officers and celebrated Youth Home's achievements from the past year.



Left to right: David Aston, Jeff Hildebrand, Phillip Jett

Phillip Jett, Executive Vice President of Lending for Regions Bank, was elected President of Youth Home, Inc.'s Board of Directors for the 2006-2007 fiscal year. He follows David Aston, who will serve as immediate Past President. Other officers elected were Vice President Jeff Hildebrand, Secretary Christie Bardwell and Treasurer Jeff Stinson.

Board Member of the Year

The Youth Home 2006 Board Member of the Year is Christie Bardwell. She joined the board in 2003 and currently serves as Development Chair. Christie is the newsletter publisher for Vestcom International. She attends Fellowship Bible Church and enjoys painting and playing golf and piano. Christie is also one of our Eggshibition artists. Congratulations Christie!



Steve and Christie Bardwell



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STAFF HONORS:

Congratulations to Beth Butler, Youth Home's Clinical Therapist of the Year
Congratulacions to Kelly DeStefano, graduate of Leadership Greater Little Rock XXI



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