

# Open Doors

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*Giving Children Hope & Purpose For The Future*

**PCHH**

***Congratulations Class of 2018!***



Cameron

Cameron is our Floyd County High School graduate this year. His plans are to attend Wytheville Community College this Fall working for a double major in Computer Engineering and Accounting. Cameron wants to remain with the Children's Home past his 18th birthday.



Chris

Chris is one of our George Wythe High School graduates this year. He currently works at Bob Evans and has plans of continuing in the food service industry in his hometown while considering his college options this fall.



Donald

Donald is our George Wythe High School and the Wythe County Technology Center graduate this year. His concentrated area of study was welding. He has been working with an Army Recruiter to enter the military upon turning 18 years of age in the Fall.

As you might imagine, one of the key elements of the care we provide for our children and youth is education. Most of them come to us lagging behind in their studies. It is not because they are not smart enough to excel but the situations they have come from has been anything but conducive to academic success. PCHH evaluates their need and then provides the academic environment that helps them to achieve their potential. If the student is capable of entering one of the local public schools then they are enrolled in the appropriate grade. If intensive academic care is needed... we enroll them in our on-campus school. We have partnered with Lutheran Family Services to provide this intensive program which helps each student to excelebrate their current level of abilities to catch-up to their expected level. The school on our campus not only serves the students in our care that need it but also serves many students who are not successful in public schools in the surrounding communities. They are transported each school day to our campus and receive the benefit of this special program.

We are so blessed to get to work with children and youth in need! Thank you so much for helping us! Education is just another way PCHH gets to live out our mission of "Giving Children Hope and Purpose for the Future."



**Billy Rice**  
Executive Director

I hope you enjoyed reading about our recent graduates featured on our cover. Graduation from high school is a rite of passage that most of us remember fondly, but I think it is especially gratifying for our youngsters. Each of them has overcome obstacles that made academic success difficult for them, but they have shown the fortitude to reach this major life milestone.

Our staff takes great pride in the accomplishments of our children. An event like graduation is the culmination of the love and guidance they receive while in our care. It is hard to make school a priority if you are not sure where your next meal will come from or if you are trying to avoid whatever abusive behavior occurs in your home. We provide the love, guidance and experiences that not only give them the opportunity to succeed while they are with us, but also will allow them to break the chains of abuse and neglect in their adult lives.

The ability to provide a home such as ours is why our 100th Anniversary campaign is so important. During these difficult times it is vital that our ministry is able to provide a home for children in need now and into the next century of service. In order to care for these children and serve their families, it is imperative that we have the necessary financial support. We know that we can count on our loyal supporters and those just learning about our ministry to make it happen. God bless you!

*Billy*

## BOARD MEMBERSHIP

As you may know, this ministry is governed by an 18-member voluntary Board of Directors elected from Presbyterian congregations all across the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Our board members bring work, wealth and/or wisdom in their service to these children. They make a tremendous difference in the ministry of this Home. If you feel the tug of a calling to serve in this capacity, please call Wynette at 276.228.2861 or email her at [wynette@pchh.org](mailto:wynette@pchh.org).

## Mark Your Calendar!

Saturday

September 21, 2019

has been designated as the on-campus day of celebration

for our **100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary!**

Many exciting activities.

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This agency complies with all state and federal non-profit fundraising regulations.  
A financial statement is available for the asking.

Open Doors is an educational publication produced in-house periodically to provide insights about PCHH.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR  
Billy Rice

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- Janet Cassell - Austintville, VA
- David Dickerson - Radford, VA
- Sarah Eller - Salem, VA
- Floyd Gilbert - Virginia Beach, VA
- Tom Gisinier - Vinton, VA
- Mike Hendricksen - Harrisonburg, VA
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- \*Jim Kelly - Marion, VA
- \*\* Brenda Lawson - Richlands, VA
- Gale Legg - Hillsville, VA
- Jill Keifer - Norfolk, VA
- Rachel Messman - Alexandria, VA
- Jayne Sneed - Richmond, VA
- Pam Snyder - Staunton, VA
- Theresa Underwood - Buchanan, VA
- Ed Whitehead - Bristol, VA
- Shelda Wills - Christiansburg, VA

\*Moderator \*\* Vice-Moderator

## PCHH NEEDS

### Current Needs...

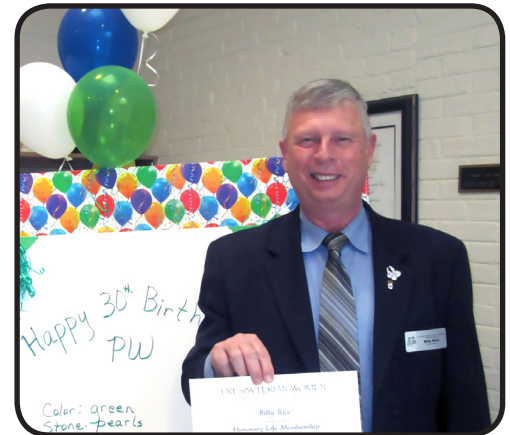
- Digital radio alarm clocks
- Bath towels & wash cloths
- Quality used vehicles
- Gift cards (Walmart, VISA, McDonalds, Wendy's, Bojangles)
- Softballs
- Softball gloves & bats
- Daily prayers, always!

Keep track of more needs by checking our website:

[www.pchh.org](http://www.pchh.org)

## LIFE AWARD PRESENTED

Billy Rice, our Executive Director, was recently presented an Honary Life Membership by the Presbyterian Church U.S.A. The Presbyterian Women of Abingdon Presbytery presented the award at their Spring Gathering which was held at the Wytheville Presbyterian Church. Presbyterian Women have been long time supporters of our ministry and we appreciate all their hard work. Congratulations Billy!



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## ATTENTION ALL GOLFERS...

Mark your calendars NOW for *Friday, August 3, 2018*. This will be the day we start a new tradition for the Home as we will be *Teeing Off FORE the Children*. This will become an annual fundraising event for our Endowment Fund and will be held annually on the first Friday in August.

This year we will be competing on the beautiful Wytheville Golf Club. The club which was established in 1930 has been providing championship caliber golf over 80 years and is located within sight of our campus. From several tees and greens you get a great look at our facilities. There is no doubt that the course will challenge every aspect of your game.

The tournament format will be a standard 4 player Captain's Choice. All players will be allowed one (1) red tee per round. Teams will also have the opportunity to participate in our longest drive contest, accurate drive contest as well as our longest putt contest. We are looking forward to a day full of fun and excitement. We are also going to be offering closest to the pin prizes on every hole with these winners being entered into a drawing for the chance to take a Million Dollar shot.

Random drawings for foursomes to regional golf courses as well as other prizes will be conducted during our awards ceremony. Trophies will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place.

Sign up now and make plans to join us for a great day of fun and fellowship for a great cause. The cost will be \$300 per team or \$75 per individual.

Contact Dale Yontz at 276.724.0309, e-mail at [dale@pchh.org](mailto:dale@pchh.org) or go online at [www.pchh.org](http://www.pchh.org), fill out the form below and mail it to PCHH Golf Tournament, P. O. Box 545, Wytheville, VA 24382.

Join us in **Teeing Off FORE the Children!**

### Tournament Entry Info

- TEAM \$300**
- INDIVIDUAL \$75**
- SPONSOR \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**Team:** Please include a listing of players' names, addresses, phone numbers and e-mail addresses along with your check for \$300.

**Individual:** Please include your name, address, phone number and e-mail address along with your check for \$75.

**Sponsor:** Please include your name, company name, address, phone number and e-mail address plus the information for your advertisement.

For more information: Call Dale Yontz at 276.724.0309.

Please return to:

**PCHH, P.O.Box 545, Wytheville, VA 24382**  
by July 28, 2018. First 25 teams will receive NOON Tee time, others will play at 8AM on August 3, 2018.

### 1<sup>st</sup> Annual PCHH Golf Ball Drop

On the day of the tournament all of the numbered balls that have been purchased will be placed in a bucket and hoisted above a designated green in a bucket truck. All of the balls will be poured out onto the green from the bucket and the one that is closest to or in the hole wins the prize. In the event of a tie, those balls in the tie will be re dropped until a clear winner is determined. The cost for this is a \$50.00 donation which will purchase a ticket and corresponding ball. You do not have to be present to win! **Call today** for more info! Thanks for helping us continue *Giving Children Hope And Purpose for the Future.*

# Recent Activities and Trips

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