

Open Doors

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Giving Children Hope and Purpose For The Future

PCHH

Jeremiah 29:11

GOLF TOURNAMENT SUCCESS



This year's Golf Tournament and Ball Drop was another rousing success. Thanks to everyone who participated through the purchase of a ticket, sponsoring a hole, an inkind donation or even participating by playing. With the support we received we were able to raise over \$20,000 for our ministry. Every penny of this will go toward our children and the needs they have while here at PCHH. The players had to battle some weather but nothing like we had seen in the past. Regardless of the weather, spirits were high and everyone had a fantastic time. The ball drop was another successful event. This year we added 50 additional balls which gave us the ability to give away a second prize of \$1,000 with our first prize of \$5,000. A special thank you to P.R. Sturgill Fine Jewelry for the beautiful donation of a limited edition divot tool which was made from Damascus Steel and Dinosaur bone. When all was said and done our winners were Marvin Butler, First Prize, Ferd Harvey, Second Prize and Hayden Rice, Third Prize. The three teams who won the golf tournament all tied with a score of 56 or 14 under par. First Place - Team First Bank, Second Place - Team Duke's Printing and Third - Team Hash. Congratulations to all of our winners and thank you again for your support and participation. Please stay tuned as 2023 Ball Drop Tickets will be on sale soon. Finally make sure to mark your calendars for Friday, **August 4, 2023** for another day of golfing fun and fellowship.



PCHH Alumnus Jimmy Nichols and his sons joined us for a great day of golf and fellowship. Jimmy is an avid supporter of the home and one that is truly a success story. Thank you Jimmy and family for your continued love and support of our ministry.

Executive Director's Comments



Billy Rice
Executive
Director

Our children returned to school on August 16th, and for a moment it reminded me of how things were before the pandemic. They were going to school in person, there are no mask requirements at this point, and virtual education seems like a distant memory. At the same time, we know that some of the changes brought about by the pandemic are not going away. Zoom meetings are here to stay, and they have made it easier to conduct our Board committee meetings. COVID is still with us, but we are better equipped to deal with it and it no longer sends fear through our entire organization. Some organizations have em-

braced the virtual workplace, but you will see all of our employees on campus if you visit. When your mission is caring for children, it's a hands on operation!

As we are returning to normal in many ways, we are dealing with the effects of inflation on our operating costs. The two essential areas that have taken the biggest hit are food and gasoline purchases. Both of these areas are well above our projections, and we have made adjustments in other areas in an effort to balance the expense side of our budget. One of those areas is the printing cost that we incur when we produce our newsletters. This is one of the reasons we are doing our third 2022 newsletter on line. Printing costs have increased dramatically, and we hope to be able to save some money while still getting the information to our supporters that you enjoy and are used to receiving.

Thank you for understanding the

reasons behind this decision. We do want your feedback, so please let us know what you think. We will be evaluating the pluses and minuses of the online edition as we look forward to 2023. I also want to thank everyone for their love and support. I realize that inflation has affected your families too, and your generosity and devotion to our children has helped us get through this difficult time. We cannot fulfill our mission "giving children hope and purpose for the future", without you.

With hope,

Billy



Recent Blessing Drive conducted for the Home by Galena & Anchor of Hope Presbyterian Churches.

Summer Education at PCHH

Our students participated in the Talent Search Program at Wytheville Community College this summer. The program is designed to expose the participants to educational and vocational opportunities that are available to them. The students visited four community colleges throughout Southwest Virginia, and each of them focused on a vocational training program they offer. They received information and basic instruction in auto maintenance, culinary arts, first responder training (fire, law enforcement and EMT training), meteorology and mass communication (including radio broadcasting and commercial advertising.

We want to thank Wytheville Community College for making this program available to our residents. They really enjoyed their trips and it gave them some ideas for their future.



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Billy Rice

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New Faces on Campus



Debbie Riggs is our new Case Worker replacing Zac Carter. She is a native of Tazewell County, Virginia and a graduate of Radford University with degrees in Elementary Education and Special Education. After graduation, more endorsements were earned continuing her education. After 31 years as a Special Education teacher, she took time to travel with her husband visiting 48 states and Canada. Feeling a need to return to teaching, Debbie, taught Adult Education (Transitional Services - GED Program) at New River Community College. She is very excited to be a part of the PCHH family! WELCOME DEBBIE!!!

The Virtual Age

Dale T. Yontz, Development Director



In today's world, we have learned about the convenience of the virtual age. A time of online meetings where we can still meet face to face, publications that we no longer have to hold in our hands and many other conveniences that sometimes people feel cross the boundaries of the personal touch. For this edition on the PCHH newsletter we are trying an all online version to see how it fares. Please note this is a test and not something that will become a regular practice. We are trying this in response to the continued rising inflation to see if we can mitigate just a little cost in this particular area. Please feel free to let us know your thoughts and feedback on this special edition newsletter. We love to hear from our supporters as you are the ones who make our ministry possible. If you are unable to attain a virtual copy of the newsletter please email: dale@pchh.org or call 276-228-2861 and we will send you a printed copy. Again, we are only experimenting to see exactly what printing one less newsletter and mailing it will save us. We greatly appreciate your patience, understanding and support as we try this for the first time. We are prayerfully anticipating positive feedback and continued support from all of our donors as we go down this road. May God richly bless you all.

Blessings,



Shower of Blessings for



Presbyterian Children's Home of the Highlands

- Shampoo
- Conditioner
- Body Wash
- Deodorant
- Laundry detergent pods
- Dryer sheets
- Dishwasher pods
- Craft supplies
- Good used vehicles
- Remember PCHH in your Estate Planning
- Schedule to visit our campus
- Prayers, Prayers, Prayers



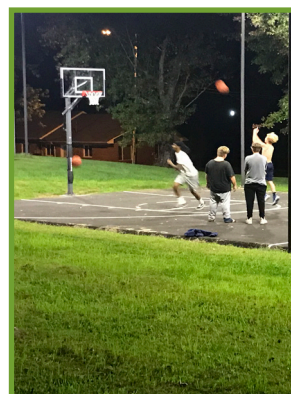
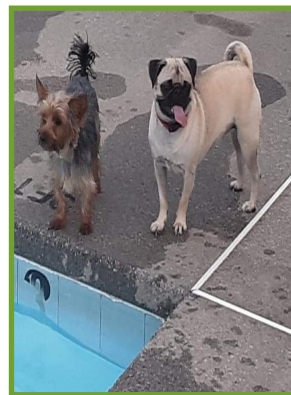
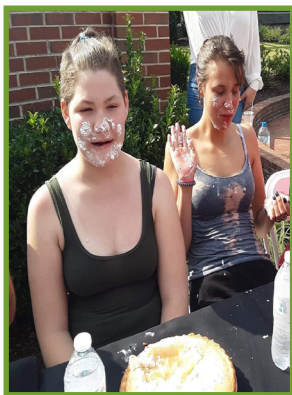
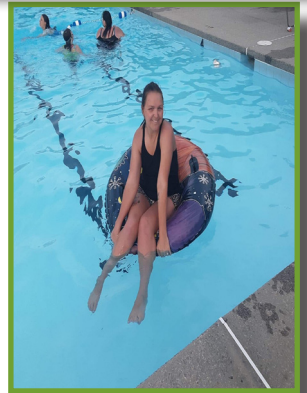
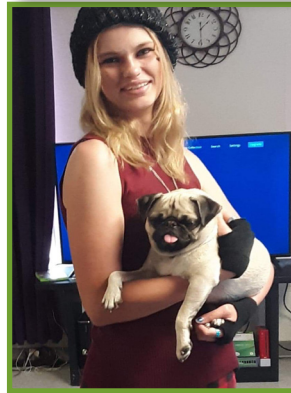
2023 Dates to Remember

August 4, 2023 - Golf Tournament

August 4, 2023 - Ball Drop

Dates are tentative and subject to change. Please watch our Facebook page and website for updates due to weather and COVID-19.

SUMMERTIME FUN at PGHH



We Proudly Accept:

