

Free Will Baptist Children's Home Newsletter

July—August 2009

Construction Has Begun

The dirt work is done. The concrete slab is poured. The metal is on the way and soon the steel will be going up. Construction on our new pavilion is definitely underway. When completed, the 70' x 120' building will provide recreational space for the children and a meeting location for large events. With several large garage doors on each side of the building, the new facility can be an open air pavilion in good weather or be closed during inclement conditions. Our friends with the Eldridge Toy Run are instrumental in helping make the facility a reality. Follow the construction progress on our web site. The project should be completed sometime in August.



2009 Graduate

Congratulations to April Jordan who recently graduated from Winfield City High School. April, who has lived at the Home for four years, received her diploma on May 22nd. She plans to enroll in Beville State Community College this fall and study nursing. She was the recipient of the 2009 Ron Melton Scholarship, established by the Eldridge Toy Run Benefit Team.

April is very appreciative of her time at FWBCH. She said, "They have treated me as their own." While living at the Home, April was baptized at the Winfield FWB Church and stated, "I have grown spiritually so much since being here." Please remember April in your prayers as she begins this next step of her life. We are proud of you, April!



PURPOSE

Free Will Baptist Children's Home is a ministry of the Alabama State Association of FWB's. As a non-profit organization, FWBCH provides a loving, home-like, Christian atmosphere for abused, neglected, abandoned, or troubled children. Our task is to help children hurt by life to find faith in God and enter adulthood as responsible Christian men and women with a purpose in life.

The FWB Children's Home Newsletter is published bi-monthly to keep friends informed of current activities, programs, and service. If you have any questions, suggestions, or comments, please contact us:



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“Congratulations to the following students for making the semester honor roll!”

Chase - 2nd	Paula - 7th
Justin - 2nd	Harley - 8th
Michael - 3rd	Ashley - 9th
Lindsay - 3rd	Dustin - 9th
Nick - 4th	April - 12th

Pictured is our new tractor. It is a L3130 Kubota and was recently donated by Black Brothers of Fayette and Tuscaloosa Tractor. It has already been a real help and blessing around the campus. Thanks to those who made it possible!



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Ashley 6-20-94	Harley 7-10-94	Chase 7-15-00
Jonathan 7-17-94	Paula 7-19-95	Lindsey 8-19-99
Mary Beth 8-26-94		

We encourage our students to participate in school activities. Paula chose to do so by joining the track team at Winfield City High. Though only 13, she did extremely well and qualified to compete at AHSAA 3A State Track Meet held in Gulf Shores, AL. Paula ran the 400 meter (finishing 4th), the 800 meter (6th place), and the 4 x 800 meter (8th place). As a result she was presented the 3A All State Award. The WCHS Track and Field team awarded her as “Rookie of the Year.” Well done, Paula!



ON THE WEB

We have a new web address. You can find us at www.fwbhome.org. There you will find announcements, photos, construction progress and general information. It's a great way to keep up-dated on the Home or request specific information. Donations can also be made using the convenience of Pay Pal. Just go to our home page and click on "Donate". You will be instructed how to make your donation. An acknowledgment of your gift will be sent from our office. Thanks to David Matthews for his assistance as our webmaster!

PRAYER BREAKFAST

On Wednesday, May 20th, FWBCH hosted a prayer breakfast. After a delicious meal of eggs, bacon, sausage, biscuits, and fruit, twenty pastors and layman joined our staff to pray for God's leadership in two key areas—the search for the Home's Executive Director and the search for Pastor at the Winfield FWB Church (the church where our children attend). Each pastor attending received a book and CD which addressed the potential of the Home's ministry.



MEMORIAL GIFTS

Below are memorial contributions from April 2009—May 2009. We thank all those who honor their loved ones in this special way.



IN MEMORY

Mike Gilbreath

Gloria House

Mary Virginia Lightsey

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You may pay tribute to your loved one with a donation in their honor. Please include with your gift the information needed to notify the family. Recognition will also appear in the upcoming newsletter.



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Investing today in the heart of tomorrow.

Items Needed:

Lemonade mix
Rotel
Juice
Snack foods
13 gal. garbage bags
Pine-sol
Clorox wipes
Bleach
Powdered bleach
Liquid washing powder

Mops
Brooms
Dust pans
Mop buckets
Rakes , shovels, hoes
Pillows
Divided styro plates
16oz cups
Hamburger meat



We want to thank you for all the items that you continue to donate each time we send out a newsletter. This is a tremendous help to us.

THANKS FOR CARING