

News from the Hill

November 2015

A Safe Place to Be a Child

A Prayer Felt Round the World

Memorial Gifts

In Loving Memory of
Dwayne Baskett
Contributed by
Lanelle Baskett

In Loving Memory of
Susanne Baskett
Burford Kanatzar
Contributed by
Helen Kanatzar

In Loving Memory of
Nelson Bell
Russell Semon
Contributed by
Henry & Anita Semon

In Loving Memory of
Mac Evans
Contributed by
Joyce Evans

In Loving Memory of
Edward (Ed) Gibbs
Jerome J. Fisher
Richard McFarland
LaDonna A. Schugel
Contributed by
Jerry & Maggie Ubl

In Loving Memory of
Alma Hanson
Contributed by
Lincoln Mitchell, Jr.

In Loving Memory of
Bob Eubanks
Contributed by
Carol Britt
Charles & Jeanne Caine
Roger & Earleen Duncan
Terry & Shelly Dykes
Faith Riders
Dale & Shirley Griessel
Pete & Karon Huggler
Homer James

Bonnie Marshall
Angela Perkins
James & Katie Preston
Mark & Joyce Schlemper
Burns & Judith Smith
William & Donna Thompson
Kristina Weaver-Shoop
Shirley Williams

In Loving Memory of
Gilbert Huskey
John Richard
Contributed by
Joe & Glenda Castrop

In Loving Memory of
Barbara Koch
Contributed by
Virgil & Joy Gardner

In Loving Memory of
Harold Lawson
Contributed by
Marilyn Lawson

In Loving Memory of
Amanda McDaniel
Contributed by
Mary Dykhuizen
Miles & Lisa McCoy family
Morris & Joyce McDaniel

In Loving Memory of
Mary E. Minor
Contributed by
Barton & Linda Backus

In Loving Memory of
Dr. Lester Nordyke
Contributed by
Dr. K.A. Parry

In Loving Memory of
Bob Penfield
Contributed by
Frederick & Nancy Fritsch

In Loving Memory of
Dan Porter
Contributed by
Eddie & Brenda Porter

In Loving Memory of
Robert Sapp
Contributed by
Jim & Mary Foutz

In Loving Memory of
Jane Wheaton
Jeannette Wheaton
Contributed by
Howell Wheaton

Honor Gifts

In Honor of
Elaine Carr
Jeffrey Carr
Contributed by
Lucille Fenton



Coyote Hill
Christian
Children's
Home

*Providing a
professional, yet
traditional family
home for abused &
neglected children
in mid-Missouri
since 1991.*

P.O. Box 1
9501 Coyote Hill Rd.
Harrisburg, MO 65256
(573) 874-0179
(573) 875-0510 fax

Email:
office@coyotehill.org

Web:
www.coyotehill.org

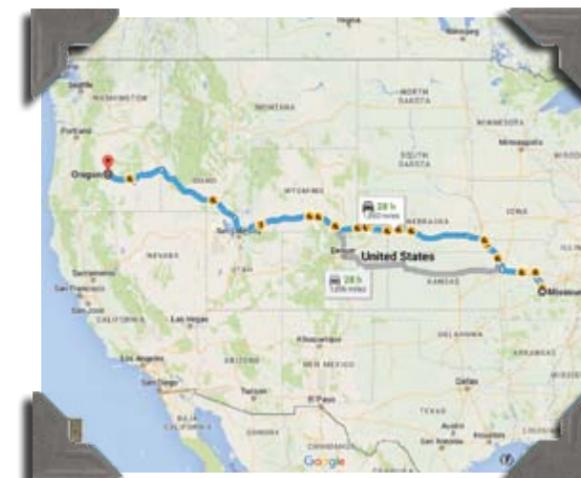


Coyote Hill provides physical, educational and emotional support for our children, as well as individual and spiritual growth. Much of the spiritual growth happens under the care and direction of the child's Home Parents. Our Home Parents choose where the family will attend church, how to be involved in that church, what their family devotions will look like, etc.

We have amazing Home Parents who take this responsibility of overseeing the spiritual growth of the children in their home very seriously. It's not something we or they like to "brag" about - that would take away from the true purpose. But occasionally we like to share a story about how that growth is impacting the child, their Home Parents, and yes, even the world in which we live. Home Parent Dad Al Howell tells of one such instance:

"We like to pray together as a family, when we can, for different parts of the world. We put directions from Harrisburg to wherever the place is in Google maps. This helps the kids get a better understanding of the location we are praying for. After we talk about the specific need for prayer in that area, each child gets the opportunity, if they choose, to pray for that place."

"A couple days after the tragic shooting at the college in Oregon in October, I told the kids at breakfast that when we were finished eating, we would be praying for Oregon. Our six-year-old, Kenneth, then asked, 'Why is Oregon hurting?'"*



**name changed for sake of confidentiality*

"The way in which he phrased that question made my heart melt."

"You need to understand that normally, Kenneth's prayers are short and go something like this, 'Dear God I pray we have a good day and that you help the people in ____.' But this time it was different. Kenneth prayed for Oregon. He prayed for the victims and their families. He prayed for the school. Last of all, he prayed that the shooter knew Jesus before he died."

"It's a privilege to see that this young boy's heart hurts when God's does."

We count it a privilege to be entrusted with the care of these precious children. Thank you for granting us that privilege by being a part of our Coyote Hill family of supporters!

Memorial and honor gifts must be received by the 12th of this month in order to be included in next month's newsletter.



Christmas for Kids

We need your help to make this a “Dream Come True Christmas” for all of the children who call us home.

- ★ Sponsor part or all of a child's wish list
- ★ Donate wrapping paper, gift bags or tags
- ★ Make a donation to Coyote Hill for gift purchases
- ★ Sponsor part or all of a Home's wish list
- ★ Spread holiday cheer by volunteering at The Hill



Drop off gifts between Monday, November 23 - Friday, December 4 during these times at First Presbyterian Church (downtown, 16 Hitt Street):

Monday, Nov. 23 - Wednesday, Nov. 25: 8am - 1pm
 Monday, Nov. 30 - Wednesday, Dec. 2: 8am - 1pm
 Friday, Dec. 4: 12pm - 5:30pm

Visions of Christmas Past...

Dad Brian Wallace reflects on his very first Christmas morning at Coyote Hill, shortly after he and his wife Mandy came to serve as Home Parents in The Atherton Home in 2014:

“I remember the look on all of the kids’ faces on Christmas morning - looks of amazement as they realized how much they had been blessed with! I was in tears as some even got excited about receiving socks. They were so thankful and we were so blessed to be a part of this. It was an amazing day to celebrate Christ’s birth.”

Contact Liza Thompson
 to give or volunteer:
liza@coyotehill.org
 (573) 874-0179

If mailing donations, use the enclosed envelope and designate it “Christmas for Kids.”



Heads or Tails Game

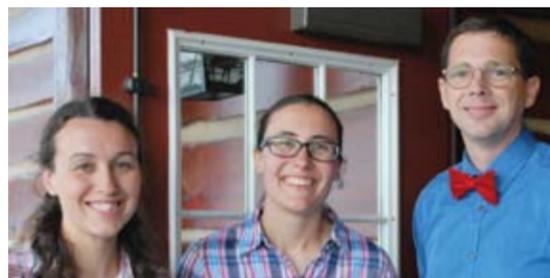
Boots 'n Bids Success

The “Rush Was On” October 15th, resulting in a sell-out crowd and great success for our kids. Plenty of amazing items for auction and raffle made it a gold strike for all of us. Thanks to all of our generous attendees and donors, we were able to raise \$70,000 at this year’s event.

We appreciate all of our prospectors who sponsored, coordinated, donated and volunteered!



The puppy was definitely our softest & cuddliest auction item



Staff members Rebecca, Rachel and Bill are happy to greet the “rush!”



Event’s speaker, Larry McDaniel



Emcees Carrie Edwards & Tom Bradley, with Larry Atterberry, Jr.

Meet the Wallace Family

Many of the kids in our home have been through trials that would shake a grown adult to their core, yet they persevere. In many ways, they are just like other children. They want to feel safe and just be kids. In other ways they are different and need to be cared for in special ways. After a year on staff, we have learned so much. Many of those lessons have come from the children in our care.

Thus, we’d like to introduce you to the Home Parents in The Atherton Home, Brian and Mandy Wallace, who joined our staff in the fall of 2014. Mandy continues, and explains how they were led to Coyote Hill:



Mandy and Brian, with children Amber (11), Elyse (9) and David (4)

Brian felt God leading him to serve children several years ago, but didn’t know what that would look like. He enrolled in Baptist Bible College in Springfield to pursue a degree in Children’s Ministry. After hearing a speaker who ran an orphanage overseas, Brian knew that he wanted to care for abandoned, abused and neglected children right here in the U.S.

While at BBC, we served in our church’s Children’s Ministry. Through that, we met a camp speaker who told us about the ministry of Coyote Hill. We looked into it, found out they needed Home Parents, and after two months of prayer and council we came to serve at The Atherton Home.

We have three children of our own, so it was an adjustment for them. They now have to share their Mom and Dad with several other kids. But they’ve adapted well and are learning important lessons about serving others.

We are thankful to have such a great group of experienced staff surrounding us here! It is wonderful knowing there are other parents close by who understand exactly what we are going through and are willing to help out if there is a need. We are a team, and those benefits are felt by both the children and the staff.

During our short time here, we have seen three children in our home accept Christ as their Savior. The angels are rejoicing and so are we! There have been many blessings like that. One that comes to mind came from a 16 year old girl who lived in our home four months before returning to her family. One evening after she had gone to bed, we found a note in the girls’ hallway from her. It read, “Mr. Brian and Mrs. Mandy, Thank you for showing me what a Home and a family is like. I appreciate you both. Thank you for a safe place to be a kid.” We still have the note and it brings tears to our eyes every time we read it.

Coyote Hill is changing lives, one child at a time, and we are very thankful and blessed to be part of this ministry.
 ~Mandy Wallace

Memorial Gifts cont.

In Loving Memory of
Shirley Quisenberry

Contributed by
 Patricia & Alan Austene
 Jan & George Bartholomaeus
 Thomas & Cecilia Baugh
 Bob & Shirley Bedsworth
 Bruce & Cheryl Bender
 David & Jackie Carter
 Charles & Deborah Caselman
 Joe & Glenda Castrop
 Ernest Cook

Steve & Mary Crowe
 Rhonda Daly

Howard & Karen Davenport
 Don & Brenda Dennis
 Marilyn Durk
 Thomas & Sheri Elliott
 Michael & Diana Faltermeier
 Elton & Nancy Fay
 Garry & Esther Fetterhoff
 Dale & Shirley Griessel
 Jane Ann Hackett
 Charles & Wanda Hardin
 Debbra Keener

Cindy Kemper
 Wanda King

King’s Daughters Silver Circle
 Marilyn Loethen
 Laura Mahan
 Wilma Miller
 Larry & Karen Moore
 Mark & Beth Mothersbaugh
 Mickey Nichols
 Charles & Garnet Payne
 Marlin & Lary Powell
 Evelyn & John Richard
 Glenn & Melvonna Richardson

Doris Squires

Todd & Jeanne Storm
 Carl & Evelyn Story
 Harry & Charlotte Ann Sulzberger
 Timothy & Teresa Underwood
 David & Karen Wade
 Darwin & Rebecca Words & Family
 Pat & Sue Wright
 Ron & Jeanie Wright
 L.E. & Dana Zimmerman