



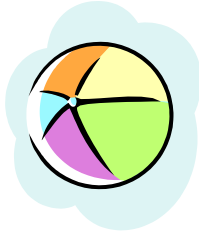
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# The BUZZ @ Bethany



Bethany  
for Children & Families

Serving the bi-state community since 1899

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## "Cones for Kids" Day Monday, June 20

Quad City Area Whitey's locations  
10 a.m. to 11 p.m.

Treat your family, friends, and coworkers to ice cream and support Bethany! Visit any Quad City Area Whitey's Ice Cream location on Monday, June 20<sup>th</sup> and enjoy your favorite scoop of ice cream. Half of all cone/dip sales that day benefit the programs and services of Bethany for Children & Families.



Can't decide which flavor to choose? Check out [www.whiteysicecream.com/ourmenu](http://www.whiteysicecream.com/ourmenu) to view all of their flavors!



# The Generosity of the Quad Cities

## Easter Baskets and Household supplies

Thank you to the **Blue Thong Society (QC Blu-Pers)** for donating Easter baskets filled with eggs, candy, and trinkets to children served by Bethany programs. The group also donated baskets of kitchen supplies, household items, and small appliances for Bethany's Independent Living Program.



Diane Laake of the Blue Thong Society presents the household items to Jenny Hager of Bethany.



## Furniture

Thank you to **Saint Ambrose University, Augustana College,** and the **Quad Cities community** for donating gently used beds, dressers, tables, and appliances to Bethany's furniture program! Also, thank you to the **Quad City Times** in advertising Bethany's need for gently used furniture.



Photo courtesy of Larry Fisher, Quad City Times

Joseph and Sara Telles, Davenport, look over donated furniture and household items being given away at Bethany.

## Foster Care bags

The **Quad Cities Junior High Group of People-to-People Student Ambassador International Program** collected items and filled more than 50 foster bags for Bethany's Foster Care Program. The People-to-People group will take a 20-day educational trip to Italy, France, Austria, and Switzerland in June.



Students in the People to People Ambassador program present the foster care bags to Bethany.

## Seeds and flowers

Thank you to the **Corn Crib Nursery** for donating assorted plants and seeds for Bethany's Transitional Housing for Homeless Youth Program. The residents planted a garden and flowers to help beautify their apartment complex.



Steven plants a marigold outside the apartment complex.

# Birdies for Charity



July 4-10, 2011  
John Deere Classic  
TPC Deere Run



Make your pledge now to chip in and help area charities, like Bethany for Children & Families, and win some great prizes! To enter the contest, guess the number of birdies that will actually be made by Tour Pros during the John Deere Classic. Simply make a one-time flat donation, OR pledge one cent or more per birdie. One hundred percent of every Birdies for Charity's dollars collected go to charity!

## Bethany for Children & Families Bird #178

Visit [www.bethany-qc.org/events.htm](http://www.bethany-qc.org/events.htm) to fill out a pledge form, or call 309-762-4653 for more information.

## Awards and Excellence

- MOTIVATION
- EXCELLENCE
- RESPONSIBILITY
- INTEGRITY
- TEAM WORK



The monthly MERIT award recognizes an employee for distinguished service to the agency. MERIT awardees are nominated by their peers or members of the community and are recognized for their outstanding commitment to children and families served by Bethany.

March 2011  
Award Winner



John Huber

The nomination for John Huber stated, "John has offered to help new employees by sharing resources, training them on paperwork, allowing them to shadow him in the school setting, etc. John has a great attitude and a contagious laugh that raises morale and the overall positive environment in the office among his peers. John has caught on quickly to his job duties, has mastered his paperwork, and has minimal errors in his billings and report writing. John is a great asset to the Iowa team."

# Program Spotlight

The fourth American Dental Association Foundation (ADA) Give Kids A Smile (GKAS) Awards Gala was held in Washington, D.C. on Tuesday, May 10, 2011, during the ADA's Washington Leadership Conference.

Bethany for Children & Families received the GKAS Continuity of Care Grant in the amount of \$18,750. These monies will go towards the newly expanded **GKAS Comprehensive Exam and Sealant Program** beginning July 1, 2011. With a highly successful nine-year track record, Bethany is stepping up to expand Give Kids A Smile to "More Than Just A Day."

The program expansion includes a professionally staffed mobile dental unit that will travel directly to schools in Rock Island and Scott counties and aims to serve nearly 9,000 children per year in need of oral health care. The ultimate goal is to provide these children and their families a permanent dental home.



Photo courtesy of [www.GregGibson.com](http://www.GregGibson.com)

Pictured from left to right: Dr. Jeff Dalin, founder, Give Kids A Smile, St. Louis & GKAS National Advisory Board Committee Member; Dr. Benjamin Seldon, grant recipient, Bethany for Children & Families; Ms. Cindy Hearn, Sr. Vice President, Marketing, CareCredit & GKAS National Advisory Board Member; Dr. David Whiston, President, ADA Foundation; Mr. Steve Kess, Vice President, Global Professional Relations, Henry Schein Dental & GKAS National Advisory Board Chairman

# Recent Grants and Gifts

Granting Source	Amount	Use
ADA Foundation	\$18,750	GKAS Comprehensive Exam and Sealant Program
The Amy Helpenstell Foundation	\$7,500	Ways to Work Program
Riverboat Development Authority	\$25,000	Ways to Work Program
Scott County Regional Authority	\$40,000	Moline and Davenport office enhancements
Teens for Tomorrow	\$2,150	Transitional Housing for Homeless Youth Program

**Teens Helping Area Youth**  
Teens for Tomorrow (T4T), the youth philanthropy program of the Community Foundation of the Great River Bend, presented a check to Bethany on May 6, 2011. The \$2,150 will assist young adults and teens in Bethany's Transitional Housing for Homeless Youth Program.



Bethany was notified after undergoing a grant application process and an on-site visit in which the teens from high schools in both the Iowa and Illinois Quad Cities assessed the communities needs. Thank you Teens for Tomorrow and Community Foundation of the Great River Bend!

# Why I Give to Bethany

"I give to Bethany because they have so many programs that benefit children, and I see how the Give Kids a Smile Program is directly helping them. Every little bit helps, whether it's \$5 or \$50, I know that my donation stays in this community and it's helping a local child or family."

- **Chris & Harry Allers**  
Coal Valley, Illinois



# What's Happening

## Field Trip

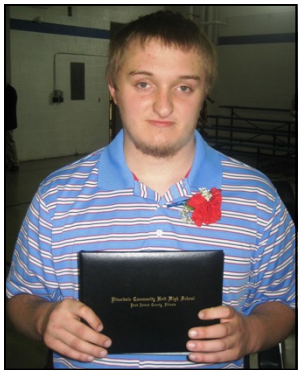
Students from United Township High School enjoyed a day at the Medieval Times Dinner & Tournament in Schaumburg, Illinois, on May 4, 2011. These teens are part of Bethany's "Boys-to-Men" and "Wing's to Fly" programs designed to teach young high school males and females how to become responsible men and women by raising their self esteem, promoting self-sufficiency, and developing positive, healthy relationships.



## Bethany-Blackhawk Phoenix Graduation

On May 12, 2011, three seniors earned their diplomas from their high school of origin and are excited to start the next chapter of their lives. Ben Lawhead received his diploma from Riverdale High School, Emerson Shoppa received his diploma from United Township High School, and DeShawn Taggart received his diploma from Rock Island High School.

**Congratulations 2011 Phoenix Graduates!**



**Ben Lawhead**  
Riverdale High School



**Emerson Shoppa**  
United Township High School



**DeShawn Taggart**  
Rock Island High School

# Ready, Set, Race!

**"Wild 5" 5K Run/Walk Benefiting Bethany**  
Bethany for Children & Families teamed up with Running Wild for their annual "Wild 5" 5K Run/Walk on May 28, 2011 at Gold's Gym in Davenport. It was a perfect morning for the 425 runners, joggers, and walkers taking on the 3.2 mile course along Crow Creek Road. Awards were given to the top performers in various age groups at the post-race party. The race raised \$6,500 and the profits directly benefit the programs and services of Bethany for Children & Families.



**Special thank you to the race volunteers!**

Julie Beata	Carole Reid	Clyde Schoeck
Delma Cowan	Jerry Reid	Donna Schoeck
Shauntrice Gamble	Emily Reinhart	Kari Stearns
Brad Hager	Monica Sandoval	Monica Wolfe
Sandra Moens	Timothy Schermer	Dave Zimmer

**Thank you race sponsors!**

Running Wild	Bethany for Children & Families
Gold's Gym	Rock Valley Physical Therapy
New Balance	L.E. Chute
Wayne Montgomery Carpet	Active Endeavors
Borah's Team	Hy-Vee
Accu-split	Jim's Equipment Service

**Thank you post-race party sponsors!**



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