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### **Ministry Needs at Heart of Hope**

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### **Places We Have Visited...**

Northwest Louisiana Baptist Annual Meeting Asbury Methodist, Fellowship Class • Barksdale Baptist Church, Ladies Ministry Mission Market @ St. Joseph's • Convoy of Hope @ Fair Grounds Grawood Baptist Church, Seniors' Fellowship • Community Thanksgiving Service @ Salem Baptist Church Contact us if you would like us to speak to your church or organization.

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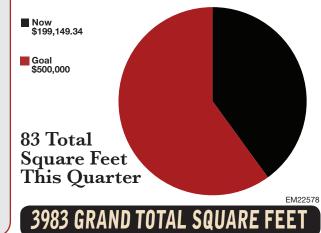
In October, Frymaster, LLC held their 75th Anniversary Celebration. Raffle & the proceeds were donated to charity. Betty Day, who was the winner, chose tomake equal contributions to "Heart of Hope" & "Bags not Rags" in the amount of \$1140.00 each. L-R: Jodi Burns, Betty Day-Winner, Mindy Viteri-Bd. Member of Bags not Rags, Karen Barnes-director of Bags not Rags.

Heart of Hope-A Sanctuary for Women P.O. BOX 18776 SHREVEPORT, LA 71138

You can be a partner in this legacy of HOPE by purchasing one square foot or more for \$50.00 each. Foot by Foot we will move one step closer to opening Heart of Hope.

### Square Feet Contributors

•Dave & Stacey Mieding •Randy & Nan Magness •Grawood Baptist Church •Lynne Henderson •David and Allison Rains •Sandra Hayward •Rachel Bynog •Adult III Sunday School Grawood Baptist Church



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# Words from the

## "Living in the Power of HIS Name"

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Mark your calendars now to spend this evening with us enjoying a candlelit dinner and hearing amazing stories from those who have experienced firsthand the power of living in HIS NAME! We are honored to have **Kelly Murphy** as our keynote speaker. Kelly is a wife, mother of 3 and owner of Sonshine Staging and Design. Four years ago she found herself facing several trials that included her daughter's unplanned pregnancy. "These events seemed like a slow death sentence for me, but God in His mercy brought us through the muck and mire so we'd have a story to tell!"



Summer Grove Baptist Event Center

You may also register your table online at www.heartofhopeministry.com on the Events page.

There are also opportunities to help underwrite the expense of the banquet, if you would like to help in this way, please mail sponsor donations to: Heart Of Hope, 10420 Heart of Hope Way, Keithville, LA 71047. Sponsor Levels: •Platinum \$2.000 •Gold \$1.000 •Silver \$500 •Bronze \$250

"At the Name of Jesus every knee will bow and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord" Philippians 2: 9-11 **WINTER 2010** 

### **Thursday, February 10th** 6:30 p.m

If you would like to **Host a Table**, Register as a Table Host and fill a table of 8 with interested guests at no cost. **Call 318-925-4663** and **reserve your table**.

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Our Heart of Hope Family



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# Those Beautiful Tinkling Sounds!

I love to play dominos. When I play dominos I start standing them on end in a wavy pattern.

Sometimes I split them up like a fork in the road. When I push the lead domino down, they all simultaneously fall, hitting the one next to it until finally they are all "splat" on the hard wood floor. I especially love the tinkling sound as they send the other one to its knees. I was thinking of how that has been the scenario over the past couple of months as God has been carefully positioning His dominos. At just the right moment and time, our house staff was hired. The Fire Marshal cleared the staff to move into their new home. Training with Anne and Jim Pierson took place in the home the week of October 18th. While the Mayes family, Lucy and Kay have been acclimating to their new surroundings, everyone was preparing for the phone calls that soon followed. In early November, we interviewed our first two young ladies. Over the next few weeks we all prepared for their arrival. And then it happened. Those beautiful tinkling sounds as each of our dominos fell to its knee. That is where we found ourselves. On our knees, thanking God for his faithfulness, goodness and perfect plan. With our State License in our hands, we welcomed our precious young ladies into their new home for this season in their lives.

Delight yourself also in the Lord, and He shall give you the desires of your heart. Commit your way to the Lord, trust also in Him, and He shall bring it to pass ... Rest in the Lord, and wait patiently for Him (Psalm 37:4, 7)

Let our Testimony of Jesus encourage you to rest in God's best as He positions your life's dominos ....and then just wait for the beautiful sound of everything falling into place!

Jodi Burns, Director



(Jodi, Lucy, Diane, Taylor, Kay and Debbie

Our *house parents*, **Taylor and Diane Mayes**, met in Lake Charles while he was attending Southeastern Bible College and she was attending McNeese State University. They have been married for seventeen years and have one daughter, Avery, who is a sophomore at Caddo Magnet High.

Taylor is a 1997 graduate of Southeastern Bible College in Birmingham, AL. In 2006, Taylor earned his Masters in Christian Education from Birmingham Theological Seminary. After graduating from Southeastern Bible College, Taylor worked at Faith Christian Academy as a teacher and principal. Diane grew up in the Broadmoor area of Shreveport and was raised by faithful, Christian parents who attend Broadmoor Presbyterian Church. Diane attended Louisiana Tech in Ruston and majored in Interior Design and Art Education. Diane graduated McNeese State University in 1994 with a BA in Art Education. She holds a State of Louisiana Elementary – High School Level Certificate Type C and a Certificate Rank 2 in Art Education. After college the Lord led Diane to serve as a children's Sunday school teacher and in the Women's Ministry.

Taylor has been looking into a ministry like this for some time and what he really desires for these ladies is what God desires as written in the scriptures in Jeremiah, "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you a hope and a future."

Diane is looking forward to "serving and bringing wholeness to these ladies who are in need of understanding and guidance to become young ladies who love themselves and love God." It is her hope to minister through love and support. She wants others to know God's love so that they can love others. Diane's desire is to be the "Proverbs 31" woman.

Avery is a great student at CMH and is a member of the Peter Pan Players. She has attended Camp Pearl Ministries, participates in church youth group and went on a mission trip to Romania with her grandmother, Wileen Brumley. While in Romania she served Gypsy orphans.

Lucy Goodwin is the *Houseparent Assistant* at Heart of Hope. Lucy has been a follower of Christ since she was 16. She is from Shreveport, graduated from Captain Shreve, got her B.S. in the Recording Industry at Middle Tennessee State University. The Lord called her to ministry her senior year of college and proceeded to New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary to pursue a Master of Divinity. Upon graduation, she served a year as an interim director of a Baptist Collegiate Ministry in Cleveland, TN. When the year was over, the search for the next position landed her back in her hometown of Shreveport in July of this year.

As she sought the Lord for His next assignment for her, she became involved at Norris Ferry Community Church where a member there told her about the House Assistant position at Heart of Hope. It sounded like the new and exciting opportunity that she was praying for. Though the job will be challenging, she is looking forward to serving these young women in their time of need and being able to show them the love of Christ through this wonderful program.

Lucy has a variety of interests including studying God's word, attending concerts, going to the movies, watching Saints football, testing out recipes and experimenting with mod podge.

**Kay Birdwell Asher**, our *Social Worker* received her Masters' in Social Work from LSU, and is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker and Board-Approved Clinical Supervisor. She has a heart for helping people to meet their goals in life and cope with the challenges they face along the way. She has worked in medical social work with parents of NICU babies, in pediatrics, crisis counseling, pre-adoption counseling, rehab counseling, and grief counseling. She received the Lifetime Achievement Award for her state and region in 2008, presented by the National Association of Social Workers.

Kay is a member of Emmanuel Baptist Church, the wife of Michael Asher, mother of three adult children (and thankful for their Christian spouses), and "KK" to three grand-children. She sought God's will about being able to work at Heart of Hope after hearing a presentation at her church. Kay looks forward to companioning the young women and counseling with them and teaching life skills, so that each one will know that she is loved and has a promising future ahead.

**Debbie Roden** began working for Heart of Hope May 1st and is our *Bookkeeper/Secretary*. "From the moment I first heard about Heart of Hope, which was in August of 2007, I knew that I would somehow be involved with this Ministry". Debbie had a crisis pregnancy at the age of 14. She wished she had known that there were places like Heart of Hope that could help her. If her experience can help change the life of just one young lady "it will be worth it all". Debbie is honored that God has allowed her to be a part of Heart of Hope Ministries. She "is excited to see how God is going to change so many lives as they walk through these doors". Debbie is married to Wayne Roden and has three children and 16 grandchildren. Debbie serves as the Children's Pastor at Harvest Assembly of God in Mansfield, where Wayne also serves as the Co-Pastor. They will soon be going on a mission trip to Bangladesh.

The following Gifts Were Received in Thoughtful Tribute to the Memory or Honor of a Relative, Loved One or Friend In Memory of... •MR. JAMES BRANIM - Mr. and Mrs. William Scott •KRISTA ELIZEBETH MYERS- Joe Sellers •MR. JAMES BRANIM - Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Smith



### Help Needed in Educating Our Girls



School days at Heart of Hope are now a reality. Our girls will attend school from 8 till 12, Monday through Friday in the classroom in our gym. With our Hands of Hope Volunteers - First Baptist Keithville, Brad Fajardo, Scott Garrett, Redeemer Fellowship, and Kelli Caraway God has blessed us with a computer lab furnished with computers, software, desks and supplies. We have chosen the online schools, Lighthouse Christian Academy

and Ashworth High School Distance Learning. Some residents will pursue a G.E.D. through Caddo Parish's Adult Education or college courses through a Louisiana program, CALL, available online at several Louisiana universities.

There are several ways that you may partner with us in continuing the education of each girl entering our maternity home. One way is financially by contributing to our educational fund to cover the cost of tuition and curriculum materials. Parents are asked to contribute what they can, but many cannot cover all of it. Another way is to volunteer your time in the classroom monitoring the students and helping them through their studies when needed. Please call Jodi Burns if you would like to volunteer in the classroom. *Sherry Christy* 

# Back In The Swing!

Back In Swing's 2nd Annual Seminar, Interactive Clinic Golf Tournament benefiting Heart of Hope was held on October 22nd at The Golf Club at StoneBridge in Bossier City. We could not have asked for a more beautiful day



for the 100+ men and women who teed off for the morning and afternoon rounds. The seminar and interactive clinic was presented by Dr. William Whyte who spoke on spinal injuries, their risk factors, and how to prevent them, and Physical Therapist, Mike Jones, discussed Biomechanics of the Golf Swing. The seminar included PGA pro Emelyn Aubrey integrating key points from the first two discussions into the golf swing. Our thanks to the golfers, sponsors, volunteers (over 80), vendors, and the staff at the Golf Club at StoneBridge for the event. YOU MADE THE DIFFERENCE this year as we raised over \$45,000.00 which will be used to meet the physical, spiritual, and educational needs of our Heart of Hope girls. Make plans now to participate in the next year's event 2011.

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Under a clear blue sky, people gathered as we officially opened the doors to Heart of Hope- a Sanctuary for Women. Conceived in 2005 and carried for FIVE years, this baby was delivered on December 1, 2010! Surrounded by friends, family and staff, the Board collectively snipped the ribbon and invited everyone to have a look at our "pride and joy"! It was the perfect delivery day as we enter into the season of celebrating the birth of our Savior. He is the reason for the season and the reason many lives will be saved at Heart of Hope!

Jodi Burns, Director

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In John 13, Jesus gave his disciples an example of serving by washing their feet and afterwards saying to them " Do as I have done to you." Brad is a living example of a Christlike Servant. You rarely see him as he slips in and out of Heart of Hope, silently using the gifts God has given him, but evidence of his work runs through every nook and cranny of our buildings. Brad offered his skills before we even knew where Heart of Hope would be located. He collected computers and worked on them so when the time came we would have everything we needed to set up our school room and our offices. He's run countless yards of cables and wires, set up programs and the list goes on and on. He also uses his musical and creative talents to produce our presentation and banquet videos. Brad works full time for the Marshall School district, serves as the Praise and Worship leader at Shreveport Bible Church and helps with the youth group there. A devoted husband and father, he is married to Carla and has two daughters, Kristen and Katelyn. As busy as he is, he always manages to make time to help at Heart of Hope. No doubt, this man will hear Jesus say, "Well done, good and faithful servant!" Thanks Brad, for all you've done and leaving your imprint of service on Heart of Hope.



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