

From Our Home To Yours



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If you know a victim of abuse call 800-922-5330.

Help prevent child abuse

These heartbreaking headlines are from the pages of *The Wichita Eagle*. Often, our staff have cared for these children, thanks to your support.

When a neighbor, a family member, a teacher, even a dentist calls to notify authorities there is a possible "child in need of care" situation, it is the Wichita Children's Home that opens their doors to provide a place of safety for them.

Collectively, we can all help make our community a safer place for children. Philo, (20 B.C.-50 A.D.) said: "Be kind, for everyone you know is fighting a hard battle." We have to look out for each other.

The first step is awareness. Pay attention to the children in your neighborhood, at church, or in your classroom at school.

- Get to know your neighbors and the parents of your children's friends. Listen with your heart.
- Offer to give a stressed parent a break.

- Refer a parent to United Way's 211 line for services.
- Become involved with a program or agency that works with parents and children.
- Help out at school, church and neighborhood activities.

Some of the children that we see have been abused due to the parent's drug or alcohol abuse. Pay attention if you know a child is living in this kind of situation. Wichita has many

resources to help children and their families.

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If you have a concern about a child being abused or the safety of a child, call 911. For

more information on prevention child abuse, visit www.preventchildabuse. org.

Thank you for cherishing the children beyond National Child Abuse Awareness Month in April.



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WCH first place she was treated with respect

"This was one of the happiest times of my life," Glynnece Beatrice Dempsey would tell her daughter Joyce when showing her a photo of Glynnece with another 12-year-old at the Wichita Children's Home that dated 1917.

Growing up, Glynnece and her mother, Ruth Dempsey, were ostracized by the family as Glynnece was born out of wedlock. Exiled by her family, the young mother and her baby moved from place to place and were often separated as Ruth sought work and Glynnece was placed in a foster home.

When Glynnece was 11, Ruth found employment working for the McComas family which operated one of the large orchards on Wichita's west side. It was good work, but Ruth was unable to have her daughter with her.

At WCH Glynnece was treated



Glynnece Dempsey Wilbur (left), helped care for younger children at WCH during her stay in 1917.

with respect. "It was the first place that my mother was treated with love and respect by someone other than her own mother," said Joyce.

Glynnece's stay at the WCH was not long. Later that year, she was brought to the McComas home.

Glynnece went on to marry Virgil Wilbur, and into a family of educators. Wilbur Middle School in Wichita is named for Virgil's brother Lawrence.

Foster home requirements pretty basic

WCH foster care provides 72-hour Police Protective Custody (PPC) while the best solution for the child is determined.

For PPC foster homes, there must be a stay at home parent, due to the child not being able to attend school or day care.

We are also looking to increase the available long term foster homes. These foster parents can work, however, they need to be able to transport the child to visits, and appointments.

Whether PPC or long-term foster care, prospective homes should have a passion for wanting to help children in crisis. Basic requirements:

- Be at least 21 years old
- Background and finger print checks
- Valid driver's license
- Own or rent a home that meets KDHE regulations

Training classes are conducted throughout the year to prepare you. There are also opportunities during the year for foster families to get together.

Contact Tammy at Wichita Children's Home, (316) 681-6715, t_gream@wch.org or Jennifer at Kansas Children's Service League, (316) 558-8303, jandrews@kcsl.org for more information.

Classic Cars for Kids to feature 1936 Bentley



Car enthusiasts will get a real treat at the 4th Annual Classic Cars for Kids on April 10.

Featured this year is an immaculate 1936 Bentley, one of only two of this model, considered one of the finest touring cars ever produced.

Owned by Lawrence Smith, this Bentley was originally a special commission after its acquisition by M. Jacques Faure from Bentley's Paris agent. Faure commissioned VanVooren to create the sleek coachwork the 4 1/4 liter, B125GP still bears.

You can see this along with the lineup of classic and new cars at Classic Cars for Kids at Century II, from 6 - 9 pm. Tickets are \$100 per peson and can be purchased online at www.wch.org.



This custom 1936 Bentley touring car, one of only two in the world, will be the featured car at Classic Cars for Kids April 10 at Century II. Tickets can be purchased by calling (316) 681-6702.

Coach Gregg Marshall designates WCH in Infiniti Coaches' Challenge

The Wichita Children's Home is pleased and excited that Shocker basketball coach Gregg Marshall selected our organization to benefit from the Infiniti Coaches' Charity Challenge

In the four rounds of voting, \$100,000 was at stake for the charities selected by the participating coaches. As of this writing, Coach Marshall made it to round four which ended Mar. 16, with the four coaches receiving the most votes moving to round four during the NCAA tournament Mar. 3 - 16.

Hosted on ESPN.com and sponsored by Infiniti, the voting began Jan. 6. With the help of the Shocker community, Coach Marshall went into round three in second place, with only 16 coaches remaining.

Shocker fans could vote daily in the challenge. Thank you Coach Marshall for your continued support!



Shocker basketball coach Gregg Marshall encourages the team at Koch Arena.

WABA raised more than \$20,000, donated more than 100 hours

On Nov. 8, 2013, the Wichita Area Builders Association (WABA) hosted the Wine & Beer tasting event for the sixth year to benefit the WCH.

"We're all about providing homes for people, and they're all about providing a home and shelter for children," said Wess Gaylon. "It has turned into a really good relationship." That evening, more than \$20,000 was raised, bringing the total the Association has raised for WCH to more than \$100,000 towards the new building.

This was a culmination of WABA's involvement with the Home last year. Throughout the year, the Home Builders Care Foundation donated more than 100 hours of labor and \$5,000 in materials for repairs to the current building.

"It's a blessing to have community members come together to donate to the Children's Home," said President of the Board Debbie Kennedy.

Happenings at the Home



Wichita Children's Home breaks ground for the new building on Nov. 7, 2013.



Brooke Parker (center) and her friends stopped by to share their earnings from a lemonade stand they hold during Mulvane's Old Settlers Days celebration. This is Parker's third year to choose the WCH for her fund raising.

We want to share a great big thank you to all our volunteers. April is National Volunteer Appreciation Month, and we appreciate all that our volunteers do for the children all year long.



Employees of IMA hosted a cookout for our residential children and BRIDGES youth. We thank IMA for their volunteer and financial support during the year.



Band students from Wichita High School Southeast stopped by to present a donation to the WCH which they had raised in memory of a former classmate who was also a resident of WCH.

31st "Fore the Kids" Golf Tournament May 30

The 31st Annual "Fore the Kids" Golf Tournament will be held Friday, May 30 this year at Crestview Country Club.

We are most thankful to our renewing presenting sponsor, Fugate Enterprises, for this important major fund raiser for the Wichita Children's Home.

There will be a breakfast and a

lunch round with prizes awarded after each flight.

Registration is \$300 per player. Contact Janet Pack at (316) 681-6702 to request tournament registration and sponsorship opportunities information or visit www.wch.org for more details.

All registrants will receive a ticket to the pre-tournament Luau Party on May 29 in their confirmation packet.



Fugate Enterprises long-term WCH supporter "Fore the Kids"

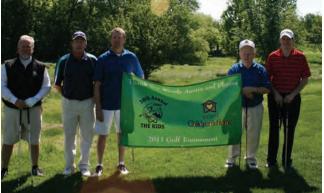
"Wichita Children's Home is near and dear to Larry and Dana Fugate," said Sergio Roman, assistant director of operations-Taco Bell. "When it comes to kids, especially those that are disadvantaged, they have a big soft spot in their hearts for them."

This year marks the 19th year that Fugate Enterprises has supported the "Fore the Kids" Golf Tournament as the presenting sponsor.

Each year, multiple teams from Fugate Enterprises play in the tournament, with a mix of home office and restaurant employees. It's a way for the company to reward employees and introduce them to what WCH does. The bonus effect is the sense of pride the employees get knowing they are helping so many children in and around Wichita.

Supporting WCH is a priority for the company. "We know the money is going to an organization we truly care about," added Roman.

We at WCH are very grateful that Fugate Enterprises supports our mission of caring for the children. It's a relationship that is a win for the children.



One of the Fugate Enterprises golf teams over the years: Tad Fugate, Woody Austin, Todd Fugate, Larry Fugate, Ryan Wasinger.

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Lifeboat Creative expands role with WCH to raise awareness

"Wichita Children's Home is an important organization to me, the company, and our team at Lifeboat Creative," said Jeremy Luginbill, principal of Lifeboat Creative. The agency has been providing services to WCH for nearly 10 years. "My mom, Suzie Luginbill, was on the Board at WCH, which got me interested in seeing what my then fledgling creative shop could do to help," said Luginbill.

Since then, Lifeboat has expanded

the services it provides to WCH including management

of the WCH brand, print materials, advertising, social media, digital marketing and website design and development.

"We've been in business since 2002, providing branding, advertising and website creative services to a variety of different clients," added Luginbill. Lifeboat Creative serves nearly 80 clients from all over the country, but they

have a special interest in downtown Wichita, where their offices are located.

WCH is grateful that Jeremy and his team are sharing their creative talent and digital media insight to help us build awareness of WCH on behalf of the children we serve.



Honor and Memorial Gifts

Following are the Honor Gifts from Sept. 1, 2013 to Jan. 31, 2014.

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