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Land of opportunity

Youth enjoy a variety of first-time experiences as they discover the benefits of living at the Boys Ranch





Life on a ranch offers new opportunities for MCH youth

The Heart of Texas Livestock Show is one of my favorite events each year because it gives me an opportunity to support the youth from our Boys Ranch as they showcase their animals and shop projects alongside students from area FFA programs. Methodist Children's Home is always well-represented at livestock shows, and our youth and staff often do not receive the credit they deserve for the long hours they put in to prepare animals and projects for these contests.

I am especially proud of our youth and staff who consistently serve as positive ambassadors for the Boys Ranch during these events. Our Ranch staff often receives feedback from other FFA teachers who compliment our youth for their positive attitude and willingness to assist other contestants or staff who need help with animals or setting up for contests. I am grateful for staff members at the Boys Ranch and throughout our ministry who demonstrate a strong work ethic and caring spirit on a daily basis for our young people.

In this issue of *Sunshine*, you will learn more about the Boys Ranch and the opportunities youth receive to connect to life on a ranch. In many cases, the Boys Ranch provides a variety of new challenges and first-time experiences for our youth. Through meaningful relationships with caring adults and participation in a variety of activities, youth connect to life at the Boys Ranch as they receive opportunities to learn, grow and develop into the young men God wants them to be.

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For His children,

Bobby Gilliam

MCH welcomes first youth to new residential program in Waxahachie

After months of planning and preparation, MCH staff members welcomed their first resident to the Home's new residential program in Waxahachie on Jan. 16.

MCH is operating the program through an agreement with Presbyterian Children's Homes and Services. MCH is licensed to serve up to 40 youth, ages 12-18, on the PCHAS campus. While the cottages are located on the PCHAS campus, MCH is operating an auto-



Andrew is welcomed to the Waxahachie campus by Ed Knight (left), president of Presbyterian Children's Homes and Services, and Bobby Gilliam, president of Methodist Children's Home.

nous program consistent with its mission and strength-based philosophy of care. This program will enable MCH to increase the

number of children in residential care and evaluate its ability to operate this type of program outside Waco.

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Chance makes a move to the basket during the Bulldogs' state tournament appearance in Austin. The boys placed 4th at the tournament, and the girls earned 2nd place.

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Coming into her own

A young woman's journey of self-discovery and faith

Yolanda has been on a journey of self-discovery and growing maturity for the past three-and-a-half years at Methodist Children's Home. Since the fall of 2005, she has lived on the Waco campus, but she admits that it took her a while to decide to stay here.

"I was glad when I got here because my Mom and I were fighting and it helped me by being at MCH," Yolanda said. "But then I started to act out and rebel against the staff. I was very angry for a long time and I didn't know how to deal with it."

Learning to manage her anger was difficult. However, her close relationship with her mother and grandmother helped her work through the tough times, and she eventually made a conscious choice to view MCH as her home.

"I realized that my Mom had done so much raising me and my brothers and yet she never complained," Yolanda said. "I thought that if she could do that, the least I could do is stay here and get a good education."

For Yolanda, her relationship with her homeparents has helped her settle in to life at the Home. She is especially close to one of her homeparents, Steve Callison.

"He is like a father to me and has really helped me work through some things in my life," Yolanda said.

Callison enjoys talking with Yolanda and hearing stories about her day.

"She is such a good storyteller," Callison said. "I know from what she has shared that she has gone through some difficult times, but she is learning to triumph, and she is becoming a wonderful young woman."

Despite her difficult past, Yolanda has chosen to embrace



Yolanda maintains an A-average while participating in athletics, working part-time and serving on the MCH leadership council.

life at the Home and take advantage of other opportunities. She maintains an A-average in her classes at a local public school and participates in junior-varsity sports, all while balancing a part-time job and serving on the MCH student leadership council.

"Yolanda certainly keeps us busy," Callison said. "It is a joy watching her take on new activities – and she does them so well."

In fact, Yolanda recently joined the track team at her high school, competing in her first meet in February. She earned first place in the discus event in that competition.

"Participating in athletics helps me take out my frustration in a good way," Yolanda said. "It keeps me productive

and helps me develop discipline."

She also enjoys playing sports with her friends.

"Yolanda is very competitive," Callison said. "When we have a casual game of volleyball, she really gets into it. It is fun to watch her play!"

Yolanda is not just competitive in athletics – she has a strong drive to receive a good education and give back to her community.

"I would like to do something related to radiology or the medical field," said Yolanda. "Whatever I do, I want to be able to help people."

Her homeparents have experienced Yolanda's caring heart first hand. The last three years have provided a unique perspective on her transition from a frustrated teen into a caring young woman of faith and integrity.

"Yolanda is near and dear to my heart," Callison said. "She is an integral part of our home and I am proud to know her."



Land of opportunity

Youth develop new interests, sense of purpose at the Methodist Children's Home Boys Ranch

Final preparation for the Heart of Texas Livestock Show in October is unlike any other time of year at the Methodist Children's Home Boys Ranch.

As the busy show season draws near, youth and staff try to balance a heightened level of anxiety and enthusiasm as they anticipate their first big competition of the year. In the days leading up to "the show," youth meticulously wash, trim and exercise their prize steers, hogs, goats and lambs, and put the finishing touches on some of the finest woodworking and welding projects that will be entered into the competition. FFA teachers and child care staff offer words of encouragement and last-minute instruction to their youth, many of whom will be competing in a livestock show for the first time.

Although most of the adults have participated in count-



less shows during their teaching and child care careers, they understand the importance of each event in the lives of their boys. They have witnessed the emotional highs and lows of livestock shows, where many of their youth have experienced the thrill of winning awards, while others have fought back tears wondering why their animal was not "good enough."

"The boys enjoy caring for their animals and watching them grow, and they take great pride in showing them," said John Kuretsch, FFA teacher at the Boys Ranch. "There's a strong bond that develops between these boys and their animals. While we're excited for the boys when they win awards, we want them to learn that their success is not determined by a ribbon."

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PICTURED ABOVE: Garner prepares his lamb to be judged at the Heart of Texas Livestock Show in October. The Boys Ranch has provided a variety of new experiences for Garner during his three years at MCH.

Garner, a resident at the Boys Ranch the past three years, worked with different animals during his first few weeks at the Ranch before finding his place on the lamb crew.

“Lambs are a lot like dogs or cats; they’re just fun to be around,” he said. “They have different personalities. The first one I worked with was very dependent, but the last one was independent. It’s fun trying to figure them out.”

When contestants show lambs, they lead them through the arena by placing one hand under the lamb’s head and the other hand on its neck. Prior to each show, Garner worries that his lamb will decide to dart off.

“Since the lambs don’t have a halter, they can get away from you if you’re not careful,” he said. “It hasn’t happened to me yet, but if it does, then I’ll know everyone in the arena will be watching me as I try to catch my lamb.”

Although he is now a veteran participant at livestock shows, Garner remembers the anxiety he felt prior to his first show.

“I was really nervous because it was new to me and I didn’t know what to expect. I was scared I was going to do something wrong,” he said. “I still get a little nervous, but not anything like I did before that first show.”

ADJUSTING TO LIFE ON A RANCH

Participating in livestock shows is one of many new experiences for Boys Ranch residents. Most youth never lived in the country or worked with farm animals prior to coming to the Boys Ranch. The transition to a ranch environment can create anxiety for youth. Not only are they dealing with the personal challenges in their lives and separation from their families, they are living in an environment that is much different from what they have known.

To help youth make a successful transition, staff members give careful attention to helping each boy adjust to the Ranch as quickly as possible. Garner, who was raised in a large city, admits that he was not sure what to expect when he arrived at the Boys Ranch. He said the key to his transition was the encouragement he received from staff to participate in the many activities offered at the Ranch.

“It seemed to be a lot like camp when I came because there



were so many activities to choose from,” he said. “Getting involved with animals early on was important because it helped me keep my mind off of negative thoughts and being away from home.”

In addition to working with lambs, Garner has learned how to weld and do woodworking, and he has enjoyed riding horses and participating on the horse-judging team. He has even worked with his homeparent, Cheryl Dishman, to develop an award-winning recipe for a variation of peanut brittle that calls for cashews, instead of peanuts, and other secret ingredients. Garner appreciates the opportunities he has received to develop new interests and skills.

“The Ranch has been very good for me,” he said. “Most of the things I’ve done here have been ‘firsts’ for me.”

“Building relationships is our first priority. If youth don’t trust us, they’re not going to listen to us.”

DOTTIE BRIGGS,
Boys Ranch administrator



Dottie Briggs, administrator at the Boys Ranch, understands the importance of providing a variety of activities for youth. She knows that when youth become connected to the Ranch through activities and relationships, they are more likely to invest in the program of care and experience positive change in their lives.

“Youth have different personalities and needs, and it is our responsibility to offer opportunities that will enable them to develop their interests and become connected to our staff and program,” she said. “It doesn’t take long to figure out that what works for one young person doesn’t work for another. We have to individualize our approach to working with youth.”

Beginning with their initial tour of the campus, youth learn that the Boys Ranch is a place where they can discover their niche, whether it is through FFA, basketball, work crew, outdoor activities or community service, and develop positive relationships with staff and peers. Caring adults who help youth develop a sense of belonging, learn new skills and gain self-confidence lead all programs at Methodist Children’s Home. Staff members realize that their ultimate goal is to help youth discover hope for their future.

“Building relationships is our first priority,” Briggs said. “If youth don’t trust us, they’re not going to listen to us.”

Significant relationships are established in many ways at the Boys Ranch. Examples include: homeparents who create a warm and inviting home for their boys to enjoy; staff members who work alongside youth to help maintain the physical grounds and Ranch vehicles; adults who teach boys how to fish or develop their basketball skills; homeparents who make an extra effort to prepare a special snack for their boys or celebrate their birthdays; cooks who visit with boys as they go through the serving line in the dining hall; and youth care counselors who provide a listening ear to residents who need to talk before they end their day.

Through these shared experiences, youth develop trust in their relationships with adults and become more comfortable communicating with staff as they share their frustrations and seek advice from the men and women who care for them.

“Our young people deal with so many challenges and come from so many different backgrounds and experiences, they just don’t know who they can trust,” said Karen Melton, director of program services. “It takes them awhile to realize that what we’re offering them is positive and in their best interest.”

As part of her job, Melton works with recreation coordinator Pablo Villanueva to ensure youth receive plenty of opportunities to have fun and build positive relationships.

“Recreation is one of the most effective ways to break through barriers in relationships,” Melton said. “Youth can learn to have fun and to laugh again. Through that process, they build and strengthen relationships with their peers and staff.”

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Campus tours provide inside look at life at the Boys Ranch

by RICHARD McMULLEN, Unit Manager

Imagine you are a teenager who is considering living at the Methodist Children’s Home Boys Ranch. Perhaps you are 16 years old and grew up in Dallas, and the closest you ever came to a farm animal is the bacon and eggs you ate for breakfast.

It’s a sunny afternoon and you’re walking with your family on a tour of the 500-acre Boys Ranch. You want to see the place before you agree to be part of the program. The man giving the tour, Mr. James, says the Ranch program is based on “positive relationships.” You see the homes where the boys live and the dining hall. You see cattle and horses grazing, but you only get an impression, you do not really feel “connected.”

The walking tour continues. You see men and boys working with cows, hogs, goats, sheep and even quail.

The quail make funny noises and move around quickly. You see boys cutting weeds around a pond. Mr. James stops and introduces you to Mr. Jim. You ask about their work. Mr. Jim explains how the boys are taking care of the pond to ensure it remains a good fishing hole. Mr. James brags on Mr. Jim, noting how he has caught and released a 5-pound bass from that pond four times. It’s obvious that Mr. Jim knows a lot about fishing.

Mr. James leads you to the steer barn and you meet Mr. Garza, who supervises boys as they work with a calf. He explains that last fall the calf was orphaned after its mother fell ill, and boys took turns hand-feeding the calf from a gallon-sized milk bottle. Now the calf eats whole food. One boy who looks about your age says he plans to raise the calf and show it in the fall for FFA. Mr. Garza says he likes working with the steers because they follow you around if you treat them right.

Next you walk to the hog barn and meet Mr. Stone and Mr. Pat. Several days earlier they helped the sows give birth. You start to feel connected as you hear baby pigs squealing, nestled around their mommas, and you get to hold a piglet. Mr. Stone says he likes the hogs best because they are intelligent, as smart as dogs.

Mr. Pat tells you that the baby you are holding can grow to 250 pounds in six months and some of the hogs weigh over 400 pounds. Mr. James comments that someone once asked Mr. Stone if the Ranch had anger management classes, and Mr. Stone replied, “If a hog steps on your foot, we may talk about anger management.”

You tell Mr. Stone and Mr. Pat it was nice to meet them and they say the same to you. As you walk away with your family, you say to them, “I think I might like it here.”



Wrangler and his steer relax at the Heart of Texas Livestock Show. Boys Ranch youth build strong bonds with their animals, which help them develop positive relationships with peers and adults.

POOL TOURNAMENT CHAMP

Jeremy earned first place in the Boys Ranch pool tournament in January. His name was engraved on a plaque that is displayed at the Ranch. The tournament, hosted by the recreation department, is one of many activities that enable residents to connect to campus life and strengthen relationships.



In addition to helping youth have fun, Melton said it is important for staff members to take advantage of every teaching opportunity.

“It’s great to have fun and to keep kids busy, but it’s also important to add a teaching component to the activity,” she said. “We often take a few minutes to talk about the things youth experienced and how they can apply these lessons to their lives.”

PLANTING SEEDS OF HOPE

Steve Kruse, an FFA teacher, enjoys using his classes as opportunities to teach important life lessons and build relationships. In February, 6th through 8th grade students in his horticulture class built a “wishing well” for a garden area at the Ranch.

In addition to ensuring the boys’ safety during classes, Kruse enjoys working hands-on with the boys’ projects since their youthful energy, enthusiasm and curiosity provide avenues for Kruse to plant seeds of hope in their lives. Throughout his 50-minute shop class, Kruse constantly talks with the boys as he



Steve Kruse, FFA teacher at the Boys Ranch, and Patrick cut a piece of wood for a class project. Patrick appreciates the opportunity to develop his woodworking skills at the Ranch. Also pictured are (l-r) Ennis, Stuart and Matt.

combines instruction about tools and woodworking techniques with humor and words of wisdom he has learned along the way.

“It’s important for John and me to work closely with the boys,” he said. “We do it to help instill a positive work ethic in the boys and to let them know we care about them. It makes us feel good to know that they’re learning lessons that will help them out down the road.”

Patrick, a student in Kruse’s class, was excited to begin working in the large shop, which provides a wide range of tools and

Equestrian program teaches responsibility, character

Driving down the winding lane onto the Boys Ranch, visitors often notice the beautiful horses near the entrance. The horses are well-loved by the boys, but more than being beloved companions, these horses assist Ranch staff as they help boys work through their personal struggles.

Bonnie Wnenkowski, equine coordinator at the Ranch, works with a select group of boys through the equestrian program, helping them develop confidence and competence in working with horses. One side benefit of the horse program is that it helps the boys constructively work through frustration.

“We work on positive change through mastery of various horse skills combined with an atmosphere where the boys can feel accepted no matter what,” Wnenkowski said.

Wnenkowski works with six to eight boys at a time through the program, but the goal is that every boy at the Ranch learns to ride and saddle a horse with confidence. For many of the boys, it is their



Bonnie Wnenkowski, equine coordinator at the Boys Ranch, has observed positive changes in youth as they work with horses.

first experience with a horse. Chris, one of the participants, can attest to that first-hand.

“I’m from a big city, so this is a really unique opportunity for me to learn something new and fun,” he said.

The boys come from all experience levels and learn feeding, grooming and saddling, as well as the importance of proper veterinary care. After mastering the basics, the boys can move on to show their horses and work at a horse show.

Several of the boys continue to take riding lessons even after their time in the program is complete.

Saber continued his involvement with horses and feels that being a part of the program positively defined his time at the Ranch.

“The horse crew has been a great learning experience,” he said. “I have learned discipline and how to deal with my emotions in addition to general knowledge about horses. I’m very thankful for the program.”

Quail project provides hands-on experiment in wildlife management

When visitors come to the Boys Ranch, they cannot help but catch the boys' enthusiasm for agricultural life, and they are especially proud of their quail project. The Ranch began the project last spring with a donation of 20 females and five males. Since then the boys have harvested and hatched eggs, and raised the next generation of quail for release onto Ranch property. In fact, the Boys Ranch wildlife education class used the fall release as a hands-on experiment in wildlife management. The boys will continue to follow up with the birds and track their progress throughout the early spring months.



equipment for the boys to use. Living at the Ranch has enabled Patrick to develop his interest and talents in woodworking. One of his goals is to use the knowledge he acquires in his shop classes to help his uncle and cousin finish building a large tree house at home.

"I like to use tools and mechanical things," said Patrick, who enjoys helping other students learn how to use shop equipment. "I like building stuff and being outdoors."

Although Patrick has confidence when he is working in the shop, he admits he had a difficult transition to the Ranch. As he looks back on his first year, he is thankful for staff members who took the time to help him feel like part of the Ranch family.

"My homeparents would do things like play board games with me to help me keep my mind off of things," he said. "They helped me a lot."

In addition to becoming more comfortable at the Boys Ranch, Patrick has also seen a significant change in his performance at school. Prior to moving to the Ranch, he developed a habit of skipping school. Instead of continuing a pattern of failing grades, Patrick now shows interest in his classes and has earned recognition on the academic honor roll.

"The Ranch is helping me learn that school is important for my future," he said, "and that I have to work hard if I want to do something good with my life."

Helping youth like Patrick and Garner prepare for a successful future is the mission of Methodist Children's Home. The many activities, educational opportunities and relationships offered through the Boys Ranch help youth develop self-confidence, important life skills and a sense of purpose for their lives.

"Our ultimate goal," said Briggs, "is to help youth develop hope for the future by becoming healthy, contributing members of their communities after they leave the Boys Ranch." ■

Boys Ranch youth enjoy community service, friendship

When Cheryl Dishman, a homeparent at the Boys Ranch, took her youth to the eye doctor in the spring of 2007, she never imagined she would come away with a new friend. As Dishman sat in the waiting room, she struck up a conversation with Alice Allen, a Waco-area resident.

"We got to talking and I learned that she did not really have anyone to help her take care of her home and yard," Dishman said. "I knew immediately that we were supposed to help her."

Dishman and her husband, Jim, had been praying for a service project that would allow their boys to develop a relationship with someone in the community on a long-term basis. Over the next few weeks, the Dishmans met with Allen to determine her needs.

"She lives in a rural area and her drive was very overgrown," said Cheryl Dishman. "She told us that she is legally blind, so fixing things around the house is very difficult for her."

When the Dishmans told their boys about the plan to help Allen, the boys were eager to begin work. The following week, they loaded up several lawnmowers, weed-eaters and clippers to clean up Allen's yard. However, the boys did not stop there. During the past year and a half, the boys have consistently maintained Allen's property. They have repaired plant stands, rewired her stereo and even made bird-houses for the trees near her home.

Allen treasures her time with the boys and often makes them



lemonade when they come to visit. Chris, one of the boys in the Dishman's home, especially enjoys spending time with Allen.

"She is just a really nice person," Chris said. "I like to help her with things around the house and just listen to her."

Allen, who was a long-time employee at a library, is eager to share more than just her personal memories — she has also given the boys special books from her personal collection.

"She always asks the boys about their interests, and usually by the next time we come she will have set aside special books to give to each of them," Dishman said. "She personally chooses books that mean a lot to the boys."

For Allen, the consistent help from the boys has been a god-send.

"They've been so very helpful. For several years, the weeds were taking over and I was overwhelmed," she said. "It has been such a blessing getting to know the boys."



Cheryl Dishman, left, and her youth at the Boys Ranch have developed a strong friendship with local resident Alice Allen.

Student Leadership Council provides “voice” for residents

Tucker (l-r), Yolanda, Matt, Jennifer, Irwin and Mae (not pictured) are providing organizational leadership for a new student council.

MCH youth are receiving the opportunity to offer their input to administrators on key issues through a new Student Leadership Council.

Moe Dozier, vice president for residential services, and

Denise Warren, student activities coordinator, provide leadership for the organization. The council will ultimately be comprised of a representative from each of the 16 homes on the Waco campus and six units from the Boys Ranch. Eventually, the council will add youth from the new residential program in Waxahachie.

During its first meeting, Dozier expressed his appreciation for the interest and contributions of the youth, and encouraged them to take advantage of this opportunity to represent all young people in the residential programs.

“This is an opportunity for

you to help administrators understand the issues that are important to you,” he said. “Our goal is to provide input for youth at the highest level.”

Youth will represent MCH at special events, welcome special guests to campus, develop welcome baskets for new residents and perform service projects.

Warren, who provides leadership for a variety of activities, looks forward to serving in this new role.

“Leadership is a key word for this organization,” she told the group. “You will serve as the voice of youth in your home and across campus.”



MCH youth garner recognition at county fair, livestock show

Matt and Linda, pictured below with Moe Dozier, vice president for residential services, display their FFA and 4H awards.

Matt also received the \$2,000 Linda Goates Memorial Scholarship at the livestock show. The scholarship, which is only given to one student each year, is the largest and most prestigious college scholarship given through the livestock show.

Fifteen MCH youth earned a total of 25 awards during the McLennan County 4H Fair and FFA livestock show in January.

Linda, a Waco campus resident, and Matt, a resident of the Boys Ranch, earned Grand Champion honors. Linda earned the award for a cake,

and Matt earned honors for showing his lamb and in the photography category. Matt also won the Reserve Grand Champion award in black and white photography.

This was the first time MCH residents competed in 4H, a non-profit youth organization

that teaches leadership, citizenship and life skills.

The Boys Ranch has sponsored FFA for many years, and MCH youth regularly win awards for their work with animals and shop projects.

“I am excited that in our first year of 4H, we were able to place so well,” said Karen Melton, director of program services at the Boys Ranch. “I am proud of our students and their hard work, and I am excited about the skills they learned and will continue to develop the rest of their lives.”



MCLENNAN COUNTY 4H AND FFA AWARDS

Grand Champion - Photography (Scenic): Matt; Food: Linda; Sheep: Matt

Reserve Grand Champion - Photography (Animals): Matt

First Place - Food: Antonio; Photography (Portrait, Color): Matt; Photography (Animals, Color): Matt

Second Place - Food: Chelsea, Slayton, Garner, Stephen, Chris; Photography/Animals, Color: Keenan; Photography/Scenic: Matt

Third Place - Goats: Michael

Fourth Place - Food: Porshay, Linda, Chelsea

Exhibitor Award - Vanessa, Maiya, Deon, David, Slayton



Bulldogs find success in first year of competitive athletics

by KEVIN HENRY, MCH athletic director

It is hard to put into words the exact feeling you have when you win a game on a last-second play. If you have ever been in this situation, you know the feeling - the feeling of being in, what the greatest basketball player of all time has called, "The Zone." For Michael Jordan, "The Zone" came easily, but for the rest of us common folk, "The Zone" usually only comes once in a lifetime or during the infamous 15 minutes of fame.

Many of the young people who come to Methodist Children's Home never experienced the feeling of making the game-winning shot, crossing the finish line, getting an ace on the last serve or catching a touchdown pass as the clock expires. Now, our student-athletes are able to live these moments as we enjoy our first year of competitive athletics for the MCH charter school.

The year started with a simple survey of students at the charter school. As a staff, we knew that some sports were going to be unlikely, such as football. Football is a big production, like the Broadway musical, *Cats*. However, we knew that volleyball and basketball would be something we could pull off this first year.

We were lucky to find and join the Texas Charter School

The Bulldogs wrapped up their basketball seasons Feb. 21 at the state tournament in Austin. The girls earned 2nd place and the boys placed 4th.

Academic and Athletic League, an organization that specializes in charter school athletics. Through this organization and the competition it offers, our sports provide a "real" feeling for our youth, who can keep track of their win-loss records, scout potential match-ups and even compete for a state championship.

The TCSAAL offered flag football as one of the first sports

of the year. We put our boys in the league and ended up competing for the state championship against a team from Fort Worth. Being runner-up is not bad for our first year.

At this same time, our girls competed against local schools in volleyball. I wish you could have seen their faces as they jumped around the court after they earned their first win of the season. It was a great feeling!

We recently completed our boys and girls basketball seasons. The girls earned second place at the state tournament, while our boys finished fourth. Our athletes are now competing in soccer and track.

To sum it up, it has been a great ride, one that our athletes, coaches and fans will never forget. Our student-athletes now know what it feels like to be part of a team. They have someone they can call "Coach," who stands on the sideline barking out plays as if they were in another language. They have someone who gives them hugs after a big win. This is why we compete. This is why we play the game. We play for the chance to get that feeling of "The Zone" and all the good things that come with it.

I am proud we are able to offer this experience to our youth.

FROM OUR STUDENT-ATHLETES



HEATHER
Volleyball

How have the MCH coaches helped you? They help us get better at our sports, and they help us with other problems when we need to talk.



KYLIE
Volleyball and Basketball

How has athletics helped you? It has helped me get better at sports and learn how to work better with teammates.

JUSTICE
Football, Basketball and Soccer

What is your proudest moment this year? When I scored a touchdown in a football game that gave us the lead.





Christmas 2008

Methodist Children's Home



Thank You!



For more than a century, United Methodists have contributed to the Home's Christmas offering, which helps provide for the daily needs of those whom we serve. Because Methodist Children's Home does not receive church apportionments, gifts from individuals, Sunday School classes and churches are vital to our mission.

More than one-half of the Home's funds raised to meet the daily needs of the children and youth we serve is secured during the Christmas season. Your generosity and prayers help us fulfill our mission:

to offer hope to children, youth and families through a nurturing, Christian community.

Friends like you recognize that celebrating Christ's life means obeying His call: to love Him, to love each other and to care for His children. Thank you for helping us touch the lives of at-risk youth during the Christmas season and throughout the year.

Contact the development department at 800-853-1272 or development@mchwaco.org if you have questions about donating to Methodist Children's Home.

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Boys Ranch gym to serve as focal point of campus life



Construction is under way on the Boys Ranch Recreation and Activities Center, a facility that will serve as the focal point of daily activity and

sports services at the Ranch.

The center will provide a location for organized athletic activities and fitness programs, educational space, graduation

and other special events.

A primary use of the center will be to help the Boys Ranch Mustangs basketball team prepare more effectively for TAPPS competition by eliminating the daily one-hour round trip to practice at the Home's Waco campus gym.

The activities center will be the third recreational structure added to the Boys Ranch since 2000. It will be used in conjunction with the J.S. and Virginia Carver Alpine Tower and the PSH Activities Pavilion to enhance the opportunities of growth for youth.

Matching gift campaign raises funds for community education

MCH successfully completed the second phase of a three-year matching gift campaign in December that raised \$70,000 to support community education and recreation programs.

An anonymous benefactor from the Austin area provided the second of three \$35,000 challenge gifts in September 2008. This launched a matching gift campaign to support programs for children in the East Texas community of Crockett and Waco. The Home offers tutoring, special-interest class-

es and recreation programs in a Christian environment for more than 170 children through these programs.

"We are pleased that this opportunity attracted a number of donors who wanted to have their gifts matched or 'doubled' through this campaign," said

Trey Oakley, vice president for development. "We are blessed to receive strong support from faithful benefactors who continue to demonstrate their commitment to this ministry even in challenging economic times."

Similar matching gift campaigns have been conducted the past five years.

To learn more about matching gift opportunities at MCH, please call the development department at 800-853-1272 or 254-753-0181.



Thank you for contributing to the matching gift campaign!
 Methodist Children's Home is grateful to the benefactors who doubled their gifts in 2008 through the matching gift campaign. Your gifts helped the Home raise \$70,000 to support community outreach efforts in Crockett, Texas and Waco.

Church Giving for 2008

Top 20 Churches: Church Giving

Includes only gifts from churches and conferences.

- First UMC, Center
- Highland Park UMC
- The Woodlands UMC
- Bend UMC
- University Park UMC
- First UMC, LaGrange
- Jewett UMC
- Coker UMC
- Franklin UMC
- First UMC, Big Spring
- Christ Church UMC, The Woodlands
- First UMC, Rockwall
- Covenant UMC, Austin
- First UMC, Winona
- First UMC, Boerne
- Kingwood UMC
- St. Peter's UMC, Katy
- University UMC, San Antonio
- Wesley UMC, Bonham
- Spurger UMC

Top 20 Churches: Total Giving

Includes gifts to MCH from churches and church credit requests from individuals.

- Whaley UMC
- Onalaska UMC
- Trinity First UMC, El Paso
- Highland Park UMC
- First UMC, Ennis
- First UMC, Richardson
- Marvin UMC, Tyler
- First UMC, Center
- First UMC, Nacogdoches
- Somerset UMC
- North Shore UMC
- Christ Church UMC, The Woodlands
- First UMC, Kerrville
- St. Peter's UMC, Katy
- Travis Park UMC
- Arlington Heights UMC
- First UMC, Liberty
- First UMC, Carthage
- First UMC, Fort Stockton
- Custer Road UMC

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Endowment gift
in honor of
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Endowment gift
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Jo Ann Hicks
by
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