An Evening to Appreciate PHFS Superhero Campers

48th Annual Award Ceremony

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Helping Restore Happy Childhoods

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P atrick Henry Family Services stands committed today, just as it has for over 57 years, to taking care of the residential needs of boys and girls. While we have embraced additional ways to help vulnerable children – ways appropriate for each situation, we are reaffirming our commitment to residential care and the important role it holds for many. This past spring I had the honor of giving the closing prayer at the Annual Awards Ceremony. As I sat in the audience, I listened in awe as the youth of Patrick Henry Boys and Girls Home received numerous awards and accolades for their academic and behavioral accomplishments. Not only was I beyond proud, but I was beyond grateful that 57 years later we continue to have homes for boys and girls in need of a safe place to live, grow, mature, and to thrive. Yes, we also have grown in other directions and in doing so are able to reach out and help even more children and families through our additional ministries focused on care (Safe Families for Children, Homes of Hope, and Transitional Living – Step Forward), through our ministry focused on counseling (Hope for Tomorrow) and through our camps and conferences (Hat Creek Camps and Hammersley Retreat Center). Not only are we reaching more in need than ever in our history, we are creating real change. This real change offers hope and provides solutions. Simply said, we are able to provide safe and loving homes for children in need of refuge in a Christ-centered environment because of YOU! Your engagement and your financial support make all the difference. Thank you for enabling us to serve children and families and to grow this critical work. As we grow our services to children and families in need we are able to help before the pain and abuse become a tragic fact for many.
I f 98 out of 100 children who drink from the same well kept coming down with severe diarrhea, we could either prescribe prescription after prescription of strong antibiotics, or, we could find out what’s in that well and fix the problem at the source. The second option would both save money and those children a great deal of agony.

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Scientific research now confirms what many in our field have long suspected: that the smirring effects of poverty, the trauma of abuse, and the toxic stress of family dysfunction, can cause a lifetime of physical and mental health consequences, from difficulty concentrating in school to heart disease, from substance abuse to depression - leading to inflated costs for the social services, education, and public health systems. According to the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), the total lifetime economic burden resulting from new cases of child maltreatment alone is about $124 billion.

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George Mueller, a man who probably cared for more orphans in his lifetime than anyone in history, identified the issue without the tools of science. He said, “The power for good or evil that resides in a little child is great beyond all human calculation. A child rightly trained may be a world-wide blessing... But, a neglected or misdirected child may live to blight and blast mankind.”

The problem is very real...but it’s also preventable. It is invasive... but treatable. It is powerful... but also beatable. The only thing that’s keeping all that harm from happening to children is our will to act. It’s not a lack of resources, but rather the desire to properly channel those resources to where they can do the most good with the greatest efficacy.

Many folks tend to marginalize the issue because they didn’t experience trauma in their own childhood. They see the bad behavior of many children and teens today and blame the parents for their poor parenting. Others see the growing number of adult addicts, or the pervasive mental health crisis in our communities, and blame the individuals for making bad life choices.

Here’s the difficulty with that way of thinking. It not only lacks the grace and love of Jesus Christ, it also doesn’t solve a single thing. It would be like punishing children for having diarrhea. It doesn’t fix the problem.

Many instinctively understand that if we don’t intervene in the lives of vulnerable children and distressed families when the bad things happen, the cycle will only continue. In fact, it will likely just get worse with each generation. The science now proves it. On page 15 you can read more about our efforts to be more trauma-informed in all the services we provide.

At Patrick Henry we never ask what is wrong with those we serve, but rather we ask what has happened to them. People need help. They need hope. They need healing. They don’t need judgment or punishment. They need practical skills. They need support and encouragement. They need to know others care. That’s where folks like you and I come in.

By investing in detection, prevention, and treatment of childhood trauma and toxic stress, we can improve the life chances of youth and families, resulting in stronger, healthier, and safer communities for generations to come. Wouldn’t that be something?

Quite frankly, sometimes it’s hard to be consistent and balanced with these competing interests. It’s easy to see how other organizations get these out of order. I’m proud that we mostly stay true to these commitments.

Deep motivation by a call of God, along with an intense desire to see vulnerable children safe and successful, is what inspires our Board of Trustees, myself, and my dedicated staff to show up to remain vigilant and committed to our mission. It’s not the pay or benefits package, as thankful as we are for them. It’s not about promoting or expanding the reputation of PHFS, although we are honored to do it. It’s the kids. It is always about the precious kids.

As long as PHFS chases the mission and not the money; as long as we are honored to do it; as long as the employees work for better outcomes of our clients and what’s in their own self-interest, God will continue to bless this ministry. I may be wrong about all of this, but it’s the only way this poor orphan boy knows how to do it.

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Cynthia was asked what advice she would give expectant mothers. “Prepare for your future. Your children will be the first to make their choices. If they choose the path of evil God will forgive them. God will forgive them. It’s the poor children who don’t get a chance to learn the path of evil and are sentenced to a lifetime of evil.”

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From the moment Cynthia found out she was pregnant she was committed to being a good mother. After researching for a strong Christian community, Cynthia’s inquiries led her to Lynchburg, VA. She traveled from her home state of Georgia to Lynchburg, not knowing anyone in her chosen destination... “I decided to move to Lynchburg because I learned it was one of the top three Christian cities in the United States and I felt that was where I needed to be,” said Cynthia.

While living at the Salvation Army, Cynthia saw her newborn placed into Foster Care. The Salvation Army then reached out to Hones of Hope (HOH) for Cynthia to live in hopes of regaining custody of her infant. HOH welcomed the opportunity to work with Cynthia and were able to regain visitation for mom and baby. Not only did Cynthia have a safe place to live, but HOH helped her secure a job, get necessary medical attention, develop strong parenting skills, regain full custody of “Gabriel,” and develop a plan for her future.

“HOH has paved the way for my future as a strong mother. They taught and shepherded me while instilling morals and guidelines for living and raising Gabriel. Our lives will be forever impacted by HOH because we will live with purpose according to the way we were taught here.”

When departing HOH for Georgia in order to live with Gabriel’s birth father, Cynthia was asked what advice she would give expectant mothers. “Prepare for your future. It impacts both you and your children. It is never too late and it is always the better way.”

Robert Day

A Message From Our CEO

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Celebrating 54

CYNTHIA & GABRIEL’S RETURN HOME

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Hat Creek Camp Programming Coordinator Jon Rice shared his summer camp take away:

“Summer 2018 was incredible. I saw the Lord move in my life in ways I have never seen before and I saw camper’s lives changed for the positive every single week. However, I had the privilege to train and develop an amazing staff. As the summer ran its course, I observed each of them progress in leadership, teamwork, trust, and above all, faith! When days were tough, they stuck together and encouraged each other. There were many things to love about summer camp, but without a doubt I will always remember how God changed the lives of so many young people through the faithful ministry of Hat Creek Camp.

Hat Creek Summer Counselor Dante shared his summer camp take away:

“This summer has been amazing. I loved working with these wonderful children. One of my favorite things about camp is how I got some of the toughest kids to open up to me and how my own personal story changed their lives. I told them about what I have been through and how without God I wouldn’t have made it. Some of the campers expressed to me how I helped inspire them to be a better person and walk closer with God. I feel accomplished, but I also think it was them that helped me. Without this awesome experience, I wouldn’t have realized that I need to be a better Christian at all times. Thanks for an amazing summer!”

What better way to connect with youth than at camp surrounded by 345 acres of natural fun? At HCC a normal day can include any of the following fishing, hiking, gaga, archery, canoeing, drama, tubing, swimming, exploring, climbing, singing, dancing, etc. In its sixth year, HCC provides a safe and encouraging platform for connections and spiritual growth.

“We say it over and over, great things happen when technology is put away and youth and nature bond,” said HCC Director Michael Briggs. “Not only do we have the opportunity to inspire and encourage adventurous young campers, we witness challenges conquered, see spiritual growth, and hear endless laughter. HCC 2018 has come to a close, but HCC 2019 planning is already in the works!”

This year’s Superhero theme gave opportunities for God-centered messages as witnessed through Biblical super heroes such as David, Esther, Elijah, Noah, and, most importantly, Jesus. Learning to be courageous in the face of fear was summer’s takeaway. Whether in day camp or participating in one of the week’s overnight adventure camps, campers and counselors alike left camp more prepared to face life’s challenges trusting in their renewed and empowering faith.

“I absolutely loved being a counselor at Hat Creek Camps (HCC) this summer,” said camp counselor and Liberty University student Abby Elder. “It was the perfect place to connect with kids and to share the Gospel in everyday conversation. In addition, it was amazing to witness God pulling together eight counselors totally dedicated to enriching the lives of young campers.”
When your children are doing well, you are happy and thankful. We at Patrick Henry Family Services (PHFS) are especially thankful that the children in our Patrick Henry Boys and Girls Homes (PHBGH) ministry are doing very well and making great accomplishments academically and behaviorally. On May 31 we celebrated their achievements at the 48th Annual Awards Ceremony at the Hammersley Center at Hat Creek Camps.

The youth were dressed in their best as they met their parents, family, and friends. All youth attending received recognition for their accomplishments not only in the PHBGH program, but for their school accomplishments as well.

This year’s Annual Awards Ceremony included the following awards:

**The Christie Fariss Hite Memorial Ambassador Award** - This year’s recipient, Hailie, is a whirlwind of charisma and charm. She represented PHFS on “Conversations with Andre Whitehead,” was a beautiful representative at the PHFS Gala, and shared her story at the Brookneal Lion’s Club.

**The Kenneth L., Sr. and Lucy Woodall Harris Ambassador Award** – This year’s recipient, Katlynn, has willingly shared her personal testimony of spiritual growth while in our program. She also represented PHFS on “Conversations with Andre Whitehead” and greeted guests at the PHFS Gala. Katlynn is photographed (3) with PHFS friend Scott Burgess.

**The Christie Fariss Hite Memorial Ambassador Award -** This year’s recipient, Kayla, could not attend the Awards Ceremony as she had gone home, but while with us she demonstrated tremendous spiritual growth. Even though she is young, her spirituality is beautiful.

**Archer Carr Satterfield Work Ethic Awards** - This year’s recipient, Joel, represents citizenship because he is always friendly and never speaks an ill word of others. He is helpful and willing to go the extra mile. Joel, thank you for the kind character that you share with all around you.

**The Courage of Daniel Award -** This year’s recipient, Kira, shows courage each day by fighting through the challenges of life. She has come out on top because of her courage and we are confident that Kira will keep overcoming the challenges before you with God’s strength and power.

**The Donald C. Seagroves Memorial Scholarships –** This year’s recipient, Mysaiah, always spreads joy with his music. He can be heard singing around campus, at churches, and even sang for this year’s Awards Ceremony.

**The Joann Johnson Garner Memorial Perseverance Award –** This year’s recipient, Ian, has clear and complete focus on his future goals and dreams. He calculates a plan on how to reach those goals and takes action. Even though he is just finishing 11th grade, he has already chosen several colleges for application and has applied for 40 scholarships this quarter. Ian is photographed (15, pg 10) with his housemother Elisa Strange.

**The Dr. O. E. Howe Board Most Virtuous Woman –** This year’s recipient, Lynn, currently has a 3.3 GPA at Virginia Tech. She accomplished this while working 30-40 hours a week demonstrating her ability to manage time well. She, also, is a model of determination. Lynn is photographed (11, pg 10) with PHFS Chief Operations Officer Jeff Nix.

**The Shaffer Academic Leadership Award -** This year’s recipient, Destiny, earned this award for her hard work and dedication in school. She has the highest GPA at PHBGH and is on the Principal’s List Honor Roll. She has already applied for college scholarships, loves working in her community, and is currently participating in college advanced classes.

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Hope Church Academic Improvement Award - This year’s recipient, Harlow, came to PHBGH struggling academically. Through hard work and attention to homework, she now knows the joy of academic success. She has the most improved GPA for the year. Harlow is photographed (13) with her house dad Rodney Bak.

The Sgt. Jason C. Carr Memorial Academic Improvement Award - This year’s recipient, Ronnie, also saw strong academic improvement. His GPA just kept going up and up and up. Ronnie is photographed (9, pg 9) with Dot Carr.

Mrs. Daphne W. Copley SuperCalifragilisticexpiapdocious Super Speller Award - This year’s recipient, Kira, had all A’s in spelling this year. She truly enjoys learning new words! We look forward to seeing words that she creates in the dictionary someday! Kira is photographed (2, pg 8) with PHFS Occupational & Life Skills Support Coach Kathy Guthrie.

Lt. Col. and Mrs. Eldon Cox Outstanding Historian Award – This year’s recipient, Elijah, absolutely loves history. He enjoys studying history and learning about the past. Living on Patrick Henry’s land has been a wonderful experience for him as he has studied Virginia Studies this year and visited Red Hill many times.

The Norman Bryan Dennis, Jr. Be Intentional Best Effort - Highest BPA – This year’s recipient, Destiny, received this award for having the highest behavior point average. She completed her chores in the cottage, did all homework, had excellent behavior, volunteered, and rose above and beyond. Destiny is photographed (7, pg 9) with PHFS Occupational & Life Skills Support Coach Kathy Guthrie.

The Norman Bryan Dennis, Jr. Be Intentional Best Effort Award - Most Improved BPA – This year’s recipient Elijah, received this award for the most improved behavior, especially in his cottage. He came into our program, learned the ropes, and rose to the top with commendable behavior, completing chores, and finishing homework. Elijah is photographed (10, pg 9) with Education Support Coordinator Danika Dea.

The Philippians 4:13 Outstanding Athlete Award - This year’s recipient, Kisean, is truly an athlete. He not only loves sports, but he is a positive team member. He played on the Liberty High School Football team for the past three seasons. He loves to improve his skill and help others learn as well. Kisean is photographed (16) with his beloved Expanded Families mother, Jane Snider.

Robert and Lois McCullough Character Award - This year’s recipient, Joel, was awarded the highest honor at PHBGH. Joel truly represents the ideals of the former Director of PHBGH. He is trustworthy, kind, helpful and positive. His character has grown so much in his time here and he has become a wonderful young man of character, love for others and a love for God and his word. Joel is photographed (6, pg 9) with Lois McCullough.

The evening concluded with hardly a dry eye as Mysaiah sang “Worthy of Worship,” followed by the closing prayer from PHFS Board of Trustee Chair, Beverly Dalton.

The following youth were recognized by their school:

- Beta Club (NHS) - Destiny
- Principal’s List Honor Roll 3.5 or higher for 4 quarters - Destiny
- Honor Roll 3.0 or above with only 1 C - Elijah, Hailie, Ronnie
- Award of Excellence (MAP Growth in English and History) - Ronnie
- Science Fair Participation - Ashton, Ronnie
- PE - Most Pushups (50) - Ronnie
- 2nd Place in CCP’s Art Show - Ian
- The following youth were recognized for their academic achievement of having a 3.0 or higher: Hailie, Destiny, Ronnie, Ian, Elijah, Lynn, Katherine
- The following youth were recognized for their academic achievement of having a 2.0 - 3.0 or higher: Katlynn, Kira, Joel, Joshua, Harlow, Kyle

When it Seems Like No One Cares...

A constant thread permeating Safe Families for Children (SFFC) is the overwhelming need for a distraught parent to connect with someone who can help when the welfare of their child is at risk. Such parents may find themselves wondering if anyone cares, whether they or their child can make it another day. SFFC works to show these families a better way.

In August, SFFC Office and Services Manager Ruby Caskey received a telephone call from the Lynchburg Department of Social Services CPS supervisor, Danielle, with whom SFFC has built a trusting relationship over the last two years. Danielle told Ruby that she had a young mom who entered her office in need of help with her young child. This mother felt like she had fallen into quicksand — it seemed the harder she tried, the quicker and deeper she was pulled in. She loved her baby girl, yet she could see no way out of her stressful situation.

As Danielle began to explain how SFFC had helped many like her, the mother’s entire countenance changed. The transformation was real — from perplexed to empowered, discouraged to uplifted, and hopeless to optimistic.

Just a few hours later, after personally connecting with Ruby and SFFC Family Coach Supervisor Sheree Bryant, this mother finally felt capable of becoming the mother she desired to be. Her little one was initially hosted for five days while SFFC began to help the mother find employment and receive counseling. This hosting blossomed into 30 days.

Before leaving the office that first day, this mother turned to Sheree and, with tears in her eyes, said, “I still can’t get past the idea that someone would care for me. No one has ever cared this much for me.”

Photograph acknowledgments: Hosting this precious little one is just what SFFC does. Photographed with the young child are members of her host family and friends.
This is an exciting time for Patrick Henry Family Services (PHFS),” said Director of Expanded Families Mary Beth Burgess. “We are thankful to announce that we have two families, E-families as they are called, signed up to participate in our new Expanded Families ministry!”

Wait... Who are Expanded Families? What do they do? When did Expanded Families start? Where are they located? How can you get involved?

At PHFS we believe that every child deserves to experience the love of God in the context of a family, through love, impact, safety, and belonging. Our core belief is that every child deserves an opportunity to grow up in a loving Christian family environment, has sustained our organization since 1961 serving hundreds of children and supporting families through residential cottage care, Patrick Henry Boys and Girls Homes.

As we work to fulfill our vision to meet the needs of every child, doing so with Christ-like love and informed care, we thereby allow safe attachments to be formed which enables healing. To further facilitate the often complex set of social, emotional, and developmental needs displayed by the children in our care we have responded by adding additional informed care, we thereby allow safe attachments to be formed which enables healing.

The Expanded Family program is designed to be a better alternative to group homes, as well as state run foster care. Uniquely designed, this model of foster care will not only engage families, but also churches and communities are invited to come alongside PHFS’ E-Families to provide needed support, as well as consistent community help. The Expanded Family Program is truly love in action. Families, churches, and communities coming together for children from hard places to provide safety, connection, and healing.

We are committed to ensuring that our E-families are well trained and supported by connection and available respite. The story is never complete without the hero... become an Expanded Family... join the story... get connected... have impact... be a HERO for a child today!
Institutional Advancement Gains Two New Faces

The Institutional Advancement office of Patrick Henry Family Services is pleased to announce that Dr. Garvin Maffett has joined the leadership team as Chief Advancement Officer and Brooke Levens has joined as Director of Donor Relations and Administration.

Dr. Maffett is a servant leader passionate about raising support for children and families. He brings a strategic approach to planning, pragmatic business acumen, and exceptional communication skills. His extensive experience in fundraising development and advancement, working with such organizations as Yale University, University of Maryland School of Medicine, INJOY Stewardship Solutions, and Lackey Clinic, is a true asset to Patrick Henry Family Services.

After receiving his B.S. degree from Pennsylvania State University and his MBA from the University of New Haven, Dr. Maffett went on to receive his Doctor of Education from Columbia University. Additionally, he has been involved in numerous non-profit and community boards such as Chesterfield – Colonial Heights Alliance for Social Ministry and the Kiwanis Club. He was awarded his CFRE (Certified Fund Raising Executive) certification in 2007.

“We are extremely excited to have Dr. Maffett on board as our first Chief Advancement Officer. His skills in fundraising, donor relations, foundation relations, leadership volunteer management, as well as event management are vital to our long term success.” said CEO Robert Garvin.

Brooke Levens brings over nine years of experience in the event, marketing, and development industries. Born and raised in Georgia, Brooke graduated Magna Cum Laude from Valdosta State University, where she received her B.A. in Political Science. Brooke later graduated from Liberty University with her Master of Business Administration (MBA).

Before joining Patrick Henry Family Services, Brooke held the Director of Development and Marketing position with New Vistas School where she was a key fundraiser for the school’s annual fund and capital campaign.

“Brooke will help us have a “Best in Class” institutional advancement program,” said Chief Advancement Officer Dr. Garvin Maffett. “Her skills in fundraising, donor relations, foundation relations, leadership volunteer management, as well as event management are vital to our long term success.”

“I am truly excited to have the opportunity to work for PHFS,” said Brooke. “Working for an organization that is positively impacting the lives of children and families is a blessing indeed!” said Brooke.

In reality, we didn’t know - how much - we didn’t know. Our first foster care placement was a teenage girl who after years of devastating neglect had lost both parents to drug-related deaths. Her persistent history of trauma was unaddressed then there are often lasting consequences, physical reactions to trauma can happen to anyone. If left unaddressed then there are often lasting consequences, physical reactions to trauma can happen to anyone. If left unresolved the event, marketing, and development industries.

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It’s another way for you to help
Patrick Henry Family Services

An IRA charitable rollover is a charitable gift that is made from an IRA directly to a qualified charity from someone who is at least 70 1/2 years of age or older. Once you reach 70 1/2, you are required to take an annual distribution from your IRA and pay tax on that “required minimum distribution” or RMD. You can avoid this tax by making an IRA charitable rollover gift to support our cause. The amount transferred to charity, up to $100,000 per year, will count toward your RMD. To make a rollover gift, contact your IRA custodian and request and complete a form that will allow you to make an IRA charitable rollover gift (sometimes called a “qualified charitable distribution”).

How an IRA Charitable Rollover Works

Maximize Your Benefits While Helping Your Family and the Causes You Cherish

1. Make an IRA Rollover Gift Today
   - IRA ROLLOVER FORM
   - ROLLOVER GIFT TO CHARITY

2. Plan for Tomorrow with a Bequest
   - ASSET
   - BEQUEST
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Basic Benefits of an IRA Rollover and Bequest

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<td>An IRA charitable rollover gift is flexible in terms of when you give, how much you give and to whom you give. You can make an IRA rollover gift at any time during the year, up to $100,000 per year from your IRA directly to a qualified charity like our organization.</td>
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<td><strong>Personal Satisfaction</strong></td>
<td>By making a gift, or series of gifts, from your IRA to support the charitable causes that matter most to you, you will be able to see firsthand how your gift is making a difference.</td>
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<td><strong>Potential Tax Benefits</strong></td>
<td>IRA distributions are subject to federal and state income tax. If you make an IRA rollover gift, you can avoid those taxes. An IRA rollover gift may also be a smart tax planning strategy if you have already reached your charitable deduction limit this year or if you face a phaseout when itemizing deductions, as IRA rollover gifts are not affected by limits or phaseouts.</td>
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<td>A bequest is also flexible. Using your will, trust or codicil, you can make a charitable gift of a specific asset, a percentage of your estate, the residue of your estate (what is left after providing for family and others) or a contingent bequest (meaning an asset will pass to us if your first choice for beneficiary does not accept the gift).</td>
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<td>A bequest will give you a sense of personal satisfaction by helping you leave a lasting legacy that continues to support our work long after you are gone.</td>
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Recently, Robert Day launched **It is Live**, a weekly live devotional broadcast that can be accessed on Facebook from anywhere. The devotional airs every Wednesday morning at 8:30 am on the Patrick Henry Family Services Facebook page. It is recorded and can be watched later if the live recording is missed. Please share the broadcast with your friends and help raise awareness of PHFS, while starting your and a friend’s day out in a positive Godly way. Photographed above are two staff members watching the original launch of Robert Day’s live devotional on September 12th.

**Robert Day’s First Live Devotional**

**On This Rock**

There’s an interesting story in the Gospels of a father whose son is troubled by evil spirits. The desperate man brings his boy to the disciples for help but they couldn’t do anything. They didn’t have the knowledge or the power. It was only when Jesus appeared that the awful situation was finally resolved.

How many times does the world show up at the church doors looking for help only to find ineffective believers who send them away to seek solutions elsewhere? That is sad. I personally believe that every need in this world can be met by the church. No exceptions. The only reason the church is not addressing vexing issues like child abuse, poverty, and crime, is because the church doesn’t believe it can. God’s children have been convinced that difficulties of the world are best fixed by worldly solutions.

Nothing could be further from the truth. Only when the church accepts that it possesses both the knowledge and the power, will real solutions appear.

**Take Away:** Every need in the world can be solved by the one institution, not of this world.

**Scripture:** Matthew 16:18 “…and on this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it.”

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**What better way to support Hat Creek Camps than through “camperships!”** For three years in a row Farmville based business, Bug Busters has donated funds designated to send children in need of financial assistance to summer camp. Thank you Bug Busters!

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**In recognition of Community Day held on Tuesday, July 31, Lynchburg based East Coast Wings + Grill restaurant held a corporate matching fundraiser for Patrick Henry Family Services. Thank you for your generous donation!”**

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**In Kind and In-Kind GIFTS!**

Our friends find many creative and generous ways to support the ministries of PHFS! Here are just a few…

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**Kindly donated items…**

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**Each summer the youth of PHBGH look forward to motorcycle rides by the Gold Wing Road Riders. This year Chapter J gave rides to the youth followed by lunch and ice cream. Thank you Gold Wing Road Riders!**

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As most would agree, Patrick Henry Family Services is not short on vision; in fact, it is our constant concern for better care of vulnerable children and families that drives the vision and mission nonstop. In order to fulfill the vision, financial support is paramount. On April 19, PHFS held an inaugural Gala in hopes of raising $175,000 to support all of our ministries. It was an unforgettable event on many levels. The décor, the guests, the meal, the speakers, and especially the heart-warming stories.

Master of Ceremony and Director of Safe Families for Children Patrick Neff stated the event’s mission in his opening remarks. “We are thrilled that this night has finally arrived, and are so excited to see all of you gathered here to celebrate the work God is doing in and through us. We invite you this evening to thoroughly enjoy fellowship with friends and a great meal, and then to sit back and hear with your heart how God is doing some remarkable things through the ministries at PHFS.”

Robert Day shared the vision of PHFS for the coming years. “Recently my staff and I have been given an enormous vision, and tonight is the first time I am sharing it in a public forum. We believe that we have come up with a better way to care for at-risk children. Our plan is an initiative that will pull government, churches, and private agencies together to ensure that children remain within the care of a healthy family — their own or another — that is supported by a local church. In the rare occasions that a child cannot safely live in a family setting, a group home setting with Christian caregivers, supported by a local congregation, will also be an option.”

A mother, Ashley, along with her infant son, Isaiah, who had benefited from the SFFC program, shared her story. “My name is Ashley, and I have been in and out of prison since I was 18. When I got out again, I got pregnant… Not being in the program was a probation violation, so I knew I was headed back to jail and was going to lose my son. A CPS worker told me about SFFC. When I met with staffer, Sheree, and she told me that she was going to find someone to take care of my baby, I then knew everything was going to be OK.

“After I was in jail, I wasn’t sure what would happen. I was told that the Safe Family host parents might come to visit me, but I wasn’t sure if they would. But Melissa Tuck did. She came to see me in jail, and I could tell that she was a good person. I was so glad that my baby was being taken care of by such good people. The next time she came, she brought Isaiah to see me. He had grown a lot in a short time, and I could see that he was happy and that she loved him. I know that if I had not been able to be sure that he was taken care of, I would have lost it.

“Since getting out of jail, the Tucks have continued to be family not only to Isaiah but me as well. A lot of things have happened to me, but they have always been there. I couldn’t imagine a better family even though we are not related by blood. I know they love Isaiah and me and that they want to help us. “I don’t know what’s going to happen to me in the future, but I know that because of the relationship that I have with Missey and Zac through Safe Families, I’m not going to have to go through any of it alone. In looking back to a year ago, I’m not sure what would have happened to me if I had been separated from my son. I’m so glad I’ll never have to know.”

For those unable to attend the inaugural Gala, no worries; plans for our second annual Gala are well underway. Please do not hesitate to let us know of your interest in attending by emailing blevens@patickhenry.org or by telephoning (434) 376-2006, ext. 209.

P.S. Yes, the $175,000 goal was met!
The Honor and Memorial Register

The following donors made honor or memorial gifts to Patrick Henry Family Services in recognition of those who have made a difference in their lives. These gifts not only help our ministry, but they also live on as a lasting legacy to those who are honored. In fact, many people have been introduced to Patrick Henry Family Services through honor and memorial gifts.

When honor and memorial gifts are received, our office promptly notifies the honoree, or the family of the deceased, and provides the name and address of the donor of each gift.

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Ward Burton, Jeb Burton, and Mike Roberts with The Ward Burton Wildlife Foundation (TWBWF) spent an adventurous afternoon with the youth of PHBGH. First stop, the Brookneal campus where they installed a bluebird house. Next stop, the wetlands near the Vic Thomas Fish Hatchery and the Staunton River. While in the wetlands the gentlemen with the assistance of the youth installed two Prothonotary Warbler nesting boxes. It was truly a fun learning experience. Thanks TWBWF!
We just cannot stop applauding the success of our Patrick Henry Boys and Girls Homes youth. Photographed are the exterior images taken of the youth before the Annual Awards Program began. We love their smiles, and we LOVE them!
You know you are doing something right when you see this kind of post on Facebook exchanged between two of the wonderful youth in our care.

If you could ride a bike, trike or scooter; walk, run, skip or hula hoop; then you were invited to participate in the first annual Do It for the Kids Day in the Spring. It was a fun-filled day of crazy activities all done to enrich the lives of countless children in our care. The event was such a success that a second Do it for the Kids Day event was held October 23.
While it may be a bit early for Christmas shopping, we have a suggestion to help you with gifts for those you want to remember at Christmas and they “already have everything they need/want.” Why not consider making a gift to Patrick Henry in their honor? In this way you will let your friends and loved ones know you are thinking of them and help the children at Patrick Henry at the same time.

**MAKE A GIFT of any amount to Patrick Henry Children’s Fund and send us the names and addresses of those you want to honor.**

**WE WILL SEND** them a beautiful Christmas card letting them know that you have made a gift (amount of the gift not mentioned) in support of our Patrick Henry children in their honor!

**HERE’S HOW IT WORKS:**

A pre-addressed envelope is included in this Orator for your convenience. If you have questions or need further information, please contact Patty Hammock at 434-376-2006, ext. 208 or email phammock@patrickhenry.org.

![Image of children and adults at Patrick Henry]

**PLEASE SEND YOUR GIFT TO THE CHILDREN’S FUND BY DECEMBER 1.**

**“I regard the theatre as the greatest of all art forms, the most immediate way in which a human being can share with another the sense of what it is to be a human being.”**

— Oscar Wilde

**246 THE MAIN CULTURAL ARTS THEATRE & PHBGH’S OWN MYSAIAH!**

Be Touched! Be Inspired! Be Informed! Be Entertained! These are the words that pop up when you go to 246 The Main Cultural Arts Theatre’s website and these are the words that describe the Summer Drama Camp’s performance of DREAM.

40 young actors and actresses performed to an overly packed house, the audience was in admiration of the amazing young talent, as well as the dedicated staff. The painted mural was luminescent, the simple props were powerful, and the lighting was masterful. Campers choose one primary track focus with an experienced staffer: Light/Sound Technology, Dance, or Acting, as well as break-out sessions in make-up and props/scenery.

Patrick Henry Boys and Girls Home youth, MySAiah, was excited to have the opportunity to participate in the week long Summer Drama Camp. He auditioned and was selected as one of the three vocal soloists, he also participated in two skits, and received the “Most Likely to Make it on Broadway” award. “I absolutely loved being able to participate in the Summer Drama Camp and learned so much,” said MySAiah. “Not only was the staff encouraging, but so were the other campers.”

246 The Main was the dream of Donnalynn Davis after moving to Brookneal from the north. She shared with her husband and Brookneal native, Carl, a sincere need to open a community theatre to showcase local talent and to welcome cultural and growth opportunities. In August, 2014 the theater opened and continues to be a true community asset.

“As 40 young actors and actresses performed Summer Drama Camp’s performance of DREAM, we were thrilled to have had at 246.”

For more information about 246 The Main, please visit www.246themaintheatre.com or follow them on Facebook.
This inspiring conference facility overlooks the shore of Lake Shalom at Hat Creek Camp, just an hour from Lynchburg, Virginia.

Our modern, two-story facility offers a rustic ambience, plus flexible meeting spaces—making it perfect for any event from business meetings to church retreats.

- Spacious seating for 80 guests.
- Rooms can be arranged for banquet dining, conference audiences, or classroom space.
- Upper meeting room boasts a 20-ft vaulted ceiling, and a wall of windows with lake views.
- Well-appointed overnight accommodations for 45 guests.
- Wi-fi service available.
- Handicap accessible.
- Resources of adjacent Hat Creek Camp available for activities.

Consider the Hammersley Center for your next church group meeting, company party, or large family gathering.

Contact us today to plan your event!