



Day-ly Times

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Important Reminders:

- We are singing at the Basket Auction! Arrive at the church by 5:15 pm on Sunday, March 7
- For just .25 per day, you can help The Way sponsor a child from the Damou Christian School in Haiti! You can drop your change in the collection jar.

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We are performing at the annual Basket Auction on March 7!

The annual basket auction is one of the fundraisers that we do throughout the year to support the programs of Mephibosheth Ministries, including The Way day program.

In the past, the day program has collected items and put together a basket or two to contribute to the auction. This year, we suggested, and our participants agreed, that we should support the basket auction with our time and talents.

So, we will be kicking off the basket auction with

a song! We will be singing and dancing to one of our favorites, "Everyday." We want everyone at the basket auction to experience just a little bit of the fun we have at the day program.

We Are Singing!
March 7, 2010
Arrive by 5:15 pm
Wear a bright, solid color shirt
Stay and enjoy the auction and ice cream social!

Please mark your calendars and arrive by 5:15 pm so we can coordinate before we begin.

Remember, there will be lots of great items on which to bid and a FREE ice cream social with homemade pies!

Please help support Mephibosheth by bringing your friends and family to the basket auction this year!

The Way raises over \$600 for Damou Christian Mission

On February 8, we held an indoor walk-a-thon to raise money for earthquake relief for Damou Christian Mission in Haiti.

What a fun day we had! Everyone did their best and loved collecting stickers each time they passed the walk-a-thon home base.

The greatest news of all is that we raised \$636.00! What an awesome effort everyone made to get pledges from friends and family and walk as many indoor laps as they could! The money is on its way to Haiti to help Tina Eisenhower meet the needs of the people in her community of Jacmel, Haiti. Tina and her daughter Rachel spoke to our campers last summer at Camp Mephibosheth.

Our participants have also made the commitment to sponsor a child through Damou Christian School. In Haiti, only 1 child in 3 attends school. \$25 per month provides the child we sponsor an education, uniforms and a warm meal each day. We have a collection jar available and the suggested amount is just a quarter per day. In



Beth, Scotty, Jon and Stephanie make another lap during the indoor walk-a-thon.

January and February, we collected \$36.40! As a group, we will decide how to distribute the extra money collected — there are several options!

If you would like more information about Damou Christian Mission and School, visit the website at www.damou.org.

We ♥ Volunteers!



Cindy helps Katie do her Valentine's Day craft.

The work of Mephibosheth would not be possible without the support of our volunteers! Whether it is taking a group for a walk, helping someone with lunch or assisting someone with the day's activities, our volunteers enrich the lives of those who attend The Way.

As our program has grown, so has our need for volunteers. Can you help us identify people who would like to help others?

Maybe you know a retiree or a stay-at-home mom or someone who works part-time. Please consider who you might be willing to talk to about our ministry. Invite them to join us for a visit.

The time commitment is flexible, the experience is fun, and the people they will meet are extra-ordinary!

If you have any questions, please talk to Roberta.

January and February Volunteers

Cindy Burgin
 Mary Lynn Carson
 Dan Conder
 Pam Conder
 Marilyn Gerber
 Barb Kabat
 Kay Messenger
 Karen McDole
 Sara Senefeld
 Mary Stone
 Donna VanDyke
 Daniel Zell

“Discover why some of the richest people in the world are not millionaires, they are volunteers.”

Good times at Stardust Bowl

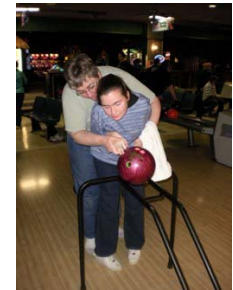
Despite a postponement in January due to weather, we have made it to Stardust Bowl two times since the first of the year. Everyone loves taking a break from the normal routine and having some fun at the bowling alley. It has been a great place to visit over these long winter months!



Tony and Marilyn



Roger, Keith & Nick



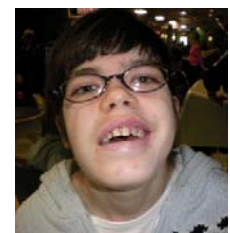
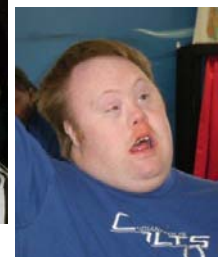
Caitie & Eileen

Let's celebrate YOU if your birthday is in March

Our birthday celebration for March will be Monday the 22nd.

If your birthday is this month, be sure to come for a birthday treat and bring your Birthday Bag. Simply gather a few items from around your home that represent you, your family and friends and the things you like to do. Your family can write notes to help describe your items if that would be helpful. Put them in a bag and bring them with you on the 22nd. It's your time to shine!

In January, we celebrated the birthdays of Pam and Elvis! In February, we celebrated with Matt and Katie. Who will be in March???



Bookmark our website:
www.mmm-abilities.org.
 The newsletter and calendar are posted each month!

March Calendar Highlights



March 1 —
Gardening Day

March 4 — Cooking Day



March 8 —
Movie Day

March 11 — Exercise Bingo



March 15 —
St. Patrick's Day Cooking

March 18 — St. Patrick's Day Craft



March 22 —
Birthday Celebration

March 25 — Pitch-in Lunch



March 30 — TENTATIVE! Rock Climbing at Rainbow Christian Camp ... confirmation and details to come



As the weather improves, we will begin taking walks outside, so please dress accordingly — walking shoes and warm coat or jacket.

Stone Soup warmed us up!

Stone Soup is proof that great things happen when we all work together!

Everyone pitched in and brought one ingredient for our stone soup ... carrots, cabbage, green beans, corn, beef and much more! It was a warm and hearty lunch for everyone.

We based our recipe on the soup made by the three soldiers in the book "Stone Soup." No one in the small town they visited could feed them alone, but as each person added just one ingredient, the meal became a feast fit for a king!



Blaine and Tony put the carrots in the Stone Soup.



Stone Soup!



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Upcoming Events

Mark your calendars for these upcoming events that benefit Mephibosheth Ministries:

Dan's Fish Fry
Friday, April 9
Red Bridge Park in Cicero

Dash for disAbilities
Saturday, June 12
Red Bridge Park in Cicero



Program hours:
9:30 am—2:00 pm
on Mondays &
Thursdays

Please honor these hours when dropping off and picking up your participant(s). Thank you!

Photo Gallery



Woody Conder visits with Stephanie. He loved the day program and should come back soon!

Woody is a generous supporter of Mephibosheth! He put together an awesome doggie basket for the Basket Auction!



Becky and Michael make noodles for the Chicken and Noodle fundraising dinner we did on Superbowl Sunday.

Ty and Nate take a swing at the football piñata during our Superbowl party. We also made nacho dip with chips for the party.



A group picture from Hat Day. For a donation of \$1, participants could wear a hat all day. We joined the kindergarten and preschool to raise \$114 for a children's cancer charity.