

Around the Ranch

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Summer 2022

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Celebrating 50 Years of Ministering to Children!

Alpha Christian Children's Home was founded in 1972 by Jack & Anne Snavely to create a safe place for children to go in their time of need. The ministry has developed over the decades into a beautiful, rural haven for children, and we remain committed to the Snavelys' vision and legacy of love for those most atrisk and in need!

SAVE THE DATE!

We are now preparing to celebrate our 50th Anniversary of ministry to children this year! We plan to hold a fall festival event on



Ariah caught her first fish of the year!

Saturday, October 15th, and we invite you to join us to help celebrate this amazing milestone!

It will be a great opportunity to come see how the campus has changed and evolved over the years, to meet the kids and see their animals, and to network with friends and family who love to be a part of making a difference for the kids.

Updates for our celebration event will be posted on our Facebook page, so join hundreds of our friends who have given it a "like," if you haven't already!

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EnvistaCares Challenge for Children's School Needs

Envista Credit Union has generously offered to partner with us this summer with their EnvistaCares program to match donations given toward our children's school needs! They will match up to \$2,500 given toward these needs, which include new school clothes & shoes for each of the kids, PE class clothing & shoes, school supplies, art supplies, individualized academic curric-

ulum for each of them in our learning center, and funding toward purchasing comfy floor chairs for the children's library space.



Our Annual \$1 Campaign blue card mailer coming to you later this summer will qualify for this match. What a great opportunity for your donation dollars to be doubled toward the children's school needs!!

EnvistaCares will also be working with us at Alpha's campus this summer to create a professionally produced video about our mission to be released in August as they promote our organization for children that month. We will be able to keep that video for later use. Thank you so much, Envista!

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Celebrating the Kids



Most of our kids attended a fantastic 4-H photography workshop held at Lake Shawnee in Topeka during Tulip

Time. It was a wonderful opportunity for them to learn and practice various aspects of photography!



Hiking through the woods can bring some fun surprises ... an old rock barn foundation from the 1800s era!



4-H archery lessons have begun! Several of our kids are participating in learning this skilled sport.



Elvis (on right in photo) was thrilled to have opportunity to work as a page for our state representative, Mr. Ron Ellis!

The kids have been working hard to raise their baby goats! Emmie was bottle feeding this little one.

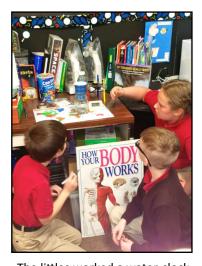




Raising & training their market goats all year for summer 4-H fair showing competition & auction sale.



Time for a 6-mile bike ride across the levy trails near Lawrence! These kids rock!!



The littles worked a water-clock science project together, so fun! Pictured are Nathan, Lucas, & Maggie.



It's always such a pleasure to see
Julian again each time he comes home
on a quick break from the College of
the Ozarks! He was delighted to spoil
his Alpha House family with his cooking skills recently before returning to
the Keeter Center restaurant for his
summer work program.

Grace House Construction News!



We are excited to share that great progress is being made on phase one Grace House construction.

The structure is now up with windows installed, roofing to be installed shortly, and we've already had volunteer electricians get the interior of the house all wired up ... thank you, friends!!

Over the course of the coming summer and fall months, we will be utilizing volunteer friends and professionals to continue to move this project forward. There are several groups already scheduled to come give us a hand.

In addition, The Master's Craft flooring company of Overland Park, KS, has offered to donate and install flooring throughout the new house when the time comes, and another great friend of Alpha is working on building kitchen cabinets to donate and install as well!

We are still needing expert level help with installing soffits and guttering, drywall hanging and finishing, and all finish carpentry work (trim around doors & windows, floor trim, and etc.), in addition to finish plumbing and electrical.

Follow our Facebook page for updates on upcoming projects that you can consider partnering with us on as things progress! We'll post work date opportunities along with the specific types of work we'll be tackling on those days.

Don't miss out on a great
service opportunity! Contact
Jeff Mulpas to get connected
with this project; we can sure
use your help!

We are hoping to complete phase one of this house by the end of this year so that our amazing learning center teacher can utilize it until we are eventually ready to tackle phase two, which will include building a children's residential wing onto the east side of it.

Tribute Gifts In Honor Of Loved Ones

In Memory Of:

Beulah Mae Carter

By: Roger & Connie Dumcum Booker, TX

> Gary & Rosemary Hinds Hugoton, KS

Robert & Judy Parsons Hugoton, KS

Shelly M Phinney Big Springs, TX

Gas Museum Hugoton, KS

Wayne & Elinor Hays

By: Marilyn Aikins Springfield, MO

Betty Mann

By: Scott & Janene Fitzwater Beatrice, NE



Jack Snavely

By: Michelle Kincaid Perry, KS

Katherine White

By: Sue Tapahonso Lawrence, KS

In Honor Of:

Our Mothers & Our Fathers

By: Members
First Christian Church
Barnsdall, OK



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Mission Pantry Needs

- Fresh Fruits & Veggies
- Unsalted Butter
- Shredded, Block, & Sliced Cheeses, String Cheese Sticks
- Pop Tarts/Granola Bars
- Snack Packs, Fruit Cups,
 Juice Boxes
- Canned & Dried Fruits
- Canned Beans
- Canned Chicken, Beef, Tuna, & Salmon
- Soups & Chili, Broth
- Ramen Soups
- Pasta Sauces

- Ranch,
 Ketchup
- McCormick Blends
- Smoked Paprika
- Granulated & Powdered Sugars
- White Vinegar & Apple Cider Vinegar
- Kleenex with Lotion
- Toilet Paper & Paper Towels
- Clorox Wipes
- Gain or Free & Clear Laundry Detergent
- Dishwasher Pods

Special Needs

- Hope House Electric Range—\$699
- Grace House: 6 Bags Grass Seed—\$125 each
- Paddle Boat—\$750
- Brush Hog for Tractor—\$4,500
- 4 Bags of Senior
 Horse Feed—\$25 ea
- Goat Fencing Supplies—\$800

NOTE: If we should have any amount of funding left over from your support for a particular project, we will absolutely use it toward the many other needs of the children.

Give us a call to find out how to connect with Alpha's mission!

(785) 597-5235



2022 Totals

Dillons Rewards = \$469.96

AmazonSmile = \$152.11

General Mills Box Tops: 1,328 = \$132.80

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