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News and Announcements from Our Lady's Inn

FALL 2016



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New Births!

These precious babies were born at Our Lady's Inn during April-June 2016.

Ariel Malaki Chauncey King Greg Kaedrick Kayle Zee Lucia Grace

Noah Shamirr & San'tearr

(Twins) Warren Mathis

A Holistic Care Approach

Insights shared by Belinda James, MOFDC, MSW, on the emotional struggles that many of our pregnant women face.

Due to the circumstances of our pregnant women's situations, they struggle with depression and being challenged to provide stable housing for themselves and their children. Depression that is left untreated in pregnancy can lead to a host of negative consequences such as neglecting prenatal care recommendations, poor nutrition, alcohol and drug use, suicidal thoughts as well as thoughts of harming the baby, and the development of postpartum depression.



Our Lady's Inn offers mothers a holistic approach to dealing with life's challenges. The first of which is a physically safe place to reside (the basic level of Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs). The critical needs of shelter, food and water are the most basic and instinctive needs in the hierarchy and all other needs become secondary until these physiological needs are met.



During the initial phase of meeting a pregnant woman's physiological needs, our staff work to establish healthy relationships. We assist in developing goals to address the next level of needs in the hierarchy – security needs. This includes steady employment, health insurance, safe neighborhoods and emotional shelter from the environment. As trust continues to be developed with clients,

we begin to address their social needs, healthy relationship with the staff they can rely on—feelings of acceptance and involvement with in-house and community programs. At this stage, pregnant women are better able to address the mental health needs that may have been hindering their stability.

The next level is esteem needs - the need for experiences that reflect on healthy selfesteem, personal worth, social recognition, and accomplishment. These women courageously work to become more emotionally stable and build connections through therapeutic supports and psychiatry. They develop healthier communication with their children and learn boundary setting and goal attainment, which leads to fulfilling self-actualization needs—the highest level in the hierarchy of needs.

With this comprehensive and holistic approach that Our Lady's Inn offers to address mental and physical health and spiritual growth, it is our prayer that clients are able to achieve their needs in order to become the mothers that they desire to be for their children.



FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:

I am often asked, "Where do mothers and children go when they leave Our Lady's Inn?" It is a great question, with a complicated answer. When a pregnant woman enters our maternity home, we know she will not stay with us forever. So, as we support her through the pregnancy, focusing on her physical and mental health, we also work with her to achieve self-sufficiency.

For many, that means completing education; for most it means finding employment; for all it means securing stable housing. A few women reunite with family following the birth of the child finding a home and support. Most remain on their own. For these families, we work diligently to assist them in finding safe and adequate housing. They may qualify for a housing program, such as low income or transitional housing.

Those with employment may find affordable market rate housing. Families having a member with a disability or mental health diagnosis often qualify for specialty housing programs. Our Lady's Inn operates its own transitional housing program in South City close to the Inn, where we have a four-unit building. All families leaving the Inn are enrolled in our two year Aftercare Program, where we continue to support them with active case management. Wherever they go, they remain a member of the OLI family.

Peggy Forrest

By the Numbers

1 Mission

2 Residential homes

34 Years in operation

50 Employees

388 Children served this year

6,400 Pregnant women served since 1982

11,458 Average volunteer hours per year

20,869 Nights of shelter provided in 2015

2,500,000 2016 budget

Tée Off for Life Golf Tournament



Thank you to OLI's golf committee for their efforts in making the 13th Annual Golf Tournament held Monday, June 27th at Greenbriar Hills Country Club such a success. A great time was had by all! We are grateful to Ted Simmons who served as Honorary Chairman for the event this year. Many thanks to all of our generous sponsors, families, auction donors, golfers and individuals that provided support to the event. Especially to our generous

event sponsors: Eagle Sponsor – Wedgewood Partners, Dinner Sponsor – Lighting Associates, Inc., Lunch Sponsors – Drury Development Corp. and Villa Lighting. For a complete list of all our sponsors please visit our website at www.ourladysinn.org.

Upcoming Events



Luncheon for Life

Thursday, September 22, 2016 Wine Country Gardens 2711 S. Hwy 94 Defiance, MO 63341



2017 Events - Save The Date!

Trivia NightSaturday, January 14, 2017

2017 Angel Gala Sunday, May 21, 2017

14th Annual Golf Tournament Monday, June 26, 2017

For more information: www.ourladysinn.org

Tax Credits

The Missouri Maternity Home Tax Credit is available to donors who support the work of Our Lady's Inn. Tax payers may take advantage of these tax credits aimed at reducing Missouri state tax liability. Donors gifting between \$100 and \$100,000 may claim the tax credit, and receive a state income tax credit equal to 50% of their donation. These tax credits are limited and available on a first-come, first-served basis.

If you are interested in learning more about Our Lady's Inn's Maternity Home Tax Credits, please call Tammy at 314-736-1544.

Volunteer Spotlight: Bob Garagiola

Bob Garagiola is the Sr. Vice President of Cass Commercial Bank and Treasurer of the Board of Directors at Our Lady's Inn. He has an extensive banking background and brings a great deal of financial expertise to Our Lady's Inn. Bob has been married to his wife, Teddy, for 44 years, has two adult children and six grand children, is a longtime resident of Crestwood and a member of St. Elizabeth of Hungary Parish.



1. How did you get introduced to Our Lady's Inn?

I started as a donor and in time was asked to consider serving as a member of the Board. I did some research, saw that Our Lady's Inn had a 4-star rating from Charity Navigator-the highest possible rating, demonstrating that OLI adheres to best practices and executes its mission in a financially responsible way, which made my decision an easy one. I felt good about my decision, the quality of services being provided and folks involved.

2. What was your first impression of OLI?

My first impression was that OLI is a non-profit that quietly helps pregnant women who have challenges; and that our mission is simply the right thing to do. As I got more involved, I got to know the clients and hear more of their stories. Then I had the realization of how much help they really need.

3. What has surprised you the most about working with OLI? I am impressed at how professional OLI is and how they operate the homes. OLI provides food and shelter, but also counseling services to the women who are dealing with severe trauma in an effort to better equip them for their future.

4. What do you find most challenging?

There is not enough time to do everything we want to...and even if there were it can't be done fast enough. These women and their children are already in crisis by the time they come to live at OLI.

5. What has your experience as a board member been like?

It's been a humbling experience. I truly see how very important my donation and all donations are to carrying out the mission. As a Board member I see other things I can do to support the mission-such as offering the staff the support they need and to help them understand that they are valued. For them, it's more than a job; it's almost a way of life. It can be very stressful and heartbreaking at times. I do everything I can as a Board member to support them.

6. What would you tell someone who is thinking about donating/volunteering?

I would tell them that on a personal level it will be rewarding. OLI utilizes the funding in the right way. And I would tell them that supporting OLI is the right thing to do!



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My Mom From: Sandra Bure Lorraine Checksfield From: John & Susie Bickel

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A Friend and Past Volunteer of OLI

From: Sam and Gloria Lee

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Gifts Given in Honor of... April 1, 2016 – July 31, 2016

For Your Anniversary

Dave and Marlene Maue 25th Wedding Anniversary From: Mary Ann Jerabek

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50th Wedding Anniversary From: Bob and Suzanne Althoff Pat Rebholz

Happy Mother's Day

Tina Doherty Love: Brian and Julie Doherty The Hanford's

Barbara Fourni From: Don and Marge Haefliger

Happy Father's Day Arthur J. Mees From: Ann Garrido

Happy Birthday! Audrey Trafton – 90th From: Lou and Barb Fournier

Linda Kinder - 60th From: Jessica Hughes Madeline Bowman - 9th From: Claire Thies

For Your Ordination

Rev. Mr. Randy Howe Diaconate Ordination - Class of 2016 From: Claude and Nancy Leezy

Rev. Mr. Richard Coffma 25th Anniversary of Ordination From: Claude and Nancy Leezy

Congratulations on Your Wedding! Mr. and Mrs. Zachary Emnett From: Richard and Sherry Regot Jack Boschert and Sharon Handley

The Union of. From: Ruth Wessler Mr. and Mrs. Mike Gates From: Ken and Julie Kauble For Healing Fr. Brian Fishe From: Peggy Forrest

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In Thanksgiving! Jeanne Gearon

Thank you for your hard work and

dedication. From: The Riley Family

Pat Drury Thanks! From: Janet Gaia Fr. Ralph Wright Thank You! From: Mary Gunther

St. Athony For answered prayers From: Diane Snively

Other

Marilyn Adams

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From: Richard and Patricia Gill The loving teachers and staff at Our Lady of Lourdes School

From: David and Angela Stoeberl

Kav Walsh From: Sue Ratchford

The Board, Staff, Volunteers and Families of Our Lady's Inn Offer our Sincere Condolences to the Families of...

Mary Ella Cousins Mother of OLI volunteer Pam Dake

Lee Ferchaud Former OLI volunteer John McCartney Friend of OLI

Brian Midvett Son of OLI volunteer Gloria Parker and staff member Eugene Parker Justine Shamleffer Friend of OLI

Carmen Tamayo Aunt of OLI Director of Counseling-St. Charles, Angelica O'Neill





















