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BRINGING PARTNERS AND RESOURCES TOGETHER



Greg Gaffke, Chairman

It is both an honor and privilege to serve as the 2015 Chairman of the Board for the United Way of Central Missouri. My direct involvement with the United Way goes back a few years when, in 2008, Lori Hoelscher and I were selected to serve as the Campaign Co-Chairs. Following that, I served as a member of the Governing Body, the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee. I am humbled to follow in the footsteps of so many talented community leaders who, as Board Chair-

man, have ensured that we have kept the United Way of Central Missouri a viable, financially sound, strong charitable organization forever focused on serving the needs of our agencies and those dependent for their basic necessities. The mission of the United Way of Central Missouri remains true today as it did ninety years ago... a local volunteer driven organization that improves lives by mobilizing the caring power of our community.

The United Way of Central Missouri has been truly blessed for many years to celebrate successful campaigns thanks to our generous community. To quote a few lines from poet Ralph Waldo Emerson on what constitutes "success", he says, "To find the best in others, to leave the world a bit better; whether by a healthy child, a garden patch or

a redeemed social condition; to know that one life has breathed easier because you have lived. This is to have succeeded." When we think about it, doesn't this sum up the "success" of United Way? Through our participating agencies we continually respond to the health, education and welfare of children and adults. Our garden patch can be the financial support and assistance we provide to the Food Bank; and we redeem social conditions through Dreams to Reality, the Community Health Center, Pathways, Big Brothers and Big Sisters the Boys and Girls Club.

In the end, we know that not just one life has breathed easier, but over 85,000 lives are breath-

and respond every year to simply help make this world a better place. Our vision is to be the leader

Fechtlet for a truly outstanding job as our 2014 campaign co-chairs and successfully leading us "Down the Yellow Brick Road". There is no place like home, or in this case, our central Missouri community.

Of course, I can't say enough about our wonderful United Way staff... Ann, Theresa, Tonya and Sarah. These dedicated professionals are the facilitators of our organizational values and are truly appreciated.

We will soon begin our 2015 campaign in the next few months under the leadership of co-chairs Barb Prasad and Matt Tollerton. Please extend to them the same generous support and cooperation as shown by our community over the past many years. I wish the best for all of you in 2015, and look forward to November to once again celebrate our



Barb Prasad and Andy Fechtel, 2014 Campaign Co-Chairs

ing easier having been served by United Way partner agencies.

We have such a strong community of volunteers, dedicated Pacesetters, business sponsors, along with a core of generous and caring individuals who step forward

in bringing partners and resources together to address priority needs and provide solutions that strengthen our community. This is the success of the United Way of Central Missouri.

I again want to thank Barb Prasad and Andy

UNITED WAY PRESENTS ANNUAL AWARDS

The United Way of Central Missouri honored outstanding volunteers, supporters and advocates at the 2015 Annual Meeting held February 6 at the Capitol Plaza. Outgoing Chairman, Gaye Suggestt, Ameren Missouri, introduced a video highlighting United Way of Central Missouri's 90th Year Anniversary. "As we celebrate United Way of Central Missouri's 90th anniversary milestone, we look back over our shoulders and see a journey entwined with the history of this great community. Our story dates back to 1925 when Sam Baker was our incoming governor, prohibition was in full swing, you could get a gallon of gas for 20 cents, and go to a movie for 25 cents. But some things were not much different than today.....



Gaye Suggestt, Former Chairman

Speaking at Capitol Plaza for the United Way Annual Meeting

Families were homeless due to natural disasters or financial issues, children were hungry, and there were people in crisis who needed the help of their neighbors. And so the United Way of Central Missouri was born," said Ann Bax, United Way

President.

The luncheon continued by welcoming new Governing Body and Board Members, and recognition of retiring Board Members and other United Way volunteers.

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UNITED WAY ANNOUNCES TWO EXCITING INITIATIVES



Ann Bax, President

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Recently our generous community once again rallied around the United Way of Central Missouri enabling us to exceed our \$1.75 million campaign goal. Campaign revenues will fund our 27 partner agencies, programs and initiatives that strengthen and sustain families, respond to crisis, help youth

succeed, support the aging, improve health, and promote self-sufficiency right here at home.

Due to the success of the campaign, the United Way Board of Directors has announced two exciting initiatives to offer additional support to health and human service agencies to continue to address critical, unmet needs to make our community healthier and stronger.

These initiatives include \$120,000 in immediate one-time grant funding available to health and human service 501(c)(3) organizations serving Cole, Osage, Moniteau, Miller, Morgan, Camden, and southern Callaway counties; as well as potential expansion to include an additional agency partner that provides a service

not currently provided by the current agencies in the United Way of Central Missouri family. To be eligible to apply for partner agency consideration or one-time grant funding, organizations must meet specific eligibility criteria outlined on the United Way website at unitedwaycemo.org.

A committee comprised of community volunteers will review applications and present recommendations to the United Way of Central Missouri Board of Directors for final consideration.

This is only possible thanks to our caring community! By working together, we can achieve results no single individual or group can accomplish alone and make our community the best it can be. That is what it means to Live United!

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UNDERSTANDING HOW UNITED WAY WORKS

United Way makes a positive difference in the lives of people in our community. Chances are you encounter people every day who provide United Way services, receive United Way services, or support United Way with their time, talents, or treasure. It may be a neighbor, a co-worker or even a family member — two out of three people in the Central Missouri area utilize services of a United Way partner agency.

Partnerships are critical to the operations of the United Way. The United Way of Central Missouri helps support 27 local partner agencies, programs and initiatives that provide unique, di-

rect services to people in need every day. United Way also partners with hundreds of volunteers who help carry out the mission of the United

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OF EVERY DOLLAR DONATED GOES DIRECTLY TO SERVICES

Way. United Way recruits people and organizations from across the community who bring the passion, expertise and resources needed to get things done. In such a

manner, lives are improved through the caring power of community.

Each spring, community volunteers work through the fund allocation process with United Way's partner agencies. They review the agencies' needs and funding requests, and allocate campaign dollars based on in-depth reviews. Each fall, businesses, organizations and individuals come together to support the mission of United Way as they work together to ensure the success of the campaign. This long-stand-

ing fundraising tradition enables our community to financially support lasting change throughout central Missouri. Throughout the year, United Way funds initiatives, programs and one-time grants that bring all segments of our population together to tackle particular area needs in

our service area which includes Cole, Miller, Moniteau, Osage, southern Callaway, Camden and Morgan counties.

United Way serves as an agent of local change by focusing on education, health, financial stability, and basic needs and continues to maintain a high standard of ac-

countability and transparency. Thanks to the generosity of hundreds of hard working volunteers and wise operational practices, over 90 cents of every dollar contributed to United Way of Central Missouri goes into programs that stay here to help those in need.

COMMITTEE SPOTLIGHT

United Way of Central Missouri is a local, volunteer-driven organization that improves lives by mobilizing the caring power of our community. United Way relies heavily on volunteers to assist with the operations of the organization and strives to be good stewards of every dollar entrusted by our giving community. There are numerous committees that are critical to the mission of United Way of Central Missouri.

The Strategic Funding Committee was formed

to enhance the agency funding process. The United Way continues to put processes in place to support the transpar-



ency and integrity of the organization. The Strategic Funding Committee

is made up of United Way Board Members and community leaders. The duties of this committee are to provide additional financial oversight by reviewing the Finance and Audit Committee recommendations; providing instructions and reviewing applications for the one-time grant process; reviewing applications for Agency Partnership; and preparing recommendations for the United Way Board of Directors for final approval of new partner agencies and one-time grant recipients.

United Way of Central Missouri Partner Agencies, Programs & Initiatives

- 4-H Youth Program
- ABLE
- The American Red Cross of Central and Northern Missouri
- Boy Scouts of America, Great Rivers Council
- Boys & Girls Club of the Capital City
- Capitol Projects
- Community Health Center of Central Missouri
- Council for Drug Free Youth
- Dental, Eye, and Shoe Program
- Dreams to Reality
- Early Childhood Initiative
- Familywise Discount Prescription Drug Program
- Girl Scouts of the Missouri Heartland
- Homemaker Health Care
- Jefferson City Day Care Center
- Jefferson City Area YMCA Child Development Center
- Missouri 2-1-1
- Missouri Valley Big Brothers Big Sisters
- New Start Rental Program
- Osage County Community Living
- Pathways Community Health
- Rape and Abuse Crisis Service
- Salvation Army
- Senior Nutrition Council
- Special Learning Center
- The Food Bank for Central and Northeast Missouri
- Tri-County YMCA

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CELEBRATING 90 YEARS OF CARING

The United Way began in 1887 when a Denver woman, a priest, two ministers and a rabbi recognized the need for cooperative action to address their city's welfare problems. Frances Wisebart Jacobs, the Reverend Myron W. Reed, Monsignor. William J. O'Ryan, Dean H. Martyn Hart and Rabbi William S. Friedman put their heads together to plan the first united campaign for ten health and welfare agencies. They created an organization to serve as an agent to collect funds for local charities, as well as to coordinate relief services, counsel and refer clients to cooperating agencies, and make emergency assistance grants in cases which could not be referred. This movement spread across the nation, and in 1925 the United Way of Central Missouri began as a committee under the Chamber of Commerce, first known as the Community Chest.

1925	1932-49	1954-1966	1973-1993	1996-2005	2008-2014	2015
<p>1925 The first Community Chest campaign goal was \$17,500. Community exceeded goal, raising \$18,095</p> 	<p>1932 Community Chest Goal was \$22,660. Eleven agencies & an emergency relief fund were funded</p> <p>1949 Campaign slogan, "A Day's Pay for a Year's Service"</p> <p>1945 The Community Chest goal was \$53,236 to fund the National War Fund and the Jefferson City Community Chest</p> 	<p>1962 Ruth Meloy was hired as Executive Secretary and the United Community Fund was officially incorporated.</p> <p>1973 Jefferson City Area United Way raised over \$200,000 for the first time</p> 	<p>1987 The Jefferson City Area United Way raises over \$1 million</p> <p>1993 Jefferson City Area United Way established Mid-Missouri Unmet Needs Committee after the Flood of '93 to assist flood victims</p> 	<p>1996 Jefferson City Area United Way changes name to United Way of Central Missouri</p> <p>2003 United Way of Central Missouri Foundation was formed</p> <p>2007 Osage County Advisory Board was established</p> 	<p>2012 United Way office relocated to 205 Alameda</p> <p>2014 Exceeded campaign goal of \$1.75 million</p> 	<p>2015 90 Years of Caring</p>

SALVATION ARMY ONE OF THE CHARTER PARTNERS



Lt. Christopher White

The history of The Salvation Army in Jefferson City began 116 years ago in the year 1899 when the Army came and tried to begin its operations, but financial limitations and lack of community support caused the organization to leave the area in January 1900.

However in 1917 the Salvation Army returned to the Jefferson City community. Due to the prominent role it played in World War One with their famous "Donut Girls" in the trenches, the Army received a much warmer welcome. The first meetings were held in homes and on street corners. The first reported location was 215 1/2 East Main Street, in a small office above the old Montgomery Ward building in the downtown area of the city.

By 1920 the Army had begun a building campaign with a goal of \$4,000, and in 1929 they moved into their first location at 414 Jefferson Street. They resided there for over forty years until a newer and larger building was built down the road at 927 Jefferson Street, where they are still located today. In 1920 the Salvation Army formed a community Advisory Board, and the inaugural chairman was C.C. Carson. That community Advisory Board is still active today, and the current chair is Don

Perdue, Executive Vice President of Central Bank.

The Salvation Army has always sought to serve 'the lost and the least'. This began in the 1920's with various women's groups who went out into the homes of the people in need and helped them. Sometimes it meant cleaning house, doing the laundry, feeding the children or taking care of the sick. In 1925 The Salvation Army partnered with the newly established United Way (at that time called the United Community Fund) and began carrying out its social services on a larger scale.

One example of this is the Salvation Army's Shelter of Hope, which has existed in some form for 76 years. The Salvation Army first saw the need for a shelter in the 1930's when unemployment was high, even in the State Capital. The Salvation Army began serving meals and allowed men to sleep in the



Girl Guard Troop, 1932
Salvation Army scouting program for young girls

basement of the building. Those who did work helped share the cost, and the Army helped to find jobs for those who were unemployed.

The current utility assistance program began in the 1970's, when the Army began assisting with gas bills through a program originally called 'gas help'. Finally, the

food pantry's genesis came from collaboration with the Safeway grocery store located on West Dunklin Street, and the Hen House Restaurant on Stadium Boulevard.

Since its inception, the Army realized there are many other ways in which it can serve the community. In response to the needs of our community, the Salvation Army has expanded current operations to include a Thrift Store, a forty bed homeless shelter, case management based social services, community meals and a food pantry just to name a few. In 1976 United Way funding accounted for one third of the Salvation Army's budget, with an allocation of \$30,000. Today the Salvation Army receives over four times that support each year; and while revenue streams have been diversified, the Salvation Army still relies greatly on the support from the United Way of Central Missouri and the greater

central Missouri community. Through the years the mission of the Salvation Army has remained constant. In 1976 the commanding officer was quoted to say, "The Salvation Army's primary goal is to meet peoples' needs, wherever the need might be, if we can possibly meet it. From hous-



Corps Cadets
Teenage leadership course

ing, food, transportation, whatever the need might be, always trying to show the love of God through it". This is still the mis-

sion and aim of the Salvation Army today. In 1920 the Jefferson City newspaper published a story detailing the Salva-

tion Army's ministry in this community during the war. The story ended by saying, "The Army's activities in times of peace are expected to be as valuable to the community as their war effort was to the soldiers and the money given for this work will be well spent".

We hope 95 years later we have fulfilled these expectations and continue to serve the community with the same passion, and even greater resources than we had all those years ago.




BOARD OF DIRECTOR SPOTLIGHT

Interview with Gaye Suggett *Former United Way Board Chair*

Family

Husband Tim of 30 years; son Tim and daughter-in-law Chelsie, grandsons Logan and Brayden, and daughter Amy

Profession

I've worked for Ameren Missouri for 30 years. My current position is Manager of Regulatory Affairs

Community Involvement

- United Way of Central Missouri Board Chair 2014
- Boys and Girls Club Board
- Leadership Missouri Alumni Board;
- Jefferson City Chamber of Commerce Public Affairs Committee

Why the United Way?

A co-worker asked me to serve on a United Way Fund Allocation Panel about 20 years ago. I soon came to realize how important the volunteers are – they review how the United Way agencies are spending United Way funding so during campaign we can assure the donors their money is spent appropriately. Following that first opportunity to be a volunteer I was hooked and become very passionate about being a volunteer.

Name someone you admire. Why?

My parents, Richard and Jean Rackers. I was raised on a farm in New Bloomfield and they instilled the value of hard work in my three brothers and me. It was never an option; we were expected to work hard and contribute. They expected us to always do our best and to go after what we thought was important. My dad still volunteers at our church mowing grass and helping with the Lenten Fish

Fries. My mom believes that the family that prays together, stays together. She pulls us together for birthdays and holidays. Family is very important to them.

Favorite Quote

“At any given moment you have the power to say this is not how the story ends.”

— M.H.S. Pourri

What is your Work/Life balance Philosophy?

That's a hard one – my husband would tell you I spend too much time working in the evenings and on weekends. But I have always worked. My first real job was scooping ice cream at Central Dairy at sixteen. The balance is to live every day to the fullest and have no regrets! (But honestly – I don't have that perfected.)

What do you love most about this community?

The people. I've said it many times before, but we have wonderful peo-

ple in this community. No matter what the need is in the community, we have wonderful people who step up.

Tell us something few people know about you

I love to go antiquing with my husband. We have picked up a few pieces of unique antique furniture for our home. I don't feel I always have to buy something, I just love the hunt. My dear mother-in-law gave me one piece of stoneware before she passed away, and now it's like an Easter egg hunt looking for additional pieces.

Favorite thing to do when you are not working or volunteering?

Spend time with my family. I love playing with my two grandsons. We read books and play with trucks and tractors. When it is warm outside we take walks and ride the 4-wheeler. I love the hugs and kisses!!

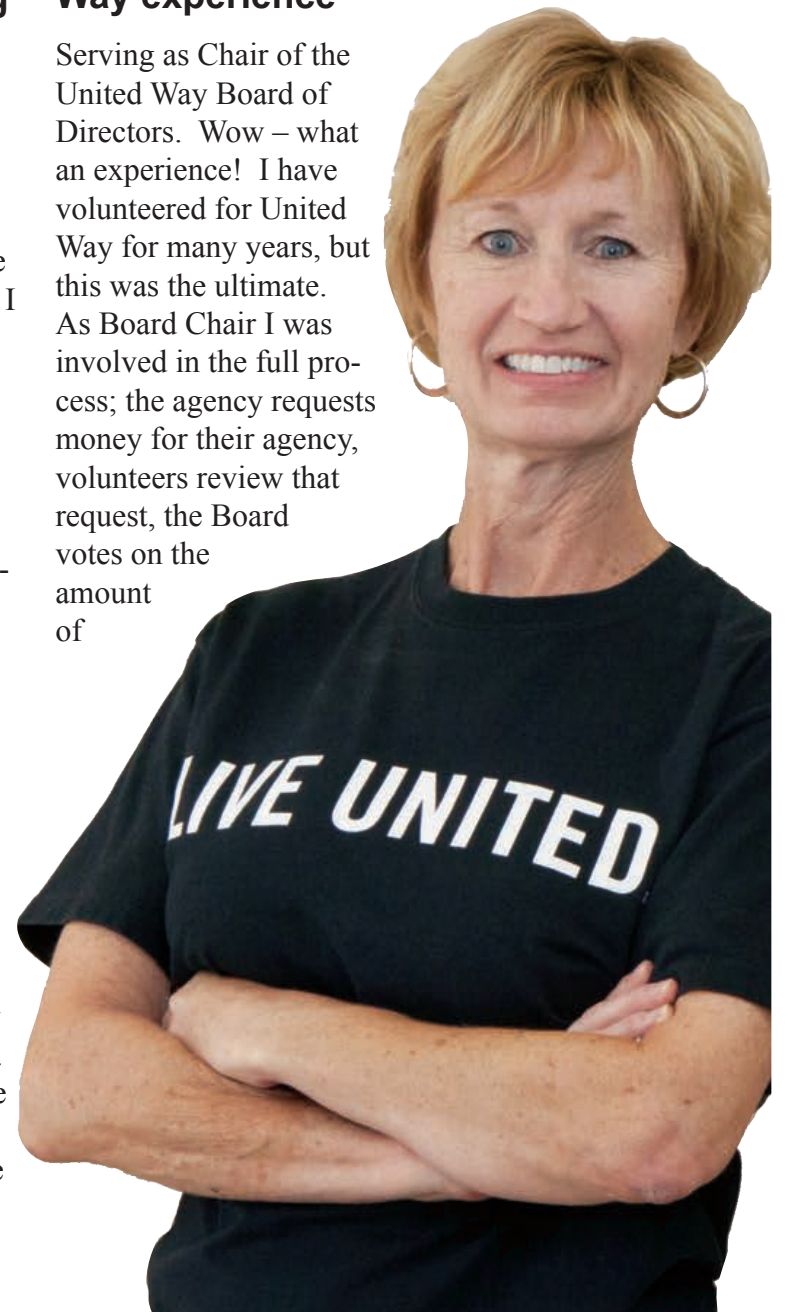
Source of Inspiration

God. I have a very strong faith.

Favorite United Way experience

Serving as Chair of the United Way Board of Directors. Wow – what an experience! I have volunteered for United Way for many years, but this was the ultimate. As Board Chair I was involved in the full process; the agency requests money for their agency, volunteers review that request, the Board votes on the amount of

money the agency will receive and then the most important part is going to the community to raise the money requested by the agencies.



A BLESSING AND RELIEF TO OUR COMMUNITY

“The United Way's one time grants are a blessing and relief to our community partners,” said Karen Cade, Vice President, Pathways Central Region.

In the winter of 2013, Pathways Community

mental health triage as a result of being in crisis at their respective school. The Jefferson City Public School staff responded positively to Heather's availability and presence as our partnership continued to develop quality mental health assessment

to serve these students. Lauren Winemiller from Simonsen 9th Grade Center shared, “One of the benefits is having the mobile response. Our students are often faced with transportation issues and Heather's ability to come see the students at school, has greatly improved the level of care we can provide.”

The schools have reported that prior to the Crisis Liaison position, crisis assessments were costly, not reasonably accessible, and frequently school staff was unsure if the family followed through with the referral. Tim Ritter from Simonsen 9th Grade Center states, “Before Heather's position, we would see a student in need and call the parent who either couldn't come get the child due to transportation issues or couldn't be reached. If we could reach the parent there wasn't a solid way to be sure that the student had been seen by any professional. Now we know and it feels so good to be able to give the student what they need.”

When children have an unmet mental health need or are in crisis, we know that their education takes a back seat. The student may not be able to be attentive to their instructor or the classroom learning. The

unmet mental health need becomes a barrier to their education. It is a concern of our educators to not only provide the needed assessment and access to services, but also to provide a quality education. Carrie Welch from JCHS states, “We are able to

provide (mental health) services to parents and students who have limited means and they can't be reached or maybe they do not have the resources to get their student to you. Being served at school has also minimized the amount of time

lost from school making it possible to educate the students effectively.”

From Pathways perspective, there are advantages to being able to provide mental health triage and crisis services in the schools. We have essentially removed most



Health staff saw a sharp increase in student crisis requests through the Jefferson City Public schools. The sheer number of calls that Pathways received that winter within Cole county was concerning. United Ways' call for one time grants came as the school year ended. The United Way of Central Missouri heard the cry of concern in Pathways proposal and the one time grant award was made in time to hire Heather Ally as the Crisis Liaison to the Jefferson City Public Schools to provide mental health triage to youth during the 2014-2015 school year.

Since the addition of our liaison position, sixty students have received

services for their students.

The position has expanded timely access to professional mental health and crisis assessment for students and families. Emily Edger, counselor at Lewis & Clark Middle school states, “We are just so grateful to have Heather and access to consultation. We are able to provide our students with a quality crisis service even if they have transportation issues.” Historically, students and families with transportation challenges have been underserved. Taking the service to the schools has given Pathways, part of the Compass Health Network, the opportunity

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Ken Hussey

Serve Jeff City started in 2012 as a partnership between the United Way of Central Missouri, Jefferson City Parks and Recreation, and the Jefferson City Area YMCA. Leaders of these organizations saw an opportunity for collaboration to provide a day of service for our community. With the help of many other community organizations, plans were made to hold the first Serve Jeff

City community-wide day of service on April 21, 2012. Projects for that first event included park cleanups, tree planting along the Greenway, creek clean ups, many projects at various non-profit agencies, beautification of the downtown area, and more. Over 300 volunteers participated in that first day of service.

Over the past few years, many businesses, organizations, and individuals in the community have supported Serve Jeff City.

On Saturday, April 25, Serve Jeff City will host its 4th annual day of service. The event will kick off at Ellis Porter Riverside Park, with a pancake breakfast provided by Senator Mike Kehoe, and t-shirts provided by event sponsors Joe Machen Capital City, Lincoln University, Scholastic, Hawthorn

Bank, Midwest Block and Brick, and Republic Services. Volunteers will disperse to over fifteen project sites around the community to give a few hours of their Saturday toward improving Jefferson City. Last year, over 400 volunteers participated, and we hope to have even more this year.

Serve Jeff City is a great opportunity for all to volunteer – from individuals to families to scout troops to co-workers. Volunteers can sign up online in mid-March at ServeJeffCity.org.

Through Serve Jeff City, a significant impact is made in our community through the power of hundreds of volunteers working together with a common goal in mind – to make Jefferson City shine! We look forward to seeing you on April 25th!



2014 Serve Jeff City Volunteers on the Greenway Trail

BLESSINGS Continued from page 4

of the daytime student population from our clinic triage by allowing the work with students to happen in their learning environment. School-based crisis response has resulted in reduced waiting times for clinic clients to receive crisis services. Even this slight reduction of crisis walk-ins to our clinic allows us to manage the clinic triage traffic better. Having the additional funded position has eased some of the chal-

lenge of locating a clinician with availability. Prior to this United Way grant award, it was a challenge to find a clinician with availability or a cancellation who could step in and go mobile to assess a student in mental health crisis. Having a staff member whose primary focus is mobile student mental health triage for crisis has enabled our clinic to focus on the remaining clients to inspire hope and promote wellness with uninter-

rupted care. In addition, our work with kids in the community through this United Way funded program has been critical in our recent efforts to obtain and be awarded a \$472,000 three year grant from the Missouri Foundation for Health. The grant will allow us to continue to meet the mental health needs of youth in our community through partnerships with the schools, the juvenile center, as well as Boys and Girls Club.



Dreams to Reality



Special Learning Center



Salvation Army

Thank You!

Thank you to the individuals and families that shared their stories about how the United Way of Central Missouri and our partner agencies have changed their lives through the News Tribune's Christmas Wish series of articles. Thank you to our community for the good you have done and continue to do by giving, advocating and volunteering on behalf of the United Way. It is only with your help we are able to do this important work in our community!



Jefferson City Day Care Center



Big Brothers Big Sisters



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UPCOMING EVENTS

MARCH

- 11 - 14th - ABLE Used Book Sale
- 14th - Tri-County YMCA Silver Cup Chefs Challenge Finals
- 19th - Jefferson City Day Care Trivia Night
- 26th - Council for Drug Free Youth Annual Banquet

APRIL

- 17th - 18th - Dreams to Reality Boutique Sale
- 21st - American Red Cross Hero's Dinner
- 24th - Special Learning Center Buck-A-Bone, Capital City Cook-Off
- 25th - Serve Jeff City Event

MAY

- 2nd - 4-H BBQ
- 2nd - Council for Drug Free Youth Cinco De Mayo 5K

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The difference between a helping hand and an outstretched palm is a twist of the wrist.
~Laurence Leamer

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ANNUAL MEETING AWARD RECIPIENTS



JCMG received the Live United Outstanding Campaign Award. Left to right: **Andy Fachtel, Stephanie Lehman, Gaye Suggett, Emily Mantle, Janet Wear-Enloe, Cindy Forck, and Mary Jo Schnieders.**



Wallstreet Group received the Outstanding Signature Event Award. Left to right: **Andy Fachtel, Laura Laune, Leslie Verslues, Gaye Suggett, Casey Schulte, Ron Arnold, and Lee Wilbers.**



CSI Inc. received the William W. Quigg Campaign Award. From left to right: **Charles Gurley, Charmaine Jarvis, Luke Pearre, and Keith Monson.**



Williams-Keepers received the Outstanding Pacesetter Award. Left to Right: **Brittney McDonald, Gaye Suggett, Samantha Branson, and Danielle Harper.**

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The workplace campaign is the centerpiece of the United Way Campaign, and several outstanding businesses were recognized for their contributions to the 2014 campaign:

Williams-Keepers
Pacesetter of the Year
Small Firm Division

Huber and Associates
Pacesetter of the Year
Major/Large Firm Division

Computer Services Inc.
William W. Quigg Award
Small Firm Division

Three Rivers Electric Co-op
William W. Quigg Award
Major/Large Firm Division

Wallstreet Group
Outstanding Signature Event
JCMG
Live United Award

Congratulations to the award recipients:

Linda E. McAnany Volunteer of the Year: **Jim Price** of Special Learning Center; Ruth C. Meloy Award for Distinguished Service Award: **Jim Clardy**, recently retired Executive Director of Rape and Abuse Crisis Service; Campaign Coordinators of the Year: **Emily Kampeter**, Central Bank; and **Chris Fischer**, CTS; Live United Award: **Betty Mudd**. Retiring Campaign Co-Chair, **Andy Fachtel**, was honored with a Beer Emergency Mockumentary to thank him for his dedicated service in his Co-chair role during the 2013 and 2014 campaigns.

“To the volunteers, advocates and supporters in this audience, and across



Huber & Associates received the Outstanding Pacesetter Award. Left to right: **Andy Fachtel and Elizabeth Huber.**



Jim Price, volunteer of Special Learning Center, received the **Linda E. McAnany** Volunteer of the Year Award. Left to right: **Ann Bax, Debbie Hamler and Jim Price.**



Betty Mudd received the Live United Award for Outstanding Volunteer Service. Left to right: **Gaye Suggett and Betty Mudd.**



Three Rivers Electric Co-op received the William W. Quigg Award. Left to right: **Tom Wardenhouse, Gaye Suggett, Roger Kloeppe and Thayne Barton.**



Central Technology Services and Central Bank employees received the Outstanding Campaign Coordinators Award. Left to right: **Andy Fachtel, Chris Fischer, Emily Kampeter and Gaye Suggett.**

this community, I offer my deepest appreciation for what you do. May

your efforts continue to change our world for the better. With your help we

will make sure that every day is better than the day before—you are hope for

a better tomorrow,” said Ann Bax as the celebration concluded.

Brian Johnson, M.D.
JCMG Infectious Diseases

Joining JCMG's
Infectious Diseases Team:
Donald P. Miller, M.D.
Cathy Schafer, MSN, RN, BC, FNP

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Dr. Johnson has 14 years experience as a board certified infectious disease specialist. He has been in practice in Columbia since completing his training in 2000. For the past 12 years he served as the Infection Control Committee Chairman at Boone Hospital Center.

Dr. Johnson completed medical school and his infectious diseases fellowship at the University of Missouri-Columbia. While in training during 1999 and 2000, he won the Department of Internal Medicine Student Teaching Award “Outstanding Fellow.” He also completed an internal medicine residency at St. John’s Mercy Medical Center in St. Louis.

Dr. Johnson enjoys working with patients with complicated infectious disease conditions, especially those with HIV.

Dr. Johnson said, “My wife and I are both physicians and we made our home in mid-Missouri over 30 years ago. This is where we raised our children and built our careers and I am very pleased to be able to join Dr. Donald Miller and JCMG so that I can continue to serve my patients and colleagues here at home.”

To make an appointment or referral, please call 635-JCMG (5264).