



Searcy Children's Homes, Inc.

Seeds of Hope News

Planting Seeds of Hope in the lives of children and families, providing the tools for spiritual, physical, intellectual, emotional and social growth

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ORPHANAGE TO
Home
Sweet
Home,
we take a
special look
at today's
group home
care at Searcy
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SEEDS OF HOPE SUNDAY AND ANNUAL OPEN HOUSE --A Great Success!



We are so thankful for those who participated in the annual **SEEDS OF HOPE SUNDAY**. These funds help provide ongoing services to children and their families, foster families, and adoptive families. A special thanks to those congregations that promoted and provided this opportunity for their members. All congregations are encouraged to participate in Seeds of Hope Sunday in December 2009. For more information, please contact Jeffrey Sheets at Jeffrey@searcychildrenshomes.org or (501) 268-3243.

The **ANNUAL OPEN HOUSE** at our group home was blessed to have many visitors this year. We want to thank those of you who stopped in to visit, to share some wonderful Christmas goodies generously provided by **Classic Fare Catering**, and to show your interest and support. We look forward to seeing you at our 2009 Open House on December 6th.

PAST,

PRESENT,
AND FUTURE...

By: Taryn Sheets, Director



Anniversaries are very special occasions. Depending on the year, anniversaries are often celebrated with gifts of silver, gold, diamonds, etc. This year, Searcy Children’s Homes, Inc. is celebrating its 35th Anniversary.

OUR PAST

In the early 1970’s, a group of Christians saw the need to reach out into the community to help children in need. From that desire, our first group home was established in the Cloverdale neighborhood in 1974. The group home’s first houseparents were Donnie and Hilda Clay. They provided care for many children during their four years of service as houseparents. According to Hilda, “It was hard work but very rewarding.” In 1981, the group home was licensed by the state of Arkansas. In 1987, Searcy Children’s Home, Inc. became a licensed child placing agency. In 1990, under the continued direction of Wanda Gooden, a new group home was built on Moore Avenue which took the place of the group home in Cloverdale. The desire to help children and families in our community, in our county, and in our state was monumental. Those who began this ministry and helped with the establishment of this agency wanted to make a difference. We are very grateful for the foundation that was established by every previous board member, houseparent, and staff member.



*Searcy Children’s
Homes first group home
houseparents, Donnie
and Hilda Clay*

OUR PRESENT

Caring for children is our number one priority (James 1:27). Our staff has grown to meet the increasing needs of the families and children to whom we provide services. We have a rented office building located at 509 N. Main which has served us well for the past four years and we

have plans for our own office building to accommodate growth. We are caring for more than 50 children each year. On average, we care for 20 children each month. We are adding new foster families annually. By the end of 2009, we would like to have 35 foster families in honor of our 35th Anniversary. We need 15 more families to reach this goal. Please prayerfully consider being one of those 15 additional families. The more foster families we have,

the more children we can serve, the more families we can touch, the more opportunities we have to make a difference.

We are so thankful for the 25 churches that support us each year. By the end of this year, in honor of our 35th Anniversary, we would like to have at least 35 congregations that support this ministry monthly as well as 35 congregations participating in “Seeds

of Hope Sunday.” Please encourage your congregation to support this ministry.

We also encourage 35 additional families and 35 businesses to provide monthly support. There’s no greater reward than to know that you are helping abused and neglected children every month, making a difference in their lives.

OUR FUTURE

Our vision for this ministry is encompassed by our mission: Searcy Children’s Homes, Inc. is dedicated to

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“Planting Seeds of Hope” in children and families, providing the tools for spiritual, physical, intellectual, emotional, and social growth. Children who have been in seemingly hopeless situations need Searcy Children’s Homes to be there for them, to provide them with hope for their futures. Already this year we have had calls about several sibling groups of three, four, and five precious children that needed to be in a home where they could be together. Right now, we are very limited with only one group home. Our plan is to establish a small campus which will consist of three group homes, one relief home, a shared playground area, a garden area, a picnic pavilion, a walking/bicycle trail, and a multi-purpose building which will serve as a hospitality, recreation, activity, and education center. We also plan to expand our foster care and adoption services by adding additional families and professional staff to provide for children who desperately need loving Christian homes. Please let us know how you can be involved and invested in the future of this ministry and in the future of precious children who have been abused and neglected. Please consider Searcy Children’s Homes in your Will, Estate Plan, or in your monthly budget to help us grow into the Future.

BOARD MEMBER FEATURE

Ashley Veatch became a member of the Board of Trustees in 2008. Prior to becoming a board member, Ashley had spent many hours as a volunteer, from helping to organize donated clothing to coordinating donated items for the Appreciation Dinner’s Silent Auction to making phone calls for our annual golf tournament which is named in memory of her uncle, Max Clark (The Max Clark Memorial Golf Tournament). Ashley is married to Jedidiah Veatch. She works for Harding University as the Systems Manager for Financial Aid. She plays the French Horn for the Pine Bluff Symphony Orchestra & the Little Rock Wind Symphony. She serves as Kindergarten Coordinator at the Cloverdale church of Christ. In her spare time, she enjoys making stained glass, gardening, drawing, and reading. We are very blessed to have Ashley’s involvement and investment in this ministry.



THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!

Many organizations, Bible classes, businesses, and individuals provided gifts during the holidays. We are so grateful for their willingness to help. We would especially like to thank those who purchased Christmas gifts for the children, brought home-made goodies for the office staff, contributed financially toward specific needs, provided gifts for our houseparents, etc. Thanks for providing hope to children who may otherwise experience feelings of hopelessness, being away from their homes and their parents during the holidays.

Special thanks goes to Tricia Kauffman of TK Photography, who chose the month of September as her fundraiser for Searcy Children’s Homes. We appreciate Tricia so much for her thoughtfulness and generosity!



“Thank You” to Walker Hendrix, who had his birthday guests bring new books, in lieu of gifts, which he gave to Searcy Children’s Homes. What a blessing!



Also, special thanks to Nathan McCoy, who donates his time and expertise in computer technology to work on our computers in the office – we don’t know what we would do without him!

Foster Family Feature

Roger and Karen. This is their story...

Our journey in foster parenting began a little over two years ago when Taryn and Jeffrey came to talk with our church about the needs in foster care. In the past we had many misconceptions about foster care that kept us from seriously considering it, but the informational meeting answered those concerns. We were especially drawn by the need for foster care for so many newborns. We said, "This is something we could do; this is something we should do."

We finished all our paper work, background checks, physicals, etc. and anxiously waited for our first little one. We were excited and a little scared. We were almost empty nesters. We wondered if we could handle starting all over, could we do middle of the night feedings? What will it be like to have to give them up? So many people we talk to say, "I couldn't do foster care, I just wouldn't be able to give them up!" But how could we turn down kids in need, just because it would be hard for us?

We thought, pragmatically, that we could at least do it once and if we decided to quit, we would at least make a difference for one child. What we found was that when God calls you to do something, He always provides what you need. And He provided abundantly! Our church family gave and gave to provide the physical needs for the baby (we had long ago gotten rid of our baby equipment). My small

group became extended family to love and support our babies. God provided the physical stamina we needed. (I found that it is a lot easier to get up in the night when you haven't just gone through labor and delivery yourself!) He has held us up emotionally through all the ups and downs.

We have since had three foster children and have done respite care for several others. What joy and pleasure



we have had from these children. We have been amazed at how quickly you fall in love with the babies and feel like they are "yours." We have learned what it is like to let one go—yes, it does leave a hole in your heart. We have experienced the emotional roller coaster of foster parenting and what it's like to have no real control over the decisions for the child you love. We have gotten just a glimpse of the tremendous needs of these children.

We have experienced the surprise blessings of God along the way. We had one foster child for 1 ½ years. We celebrated her 1st and 2nd birthdays

as well as many milestones along the way. When she was free for adoption, we thought it would be a long time before we had to say goodbye, because they wanted to find a home for her and her 3 siblings. We were very skeptical they would even find a home. To our surprise within 6 weeks they called to tell us there was a family. It was bittersweet news for us. We were glad she would have a forever family with her siblings but we knew we would soon say goodbye. Then God's surprise blessing came! Her new parents asked us to be grandparents for all four—so we got a promotion from parents to grandparents!

We've also learned to try to reach out to the parents of our foster children. As a result of this, when we said goodbye to our last foster baby, her mother asked if we could stay in contact. This makes it easier to say goodbye—to feel like we still have some influence.

Why do we stay in foster care? Searcy Children's Homes makes it easy and is careful not to burn us out. We believe that children, especially those in need, have a special place in God's heart. We believe we are doing what God wants us to do. There is sooo much need. It's an open mission field to influence the future of America's children and plant the seeds of God's love in them. It is so rewarding! There is nothing like living right in the middle of God's love for others. We are so blessed. So, we'll keep doing foster care as long as we are able and pray for more families to try it "just once!"

2008 MOTORCYCLE FUN RUN...

What an incredible day! Although the morning air was crisp, the sun was shining and the motorcyclists were revving up their bikes and were ready to ride! The first Annual Motorcycle Fun Run for Searcy Children's Homes was sponsored by Lenny's Sub Shop in Searcy. The motorcyclists paid an entry fee to ride their motorcycles from Lenny's in Searcy to Lenny's in Conway where they were treated to a free lunch. Thanks to all of the businesses who provided door prizes, special thanks to all of those who rode, and to Bo Hill and Greg Mitsunaga for their creativity, initiative, and desire to help children in need.



FROM ORPHANAGE TO Home Sweet Home

Since the time of “Little Orphan Annie” many different terms have been used to describe a residential care setting, from orphanage to group home. The image of the “orphanage” in which there are rows of metal beds in one large room and where children are treated second class, lacking suitable clothing and quality care is no longer an accurate description of residential care in America.

Our group home provides a family atmosphere for up to eight children ages birth to eleven. Often children who are brought into care are separated from their siblings. The group home offers a solution to this problem by specializing in caring for young sibling groups. Each child has his or her own bedroom where they can feel safe. Nutritious meals are provided at the dining room table where the children enjoy eating together as a family. The children attend church services weekly with our houseparents, John and Phyllis Lloyd, where they participate in Bible classes, sing praises to God, and pray for their families and for others.

Each child has daily responsibilities that are age appropriate. These responsibilities help the children learn daily living skills which may not have been taught in their previous environment, such as bathing, dressing, grooming, keeping their rooms clean, making their beds, taking out the trash, taking their hampers to the laundry room, and helping with clean-up after meals. Many of the children, especially

the older of the siblings, have spent so much time caring for their younger siblings that they have almost forgotten what it is like to be a child, so many opportunities are provided for them to be children, to play, to laugh, to ride bicycles, to swing on the swingset, to play catch, to be read to, etc.

The children in our care have toys, a nice playground area, opportunities to be involved in summer day camp and sports, special trips and activities, opportunities to visit with their families, tutoring, etc. Even though this sounds pretty good, it is still no replacement for being with their parents. Even though they still may have nightmares, they still want to know when they can go home for good and they still

miss their parents. We provide opportunities and encouragement to their parents to make healthy changes in their lives through Bible study and Christian counseling. Some children are able to be reunited with their parents, some with relatives, and others become available for adoption.

While we do all we can to help them have a

positive experience while they are with us, providing each child with a quilt, a Bible, and a place where they feel loved, special, and cared for, we can't take the place of what they want most – their parents. While the image of the orphanage of years ago has improved greatly, the pain of not being with their parents is still there.



Welcome to our Interns...



Dena

Introducing our interns this semester...

April is a senior social work major from Illinois where she plans to attend graduate school to get her master's in social work, specializing in school social work. Marci is from Florida and also plans to pursue a master's degree in social work. She is interested in working with families through foster care, adoption, or counseling. Dena is a senior Bible and Ministry major from Knoxville, Arkansas. Upon graduation, she plans to go into the mission field overseas.



April and Marci

**MEMORIAL
GIFTS**
Sept. - Dec. 2008

Abbott, Burnes Lynn

Bisbee, Joel and Sybil
Black, Mike and Kim
Boyd, James Paul and Cheryl
Fouch, Freddie and Marveta
Gateley, Mary Anne
Lankford, Jim and Betty
Luce, Charles and Betty
Mahan, Jesse and Donnie
Moss, Pat
Murray, Fayette
Robins, Harvy and Amy
Ward, Gene and Jo

Adams, Cecil

Anonymous
Anderson, Benny and Debbie
Best, Eddie and Pat
Bisbee, Joel and Sybil
Black, Mike and Kim
Boyd, James Paul and Cheryl
Brown, Dr. Robert
Brown, Nolan and Connie
Elkins, Bob and Bobbie
Fouch, Freddie and Marveta
Gateley, Mary Anne
Guffey, Ann
Kearbey, Helen
Kelly, Raymond and LaDonna
Lankford, Jim and Betty
Luce, Charles, Betty, and
Charles, Jr.
Mahan, Jesse and Donnie
Martin, Gene and Freda
Mason, Grady and Thelma
Moon, Maurice and Shirley
Moss, Pat
Muirhead, Buddy and Alice
Murray, Fayette
Pyland, Braley and Jane
Oswald, Chris
Pelkey, Linnie
Pyland, Braley and Anna
Raney, Harry and Rhea
Robins, Harvy and Amy
Rollmann, Kent and Norma
Lou
Vaughn, Naomi
Ward, Gene and Jo

Adams, Gene

Bisbee, Joel and Sybil
Black, Mike and Kim
Boyd, James Paul and Cheryl
Fouch, Freddie and Marveta
Gateley, Mary Anne
Lankford, Jim and Betty
Luce, Charles and Betty
Mahan, Jesse and Donnie
Martin, Gene and Freda
Moss, Pat
Murray, Fayette
Robins, Harvy and Amy
Ward, Gene and Jo

Uncle of Trent Austin

Mitchell, David, Tami and
Jessica

Balthrop, James

Anonymous
Bisbee, Joel and Sybil
Black, Mike and Kim
Boyd, James Paul and Cheryl
Fouch, Freddie and Marveta
Gateley, Mary Anne
Harding Univ. English Dept.
Lankford, Jim and Betty
Luce, Charles and Betty
Mahan, Jesse and Donnie
Morgan, Paul and Jan
Moss, Pat
Murray, Fayette
Organ, Mami
Robins, Harvy and Amy
Shearin, Arthur and Sheri
Ward, Gene and Jo
Wedeking, Dortha

Bartlett, John B.

Raney, Harry and Rhea

Bennett, Lorene

Floyd Rine's Heart Group
Hilton, Robert and Murrell
Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Scott

Mother of Janice Bingham

Anderson, Benny and Debbie
Bisbee, Joel and Sybil
Black, Mike and Kim
Boyd, James Paul and Cheryl
Fouch, Freddie and Marveta
Gateley, Mary Anne
Lankford, Jim and Betty
Luce, Charles and Betty
Mahan, Jesse and Donnie
Martin, Gene and Freda
Moss, Pat
Murray, Fayette
Robins, Harvy and Amy
Ward, Gene and Jo
Williams, Curtis and Frances

Binns, Betty Jo (Lucas)

Luce, Charles and Betty

Black, Alma

Cloverdale Church of Christ

Blankenship, Carol

Daniel, Evelyn

Brown, William

Boyd, James Paul and Cheryl

Chapman, Virginia

Bridges, Larry and Pamela

Churchill, Georgia

Bisbee, Joel and Sybil

Clark, Euna

Pyland, Braley and Anna

Clark, Max

Anita Clark
Lacy, Jerry and Melissa

Collins, Michael

Brown, Nolan and Connie

Cook, Cecil and Ruby

Feltrop, Herman and Betty

Cook, Lynn Gale

Presley, Leister

Cooper, Ray

Presley, Leister

Copeland, Raymond

Fouch, Freddie and Marveta
Gateley, Mary Anne

Craddock, Lucille

Pyland, Braley and Anna

Craig, M.W.

Fouch, Freddie and Marveta
Gateley, Mary Anne

Crosby, Iva

Cloverdale Church of Christ

Crouch, Brody

Fouch, Freddie and Marveta
Gateley, Mary Anne

Luce, Charles, Betty, and
Charles Jr.

Milton, Bill, Barbara, and
Cody

Sheets, Jeffrey and Taryn

Crow, Gladys

Anonymous
Lawyer, Virgil and Lou

Curtis, Dean

Allee, Donald and Linda

Daniel, Margaret

Billingsley, Sam and Sue

Dewitt, Billy

Miller, Susan, Donnie and
Leah

Doran, Marjorie

Bisbee, Joel and Sybil
Boyd, James Paul and Cheryl
Black, Mike and Kim
Fouch, Freddie and Marveta
Gateley, Mary Anne
Lankford, Jim and Betty
Luce, Charles and Betty
Mahan, Jesse and Donnie
Moss, Pat
Murray, Fayette
Robins, Harvy and Amy
Ward, Gene and Jo

Douglas, Len

Dahnke, Dee
Jones, Linda
Martin, Myra
Meurer, Bobby and Naomi
Meurer, Mack and Sue
Moss, Pat

Drewery, Bill

Bisbee, Joel and Sybil
Black, Mike and Kim
Boyd, James Paul and Cheryl
Fouch, Freddie and Marveta
Gateley, Mary Anne
Lankford, Jim and Betty

Luce, Charles and Betty
Mahan, Jesse and Donnie
Moss, Pat
Murray, Fayette
Robins, Harvy and Amy
Ward, Gene and Jo

Dubois, Betty Jean

Bisbee, Joel and Sybil

Durnal, Shirley (Gabby)

Tesmer, James and Kristi

Eans, Dale

Luce, Charles and Betty
Luce, Jr., Charles
Thursday Lunch Bunch
Muirhead, Buddy and Alice

Ernest, Julia

Taylor, Jody and Jackie

Estes, Brandon

Fouch, Freddie and Marveta

Evans, Ada

Person, Jerry

Fant, David

Fouch, Freddie and Marveta
Gateley, Mary Anne
Martin, Gene and Freda

Felts, Mary Jo

Tolbert, Evalyn

Fisher, Deanna

Cloverdale Church of Christ

Froud, James

Anderson, Benny and Debbie
Bisbee, Joel and Sybil
Black, Mike and Kim
Boyd, James Paul and Cheryl
Fouch, Freddie and Marveta
Gateley, Mary Anne
Hale, Larry and Loretta
Lankford, Jim and Betty
Luce, Charles and Betty
Mahan, Jesse and Donnie
Martin, Gene and Freda
Moss, Pat
Murray, Fayette
Robins, Harvy and Amy
Ward, Gene and Jo
Williams, Curtis and Frances

Gardner, Minnie

Coleman, Sprout and Shirley

Gateley, Raymond

Brown, Nolan and Connie

Ghent, James Nathan

Melvin, Ronnie and Beverly
Person, Jerry

Girkin, Patsy

Moon, Maurice and Shirley

Graves, Francis "Pete"

Hale, Larry and Loretta
Milton, Bill, Barbara, and
Cody

Sheets, Jeffrey and Taryn

Green, Tammy

Bisbee, Joel and Sybil
Black, Mike and Kim
Boyd, James Paul and Cheryl
Fouch, Freddie and Marveta
Gateley, Mary Anne
Lankford, Jim and Betty
Luce, Charles and Betty
Mahan, Jesse and Donnie
Moss, Pat
Murray, Fayette
Robins, Harvy and Amy
Ward, Gene and Jo
Wedeking, Dortha

Gregersen, Jacob

Bisbee, Joel and Sybil
Black, Mike and Kim
Boyd, James Paul and Cheryl
Fouch, Freddie and Marveta
Gateley, Mary Anne
Hale, Larry and Loretta
Kelly, Raymond and LaDonna
Lankford, Jim and Betty
Luce, Charles and Betty
Mahan, Jesse and Donnie
Moss, Pat
Murray, Fayette
Robins, Harvy and Amy
Smith, Claudette
Ward, Gene and Jo

Grey, Paul and Helen

Sanders, Joe and Imogene

Guthrie, John

Moss, Pat

Harnden, Glen



Anonymous
Huckeba, Ronnie and Peggy
Harp, Megan Elizabeth
With Love, Grandma Jac and
Grandpa

Harris, Billy Clay

Harris, Doris

Haskell, Harold

Anonymous
Fouch, Freddie and Marveta
Gateley, Mary Anne
Martin, Gene and Freda
Raney, Harry and Rhea
Rollmann, Kent and Norma
Lou

Hickerson, David and Mary

Sanders, Joe and Imogene

Howard, Vermelle

Fouch, Freddie and Marveta
Gateley, Mary Anne

Howell, Malcolm

Bisbee, Joel and Sybil
Boyd, James Paul and Cheryl
Black, Mike and Kim
Fouch, Freddie and Marveta
Gateley, Mary Anne
Lankford, Jim and Betty
Luce, Charles and Betty
Mahan, Jesse and Donnie
Moon, Maurice and Shirley
Moss, Pat
Murray, Fayette
Robins, Harvy and Amy
Ward, Gene and Jo

Huback, Billie Ray

Fouch, Freddie and Marveta

Hulce, Chris

Bisbee, Joel and Sybil
Black, Mike and Kim
Boyd, James Paul and Cheryl
Davis, Mark and Penny
Fouch, Freddie and Marveta
Gateley, Mary Anne
Lankford, Jim and Betty
Luce, Charles and Betty
Mahan, Jesse and Donnie
Moss, Pat
Murray, Fayette
Robins, Harvy and Amy
Ward, Gene and Jo
Wedeking, Dortha

James, Jr., Dick

Bisbee, Joel and Sybil
Boyd, James Paul and Cheryl
Black, Mike and Kim
Fouch, Freddie and Marveta
Gateley, Mary Anne
Lankford, Jim and Betty
Luce, Charles and Betty
Mahan, Jesse and Donnie
Moss, Pat
Murray, Fayette
Robins, Harvy and Amy
Ward, Gene and Jo
Wilson, Ed and Beth

Jennings, Marian

Allen, Barbara
Anderson, Benny and Debbie
Anonymous
Baines, Jean
Bisbee, Joel and Sybil
Black, Mike and Kim
Boyd, James Paul and Cheryl
Brown, Dr. Robert
Burkett, Ronnie and Laveta
Fouch, Freddie and Marveta
Gaines, William
Gateley, Mary Anne
Goldman, Joe and Lynda
Guffey, Ann B.
Lankford, Jim and Betty
Luce, Charles and Betty
Martin, Gene and Freda
Mitchell, David, Tami and
Jessica
Mitchell, Elizabeth
Mahan, Jesse and Donnie
Moss, Pat
Murray, Fayette
Poindexter, Lorene
Pyland, Braley and Anna
Raney, Harry and Rhea
Robins, Harvy and Amy
Shelton, Glenn and Louise
Vaughn, Naomi
Ward, Gene and Jo
Williams, Curtis and Frances

Johns, Rex Allen

Fouch, Freddie and Marveta

Gateley, Mary Anne
Musick, Jim and Jane

Johnson, Brian Luke

Brown, Nolan and Connie

Johnson, Dorothy

Anonymous
Bisbee, Joel and Sybil
Black, Mike and Kim
Boyd, James Paul and Cheryl
Fouch, Freddie and Marveta
Gateley, Mary Anne
Lankford, Jim and Betty
Luce, Charles and Betty
Mahan, Jesse and Donnie
Moss, Pat
Murray, Fayette
Robins, Harvy and Amy
Sheets, Jeffrey and Taryn
Ward, Gene and Jo

Johnson, Pete

Anderson, Benny and Debbie

Bisbee, Joel and Sybil

Black, Mike and Kim (Ward)
Boyd, James Paul and Cheryl
Fouch, Freddie and Marveta
Gateley, Mary Anne
Lankford, Jim and Betty
Luce, Charles and Betty
Mahan, Jesse and Donnie
Martin, Gene and Freda
Mitchell, David, Tami and
Jessica
Moss, Pat
Murray, Fayette
Robertson, Roger and Mae
Robins, Harvy and Amy
Ward, Gene and Jo
Williams, Curtis and Frances

Kelley, Thomas Robert

Kelley, Rita

Killian, Joyce

Mathis, Doris
Hood, Michelle

Lemmons, Nolan

Harris, Doris

Lester, Thomas

Holmes, Steve and Holly

Losah, Florence Hanna

Bisbee, Joel and Sybil

May, Lorene Williams

Anonymous

Mayeaux, Marie

Fouch, Freddie and Marveta
Gateley, Mary Anne

Maves, Vesta Lynn

Elkins, Bob and Bobbie

McAdams, Bobbie

Mitchell, David, Tami and
Jessica

McCann, Melson

Cloverdale Church of Christ

McKenzie, Floyd

Breezezel, Gary and June

McLeod, Herman

Bisbee, Joel and Sybil
Black, Mike and Kim
Boyd, James Paul and Cheryl
Fouch, Freddie and Marveta
Gateley, Mary Anne
Kelly, Raymond and LaDonna
Lankford, Jim and Betty
Luce, Charles and Betty
Mahan, Jesse and Donnie
Moss, Pat
Murray, Fayette
Robins, Harvy and Amy
Ward, Gene and Jo

Metheny, Matthew

Fouch, Freddie and Marveta
Gateley, Mary Anne
Guffey, Ann
Martin, Gene and Freda
Mitchell, David, Tami and
Jessica
Mitchell, Elizabeth
Poindexter, Lorene
Raney, Harry and Rhea
Robins, Harvy and Amy

Miller, Carletta

Shipman, Glen and Judy

Moon, Alene

Anderson, Benny and Debbie
Anonymous
Baines, Jean
Bisbee, Joel and Sybil
Black, Mike and Kim
Boyd, James Paul and Cheryl

Brown, Dr. Robert
 Burkett, Ronnie and Laveta
 Elkins, Bob and Bobbie
 Fouch, Freddie and Marveta
 Gateley, Mary Anne
 Guffey, Ann
 Lankford, Jim and Betty
 Luce, Charles and Betty
 Martin, Myra
 Martin, Gene and Freda
 Mitchell, David, Tami and Jessica
 Mitchell, Elizabeth
 Mahan, Jessie and Donnie
 Morton, Maxine
 Moss, Pat
 Murray, Fayette
 Poindexter, Lorene
 Pyland, Braley and Anna
 Robertson, Roger and Mae
 Robins, Harvy and Amy
 Sheets, Jeff and Taryn
 Story, Ken and Patsy
 Taylor, Jody and Jackie
 Thurston, Ocena
 Vaughn, Naomi
 Ward, Gene and Jo
 Williams, Curtis and Frances

Nichols, Linda
 Passafiume, Russell, Gay and Sarah

Ozuna, Lupe
 Hale, Larry and Loretta

Parmley, Patricia
 Pyland, Braley and Anna

Patterson, Louise
 Fouch, Freddie and Marveta
 Gateley, Mary Anne
 Raney, Harry and Rhea

Father of Martha Pearson
 Anonymous

Pigg, Charlotte
 Bell, Alice
 Billingsley, Sam and Sue

Poindexter, Lyle
 Poindexter, Lorene

Polk Pam
 Fouch, Freddie and Marveta
 Gateley, Mary Anne
 Guffey, Ann
 Mitchell, David, Tami and Jessica
 Robins, Harvy and Amy
 Sheets, Jeffrey and Taryn

Powell, Ricky
 Nance, Ruth

Pryor, Mamie
 Cloverdale Church of Christ

Pyland, Frank and Ruth
 Presser, Iola (Pyland)

Richards, Weldon and Ruth
 Sanders, Joe and Imogene

Richards, Winfred and Coy
 Sanders, Joe and Imogene

Father of Alan Risener
 Anonymous
 Bisbee, Joel and Sybil
 Black, Mike and Kim (Ward)
 Boyd, James Paul and Cheryl
 Gateley, Mary Anne
 Lankford, Jim and Betty
 Luce, Charles and Betty
 Mahan, Jesse and Donnie
 Moss, Pat
 Murray, Fayette
 Robins, Harvy and Amy
 Ward, Gene and Jo

Roberts, Inez
 Robins, Harvy and Amy

Rogers, Bobby James
 Coleman, Sprout and Shirley
 Elkins, Bob and Bobbie

Seanard, Hugh (H.M.)
 Dahnke, Dee
 Jones, Linda
 Martin, Myra
 Meurer, Bobby and Naomi
 Meurer, Mack and Sue
 Moss, Pat
 Thompson, Jim and Helen

Sears, Jack Wood
 Brown, Nolan and Connie

Shearer, Jon
 Lytal, Glenna

Janie Shipman's Aunt Mary
 Anonymous

Smart, Louise
 Anonymous
 Bisbee, Joel and Sybil
 Black, Mike and Kim
 Boyd, James Paul and Cheryl
 Fouch, Freddie and Marveta
 Gateley, Mary Anne
 Lankford, Jim and Betty
 Luce, Charles and Betty
 Mahan, Jesse and Donnie
 Moss, Pat
 Murray, Fayette
 Robins, Harvy and Amy
 Ward, Gene and Jo
 Wedeking, Dortha

Smith, Barton
 Bisbee, Joel and Sybil
 Black, Mike and Kim
 Boyd, James Paul and Cheryl
 Fouch, Fred and Marveta
 Gateley, Mary Anne
 Lankford, Jim and Betty
 Luce, Charles and Betty
 Mahan, Jesse and Donnie
 Moss, Pat
 Murray, Fayette
 Robins, Harvy and Amy
 Ward, Gene and Jo

Smith, Clifford
 Vaughn, Naomi

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Where: The Course at River Oaks in Searcy

When: May 8, 2009 at 11:30/check-in and 12:30/begin

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Where: McAlister's in Searcy

When: March 23rd – April 19th

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