

## RESIDENTS SHOW ATHLETIC SKILLS

This spring many of our residents were able to participate in the District 8 Special Olympics for Track & Field. Each resident proudly brought home ribbons for walking or running events as well as the “softball throw”. In addition to Special Olympics, eleven of our residents participated in their very first 5K race, “Run from the Sun”, with the local Jackson community. Four out of the eleven finished the long 3.1 mile race and will be heading to New Orleans for an overnight trip as a prize. We are so proud of all of our residents for truly embracing a healthy lifestyle & continuing to broaden their horizons!

*by Karly Lewis, Activities Director*



### MISSION STATEMENT

SON Valley's mission is to build a quality Christian Community for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities, ministering to their physical, spiritual, mental, vocational and recreational needs.



**Bill McCormack**  
601-859-2100 ext 224

### EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S NOTES

Let me tell you about some of the things going on...

**5K.** Eleven (!) of our residents signed up for the 5K run in Jackson and four (!) finished! And that's not half the story...you should have seen the training program that Karly Lewis put them on for six weeks. It was inspiring to see the residents respond.

**Special Olympics.** As usual, we participated in the District Special Olympics in Morton. The residents were very good. We like Special Olympics so much that we told them we will be the District host in 2012...that will let residents get even more involved.

**Normal "busy".** Joy Prom (big day of the ladies getting beautified) at First Baptist-Jackson; TOPSoccer; Challenger League baseball in Ridgeland; Handbell practice and performances; Dream Catchers in Morton, attending church and Sunday School at Center Terrace, visits to the Healthplex, shopping trips, etc.

**Employment.** Residents work at Malco Theater in Madison, Penn's Fish House and Mosby Drug Store as well as packaging SON Valley coffee...plus they are out washing cars as members of the CLEAN TEAM!

**Weight Loss.** Our 20 residents have lost over 600 pounds since they have been here!

**Camp.** The residents spend the week of Memorial Day at Central Hills Camp outside Kosciusko, where they go horseback riding, swimming, Bible study, archery, putt-putt golf and have a lot of fellowship with many friends from across the state.

**Golf Tournament.** We just had our annual golf tournament at Whisper Lake CC in Madison...the residents helped in ways you couldn't imagine. Jody got some of his friends to sponsor teams; the residents put together the box lunches at the club house; and some residents worked the course...they manned the Hole in Ones, the Closet to the Hole and the Drive the Line contests...and they were super!

**State Department of Health Surveyors.** We had our yearly Survey in May...we scored **Zero Deficiencies for the THIRD YEAR IN A ROW!!** Thank you, Jesus!

### BOARD of DIRECTORS

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**Executive Director**  
Bill McCormack

## Program Director Greetings

Summer is in the air and what a wonderful feeling it is! Every year, our residents participate in an Individualized Person Centered Plan or IPCP meeting. This meeting is held once a year and it provides an opportunity for the resident, the family and our staff to formally discuss past, present and future plans. The meeting is centered on the resident's needs and desires. We like to say to the resident during the day that, "it's your day"! An IPCP allows us to identify the various items that SON Valley will attempt to accomplish with the resident during that year. This plan helps us deliver all the services needed to help each resident become as independent as possible. Isaiah 41:10 reads, "So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand". What an encouragement it is to know people are praying for us and lifting this verse up for us as we continue to provide our residents with the best care and support! May God bless you and may He continue to bless SON Valley! ~Sergio



**Sergio & Billy await the starting gun!**

## Ladies Auxiliary



**Brenda Bozeman**

Welcome to Summer, SON Valley Friends! The SON Valley Ladies Auxiliary meeting in April "Rocked the House!" The Ragger-roos from Raymond came to put on a show! Their ministry through music and laughter blessed us. Who knew that butterbeans and pretty hats could be so much fun. Up next was Mrs. Kristin Powell, LCSW. She presented an overview of her job duties as a Social Worker at SON Valley. Advocate, liaison, and teacher—these are just part of her impressive list. Kristin shared slides of past events featuring happy SON Valley residents at work and play. Thank you, Kristin, for finding a balance in both.

One part of the Auxiliary's mission is to raise funds for projects needed at SON Valley and I am happy to report that we were able to make a donation to the Swing Project. Upcoming projects will include a sprinkler system and walking track.

Please pray with us for the completion of these projects for the well being of our residents.

Our next meeting will be July 16, 2010 at Woodland Hills Baptist Church at 10:00a.m. If you need more information on the meeting or would like to join the Auxiliary, please call me. My office number is 601-857-2712. I invite you to join us; who knows, we may get to wear funny hats again!



### NONDISCRIMINATION POLICY

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Fun in the snow at SON Valley



Residents give a helping hand at Camp Kernop!



Mike visits New Hebron and plays with some toys!



Just Dance!



Hoops Anyone?



Painting at Easily Amused



Birthday Party Time!



Residents enjoy a day at the zoo!



## DONNIE SOUTH, DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

What does a Development Director do? Well, he does whatever is needed.

The first thing he does is to tell people about SON Valley. He brings them—churches, Sunday School classes, civic clubs—pictures and stories about what we do at SON Valley. And he gives them a glimpse of our residents.

And oftentimes he brings some of those people to SON Valley, so they can see for themselves...so they can meet and talk with the residents and so they can meet our staff.

And a Development Director raises money. You can see pictures in this edition of our Second Annual Golf Tournament, a fundraiser that we plan to hold for many years to come. Donnie worked long and hard to make this year's tournament grow. There are a thousand details in a golf tournament and it was super.

Donnie is an ordained Southern Baptist minister and brings the Lord into everything that he does. He has come to love the residents and they love him, too.

What a blessing it is for me to be able to serve along side of some great people at SON Valley! We have a great group of residents. It is also a blessing for me to be able to meet SON Valley supporters all around our great state. You may not know this, but we have people who give from all parts of our state.

I know that we are in the midst of some very difficult economic times, but we certainly appreciate all of your gifts.



**Donnie South**  
601-859-2100 ext 239

## KROGER CARDS UPDATE

I want to encourage you to continue use your SON Valley Kroger Gift Card. It is by far the easiest way for you to give to SON Valley. When you place money on the card, Kroger sends us 5% of the total!

NOTE!! If you leave your card WITHOUT a balance for 90 days, it will automatically deactivate. You MUST keep a balance of at least 1 cent. If you need a replacement card or a new one, please contact Patrice Bolls at (601) 859-2100 ext 225.



## WHAT I LIKE ABOUT SON VALLEY BY LILAH STRICKLAND

Well, I like riding bikes and playing soccer, basketball, etc. and I want to go fishing.

I like doing crafts such as latch hooks and I like reading, playing on the computer v-tech laptop, and shopping at Wal Mart and going on a Reward Outing like the library, Dollar General. Walking to the mailbox and camping at Central Hills Baptist summer camp. Going to church at Center Terrace, going to the Flea Market in Canton. Playing the piano and I would like to take lessons, playing the hand bells, writing letters and the great environment!

We have a new swing set outside and we will have a walking track soon.

I want to thank SON Valley for letting me be at SON Valley and that's all folks! Ha Ha!



## BIRDIES FOR CHARITY

This year's Viking Classic Golf Tournament will be played in July. If you are interested in participating in the Birdies for Charity fundraiser, please call our Programmatic Assistant Patrice Bolls at (601) 859-2100 ext 225 and she will be happy to mail you a brochure.



**Musical chairs time!**



**Betty runs for a goal**

## Pamela Sue Langford



July 5, 2007 was a momentous day for SON Valley. On this day at 10:00 am we admitted our first resident, Pamela Sue Langford! Pam showed up that day excited and overjoyed to be at SON Valley! After almost 4

years, Pam loves SON Valley as much as she did that first day. Pam is and will forever be the official SON Valley greater/recruiter. Any new resident or potential resident who comes through the front doors is met by a big smile and a warm hug from Pam. Pam is inspiring to watch because she is able to connect with anyone. Pam enjoys crocheting, as well as other fiber crafts. Pam has recently become part of the SON Valley Clean Team, our mobile car washing unit and is a great help! We are blessed to have her and hope she keeps the same energy and excitement for many years to come!

## Pamela Jo Pepper



On July 5, 2007 at 2:00 in the afternoon, SON Valley was blessed with our second resident, Pamela Jo Pepper! When Pam moved in she brought with her a love for The Lord, a love for life and love for anyone she met along the way. Pam also brought a love for anything Disney! Pam is our Disney Queen. If you need to know something about a Disney movie or character just ask Pam Pepper! Pam is wonderfully kind hearted and strives to treat everyone with respect. Pam enjoys good fellowship and is an exemplary role model for her peers. Pam loves to write letters to her friends and family outside of SON Valley and welcomes any visitors with a handshake and kind words. We are so thankful for Pam and hope that she continues to do well here and always sets a good example!

## VOCATIONAL NEWS

### CLEAN TEAM



The residents have really been working hard cleaning cars for the last several weeks. Some have set goals and are saving for special purchases. They have really surprised me at how enthusiastic they are to go to work. Our customers have been very pleased with the job that the CLEAN TEAM has done- some have even left tips. We hope to have a link at [sonvalley.net](http://sonvalley.net) which will allow our customers to know the dates we will be at a location. Soon customers will be able to schedule a time to bring the car in to have it cleaned. If you would like to call for more information, we now have an extension specifically for contacting the CLEAN TEAM 601 859 2100 EXT 243.



Pay day!



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## IN-KIND GIFTS

**Bailey Boone and Boy Scouts** -  
Fire pit, benches

**Tommy Cottrell** - Dirt work

**Chris, Beth, and Bailey Booth** -  
Wii games (Family Game Night  
& Deal or No Deal)

## MEMORIALS

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## 2nd Annual SON Valley Golf Tournament

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Susan S. says,  
"THANK YOU to everyone who helps  
SON Valley."



The garden looks better each year. We were able to plant it between the spring rains. Jody Hilbun helped get the soil ready by running the tiller. We are looking forward to some fresh healthy vegetables later in the summer. The blueberry bushes are really loaded this year and we have installed automatic sprinklers to ensure they receive adequate water.



**Residents present the Gospel with Handbells at Galilee Baptist Church**



**Residents let loose at Joy Prom hosted by FBC Jackson**



**Residents visit with Bill and enjoy their new swing!**



**Residents and special friend Karen Thornhill hit the Canton Flea Market!**



**Day of activities with HillCrest Baptist Church, New Albany, MS**



**Star Baptist Church celebrates Easter with Residents**



**Amfed hosts Easter Egg Hunt!**

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## Upcoming Events:

- Central Hills Summer Camp
- Hand Bell Performances
- Swimming at Canton Country Club
- Lunch at Penn's
- Ladies Luncheon at FBCJ
- Men's Luncheon at FBCJ
- Challenger Bowling League

## 2ND ANNUAL SON VALLEY GOLF TOURNAMENT



Our 2nd Annual Golf Tournament on May 9, 2011 at **Whisper Lake Country Club** in Madison was a HUGE success! God provided an awesome day for golf and everything went off without a hitch. The residents of SON Valley were on hand to help prepare lunch and to meet and greet the players. This year **Madison River Oaks Medical Center** sponsored our tournament. We had 22 teams to sign up to participate in our event. The winners of the tournament were from **Parkway Baptist Church** which also is one of our monthly supporters! The team led by **David McCay** placed second while the **Malachi Financial** placed third.

I want to thank each of you who helped with this year's event. Without your support, the golf tournament would not be a success. We are already looking forward to next year!



## 10TH ANNUAL SON VALLEY FATHERS DAY OFFERING

WOW! It is hard to believe that this will be our 10th Annual Father's Day Offering! What a joy it is to interact with the residents day in and day out. They provide so many blessings and love everyone unconditionally.

As you prayerfully consider the amount to give to the Father's Day Offering this year, please remember the impact your gift has on the life of a resident! SON Valley is an awesome place because of YOU and your generosity.