Our Newly Elected Chairman of the Board

Boys Town North Florida is proud to announce our newly elected Chairman of the Board, Paul Sullivan. Paul has been a member of our board of directors for 4 years and is the Tallahassee City/Area President of BB&T Bank. He is a great community leader and is committed to helping the children of Boys Town. Paul is married to Cindy Sullivan and they have two beautiful children, Sarah and Matthew.

It is an honor to welcome Chairman Sullivan!
Gala Kick-Off Party & Coffee -- “A Swinging Success”

A special congratulations and thank you to the 2014 “Swing It For Boys Town” Gala Planning Chairs:

Mary Jayne Sokolow – Gala Chair
Suzanne Cognetta – Underwriting Chair
Gina Proctor – Auction Acquisition Chair
Stacy Chick & Stephanie Jansen – Dining By Design Co-Chairs
Deavin Gibbs & Laura Ervin – Auction Packaging Co-Chairs
Wendy Kerr – First Impressions Chair
Suzy Phipps – Auction Display Chair
Audra Pittman, Kathleen Carter & Kelly Pettit – Art Chairs
Drew Westling & Somer VanLandingham – Marketing Co-Chairs
Leslie Reithmiller & Patrick Meighan – Entertainment Chairs
Jason Jones – Production Chair
Juli Downs & Monique Wood – Event Stylist Co-Chairs
Rob Kerr – Graphic Designer
Terri Smith – Official Gala Photographer
CB Lorch – Videographer
Kari Rowe & Patty Durham – Hospitality Chairs
Louise Murphy – Gala Kick-Off Coffee

Birthday Buddies Make A Difference

Our New Board of Ambassador Members

It’s never goodbye at Boys Town! Bobby Brantley and Jennifer LaVia have each served on our Board of Directors for 9 years. Their commitment and support to our children and families has been invaluable, and we are honored to now have them serve on our Board of Ambassadors. You will forever be a Beacon of Hope for Boys Town!

Board Member Suzanne Cognetta Receives Prestigious Champion of Service Award

We are excited to announce that our Boys Town North Florida Board Member, Suzanne Cognetta, received the Champion of Service Award at March’s Florida Cabinet meeting. For more than 25 years, she has dedicated her time and energy to helping our children. The impact she has made in their lives is something that can never be replaced. Thank you Suzanne and Armand for truly making a difference and for your constant support of Boys Town!

Whole Foods Market Tallahassee Gives Back

A special thank you to a great community partner, Whole Foods Market Tallahassee! We are so thankful you chose Boys Town North Florida to receive 5% of your net sales from opening day, resulting in your gracious donation of $6,109! We are also thankful for your continued partnership by promoting and engaging a healthy eating lifestyle for our children and families. Thank you Whole Foods, Paul Clements, Mary Russ and staff for your wonderful support!

Thank you to our Birthday Buddy Sponsors: Bonnie Wright, Maclay Key/Anchor Club, Brad and Joanna Copenhaver, Stephanie Calderon, Benjamin and Melissa Bakas, Chris and Andrea Diamantis, Brian and Kelly Ramos, Mary Jayne Sokolow and Girl Scout Troop 565, and Gene and Dena Strickland.

If you are interested in making a Boys Town child’s birthday special by being a Birthday Buddy, please contact Anne Martin 850.591.5360.

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**2013 CHRISTMAS CLASSIC TENNIS & GOLF TOURNAMENT RAISES OVER $116,000 FOR BOYS TOWN NORTH FLORIDA**

A Heartfelt Thank You!

**Golf Co-Chairs:**
Charley Redding, Frank Langston, and Mark Goldman

**A Special Thank You to Our Golf Sponsors:**

**Platinum Eagle Sponsors:**
The Cognetta Family
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**CONGRATULATIONS GOLF TOURNAMENT WINNERS:**

**GROSS SCORES:**

**FIRST PLACE:**
Thomas Howell Ferguson PA (61)

Winston Howell (13)
Ken Stevenson (0)
Justin Edenfield (3)
J.P. Sinclair (2)

**NET SCORES:**

**FIRST PLACE:**
Clear Channel Communications (54.3)

Jason Taylor (20)
Jeff Horn (18)
Matt Millar (21)
Eric Eggers (18)

**SECOND PLACE:**
Residential Elevators, Inc. (54.4)

Bobby Boeneke (24)
Chip Boeneke (14)
Eric Sharkey (26)
Chad Jordan (12)

**THIRD PLACE:**
The Pod Advertising (54.9)

Brian Ramos (25)
Mark Marsiglio (25)
Keith Alexander (15)
Michael Johnston (6)

**FOURTH PLACE:**
Florida Fence & Outdoor Living (56.3)

Jay Kelly (25)
John Adam Wise (18)
Shannon Watson (6)
Will Wise (18)

Merry Mixer:
Camden & Denise Whitlock
Darrell & Susan Goodwin
David & Kim Cramer
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Debora Hall
Eric Willyoung & Bobby Rushing
Greg & Jennifer Birkmeier
Kevin & Mary Jayne Sokolow
Kevin & Susan Ragsdale
Kevin Warner & Angie DelVecchio
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Sue Tucker/Xiomara Pelham
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Susan Goodwin/Libby Thomson
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Trish Boyd/Ashley Sniffen
Valorie Stevens/Jane Jhanji
Venita Dorsey/Anna Jones

CONGRATULATIONS TENNIS TOURNAMENT WINNERS:
4.0 DIVISION:
FIRST PLACE:
Cindy Wainwright and Corbin Moore

3.5 DIVISION:
FIRST PLACE:
Bobbie Rushing and Denean Sykes

3.0 DIVISION:
FIRST PLACE:
Tracy Propp and Debbie Hall

Captions:
21. Kathy Maus, Bobbie Rushing, Denean Sykes, and Brenda Jahn
22. First place 3.0 Division team, Debbie Hall and Tracy Propp
23. First place 4.0 Division team, Cindy Wainwright and Corbin Moore
24. Kathy Maus and Michelle Eubanks
25. Mary Jayne and Kevin Sokolow having fun in the sleigh
26. Susan Ragsdale and Cindy Wainwright
27. Robby Kendall and Tony DelVecchio
28. Murray and Corbin Moore
29. Second place 4.0 Division team, Jane Jhanji and Valorie Stevens
30. Cindy Wainwright’s fun Grinch sleigh
OUR VENDORS ROCK!

Chaired by Jennifer Birkmeier

A special thank you to
Coach Mike Martin, Scott Atwell, Allen Long, and Jay Payne for making spirits bright!

Our ongoing “Hope for the Holidays” campaign provided Christmas presents for Boys Town North Florida’s Family Home Program, In-Home Family Services, Care Coordination Services and Foster Family Services children. This year, your sponsorships made 300 children’s spirits brighter!

Christmas Connection, a part of Catholic Charities, made the lives of 15 families in our Care Coordination Services program a much better place through the sponsorship and kindness of the Tallahassee community.

“We are thrilled we were able to spread so much joy this year, thanks to our wonderful community supporters!” said Boys Town North Florida Development Director Dena Strickland.

A Heartfelt Thank You to our Hope for the Holidays Sponsors:

- Ability 1 on 1 Training
- Ashley Abney
- Debbie Adams, Allegro Living
- Allen, Norton & Blue PA


Thank you to Lisa Chase and our Maclay School Sponsors:

- Ms. Cairns’ Kindergarten Class
- Ms. Chase’s Kindergarten Class
- Ms. Coker’s 5th Grade Class
- Enhancement Office, Key Anchor Club
- Mrs. Sandon’s Kindergarten Class, Student Council

The Christmas Spirit at Boys Town

Boys Town North Florida celebrated the true spirit of Christmas with a tree lighting, caroling and a chili cook-off on December 12th. A heartfelt thank you to Genesis Church, Universal Collision, Good Shepherd Men’s Choir, Leon Student Government, and Coach Willie Brown for making this such a magical evening for our children and families!
Dr. Richard & Barbara MacArthur
Have Hearts of Gold

A heartfelt thank you to Dr. Richard and Barbara MacArthur for generously donating $25,000 to start the MacArthur Endowment. This is the gift that keeps on giving and will bring so much help, healing and hope to our children and families for years to come!

9th Annual Gabor Day

A very special thank you to The Gabor Agency, Inc. for hosting an amazing 9th Annual Gabor Day and providing tons of fun for our children and families during an FSU Basketball game!

Around Town Community Support Acts of Kindness: GRANTS & MAJOR GIFTS

Ronald McDonald House Charities of Tallahassee: A huge thank you for generously granting Boys Town North Florida an $11,992 grant!

LAMAR Outdoor Advertising of Tallahassee: A very special thank you for providing Boys Town North Florida with $16,500 worth of ad space to recruit foster families and to promote our Christmas Classic Tennis & Golf Tournaments!

WCTV: Big thanks for providing Boys Town North Florida with $24,650 worth of ad space to recruit foster families and to promote our Christmas Classic Tennis & Golf Tournaments!

Tallahassee Democrat: A huge thank you for providing Boys Town North Florida with $7,500 worth of ad space to promote our Christmas Classic Tennis & Golf Tournaments!

Clear Channel Media+Entertainment: Special thank you for providing Boys Town North Florida with $11,800 worth of running advertisements to promote our Christmas Classic Tennis & Golf Tournaments!

Tallahassee Ford Lincoln: Thank you so much for generously donating $6,000 of free vehicle repairs!

M of Tallahassee Inc.: A special thank you for generously donating $15,000 for the children and families of Boys Town North Florida!

Dermatology Associates of Tallahassee: A very special thank you to Dr. Armand & Suzanne Cognetta for ‘Sponsoring a Home’. Your heartfelt generosity has provided all of the needs for our children for one home for an entire year! What an incredible blessing!
HELPING OUR HOMES

First Lady Ann Scott: A huge thank you for generously donating boxes of books for our children to enjoy!

Jason & Lynette Moriak: Thank you for generously donating a Wii guitar, Wii carrying case, Wii games with mat, key chains, and posters for our children and families to enjoy.

Mark O’Connor: Big thanks for your kind donation of two recliner chairs with a foot rest and one twin mattress!

Sears Home Services and Isis Logistics, LLC: Huge thank you for your generous gift of an oven and for delivering and installing the oven for one of our families!

Bobby & Demmy Boenneke: A huge thank you for your generous donation of a 32” TV, cassette player, disc player, amplifier, speakers, and receiver!

Paul & Cindy Sullivan: A special thank you for your thoughtful donation of a bed and chair for our children!

Charles Robinton: Huge thank you for generously donating two king size beds for our families!

Vistage: A special thank you to the area Vistage members and their families who came together and worked as a team to create a renewed environment for our children. They were so excited and thankful!

David Weinstein: Thank you for your kind donation of coloring books, packs of crayons, books, activity packs, and a Spanish learn book for our children!

Adam & Lindsey Staley: Thank you for your kind donation of a brand new comforter set for one of our youth to enjoy!

Khushi Nayak and Kylie Sokolow: A special thank you for your thoughtful gift of school supplies by your wonderful Girl Scout Troop!

K-Mc Sports Foundation, Inc.: Big thanks for your generous donation of televisions, game systems, video games, clothing, purses, and a piano for our children and families!

Edie Wetherell: A special thank you for your thoughtful donation of a game system with games and clothing, including jeans, sweaters, shirts & dresses for our children!

Stefanie McDonald: Thank you for your sweet gift of formal dresses for young ladies to enjoy!

Donna Dodd: Thank you for your kind donation of backpacks, pencil holders, and lunch boxes for our youth to use. They are much needed!

Robert Halley: Thank you for your generous donation of a toddler bed for one of our families!

Mike & Leslie Rupp: Thank you for your kind donation of board games, containers, a cheese slicer, and a salad spinner for our children and families to use!

Girl Scout Troop 565 & Mary Jayne Sokolow: Thank you for your generous donation of 168 boxes of Girl Scout Cookies for our children and families to enjoy!

Doris Smith: Thank you for your kind donation of vacuums, televisions, a microwave stand, a crib, and a variety of other household items for our children and families to use!

RECREATION AND EVENTS

Dr. Tyler & Rhonda Baldock: Big thanks for your incredibly generous donation of Christmas Stockings for our children to enjoy during the holiday season!

Bianca’s Pizza & Pasta and Chubby’s Chicken Fingers & More: A very special thank you for providing food for our foster parent meetings!

Tallahassee Democrat: Thank you for your generous donation of tickets to FAMU Rattlers basketball games for our children and families!

Florida Coca-Cola Bottling Company: A huge thank you for all of the FSU football and basketball tickets, two Coca-Cola tricycles, shirts, jackets, Santa hats, other seasonal items, and over $600 worth of Coca-Cola products for our children and families! We really appreciate your love and support!

Matt & Sheri Bryan: Thank you for your kind gift of four tickets to Simply Sevantra for our families to enjoy!

Lucky Goat Coffee: Thank you so much for your generous donation of coffee and service for our Gala Coffee Kick-Off event!

Rob & Louise Murphy: A very special thank you for most kindly hosting the Gala Coffee Kick-Off at your lovely home!

Arts AfterSchool: Thank you for generously hosting two Foster Care training meetings!

Sean & Audra Pittman: Thank you for your kind donation of carnival tickets for our youth!

Maclay School: Thank you for your generous gift of a Christmas Tree for one of our families to enjoy during the holiday season!

Capital Periodontal Associates, P.A.: Thank you for your kind gift of donuts for our children, families, and staff to enjoy!

Brendan Draper and Kearns Hiett: Thank you for donating your time to help with our Bike Clinic!

Greg & Jennifer Birkmeier: Thank you for your kind donation of tickets to the Gala of the Royal Horses for our youth to enjoy!

R&R Safety and Fire Equipment: Thank you for your kind gift of several fire extinguishers to families and re-tagging fire extinguishers for our foster homes!

Parents of the Panhandle Information Network and Gadsden Correctional Facility: Thank you for taking the time to speak to our Foster Parents!

Joe & Annie Kelley: Thank you for your most kind gift of holiday cookies for our children, families, and staff to enjoy! We are so grateful for this delicious tradition!

Kiersten Smith Hair and Beauty: A very special thank you for Boys Town North Florida as your charity of choice!

A very special thank you to Au Peche Mignon, Big Easy Snowballs, Brown’s Kitchen Center, Fun Station, Lofty Pursuits, and Pet Paradise for hosting our portable Boys Town Foster Parent recruiter!
Around Town Community Support
Acts of Kindness:

Genesis Church:
Thank you for generously hosting two Boys Town Foster Parent meetings with childcare provided for 2 hours each time!

Wild Adventures:
Thank you for your generous donation of tickets for our children to enjoy!

EVERY GIFT CONTRIBUTED IMPACTS BOYS TOWN

Ink Pot of Tallahassee, LLC:
Thank you Valerie MacLeod, for continuing to generously donate a discount on designing and printing services.

Everitt & Julie Drew: Your generous and kind gifts have made an incredible impact in our children's lives. Thank you for the support you continue to provide to Boys Town North Florida!

Tallahassee Memorial Hospital: A special thank you to Christine Southerland and your team of wonderful nurses for providing health assessments for our youth.

Gene Madden: Thank you for continuing to provide our children with toiletries.

Kristin McMillan Photography: A huge thank you for providing a wonderful photo shoot to capture the look for our upcoming gala. Our children look fantastic!

Carol Ross: Thank you for donating your time to teach our Boys Town foster parents American Sign Language!

Fred Astaire Dance Studio of Tallahassee: A big thank you for providing beautiful dancers for our SOY Gala Kick-off Party and 15 dance lessons for many of our children!

Pat Meighan, FSU School of Music: Thank you for providing instruments and guidance for our youth during the gala photo shoot. They look like pros!

Sacino’s Formalwear: A very special thank you for supplying our youth with tuxedos for our gala photo shoot. Our gentlemen looked dashing!

Foster Parent Receives Notable Honor

A special congratulations to Boys Town North Florida’s Foster Parent Brandon Clayton, a fourth grade teacher at Bond Elementary School, for being named Leon County Schools’ Glenn-Howard Distinguished Educator!

Ann Gabor, Jay Payne, Billy Gabor, The Diamantis Family, The Chase Family, and The Gabor Agency, Inc. Staff Members: Thank you for your generous gift certificates for our families to use for their Thanksgiving meals!

Periodontal Associates of North Florida, P.A.:
A special thank you for providing dental assessments for our youth.

Rob Kerr, The Zimmerman Agency, LLC: A very special thank you for designing and printing all of the posters for our upcoming gala!

Boys Town Goes Pink!

Boys Town North Florida staff, youth, foster parents and friends, rallied together to participate in the annual “Making Strides Against Breast Cancer” walk in Tallahassee last fall. Team Boys Town raised over $700 for this worthy cause and supported one of their own who was in the midst of dealing with breast cancer. We hope to make this an annual event!

Boys Town North Florida Staff Service Anniversaries

Fred Astaire Dance Studio of Tallahassee: A big thank you for providing beautiful dancers for our SOY Gala Kick-off Party and 15 dance lessons for many of our children!

St. Peter’s Anglican Church: Thank you so much for so generously donating Thanksgiving meals for our children and families to enjoy!

The Gabor Agency, Inc.: A heartfelt thank you for your kind gift of turkeys, hams, and chickens for our children and families to enjoy for their Thanksgiving meals. You are wonderful!

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Boys Town North Florida Staff Service Anniversaries

A special thank you to Peggy Altrogge for your dedication to Boys Town for 15 years of service!

We would also like to thank Dena Strickland and Loma Garland for their 10 years of service and Nicole Wertz and Sara Soria for their 5 years of service.
**Want to Make A Difference in the Life of a Child? Here is how:**

**Employee Gift Giving Campaign** – Boys Town North Florida is now offering a convenient way to donate: Automatic Payroll Deduction. By contributing each pay period, your commitment will add up to a significant amount by the end of the year. Be sure to ask your employer if they offer a matching gift program to create an even larger impact in our children’s lives.

**Financial Contributions** – Your gift is always appreciated. Every dollar you give goes directly to programs that help our children and families succeed.

**In-Kind Contributions** – Our kids typically can’t afford to attend special events, such as going to recreational parks, dining out or attending sporting events. Donate tickets to events in the community for our families to enjoy.

**Volunteer** – Sharing your time, energy and talents – either by tutoring, mentoring or supporting special events – will help a child in a special way.

**Help-a-Home** – Each of our homes have six to seven youth who live with a married couple and their children. Help support us by funding an interior or exterior makeover, or by donating items such as new silverware, dishes, flowers, plants or landscaping materials – anything that will help make a house a home.

**Help-a-Family** – Help a family in our In-Home Family Services and Care Coordination Services programs by asking about donating items like furniture, beds and new bedding, or by helping with bills or other household expenses.

**Help-a-Child** – This is your opportunity to support a single child while he or she stays at Boys Town. You can help by purchasing gift cards, clothes, birthday or holiday gifts, school supplies, etc.

**Leave-a-Legacy** – Your legacy gift will ensure your spirit of giving will live on in the life of a child.

**Pray** – For the children in need in our own communities and all across America, and for the funds to be available to continue to expand and help more children and families.

**Donation Drives** – Our biggest program expenses include typical day-to-day necessities like toilet paper, cleaning supplies, school supplies, etc. You can contribute directly to the kids by having a donation drive. Or ask us about our Birthday Buddies, Hope for the Holidays and Back to School programs.

Find out more ways you can give by calling Dena Strickland, Boys Town North Florida Development Director, at (850) 575-6422.