

# Alice's House

Spring 2008

A Newsletter for Friends of the Alice's House Community Children's Home, Inc.

Founded in 1996

## A Note From Evalyn...

This is a new year with new opportunities to help children who are deprived of their basic needs. The needs are greater than they have ever been. Due to disrupted families who are victims of drug abuse, cycles of poverty, and lack of parenting skills, many precious children end up in the custody of the state. We are so happy to have safe placement here in Carrollton to keep them near their families. These problems cross all socio-economic and racial lines. We have been able to provide emotional, spiritual, and physical care through our very qualified staff.

After 11 years, our facility needed a "facelift." Alice's House has had new interior painting, new gutters, new washing machines, plumbing and faucets. All of this is very costly, so any extra support for these necessary improvements would be so

appreciated. The children had a great Christmas due to a generous community. This mission of rescuing children who desperately need safe placement is being successfully administered by our capable staff.

Our Board of Trustees began sponsoring the Chip in for Children Golf Tournament in 1994. This year's tournament will be held April 28th at Sunset Hills Country Club with lunch being served at 12:00 p.m. and tee time beginning at 1:00 p.m. Our goal is to raise \$16,000 for Alice's House. It is a great day and lots of fun for the golfers and anyone who just wants to come for lunch. Come and help make a difference in the life of a child. Golf bless everyone who has given to help make this endeavor to help children a success.

Evalyn Parrish,  
Board of Trustees Chair

## RANDY'S CORNER

God takes the long view. Often we watch our children grow up and we see the short picture. He or she gets in trouble, drops out of school, gets married, divorced or goes to jail.

This is the short view. When we look at our own lives, we realize that we made mistakes in the past and we have lived through these mistakes. We should remember the old adage, "Be patient. God is not through with me yet."

I remember a resident who came here a long time ago. He had anger issues and would curse and kick trees. He had a hard time doing his homework. He was diagnosed with ADHD. He received medication and this helped. He received counseling from a man who came to the

group home and counseled him in our counseling room. He got better. His grades improved.

At age fifteen, he went home to one of his parents. He dropped out of school, met a fifteen year old girl and had a baby. She kept the baby and he went in and out of his child's life.

He decided that he would go back to school and finish his high school education. The school did not want him back, but he was persistent and they finally let him back in. He met a new young lady and married her. He now has a good job and is active in his local church.

You and I do not know what God has in store for other people. We must be faithful in telling others of His love for them. He does the rest. I hope you do not grow weary in Good Doing.

Randy Weems,  
Program Director  
of Alice's House

## Artwork from some of the children at Alice's House



# Notes

"Chip in for Children," is the annual golf tournament hosted by Alice's House, held at Sunset Hills Country Club. Thank you to our sponsors and to everyone else who helps to make this event a success!

The staff and children of Alice's House held a special appreciation dinner for the Board on Wednesday, Feb. 27, 2008. The children performed songs they learned for the event and joined the Board for a delicious dinner.



Board members and volunteers joined the children in their Christmas shopping trip to Target.

On November 28th, a Magnolia tree was planted on the grounds at Alice's House in memory of Mrs. Alice Huffard Richards. In attendance were Alice's sons, Jim, Roy and Lee, Jim's wife Julie, and their two children, as well as many of Alice's friends, the children of Alice's House and members of the Board.

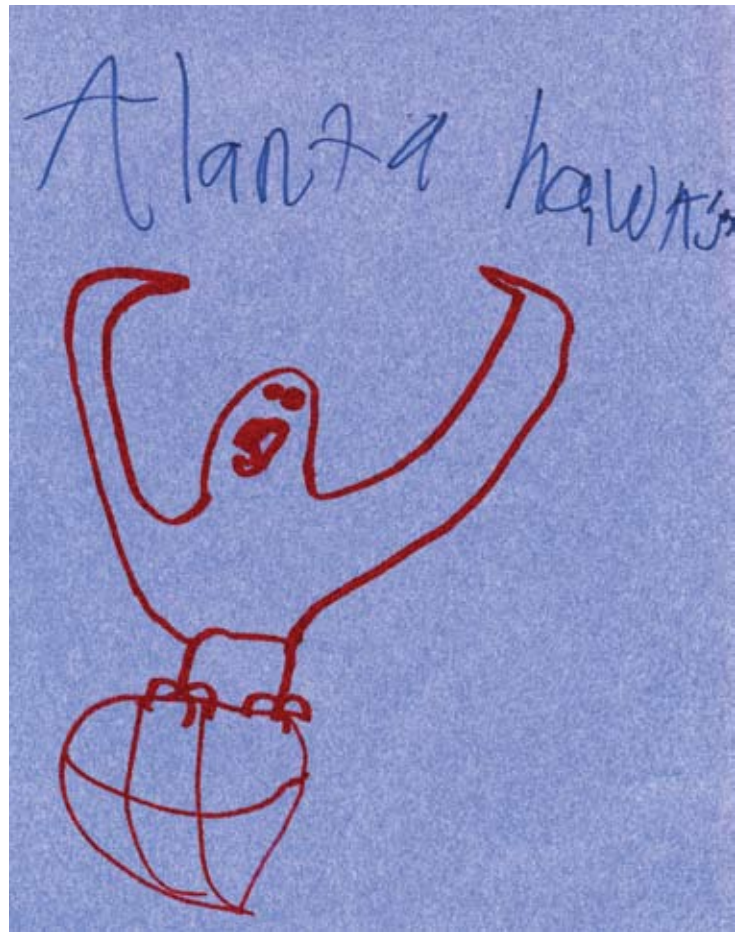


Members of Alice Richards' family gather for a tree planting in her honor. Pictured are from left to right Board Chair Evalyn Parrish; Mrs. Richard's daughter-in-law, Julie, and her children, and Mrs. Richards' sons Jim, Roy and Lee



Loyal Alice's House supporters at the tree service in honor of Mrs. Richards.

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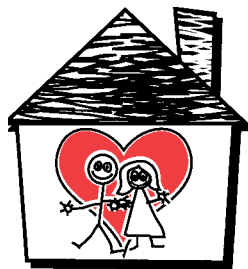
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