



MERRY CHRISTMAS



A St. Louis Charity
Helping St. Louis Kids

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IT'S ALL IN THE NUMBERS!

836!

In September a call came from Keith Brooks of Cardinals **Redbird Rookies** ... "Hey Charlie, could the Buddy Fund use 836 pair of baseball pants, all brand new and in various youth sizes? Also ... our unclaimed lost & found items ... dozens of gloves, bats, baseballs & batting helmets. Can you use those too?" In less than 5 minutes the deal was set. It would be up to the Buddy Fund to pick everything up at Busch Stadium (an SUV would be way too small), to sort and box the pants by size and color (white, gray, gray with red stripes), and to then distribute them as we see fit.

Tim Murch volunteered an MMMM company truck, and George Kriegshauser volunteered a room at their offices on Olive for short-term storage and sorting. The plan was to distribute everything to our 7 largest baseball-playing recipient organizations ... **St. Louis Parks & Recreation, Gene Slays Boys Club, Mathews Dickey B & G Club, Ferguson Youth Baseball, Herbert Hoover B & G Club, Greater Madison Khoury League and the St. L Police Athletic League.** After a lengthy Saturday afternoon of sorting and boxing, and seven "come & get em" phone calls, 836 pair (\$12,000 retail value) of baseball pants had been distributed, all within a week of the initial generous call from Redbird Rookies!

72 & 6!

Three months ago the Operations Board launched a first-ever **Buddy Fund Membership Drive**; it was decided that during the first phase of the membership drive, board members alone would tell the Buddy Fund story to friends and associates & ask them to join. This was done to see first hand how well St. Louisans would relate to and support our mission ... especially with a \$200 dues annual commitment. Not a problem! **Seventy two (72) brand new individual members and 6 new corporate member/sponsors** are now helping us help St. Louis kids! But that is just the start ... more to follow.

(See reverse side for list of members)

1/11/11

Mark your 2011 calendar! What's happening? The Buddy Fund is holding its **first ever Member Appreciation Event**. This is NOT a fundraiser. Come to Schlafly's in Maplewood from 5:30 to 7:30 ... the **beer and food are on us!** Jay Randolph will emcee a very short program including a brief, professionally made video showing the Buddy Fund at work. **Door prizes** include a football autographed by Jim Otis and Roger Wehri. The evening is 100% sponsored so no funds are being diverted from our mission. The evening's purpose is simple ... to thank you for your support and for us all to make new philanthropic friends. **You are also invited to "bring a buddy,"** someone you feel might be interested in joining the Buddy Fund ... they will have a great time & get to know about our charity ... absolutely no pressure to join! Just a fun evening. Your invitation is in the mail, so please RSVP.

33! Recipients of Buddy Fund Sports Equipment in 2010

Over **14,000!** Boys and Girls

ABC Boys & Girls Club	Good Sheperd Family Services	Police Athletic League - St. L
Berkeley Youth Organization	Gravois Baseball Club	Presbyterian Childrens Serv.
Boys and Girls Town of MO	Greater Madison Khoury League	Salvation Army - Maplewood
Boys Hope/Girls Hope	Herbert Hoover Boys Club	Salvation Army - Temple Corps
Bright Horizons	Honorary Captains Program ... SLU	St. Cecelia Parish
Crider Family Assist Program	Lift for Life Academy & Gym	St. L Parks & Rec
Epworth Childrens Services	Loyola Academy of St. Louis	St. Margaret of Scotland Ath. Assoc.
Ferguson Youth Baseball	Maryland Heights Athl. Assoc.	Welston Elem School
Lakeside Center	Mathews Dickey B & G Club	Wesley House
Gene Slay's Boys Club of St. L	Metro High Girls Volleyball	Wyman Center
Girl Scouts -Eastern Missouri	Pagedale Community Assoc.	Youth in Need

MEET YOUR FELLOW MEMBERS!

A special "thank-you!" to all! (Review the list ... I guarantee you will see people you know)

*	Affleck Bruce	#	Hennessy Dennis	#	Riehemann Richard
#	Amos R. Clark		Huber Mike	#	Robert Bruce
#	Anstey Dr. George	#	Huber Paul	#	Roland III Chuck
#	Anstey Jim	*	Hutchens Amy K	#	Rowan Shawn
*	Balota Mike	*	Janoski Frank	*	Sanders Donald
#	Boast Bob		Kerner Mrs. Jean	*	Sanner Jon
*	Barrett Timothy	#	Klapp Greg	*	Schoebelen Mark
*	Bayers Rick		Klaus Kent	*	Schooley Richard
#	Bazan Sr. Walter E.	*	Kniepman Mike	#	Schuman Glenn
*	Behnke Mary S.	*	Knop Doug	#	Shaw Vincent
L	Blattner Mrs. Robert	*	Knop Brodie	*	Sills Davin
#	Brennan John	*	Knop Brom	#	Smith Raymond
	Bruemmer Hank	#	Koman William	*	Smith Jack
*	Buck Joe	*	Koman Bill	#	Spalding Dr. Donald
*	Budenz Bob	#	Kriegshauser George	#	Speiser Terry
*	Bunton Bob	*	Lang Jim	*	Stewart James
#	Burch Timothy		Lansche Ed	*	Stone Daniel
#	Buschmann Sandy	*	LaRussa Tony	#	Stranz Ted
#	Callahan Bob	*	Lawson William	*	Tarantola Bruce
*	Castellano Joe	#	Lenhardt Donald	#	Thomas Jr. Norman
*	Clark Robert G.	#	Lentz Bob	#	Thomson R. Bruce
*	Clifford Frederick	*	Lincoln Mark	*	Thomson Cameron
#	Coe David	*	Luther Kim	*	Thurmer Stephen
#	Conway Craig	#	Macauley Edward C.	#	Tomasovic John L. Sr.
#	Cribben Bill	*	Maciorowski Greg	*	Tracy Johnathan
#	Danzig Howard	*	Majers Dr. Jonathan	*	Trulaske Sarah
#	DeBasio John		Marecek Greg	#	Twardowski Pat
*	Difranco Tino	#	Markwort Jr. Herb		Twellman Tom
#	Eaker Lloyd	*	McKeague Chase		Twellman Scott
*	Ebinger Tom	*	Morley Dr. Robert	*	Van Soest Kristan
	Favazza Matthew	#	Mueller Joe	*	Wacker Bob
#	Ferrari Al	L	Murch Mitch	*	Ware, Sr. Walter E.
#	Ferrari Chris	*	Murch Tim	*	Weaver Dana
*	Gatewood John	*	Naert Dan	#	Welch Kathy
#	Graham William	#	Nania Jake	*	Wilcox Tom
*	Grande Lio	*	Oloughlin Robert G.	#	Williamson III Justin
*	Gray Scott	#	Otis Jim	*	Winson David
*	Grench Bruce	L	Padberg Richard	*	Winter Tom
*	Halleman Mark T.	*	Patel Dr. Rajiv	*	Weitekamp Mark
#	Hamlin Mark	*	Pohrer Gary	#	Young John C.
*	Hardcastle Bob	*	Renard David	L	Young Charlie
*	Hawkins Stephen	#	Riehemann Rick	#	Zaegel III Fritz

NOTE: Only members current in their dues payment are shown; we had to leave out the long-time members who for whatever reason missed their 2010 dues payment, but felt we had no other choice. Please come back in 2011.

* indicates a brand new 2010/2011 member

indicates an individual who has been a member for 5 or more years

L indicates a Lifetime Member

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