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In 2015, another group of students graduated high school from Pleasant Hills Children's Home. We now have seven students pursuing college educations. These young people have lived at Pleasant Hills since their early childhoods. One of the graduates said, "My family has experienced instability for years, but this stops with me! I am the first to graduate high school." A Life Investment Fund provides for our students as they pursue their educations. This fund is possible by charitable gifts and assists with tuition, books, dorms, medical, clothing and transportation needs. It is our goal to break the cycle of neglect, need or abuse within families and to make a difference for generations. With a solid education and faith in God, each young person at Pleasant Hills Children's Home has opportunity for a bright future.

A total of 55 students were provided a Home at Pleasant Hills in 2015. We want to express gratitude to every person or entity that donated funds, groceries, clothing and goods to provide for our children and helped PHCH to meet our 2015 fiscal budget. Thank you for caring and sharing!

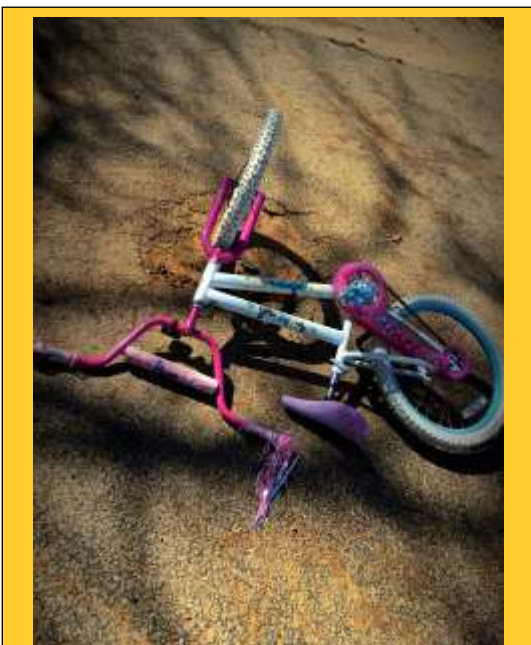
In November of 2015, Pleasant Hills Children's Home Board of Directors dedicated the new Lindy B. Watkins Welcome & Resource Center. Lindy Watkins served on the PHCH Board of Directors from May 1994 until he entered Heaven in January 2006. Mr. Watkins was a man of generous kindness and compassion and was influential in forming the PHCH Endowment Fund. Gifts to this fund are perpetual with the principal being invested and the interest used to help with the Home's operating expenses.



Pictured at Ribbon Cutting: Rev. Tom Lakey, Rev. Don Wiehe, Dr. Harry Thomassen, Mrs. Martha Thomassen, Mr. Jack Dudley, Rev. E. Wayne Hanks, Mrs. Marilyn Watkins, Rev. Rick Dubose, Mrs. Virginia Hankins, Mrs. Sandra Meese, Ms. Linda Darter

The Lindy B. Watkins Welcome & Resource Center provides studio apartments and a laundromat for up to eight college students from Pleasant Hills to reside during semester and holiday breaks. The building includes a welcome center and multiple resource rooms: toy room, linen closet, clothing and shoe closet, school supply room, processing room and rummage sale room.

How grateful we are to the many churches, individuals and corporations who generously donated funds to construct this new building.



Pleasant Hills Children's Home has a **SERIOUS need**. Our cottage homes are built around a circular campus road. The children ride bikes, scooters, skateboards, jog and walk this road daily, yet it is in hazardous condition. We have patched holes for the last 10 years, but the road has deteriorated to a dangerous state and must be replaced.

A total of \$104,250 is needed to repair 87,486 square feet.  
**Will you help provide a safe place for our children to exercise and play by sending a gift of any amount in the enclosed envelope?**

- \$25 mends 21 sq ft
- \$100 mends 84 sq ft
- \$1190 mends 1000 sq ft

We are also raising funds for our 2016 operating budget. A gift of any size is a help and appreciated.

