Despite a record snowstorm, the volunteers of Give Kids A Smile, arrived on Thursday night to set up for the 13th consecutive bi-annual free dental clinic. With weather forecasts predicting dire weather conditions, the volunteers stayed, worked late and knew that kids would come. How Wonderful!!

On Friday, February 1st all of the schools in the St. Louis Metropolitan area were closed due to the snowfall. Even the colleges and universities closed. St. Louis University remained open at the CADE center and the Allied Health building for the kids. How Wonderful!!

Volunteers came from all across the Metro area, making their way through the unplowed streets of St. Louis to help Give Kids A Smile. How Wonderful!! And the kids began to arrive. Amazingly, parents and caregivers found a way to get the kids to the services of our clinic. How Wonderful!! With the help of 113 volunteers on Friday, over 130 children received free dental treatments.

How Wonderful!! Incredibly, the sun shone on Saturday, and so did the kids and volunteers. Working later than usual, our 271 volunteers helped over 300 kids receive healthy, happy smiles. How Wonderful!! Give Kids A Smile was able to conduct the 13th clinic with the support of St. Louis University, Delta Dental, Keller Laboratories, Patterson Dental, Dynaflex, Henry Schien, Guardian Life Insurance, St. Louis County Library System and many others. How Wonderful!!

After 13 clinics, GKAS has treated 6,374 children with more than $1.9 million in comprehensive dental care. How Wonderful!!

A sincere thank you to all. It truly is a WONDERLAND!!

It's a Photo "Storm"
A Purpose for Give Kids A Smile

Jan and I had the opportunity to attend our very first Trivia Night on April 4th for Give Kids A Smile. We had no idea what to expect and despite our inexperience, we had a wonderful time and we each answered at least two questions each! Well, I guess that's not too good, but thank goodness for the rest of our table who carried us through the evening. We should have had a book or notes or something to study prior to the test, because we were obviously not prepared. Thanks to our team mates! They saved us. And thanks to everyone who attended and supported the Trivia Night. It was a wonderful evening. Also, a special thanks needs to go to Fran Adams and her committee. Great job everyone!

So why did Give Kids A Smile have a Trivia Night in the first place? What was the purpose? I know, for sure, that the Trivia Night wasn’t to test Jan and Ray’s ability to answer questions. If it was, Jan and Ray failed the test. I know for sure that it wasn’t a well planned party for everyone to enjoy, even though we did have a terrific party and we did have a fantastic time. Give Kids A Smile had the Trivia Night to support the purpose of Give Kids A Smile and that purpose is kids. Give Kids A Smile’s soul purpose for existing is to serve kids and help kids where ever they are and what ever their needs might be. And, we know that the needs of the kids are an un-daunted obstacle to be overcome. Give Kids A Smile has been given the opportunity to tackle those obstacles.

With the addition of the Trivia Night, Give Kids A Smile now has three fund raisers. We have the Trivia Night in April, the Golf Tourney in June, and the Gala in September, three chances each year to put on a good time with a purpose. We have three chances to bring our wonderful supporters together to help us with our purpose. Give Kids A Smile would cease to exist, if it weren’t for our supporters and for our fund raising events. Give Kids A Smile would not be able to help kids and provide services without your help.

Viktor Frankl, the distinguished Austrian psychotherapist, wrote the acclaimed book Man’s Search for Meaning. His book outlined his world-famous approach to therapy and he called it logotherapy, or meaning therapy. He said, “Man’s concern about a meaning of life is the truest expression of the state of being of humans. Humans need a reason to live, a meaning for life, a purpose.” So what’s your purpose? What makes you get up and go? Could you make kids and Give Kids A Smile your purpose? If it’s not already, could you make it your banner that you rally around? There could be no greater purpose than to help kids and make a difference in the lives of children.

Thanks to everyone who supports Give Kids A Smile either as a volunteer or a financial supporter. We are thankful that your purpose aligns with our purpose and kids are your focus. Thank you for helping to make Give Kids A Smile successful, one kid at a time.

Ray Storm, President

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Plan Ahead

GKAS Gala Event
Friday, September 19, 2008
St. Charles Convention Center
We are having fun here at GKAS! Already this year we have had a successful clinic, despite incumbent weather, an incredible Trivia night complete with Elvis, and planning is ongoing for our next Golf Tournament in June. Summer is fast approaching and we will soon begin putting together all the pieces of our next clinic. Time flies when you’re having fun! Yes it’s hectic but it’s worth every second of effort on behalf of the kids. We at GKAS know the key to our success are the wonderful volunteers who have stepped up to help us on all these projects! For me personally it’s humbling to watch how hard they work on behalf of the kids. I find myself being inspired to not only continue my own efforts but to improve them as well. I am blessed to call so many of you friends!

Our motto is “Every Smile a New Beginning” and I can’t help but think how true that is! I have seen new smiles take shape at every clinic, and it’s been fun to see the effects of those smiles on everyone around them. I’ll never forget the incredible feeling of awe I felt during our very first clinic back in 2002 when I witnessed a tiny girl jump up out of the dental chair after a filling placed by Dr. Faddis. Mike and his assistant had to work pretty hard at easing her fears to keep her in the chair in order to get the job done. I think we expected her to bolt for the door just as fast as her tiny feet could carry her, but instead she simply and calmly stepped over to the still seated dentist, placed her tiny arms around him and gave him a big hug. I’m not sure if it was for gratitude or the fact that she sensed Mike really needed that hug after he had worked so hard on her behalf. Holy Cow, was that a defining moment for me. I knew right then and there we were doing something special. Mike and his wonderful team have returned for nearly every clinic since. Knowing Mike, that hug was worth more than a full mouth reconstruction, in fact it was priceless!

I also want to take a minute to thank the unsung heroes in Oral Surgery and Endodontics. As you can imagine the kids aren’t always smiling over there. There isn’t a lot of hugging going on either, but the value of the services provided there are immeasurable!

Extracting an infected tooth or performing a root canal isn’t an easy task in our own offices let alone in our makeshift clinic. These people are the epitome of professionalism. With incredibly caring attitudes they deal with some of the clinics most pressing and difficult situations. I have nothing but the greatest respect for the Doctors, assistants, nurses and volunteers who work there nearly every clinic. I’d like to list every one of you in order to give you the thanks and gratitude you deserve, but I know I would forget someone and that would be unforgivable! So for now you will have to settle for mine and the boards’ deep and heartfelt gratitude!

Yours in Health

Tom Flavin, DDS

A very special “couple” of volunteers

It’s a family affair at any Give Kids A Smile event. The Signorino Family that is!!

Mary has been a team leader and sincere supporter of Give Kids A Smile from the beginning. She continues to lead the after-care team of each of our clinics. But, what many may not know, Mary has created an annual event for Give Kids A Smile. By involving her entire family, including husband “Chef John Signorino”, she has created a much sought after item for the annual Give Kids A Smile Gala—the infamous “Signorino catered party!” With aunts, uncles, cousins and children in tow, John and Mary create a “themed party” that has been a wonderful success for the past three years. Barbershop Quartets, Irish Folk dancers and Spring Barbecues are just a few of the activities that have been included. This annual party is made to order for the winning bidder at our annual Gala event. Not only are the people invited to these fun-filled parties smiling, but the money raised by bidders and the generous spirit of the Signorino Family has been in the thousands. Give Kids A Smile is sincerely grateful!!
Golfing “FORE” Kids
Bogey Hills Country Club
In St. Charles
Monday, June 2, 2008

Join us at the 3rd Annual Give Kids A Smile Charity Golf Tournament

Bogey Hills Golf and Country Club
1120 Country Club Road
St. Charles, Missouri
(636) 946-6250

Situated on 120 acres of lush countryside in the heart of St. Charles, Bogey Hills boasts a beautiful eighteen-hole golf course, swimming pool and elegant banquet facilities. The tight, classic 71-par course features fountains and lakes plus impeccably maintained zoysia fairways and Crenshaw Bentgrass green. Strategically laid out on gently rolling, tree-lined terrain, Bogey Hills is considered one of the premiere courses in the Midwest.

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REGISTRATION—Individual Golfer - $195

Contact Name__________________________________________

Business (if applicable)_________________________________

Address________________________________________________

City________________________________State_________Zip Code__________Phone__________

e-mail________________________________Comments________________

Foursome (Player Names)________________________________

VISA, MASTER CARD, OR DISCOVER #__________________________

Exp. Date________________________Signature________________

Make Checks Payable to: Give Kids A Smile
340-A Mid Rivers Mall Dr.
St. Peters, MO 63376

Please RSVP by May 21, 2008
Call (636) 397-6453 for more information
THINK GOLF! Yes, it’s that time of year again. The players are ready, Bogey Hills Country Club is ready and Give Kids A Smile is ready. Let the fun and warm weather begin! The 3rd Annual Charity Golfing “FORE” Kids event is taking place on Monday, June 2. Mark your calendars and send in your reservations now. We expect to fill the event. Encourage family, friends and all non-golfers to join the fun with our dinner and auction following the tournament. Our committee is working very hard to make this a premier event and a terrific time for everyone. Jeana Boarman, our golf auction committee leader, is planning many extra-special items for the auction. You will not want to miss out. Plan to enjoy the day with GKAS and support a great cause.

Give Kids A Smile is proud to offer a wide variety of sponsorship opportunities to participants, organizations and individuals. These opportunities include the following:

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For More Information Call:
(636) 39-SMILE

Special Underwriting Opportunities are still available.

Give Kids A Smile has become an official Cardinals Redbird Rookie Partner. We are helping provide additional services to their “sponsored” little league teams for unprivileged children of the St. Louis Metro area.

We could use your help at the various Redbird Rookie Health Fairs this summer.

We will be handing out information about our upcoming clinics, providing dental health information, doing some dental hands-on demonstrations and providing the usual GKAS fun at the event. Contact the GKAS office at 636-397-6453 if you can help.

Health Fairs 2008
10 to 4 p.m.

- June 21  Busch Stadium
- June 28  Univ. City Comm. Cntr
- July 19  UMSL-JC Penney Cntr
On April 4, 2008 at Kirkwood Community Center, many great minds and hearts entered the doors. Between the waves of food paraded in the room, the smiling faces, laughing friends and guests, there was a magnificent Trivia Game played.

As the evening began, The Give Kids A Smile organization introduced a special DVD presentation of a day in the life of our free dental clinics. The reason for everyone’s support was evident in this presentation. The glitter, glam and tasty aroma of fresh popped popcorn was compliments of Delta Dental and St. Louis Concierge.

Chairperson, Fran Adams of Oppenheimer and Associates welcomed the crowd and began the rounds of Trivia. As tables worked feverishly to solve problems, answer questions, eat, drink and have as much fun as possible, our volunteers for the evening helped by selling raffle tickets for a 50/50 drawing and the special handmade quilt raffle. The handmade quilt was made and donated by Marianne Dennie. It was a wonderful and very caring gift to our event. As if there wasn’t enough fun, a silent auction was also part of the event. Many wonderful items were donated to the auction.

As promised by our chairperson, there was a “surprise guest”. Yes, Elvis was in the house! Elvis entered the event to help with a round of trivia and entertained the trivia buffs with his songs.

Our Trivia Night Winners were The Bender, Weltman, Thomas, Perry and Co. table. The ability of this table of “trivia geniuses” was matched by their generous hearts. They donated their winnings to Give Kids A Smile. Now that is a true measure of a Winning Team!

We would like to add a special thanks to our volunteers for the evening. They were Ralph Heathcote, Laura Heathcote, Marianne Dennie, Jennifer Allen, Josh Dixon, Marva Halbert, Debbie Dalin and Dr. Jeff Dalin. As you can see in the photos below, it was truly a Winning night for all. Thank you to all of our supporters. Have your Minds and Hearts ready for next year’s Trivia Night!
Banner of Heroes
New way to Honor friends and family—while supporting GKAS

Would you like to remember someone in a very special way? Would you like to honor someone for something special that they have done? Would you like to acknowledge someone’s accomplishments?

Give Kids A Smile has now developed a way to honor these friends and family members through our Banner of Heroes. In each newsletter, we will place the names of the persons to be honored on our Banner of Heroes. By simply making a cash donation of $25 or more to Give Kids A Smile in their honor, we will send them an acknowledgement card of the donation and place their name on the Banner of Heroes in the next edition of the Smile Lines Newsletter.

What a wonderful way to help support Give Kids A Smile and honor a friend or family member.

In addition if you would like to give the gift of a tribute to someone, we still have packets of tribute cards available. They are four cards for $100. These make terrific graduation, retirement, anniversary and birthday gifts. Contact the GKAS office for more information at 636-397-6453.

Support Give Kids A Smile by swiping the eScrip Schnucks community card every time you make a purchase. Schnucks contributes to GKAS with every purchase. Pick up your card at any Schnucks store service counter OR contact the GKAS office at 636-397-6453.

Activate the card by calling 1-800-931-6258 and telling them that you have selected Give Kids A Smile with our ID# of 5000-15283. They will request your name, address and phone number. NOW you are ready to use the card. Simply give the card to the cashier when you make a purchase. They will swipe it and Schnucks will contribute a percentage of your purchase to Give Kids A Smile.

Use often and tell family and friends to do the same.

In addition, visit the www.escrip.com website and register your MACY’S credit card and your additional credit cards at the website. These will also contribute varying amounts of proceeds to GKAS.

Remember that a child will be smiling because of your support!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED—

If you would like to help Give Kids A Smile prepare for the annual Gala on September 19, 2008, JOIN THE GALA COMMITTEE.

We need caring adults who would like to work with other caring adults to plan a spectacular event.

The committee is just forming and your input, energy and excitement are welcomed. Contact Joan Allen at 636-397-6453 to volunteer.
Mark Your Calendars!

June 2, 2008—GKAS Charity Golf Tournament
September 19, 2008—GKAS Gala
October 24-25, 2008—Bi-annual Dental Clinic

Special Thanks

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our most recent grantors for their significant financial support—

- Missouri Foundation For Health—Basic Support Grant
- Independent Pilot Association Foundation—Portable x-ray unit enhancements
- Daughters of Charity Healthcare Foundation of St. Louis—3rd yr. grant
- American Dental Association—Give Kids A Smile Growth Grant

The ADA grant has some special significance. It became a reality because of the matching grant funds contributed by Missouri Dental Association, Greater St. Louis Dental Society and Delta Dental of Missouri. This unique agreement to support Give Kids A Smile by matching grant funds is a wonderful reminder of the dedication of GKAS supporters. We are truly grateful for their generosity.

Special Thanks

Our bi-annual clinic receives significant support not only from our terrific skilled dental professionals but also from many organizations. We would like to thank a few of these generous supporters—

- St. Louis University Center for Advanced Dental Education
- Delta Dental of Missouri
- St. Louis University Department of Nutrition and Dietetics
- Patterson Dental
- Keller Dental Laboratory
- Dynaflex Dental
- Guardian Life Insurance
- Henry Schein Dental

Special Thanks

The financial of supporters who donate to our pledge drives, remember Give Kids A Smile in their estates, encourage friends and family to give to this organization, and include Give Kids A Smile in their annual gifting plans are the backbone of our organization.

We can not exist without your continued support and help. For that we are truly grateful.

Keep spreading the word about the good things done by Give Kids A Smile. More kids will be able to smile if you continue your support.