

September 2010

**Mission Statement**

*To provide a safe, secure residence for pregnant women and their babies while fostering self-esteem, educational growth and skills of living, parenting and decision making based upon Christian values.*

*A home for pregnant women and their babies.*

# newsletter

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## 3rd Annual “Birdies for Babies” Golf Tournament Success!

The third annual “Birdies for Babies” golf tournament, held at Territory Golf Club on May 20<sup>th</sup>, was a great time and a success bringing in over \$8,000 for New Beginnings. We would like to thank everyone who golfed, attended the dinner and all the generous donors of items for our silent auction. We also want to give special recognition to our generous sponsors who made this day possible. We appreciate your support of New Beginnings!

## Save the date for next year—Thursday, May 19th



**Key Sponsor:**  
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## Memorials/Honorariums since Spring 2010

### In Memory of

*Sidney Loehlein by Don Loehlein*  
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## Thank You!

### Our Special Thanks to...

- ☺ United Way for the continued funding of our Parenting, Health and Wellness programming and support of our child care program!
- ☺ our donors and sponsors for their continued support in our mission to serve women and babies. You are what keeps our doors open.
- ☺ our many volunteers and mentors who so graciously offer their time and talents to our residents and staff.
- ☺ Initiative Foundation for the "HOP Stay Strong" grant for improving organizational infrastructure.



# W E L C O M E

## New Board Members

**Nikoli Saehr** is Vice President of Treasury Management at U S Bank. She has a strong finance and business background.

**Jill Stephens** is a Licensed Psychologist and owner of Hardy & Stephens Counseling Associates PLLC. She has a strong development and organizational background.

**Thank you** to Sue Poser and Gruber's Quilt Shop for the wonderful donation resulting from their annual "Dresses Get a Second Change to Dance" fundraiser. Not only did New Beginnings receive much needed funding for our residents and their babies, but students without the means to purchase new prom dresses were able to enjoy their prom. Also, thank you to everyone who 'recycled' their prom dresses.



## Thank you for the tremendous support you give our residents!

We are in constant need of long distant (in-state) phone cards. For many residents, this is their only means of contact with family. Any way you can assist with this would be greatly appreciated.



We also have a continuous need for bus passes (10 Ride or 31 Day) for our women to get to school, appointments and work.



## The STAFF of New Beginnings

Executive Director	Jodi Vannett
Administrative Assistant	Arlene Smelter
Program Coordinator	Keri Raiber
Volunteer-Mentor Coordinator	Pamela Spanier
Resident Coordinator	Heather Skelton, LSW
Support Staff	Jayme Revermann
Child Care	Beth Erickson
Resident Assistants	Jess, Jenna, Jen, Sarah, Alicia & Lauren

# Volunteers MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Anyone interested in volunteering, please contact our Volunteer/Mentor Coordinator, Pam at 320-255-1252 and/or pspanier@newbeginningsmn.org  
**Come, share your time and talents!! You are needed.**

Golf (continued from page 1)

**Silent Auction Donors:**

Amanda & Bryan DeMaine  
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Archangel Books & Gifts  
Arnold Palmer Enterprises  
Arrowwood Resort  
Art As You Like It  
Bingo Emporium  
Blue Line Sports Bar & Grill  
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Boulder Ridge Golf Club  
Bravo Burritos  
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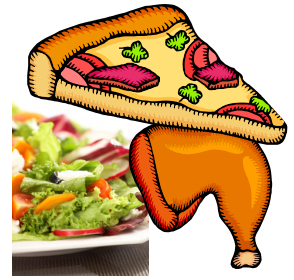
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## Pizza Ranch Buffet Fundraiser

**Monday, September 20, 2010  
5 to 8 p.m.**

**Pizza Ranch is all about helping the community.**

When you eat at their Buffet on Monday, September 20th, from 5-8 pm, tell them you are there for the fundraiser for



New Beginnings and they will donate 25% of the undiscounted (no coupons used) purchase total to New Beginnings. They also will have a jar up front where customers can put in tips and donations. 100% of the tips will go to New Beginnings. Pizza Ranch is located at 110 2nd St S Suite 119, Waite Park.

Your support of New Beginnings is greatly appreciated.

Thank you, Pizza Ranch, for supporting us!



*"Be our Friend"*

New Beginnings is now on Facebook! If you are interested in becoming a fan of New Beginnings- to receive additional notices on events and other information on our program, search for New Beginnings and become a fan! It will also be a great way to keep in touch with others and see pictures of everyone!

**The Annual Appeal is a major fundraising event for New Beginnings. It will soon be Annual Appeal time. We appreciate your generosity of past years. We are again counting on your continued loving support!**

Following are remembrances, both living and deceased, remembered on Mother's Day  
by our donors and area churches & organizations:

†Angela Thomes by Martin Thomes	Loretta Wiener by Jerry-Ione Torborg	Tina Bauer by Helen Bauer
†Louise Hess by Mary Hess	Lori Danzl by Jerry & Ione Torborg	Jen Beam by Helen Bauer
Rosemary Schulz by Ann Romanowsky	Amanda Frechette Torborg by Jerry & Ione Torborg	†Marian Smelter by Helen Bauer
Elsie Romanowsky by Ann Romanowsky	Dorothy Sexton by Bob Sexton	†Marcella Bauer by Helen Bauer
Faith Neis by Tom Neis	Agnes Fuchs by Bob Sexton	†Alice Moonen by Karla-Tom Menetor
Linda Neis by Tom Neis	Colleen Hansen by Bob Sexton	†Irene Branigan Ruff by Betty Merritt
Ellen Cleveland by Tom Neis	Gina Halstrom by Bob Sexton	†Margaret Branigan Long by Betty Merritt
Kelly Neis by Tom Neis	Bobbi Lamp by Bob Sexton	Mary Jo Froemming by Philip & Marva Jorgensen
Amanda Neis by Tom Neis	Tracy Sexton by Bob Sexton	Amy Thayer by Philip-Marva Jorgensen
Evelyn Neis by Tom Neis	Sandy Sexton by Bob Sexton	Karen Kleinschmidt by Philip & Marva Jorgensen
Julie by Tom Neis	Staff of New Beginnings by Allison Siems	Therese Jorgensen by Philip & Marva Jorgensen
Theresa by Tom Neis	†Carol Koltes by Larry Koltes	Marva Jorgensen by Philip & Marva Jorgensen
Rose by Tom Neis	Ione Koltes by Larry Koltes	Connie Moline by Philip-Marva Jorgensen
Family of Jack Unger	Peg by Robert & Margaret Lietzke	Angie Stone by Philip & Marva Jorgensen
Jean Eichers by Janet Neu	Sarah by Robert & Margaret Lietzke	Bernie Williams by Philip & Marva Jorgensen
Lynne Whiting by Janet Neu	Madi by Robert & Margaret Lietzke	Bea Gazett by Philip & Marva Jorgensen
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Dorine Laudenbach by Alan & Terri Laudenbach	Shelly by Robert & Margaret Lietzke	Trudy Gargala by Philip-Marva Jorgensen
Patricia Engelke by Alan & Terri Laudenbach	Michelle by Robert-Margaret Lietzke	Katherine Theisen by Philip & Marva Jorgensen
Sarah Putnam by Alan & Terri Laudenbach	Gwyann by Robert & Margaret Lietzke	Kay Jorgensen by Philip-Marva Jorgensen
Jo Craven Andrea Craven	Mothers by Robert & Margaret Lietzke	†Eulalia Landwehr by Arlene Smelter
†Clarice Lanz by Andrea Craven	Grandmothers by Robert & Margaret Lietzke	†Irene Smith by Arlene Smelter
Frances Torberg by Bernice Evens	Mary Graham by Terri Laudenbach	Ether Smelter by Arlene Smelter
Susan Evens by Bernice Evens	†Florentine Thielman by Marilyn Thielman	Shelly by Frank Hatmann
†Willamina by Kathleen Trueman	Delores M. Deane by Sharon Lesikar	Jackie by Frank Hatmann
†Kitty by Kathleen Trueman	Mary Wickliffe by Sharon Lesikar	Lorraine by Frank Hatmann
†Ellen by Kathleen Trueman	Judy Garrity by Sharon Lesikar	Rose Ament by Bob & Karen Ament
Gloria by Kathleen Trueman	JoAnne M Petersen by Sharon Lesikar	Veronica Sieverding by Bob-Karen Ament
Jill by Kathleen Trueman	Shalom Crook by Robert Kangas	Danielle Valley by Mary Ann Valley
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Kathleen by Kathleen Trueman	†Catherine Renn by Mary Hick	Anne Mills by Bibiana Gazett
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Laura Rydberg by Mike & Rosie Rydberg	Madelon Ehrecke by Jean Kane	Clara Haider by Max Backes
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Emma Danzl by Jerry & Ione Torborg	Mary Schroeer by Pat & Sandy Baldwin	Jane, Danae, Kelli, Becky, and Tracy by Diane Thielen
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	Joanie Vollmers by Pat-Sandy Baldwin	
	Sue Baldwin by Pat & Sandy Baldwin	
	Debbie Baldwin by Pat-Sandy Baldwin	
	Sandy Baldwin by Pat-Sandy Baldwin	
	Debbie Bauer-Chanthanouvong by Helen Bauer	



### A Visit from the Past

New Beginnings was pleased to have such a great turn-out for our Previous Resident Focus Group, held in June of this year. Nine former residents, and their children, came to New Beginnings to share their opinions regarding what pieces of the program were the most, and least, beneficial to them during their stay. We wanted to share some of what we discovered:

Participants felt that the information they received and learned through the program helped them to be successful and they would unanimously recommend this program.

Participants felt confident and successful in the areas of healthy pregnancy, parenting skills, basic education, and employment.

Participants felt the sense of family that exists within New Beginnings is a major strength.

One of the most helpful aspects of the New Beginnings program, from the previous resident viewpoint, is that they learned through a variety of experiences (evening programming, hands-on experiences, and meetings with support staff and previous residents).

Participants would like to learn more on how to parent as their child gets older.

Participants requested more education and assistance regarding co-parenting.

New Beginnings thanks all the previous residents who took their time to be a part of the focus group. This was a great opportunity for us to find out how we are doing, while at the same time being able to stay in contact with previous residents! New Beginnings will use the results of the focus group to evaluate our current program and understand what may be beneficial to add or change to make us even more ready to continue to serve those in need!

## TOYS WANTED!

New Beginnings is requesting donations of new and gently used toys for infants and toddlers. Play is very important to the health and development of infants and toddlers. Residents of New Beginnings participate in a variety of educational programming with their infants using toys. Residents will be able to purchase the toys with points after they have successfully completed parent education and infant development programming. Developmentally appropriate toys for infants and toddlers include: blocks, board books, tummy time mats, rattles and manipulative toys. Please see our wish list and our Target Registry for more information.



## Workplace Giving Campaigns

**Federal Employees** - Look for New Beginnings in the Combined Federal Campaign - a workplace donation campaign for Federal Employees! New Beginnings code is #57209. If you are a federal employee and would like to donate to New Beginnings through your workplace campaign, write code #57209 to make sure your dollars reach us.

**United Way** - New Beginnings benefits when you give through your United Way workplace giving campaign.



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# *New Beginnings 2010 Wish List*

## **Urgent Needs**

Preemie & Newborn Onesies  
Bottle brushes / Baby Tylenol  
Nursing Pads / Sanitary Pads  
Baby Wipes / Bath Towels  
Silverware (sets or forks and spoons)  
New Baby Clothes sizes 18-24 months  
New Infant toys (6 wks to 18 months)  
Size 3 & 4 diapers  
Women's long underwear/snow pants

## **Household**

Toilet Paper, Paper Towels, Tissues  
Laundry Baskets / Cleaning supplies  
Liquid Hand Soap / Hand Sanitizer  
Pots and Pans / Measuring Cups & Spoons  
Ziploc Bags (gallon size) / AA & AAA batteries  
Can Openers / Blender  
Laundry Soap and Laundry Stain Remover

## **Office Supplies**

Copy Paper (8 1/2 x 11) / Paper clips  
Postage Stamps / #6 3/4 plain envelopes  
Card stock / Scissors / White out

## **Baby Items**

Take-along or Travel Swing  
Diapers (Preemie, Newborn to Size 6)  
New Baby Clothes, Preemie thru 24 mo.  
Similac Formula / Nasal Aspirators  
New Baby Bottles / Avent Nipples  
Baby Orajel / Butt Paste  
Nuks / MAM nuks 6 month and up

## **Supplies for our Women**

31-Day & 10-Ride Bus Passes  
Long-distance phone cards (in-state)  
Gift Certificates / Movie Theatre Passes  
New Baby Monitors / Umbrellas  
Printer Ink for HP #40  
Tums / Tylenol / Tampons

## **Child Care Program**

Crib-size Waterproof Mattress Pads  
Pack n' Plays / Crib sheets

## **Food Items**

Grocery Store Gift Cards or Scrip  
Nonperishable Food Items

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