



# THE LINK

to the Florida United Methodist Children's Home



Summer Fun on Friday at the Children's Home means zip lining on our high ropes course! Not only is it fun for the youth, but it's also a big boost to their self-confidence.

For some it's a major accomplishment conquering their fear of heights. And their friends cheering them on from the ground is a big plus.

This young man really struggled to find the courage to step off that platform. And as soon as he got to the bottom he yelled, "I want to go again!"



If you would like to set up a workday opportunity for your team, please contact our Volunteer Relations Supervisor Lynn Bellomy at 386.668.4774 or [lynn.bellomy@fumch.org](mailto:lynn.bellomy@fumch.org).



## Youth Workers Extraordinaire



A group of youth volunteers from Palma Ceia Methodist Church in Tampa came to the Children's Home on July 10th to do some landscape work around Fox – Wright Cottage. They did an excellent job and we are very grateful to them!



## 4<sup>TH</sup> OF JULY

July 4th, a group of twenty volunteers from Community Church in Casselberry brought and prepared a delicious cookout for our children during their annual July 4th pool party!

Thank you so much Community Casselberry for taking time out of your holiday to bless and serve our children! Freedom, indeed!





# SCHOOL SUPERLATIVES



Even though we are almost through the summer break, we continue to rejoice over our children's exploits this past school year. One of our students came to us with a .25 GPA and completed the last semester with straight A's on her report card, raising her GPA to 1.90! We had three of our students at our Enterprise campus who received Straight A's on their report cards for their last semester, including Advance Placement and Honor classes! Congratulations to our students and the Legacy Scholars Academy for a job well done!

At the Madison Youth Ranch, two of our youth won an educational reward with their academic prowess and improvement as they maintained a 2.0 GPA or better, did not receive any in or out school suspensions for the entire year. One of the youth missed it last year by one point and worked really hard all this past school year to meet the incentives.

They were provided a trip to Sea World where they dove for pearls and saw Orcas. They also visited the Magic Kingdom and Animal Kingdom where they raved about all of their Avatar adventures. They also spent a day at the beach! Thank you so much for our donors who provided that incentive and made it all possible!



As the summer break begins to wind down, the next school year is just around the corner. Children everywhere are beginning to think about new clothes and supplies for the year, and wondering if they will like their new teachers.

Our children are thinking about these things as well, in addition to learning how to persevere through the traumatic experiences that brought them into our care. You can help them today by making a gift.



## CYCLING GENEROSITY

Lee and Tony from Seminole Cyclists Cycling Club came to the Children's Home to drop off a check with Elisabeth Gadd, our Chief Development Officer. The gift was raised during their recent Bike Swap Meet, and we are very grateful for their support!



### Our most needed items list for August:

Cantu hair products  
Hairbrushes for boys  
Duffle bags

Suitcases  
Pots and pans  
Clock radios

Conditioner  
Tupperware Containers  
Computer printer paper



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