



Kinship Konnections

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Wanted: Your Photo!



If you missed the Mentor Appreciation Dinner in April, please call Joel or Mary Maxwell at Max Bailey Photography (732-7979) to schedule a time you and your Kinship kid can go in to have your picture taken. No cost. No obligation to buy. Promise. (But a real nice discount if you are interested)

We are dreaming of a Kinship Directory for Mentors on the new web-site being developed this summer and we want YOU included!

Permission Slips: Swimming & Boating

I have permission slips for MOST kids to SWIM. Am sending them again for the ones that are missing (Farrah, Josh, Karina, Kyron, Logan, Mikaela, Nate, Zach and Zoey) and am sending out permission slips for BOATING. If you plan to go boating yet this month, I highly recommend asking the parent/guardian to sign the permission slip below.

I authorize _____, a volunteer with Kinship of the Park Rapids Area, to take my child/ward, _____ Swimming and/or Boating at Kinship Group Activities and during their weekly get-togethers anytime in 2010.

Signature _____

Date _____

Welcome New Mentors!

Boo Groth is looking forward to being matched with a girl from the Nevis area who would like to have fun doing all kinds of creative projects with her. She and her husband, Karl, live on Lake Belle Taine.

Cliff & Joan Tweedale were just matched with Cole and expect to be kayaking, going to baseball games and learning to play chess. Joan works with FEMA and Cliff is Executive Director of the Headwaters Regional Development Commission. They live on Stocking Lake.

Kinship Clubhouse Creates Unique Opportunity to Raise Funds

You may have noticed that Kinship keeps growing. We now have 41 mentor matches and five more volunteers ready to soon be matched. With growth in service, comes increased expense. The Board is following a plan to increase revenues for Kinship and having good results. The clubhouse is part of this. Many of you have made personal donations and/or helped with fundraisers. *Thank you!*

The Kinship Clubhouse, donated by Northwoods Bank, offers us an opportunity to raise up to \$10,000 by selling raffle tickets this summer. If each mentor sold just 15 \$5 tickets by August 14, we could sell more than 1/3 of the 2000 printed tickets. You will receive invitations to sell tickets with your Kinship Kid at events and to walk with the clubhouse in the July 4th and Muskie Days parades. Believe it or not, this can be fun!

You already do a lot as a mentor and we sincerely appreciate that. We hate to ask you to do anything more, but who better understands the importance of this program than you?? If you can help out with selling raffle tickets on your own (call 732-0058 for a book), for an hour at a grocery store on a busy weekend, or at an event ~ Super!

Watch for opportunities coming your way!