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A Monthly Newsletter

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Jots from Jeff



We hope your New Year has been happy so far and that God will continue to bless you abundantly in the year to come. Hard to believe it is 2014! Time marches on.

Several of you have responded to our financial disclosure in our last newsletter in a very positive way with extra gifts and prayers. Thank you for continuing to do what you do so well!

Weather has been an issue over the last six weeks but as I compose this newsletter, it is absolutely beautiful outside, which reminds me that Spring is just around the corner and we are going to need some help with mowing and trimming at the *Eagle* facility when the grass turns green again. Would you help us out? Give me a call or send an email and we can get you connected so you can serve!

Last week, we received an amazing blessing which will be the topic of the rest of this edition. Several months ago, we met and had discussions with **John Wilguss** and **Katherine Adams** from the **Oklahoma Dental Foundation** (www.okdf.org) about providing some dental care for our residents at *Eagle*. They are affiliated with a program called

MobileSmiles Oklahoma! (www.mobilesmilesok.org), and last Tuesday, January 14, they rolled their dentally-equipped RV onto the *Eagle* parking lot and provided dental services for 14 patients. Many of our residents have not been able to have regular dental care for a long time, having no insurance and very little income. Dental health is a huge obstacle for many of our residents in being able to secure better employment and boost self-confidence. **MobileSmiles Oklahoma!** is already scheduled for a follow up visit on February 11. The goal of the Oklahoma Dental Foundation is “eliminating barriers to oral health care for Oklahomans.” And I can tell you they are doing just that at *Eagle Recovery Center!* The monetary value of the services provided by this group last Tuesday is \$1,589.00 or \$113.50 per patient, based on what Delta Dental allows on a PPO. And the value of this service for our residents and their children is immeasurable! We want to say thank you to the following people for volunteering their time and professional services:

- **John Wilguss**
- **Katherine Adams**
- **Dr. Eric Touet**
- **DS4 Melinda Knight**
- **DS4 Stephanie Schmidt**
- **Emma Britto**, dental asst
- **Sarah Gregg**, dental asst

— *Jeff Gardner, Boulevard minister*



The following information is from the MobileSmiles Oklahoma! website:

MobileSmiles Oklahoma! is a nonprofit dental care program dedicated to eliminating barriers to dental care access. With the vital help of volunteer dental professionals, our program utilizes two RV-style mobile dental units that travel across the entire state of Oklahoma delivering free dental care and education.

In 2006, the Mobile Dental Care Program was established as a project of the Oklahoma Dental Foundation (ODF). Its purpose was to provide dental care and education across Oklahoma to those unable to access care, primarily children with limited access, and to recommend a dental home in their area.

The program saw its 10,000th patient in 2012 and expanded to include a second mobile dental unit. In 2013, it became a partnership program of the ODF and its major funder, the Delta Dental of Oklahoma Oral Health Foundation and the name of program was changed to MobileSmiles Oklahoma. The two foundations now co-manage the program, expanding its reach by combining the strengths and experience of their organizations.

About Us

Boulevard church of Christ is a family of believers in Jesus Christ who want to be the hands and feet of Jesus in reaching people with messed up lives. We believe Jesus is the great Healer physically, spiritually, emotionally and socially. And we all need to be healed of something.

Eagle Recovery Center is a Christ-centered, structured, sober-living group home for the purpose of empowering women to successfully re-enter society and live victoriously over drugs and alcohol or any other destructive habit. All residents are valued members of the Boulevard church family.

Sponsors of **MobileSmiles Oklahoma!** include:

- Delta Dental of Oklahoma Oral Health Foundation
- Inasmuch Foundation
- Oklahoma City Community Foundation
- Oklahoma Health Care Authority
- Oklahoma State Department of Health
- Sarkeys Foundation
- Southern Oklahoma Memorial Foundation
- Texoma Health Foundation

Partners include:

- Blue Cross Blue Shield Caring Van
- Children's Oral Health Coalition
- D-DENT
- Oklahoma City Area Inter-Tribal Health Board
- Oklahoma Dental Association
- Oklahoma Mission of Mercy
- RAM Oklahoma
- Schools for Healthy Lifestyles
- University of Oklahoma College of Dentistry
- Variety Care



Yes, I would like to partner with the *Boulevard church* and *Eagle Recovery Center* to help bring Christ to and heal those who are struggling to overcome addiction by making a donation of...

\$25 ___ \$50 ___ \$75 ___ \$100 ___ or Other \$ _____ (donation enclosed)

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____

Email _____

Make checks payable to **Boulevard church of Christ** and send to:

1301 N. Drexel Boulevard • Oklahoma City, OK 73107

Other Ways to Help:

- Female or Husband/Wife teams to help with transportation for a day
- Donate good clothing suitable for work
- Godly women to develop mentoring relationships with an Eagle resident
- Grounds keeping assistance (mowing, limb cutting and removal, painting and repair)

Please contact Lora or Jeff at one the numbers listed below to volunteer.

www.eaglerecoverycenter.org

www.boulevardchurch.org

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Assembly Times

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Wednesday — 7:00 pm

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