

Our 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Rigsby-Clark Golf Tournament was once again a huge success despite the threat of good 'ole hurricane Irene! She stayed at bay, and the weather for the tournament was overcast with a little bit of wind. The event went on as scheduled... Bob and Davis are unstoppable when it comes to their dedication to the children!

THANKS TO MAC'S FOOD STORES  
 AND ALL OF OUR SPONSORS, SUPPORTORS AND  
 VOLUNTEERS FOR THEIR HARD WORK!

Please join us in August 2012 for the  
 16th Annual Rigsby-Clark Tournament  
 at *The Club at Longleaf!*

For more information please visit  
[www.moorebuddies.org/Golf.html](http://www.moorebuddies.org/Golf.html)



**WOW!!**

*This year the  
 tournament raised  
 over \$22,500.00!!*

Please join us in congratulating

**Bob Rigsby and Davis Clark**

for their 15 INCREDIBLE YEARS  
 of service and dedication to Moore Buddies!!  
 Funds from their golf tournament help  
 ensure that our mentoring program  
 will continue to benefit  
 many Moore County children!

*Dancing  
 with the  
 Sandhills Stars*

**When: January 29th, 2012**

**Where: The Grand Ballroom, Carolina Hotel, Pinehurst, NC**

**Time: 5:00 p.m. Cocktails, 5:45 p.m. Dinner Seating, 7 p.m.**

**Show Dress: Festive Party Apparel**

<http://sandhillsstars.com/>

Local leaders in the community will compete for your vote on the dance floor to raise awareness of mentoring and the impact it has on helping children reach their potential and become successful in school and in life. This evening of dining, dancing and FUN will benefit two mentoring programs: Moore Buddies and Communities In Schools. Both are local non-profit United Way agencies and are vital to the welfare of young people who are in need of a little extra help to succeed, stay in school and be better prepared for life.

Thank you to the following "Stars" for making our children shine!

Couple # 1 – Parker Dunahay & Mike McKerlie

Couple # 2 – Kathee Dishner & Luis Arce

Couple # 3 – Billy "Bag o donuts" Brown & Ellen King

Couple # 4 – Grady & Linda Perryman

Couple # 5 – Celeste Washington & John Benton

Couple # 6 – Canny Beggs & Brooks Mays

Couple # 7 – Crystal & Nick Brown

Couple # 8 – Tim Murray & Sassy Riley

Couple # 9 – Dorothy Brower & Robert Stephens

Couple # 10 – Dana Garner & Matt Chriscoe

Couple # 11 – Gerald Galloway & Veronica Sanchez

Couple # 12 – Nathan Summers & Rebecca Listrom

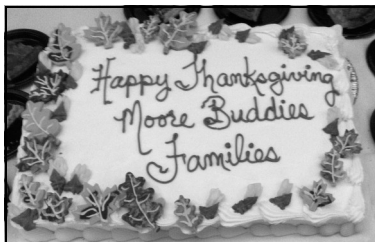
Couple # 13 – Juliana & Matt West

Couple # 14 – Nicole Bozich & Patrick Barry

Couple # 15 – Billie Ertter & Beth Cirigliano

DWTSS Tickets are on sale NOW! Support your dancer *in person* by attending this spectacular event or vote online for your favorite couple. Skill does not win the competition...it's the votes that count!

**Playing makes a child grow and helps the mentors stay young! So join in the Buddy Fun!**



*Children's games are hardly  
 games. Children are  
 never more  
 serious than when they play.*

~ MONTAIGNE, Essays

Thank you for giving these children something to be happy and thankful for!

Our Children Show their appreciation at our Thankful Dinner through song, poem and a brief speech.



**A new experience....horseback riding!**



**New Math: Buddies + Pumpkin Goo = Pumpkin**



**Getting creative at the Children's Museum**

## Buddies for Life and the Beginning of a New Match

Why did Fred want to be a mentor?

My wife does it....

Four years later Fred's buddy ages out of the program at 18 years old! They grow up too fast. Fred proved to be the positive influence Daquan needed in his life. As Daquan says it, Fred is his "anti-trouble".

Fred states developing a relationship and making a difference takes time. Fred's time, consistency and big heart changed Daquan's life.

**Daquan you make us proud!**



Fred and Daquan matched for 4 years!

No mentoring experience was required to make this great match... just something in common:

"I probed for his interests and he mentioned LEGOS. I told him I loved LEGOS when I was a kid and asked him if they were anything or were blocks. He brightened up and said "Ya wanna see 'em!?", and they all appeared on the table" - Chuck, Moore Buddies Mentor



Chuck recalls his own childhood love of LEGOS during his match meeting with Ehvan.

To all our friends,

**Our vision is to create a future where all of Moore County's children have caring and supporting adult role models and a safe place to live and flourish.**

Please help us to fulfill this dream and become a mentor. If you have a caring heart and 2 hours a week **YOU** can make a difference in a child's life! No experience necessary!

I hear all the time how the year commitment goes so fast. The experience is so meaningful to the mentor that many continue the relationship beyond the year... for life.

Thank you all for supporting Moore Buddies!

 ~ Amy Blondin,  
Executive Director



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**Mission:** To nurture youth and support their parents in order to strengthen their families. Moore Buddies matches youth with positive adult mentors to promote the development of healthy personal values and to provide families with education and techniques for building strong family bonds.

## Moore Family Connections

**This program offers 12 free interactive groups lessons for both parents and their adolescent children. These lessons focus on strengthening family relationships and enhancing communication skills.**

*When you teach your son, you teach your son's son. ~The Talmud*

### Trey's Family Story

Trey and his parents were referred to the Moore Family Connections (MFC) program due to both complaints from the school and Trey's decision making as he tried to "fit in" with his peers. Trey's parents took a proactive approach by embracing the assistance provided by Moore Buddies. They hoped the MFC program would help Trey to be "his own person", make positive decisions and improve his communication skills.

While in the MFC program Trey improved his grades and began communicating openly with his parents. His mother reported Trey began to understand and listen to what he was told. One year after being referred into the MFC program Trey continues to show personal growth. Trey attained employment at McDonald's, obtained his driver's license and a car, and is a member of the JR ROTC at school. Trey continues to play basketball, a sport that he loves. So what does Trey's future hold? Trey plans to help protect our country by joining the Marines!

Keep up the good work Trey and a BIG thank you to his parents for being great role models!