

# News from Nazareth Home

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## Nazareth Home Gala

The atrium of the Hammond Federal Courthouse will once again become the festive location for the Nazareth Home's eighth annual Gala Chef Tasting and Live and Silent Auction on Thursday, October 21, 2010.

We invite you to visit multiple chef stations to savor gourmet hors d'oeuvres and desserts as you bid on elaborate silent and live auction items.

Celebrity chefs and eateries donating their time and culinary specialties are:

Ashley Archer, Executive Chef, Ameristar Casino, East Chicago; Benito Gamba, Owner, Gamba Ristorante, Merrillville; Jim Latsoudis, Co-Owner, Atlas Catering and the Jury Box, Hammond; Carl Lindskog, Executive Chef, Amore Restaurant, Crown Point; Jack Mix, Owner, Comfort's Catering, St. John; Cheryl Molenda, Certified Culinary Chef, The Inn at Aberdeen, Valparaiso; Chef Terry Zych, Hospitality Program Chair, Ivy Tech Community College, Michigan City.

Silent and live auctions will feature such items as vacation getaways, spa packages, Lake Michigan boat outings and fishing charters, sporting event tickets, unique jewelry, and entertainment gifts! Tom O'Donnell of Dyer will again serve as auctioneer for the live auction.

Event proceeds are dedicated to the long-term sustainability of Nazareth Home. For more information visit NazarethHome.com, or call Stacy Price at (219) 947-8562. We hope to see you there!



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### The 8<sup>th</sup> Annual *Nazareth Home Gala* **Celebrating Miracles Together**

**Featuring:** Hors D'Oeuvres and desserts from area chefs, wine and martini bar, silent and live auctions, live music and so much more!

**When:** October 21, 2010  
5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

**Where:** the Hammond Federal Courthouse  
5400 Federal Plaza Hammond, Indiana

**Tickets:** \$60 per person (\$40 is tax deductible)



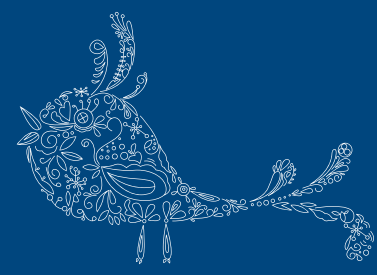
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**(219) 947-8562** for more information.

Nazareth Home is a ministry of the Poor Handmaids of Jesus Christ.

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## Sister Barbara's Transition



Sister Barbara Kuper, PHJC

For the past 17 years, Sister Barbara Kuper, PHJC has devoted herself to Nazareth Home and to more than 140 medically-challenged foster infants and children. She has witnessed the joys and sorrows, and embodied the Poor Handmaids of Jesus Christ values and the mission of Nazareth Home.

It is with mixed emotions that we announce Sister Barbara's resignation from her position at Nazareth Home, effective December 31, 2010. The decision was not an easy one for Sister Barbara, and was made after a great deal of thought and reflection, believing that this is the right time to move on to a new ministry.

Sister Barbara is the face, the heart and soul of Nazareth Home. We thank her for the many years she dedicated to Nazareth Home and the children whose lives she has touched.

We hope that you will join us in supporting her decision and wishing her well at the 8th Annual Nazareth Home Gala, October 21 at the Hammond Federal Court House. Come celebrate with Sister Barbara a new beginning and phase of serving those in need.



### ***"A Baby is a Blank Check Made Payable to the Human Race"***

We have a unique opportunity to stretch our Nazareth Home dollars beyond where they might usually reach! **An anonymous donor has promised to match 5% of every donation up to \$50,000 until October 30, 2010!** Please help us make the most of this remarkable opportunity by making a donation to support the long term sustainability of Nazareth Home.

Your generosity will be included in the Nazareth Home Fund as part of the newly-established Poor Handmaids of Jesus Christ Foundation Inc. We extend our gratitude to both you and our anonymous donor in advance.

## Nazareth Home Reunion

On August 7, 2010 Sister Barbara Kuper, PHJC, Director and Foster Mother of Nazareth Home, welcomed back babies, children, volunteers, friends and staff to the Nazareth Home Reunion at the Heritage Center in East Chicago, Indiana. This is the fifth year everyone has enjoyed visiting with each other and seeing how much the children have grown. As we dined on a delicious lunch watching the children play, we caught up on the lives of fourteen children who were cared for as babies at Nazareth Home. The children posed for a group photo and then headed outside to enjoy the playground.

All of the children had so much fun together. One child said, "I really like it here, everybody loves me!" The children were greeted by volunteers who remember cradling them as babies. Diane Sobota, a volunteer since 2005 said, "It was so nice to see the physical and emotional growth of the children with their families." The parents of one girl who had her start in life at Nazareth Home said, "It is such a joy to be together again with those who took such loving care of her. We had a wonderful time reconnecting with Sister Barbara, the staff, the volunteers and the friends of Nazareth Home."

***It was great to see everyone, seeing how well all the children are doing and how happy they are.***

***– Sister Barbara Kuper, PHJC***

## August Updates!

- Benji is 11 months old and just recently took his first steps! He already thinks that he is ready to run. He is too brave and he is learning to slow down.
- Andre, our two month old, enjoys tummy time. He looks like he is doing a little turtle dance, with his wiggling legs and arms.
- The house is alive with our four toddlers running around! They range in age from three to five. The oldest is starting kindergarten.
- This summer, all of the children had fun splashing in the backyard pool and playing on the swing set and patio. The children love to play basketball and soccer. The babies had so much fun outside

popping bubbles. The volunteers were very busy taking the children for bike rides and stroller rides and just enjoying the outdoors. The children went on field trips to the splash pad, restaurants and a Gary Railcats baseball game.





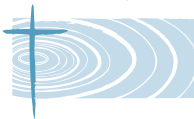
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## **Our Mission**

It is the mission of Nazareth Home, a ministry of the Poor Handmaids of Jesus Christ, to care for poor and powerless infants and children, those unable to speak for themselves, by providing them with a loving, caring and stable beginning.

Nazareth Home is dedicated to meeting the physical, emotional, and spiritual needs of medically compromised infants and children who are faced with extraordinary challenges in life.

## **Our Core Values**

We believe that our four core values flow from joyful service to all, especially the needy and underserved. These values are Openness to the Spirit, Community, Simplicity, and Dignity and Respect for all.