

Straight Talk



Newsletter from the Smile for a Lifetime Foundation - Guilford County • September 2012



Ryan Littlejohn receives the news that he has been chosen as a finalist for a Smile for a Lifetime orthodontic scholarship. His mother Melanie joined board member Jill Reynolds in surprising Ryan at school when he was told the good news! His scholarship was valued at \$5,100.

Second and Third Quarter Winners for 2012

Smile for a Lifetime of Guilford County is pleased to announce five more winners for orthodontic scholarships in 2012. These students were selected from a pool of applicants based on their character, desire, and need for the program. We congratulate all of you on a prize well-earned!



Destiny Wright is in 7th grade at Mendenhall Middle School where she is in band and chorus. She heard about Smile for a Lifetime through her dentist. "I have seen Destiny grow into a beautiful, pleasant, and bright young lady. I think braces will... allow her to smile more and show others what a great young lady she is," says Ava Lee, one of Destiny's references.



Spencer Britt is in 9th grade at Cornerstone Academy. His teacher says, "Spencer is an amazing young man. He has a great outlook on life. He has set high goals, and he achieves them on a daily basis, because he does his best, and only wants to do better." We are thrilled that he was chosen as one of our winners.



H'Diep Ksor is an 8th grader at Aycock Middle School. She is "a strong, gentle support to her mother and younger sister and brother," says Sister Gretchen who assisted H'Diep in her application. Through Smile for a Lifetime, H'Diep has become a volunteer at the Children's Museum where she will complete her 10 hours of volunteer service.



Veronica Smith is in 4th grade at Northwood Elementary. She says, "I think braces will fix my smile and people will quit picking on me." Her teacher says, "Her warm and happy-go-lucky personality, as well as her strong desire to work hard and please others, will take her far in life." We can't wait to see where she goes.



Ryan Littlejohn is a sophomore at Eastern Guilford High School. Due to his overcrowded teeth, "Ryan has been the target and subject of much ridicule, laughter, teasing, sarcasm, and taunting for years," says his mother. Despite these obstacles, Ryan consistently makes the A/B Honor Roll. He is a delightful young man and we can't wait to see how braces will help.

The mission of Smile for a Lifetime is to create self-confidence, inspire hope, and change the lives of children in our community in a dramatic way. The gift of a smile can do all this for deserving, under-served individuals who, in turn, can use this gift to better themselves and our community.

Our chapter could not be more grateful to Dr. Margaret Szott and her practice for the generous donation of more than \$1,000 as a result of a promotion she ran in her office. For every person that “liked” her Facebook page, Dr. Szott contributed \$5 to Smile for a Lifetime. The check was presented to Dr. Mark Reynolds and board member Chip Vail during our one-year anniversary celebration at the Greensboro Grasshoppers game. These funds will allow us to continue providing care to kids in our community.



Dr. Margaret Szott presents check to Dr. Mark Reynolds and Chip Vail.

Smile for a Lifetime—Guilford County Celebrates Success Grasshopper Style!

In April we gathered our Smile for a Lifetime family together to celebrate a year of making smiles in Guilford County. Our scholarship winners, together with members of their families, joined many from the dental community and the staff of Reynolds Orthodontics to applaud more than \$100,000 in care provided to great kids in our community. It was an opportunity for our board to meet the winners in person and to thank the dentists who have donated services for the patients. Despite the weather, we all had a great time.



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Scholarship applications received by our deadlines are reviewed and candidates are prioritized based on financial need, orthodontic need, and special situations. Dr. Mark Reynolds provides orthodontic screenings for the top applicants and three deserving children receive orthodontic scholarships each quarter. To download an application, visit

ReynoldsOrthodontics.com and click on the Smile for a Lifetime logo or email us at [s4l@reynoldsorthodontics.com!](mailto:s4l@reynoldsorthodontics.com)

Application Deadlines

Our final deadline for 2012 is October 15. Please consider helping a deserving child complete an application. Beginning in 2013, deadlines will move to the first of the month. Deadlines for 2013 are January 1, April 1, July 1, and October 1.


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