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Summer 2012

# Goodwill

Ohio Valley Goodwill Industries

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## Ohio Valley Goodwill Receives Awards From Two Organizations

Ohio Valley Goodwill was recognized with awards this spring from two of its partners. On March 5th at the 2012 Hamilton County Developmental Disabilities Services (HCDDS) awards event, the Goodwill team was thrilled to have Matt Graves, a program participant in Goodwill's Westwood Training Center, receive the Sue G. Breiner Self-Advocacy Award for his leadership and community outreach efforts on behalf of people with disabilities. An enthusiastic advocate, Matt is the President of the Westwood Consumer Advisory Council and is involved in a number of community activities on a regular basis including volunteering at a local nursing home, committee work with his church, and the Special Olympics. "Matt does a wonderful job as President of the Westwood Consumer Advisory Council, and we are delighted that he was selected for recognition," said Michelle Ruschman, Westwood Supervisor.

In addition, Goodwill Board of Directors member, Paul Davis, received the Joanne M. Schreiner Award for Outstanding Achievement. The honor was bestowed on Davis for his record of service to Hamilton County Developmental Disabilities Services as well as his current work as a board member for Ohio Valley Goodwill. Mr. Davis has spent more than 20 years with Hamilton County Developmental Disabilities Services in a variety of roles including Deputy Superintendent. He also served as Deputy Superintendent for the Warren County Board of Developmental Disabilities for three years. "Ohio Valley Goodwill is very pleased that our board member, Paul Davis, was selected for this esteemed recognition," said Joe Byrum, President and CEO.

On March 25th, at the Butler County Board of Developmental Disabilities Community Recognition Awards event, staff

from Ohio Valley Goodwill's Recreation and Leisure program were singled out for their personal and professional contributions to persons with disabilities. The Goodwill team consisting of Aimee Rittner, Ranaye Hampton, Summer McGriff and Chelsea Combs was recognized for their contributions towards enriching the lives of the people that they serve. "I couldn't be more proud of the accomplishments and commitment of our Goodwill team members," said Steve Koons, Director of Rehabilitation Services. "It is through their efforts that people are included in the community in the most positive and beneficial way," added Koons.

Ohio Valley Goodwill congratulates all of the members of its community on the awards that they have received and thanks the organizations that bestowed these wonderful awards and recognition!



L to R: John Gumm, Meteorologist - Local 12 News, MC for Hamilton County Developmental Disabilities Services awards event, Matt Graves, Goodwill Program Participant and Paul Davis, Goodwill Board Member.



L to R: Goodwill Rec-Leisure Program Staff, Aimee Rittner, Ranaye Hampton, Summer McGriff, Chelsea Combs

## Goodwill Celebrates 12th Annual Celebrity Golf Outing!



Ohio Valley Goodwill was delighted to welcome hundreds of friends, sponsors, and celebrities to its 2012 Celebrity Golf Outing held on Thursday, June 14th at the beautiful Glenview Golf Club. After collecting this year's goodie bags which included a new pair of Nike golf shoes, players gathered to hear remarks from Honorary Chairman, Joe Walter, and to be cheered on by CARE program participants who gathered to welcome golfers.

This year's golfers enjoyed the beautiful weather, sunny skies and challenge of the well-maintained scenic course. Grill Station sponsor, Village Pantry Catering, offered hungry golfers hot-off-the-grill specialties at the Club House and on all 9 holes. Following the completion of play, golfers gathered for the Spectacular Helicopter Ball Drop and watched with fascination as the helicopter dropped hundreds of golf balls in preparation for the official selection of the \$2500 Grand Prize winner. Honorary Chairman Joe Walter, Co-host Stephanie Mitchell and Coordinator Doug Ostholthoff picked out the winning golf ball in anticipation for the big announcement at dinner.

Golfers were then treated to a wonderful buffet dinner prepared by Dinner Sponsor, Lother's Catering. While enjoying their dinner, guests were able to watch a mission video produced by Goodwill Public Information Officer, Michael Flannery, which talked about the

organization's impact on the community when people are put to work. Following dinner, the announcement of the silent auction winners and awards presentation was facilitated by Joe Walter who also thanked his celebrity guests for their participation in the outing. Some of this year's luminaries included Dave Lapham, Byron Larkin, Jim Breech, David Fulcher, Robert Jackson, Brad Johansen, Bruce Kozerski, George Vogel, Ickey Woods and other local celebrities. The Goodwill outing was also graced by the participation of several members of long-time partner, Hamilton County Developmental Disabilities Services team, who served as volunteers for the annual event.

Ohio Valley Goodwill wishes to thank 2012 Presenting Sponsors: Hubbard Interactive, MVD Communications, and US Bank for their support, as well as, Gold Sponsors: Frost Brown Todd, JOB Trailer, Riverpoint Capitol, Superior Automotive Group, Tape Products, WCPO and Wells Fargo. In addition, Goodwill is grateful to Beverage Sponsor: Palmer Leasing, Cart Sponsor: Rumpke, Grill Station Sponsor: Village Pantry Catering, Dinner Sponsor: Lother's Catering, Signage Sponsor: Holthaus Lackner Signs, Hole-in-One Sponsor: McCluskey Chevrolet and, of course, Celebrity Host Joe Walter and co-host Stephanie Mitchell.

## Goodwill's Service Guild Celebrates Spring Mini Fest

Ohio Valley Goodwill's volunteer Service Guild group held its annual two-day Spring Mini-Fest on Friday, May 4th and Saturday, May 5th at the organization's corporate headquarters in the Village of Woodlawn. The annual event is planned and coordinated by the Service Guild as one of their official fundraisers in support of Ohio Valley Goodwill and as a way to support the organization's mission of service to individuals with disabilities and our nation's veterans.

This year's Spring Mini-Fest featured homemade baked goods, "Elegant Junque" and collectibles, and unique items from the organization's Treasure Island Gift Shop. The special event also featured a wonderful cook-out during the lunchtime each day with hot dogs right from the grill, along with chips and drinks for all the visitors. "We really try to have lots of great items available for shoppers who come out to the Tri-County retail store during this very fun event," said Nancy Horton, Service Guild's President and one of the festival's coordinators. The Tri-County retail store even had special offerings during the two-day event including an extra-special 50% off everything sale on Saturday, May 5th. "The Mini-Fest helps introduce many new shoppers to our retail store, even those who have never experienced the thrill of shopping at Goodwill," commented Horton.

Ohio Valley Goodwill is grateful to all the members of the Service Guild for their service and dedication to the organization's mission.

The Service Guild is made up of over 100 volunteers who are committed to increasing awareness of Goodwill's mission in the community and raising funds in support of its efforts.



Top Photo: Pictured L to R: JoAn Armour, Sally James, Charlotte Battistone.

Bottom Photo: Pictured L to R: Lind Eslick and Joy Packer



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## “Team Goodwill” Participates in 2012 Hope & Possibility Race



On Saturday, May 5th “Team Goodwill” participated in the 2012 annual Hope & Possibility Race, a special feature of the annual Flying Pig Marathon. This was the largest “Team Goodwill” participation in the annual race ever! Made up of more than 35 team members, this year’s Goodwill participants celebrated record-breaking performances by a number of team members. Craig Franta and Darlene O’Hair from Work Adjustment finished in just under 59 minutes and Goodwill’s retail team members finished in 28 minutes. This year’s perfect blue-sky weather morning served to inspire the Goodwill team who joined with thousands of other athletes to show off the results of their Spring training efforts. The Hope & Possibility Race is now in its 6th year and is designed to partner athletes with and without disabilities in a community-wide, high-profile showcase.

The 2012 version of “Team Goodwill” was composed of representatives from the organization’s Work Adjustment, CARE program, Recreation-Leisure program, Job Coaching and retail teams. “The annual Hope & Possibility Race is really a wonderful opportunity to be part of a major community event in Greater Cincinnati,” said Sharon Hannon, Marketing Specialist. “We look forward to the Race every year and are thrilled by the achievements of our athletes,” added Hannon.

Ohio Valley Goodwill congratulates all members of the 2012 version of “Team Goodwill” on their record-breaking performances and great spirit! Goodwill also supported long-time partner Hamilton County Developmental Disabilities Services on Sunday, May 6th during the running of the Flying Pig Marathon at their volunteer water station at Mile 25. “It was amazing to see all of these determined runners finish the 26.2 mile course in such great shape,” said Hannon. We salute all the members who participated in this year’s race!



## Goodwill and Gold Star Chili Begin New Partnership

Ohio Valley Goodwill and Gold Star Chili have joined together to form a partnership that’s as good as GOLD! Beginning in March, the two organizations started a working relationship that included donation barrels at participating Gold Star Chili locations throughout the Greater Cincinnati area. Gold Star’s Chilimobile was also

a special part of several Goodwill Saturday radio remotes throughout March and April. “We were delighted to have the Gold Star Chilimobile at our radio remotes for customers making donations and for others spending \$25 in our stores this spring,” said George Palmer, Goodwill’s Public Relations and Marketing Director.

“We tried the special remotes at six retail store locations this spring and will be doing so at another six locations again in the fall. It’s a great way to generate enthusiasm and increase donations,” mentioned Palmer. Customers were treated to a free cheese coney at the radio remotes from the Gold Star Chilimobile when they made a donation at the Goodwill Attended Donation Center or simply spent \$25 in the retail store. The donations help Goodwill’s mission to provide vocational training and job support services for men and women with disabilities and homeless veterans. “We are so excited to partner with Gold Star Chili for this special donation drive and offer an easy way for contributors to help our important mission. We want to give our customers and donors the opportunity to help celebrate this great partnership between the two organizations and this provides a great way to do so,” said Palmer.

Look for the Gold Star Chili partnership to come alive again this September when the two organizations will once again team up. Goodwill salutes Gold Star Chili and its many locations for their help and assistance to make the public more aware of how donations assist Goodwill with its mission to help put people to work!

## Superior Automotive Group and Mike Albert Direct Named Official Automotive Dropsites For the Auto Auction of Ohio Valley Goodwill Industries

Ohio Valley Goodwill Industries is pleased to announce that it has joined together with the Superior Automotive Group and Mike Albert Direct to become automotive-only dropsites for the Auto Auction of Goodwill Industries. These automotive dropsites provide six convenient, Greater Cincinnati locations for donors to not only drop off their automobiles that may be eligible for a tax donation, but also receive a substantial discount on a new or used vehicle purchase as well.

### The official locations in Greater Cincinnati for vehicle drop-off are:

- Superior Honda, Superior Hyundai South and Superior Kia – located at Exit 6 on I-75 (Cincinnati Zoo Exit)
- Superior Acura and Superior Hyundai North – located a half mile south of Jungle Jim’s on Route 4 in Fairfield
- Mike Albert Direct – located on Evendale Drive at Exit 14 off I-75

As a service to our community, automotive donations will be accepted regardless of vehicle purchase. If the donor desires to dispose of the vehicle and would like to do something charitable, a donation to the Auto Auction of Ohio Valley Goodwill is the perfect option. All the donor has to do is visit one of the Superior Automotive or Mike Albert Direct locations listed above. The Superior Automotive and Mike Albert Direct association with the Auto Auction of Ohio Valley Goodwill truly makes this automotive donation service a unique and a welcomed resource for all those who are looking to donate their vehicle. “We are so happy to be working with the Superior Automotive and Mike Albert Direct organization and having them support the Goodwill Auto Auction,” said Kim Masters, Goodwill’s Auto Auction Manager.

The Superior Automotive Group has been serving the Greater Cincinnati area for over 66 years.

For questions about how you can donate your vehicle, please contact the Goodwill Auto Auction at (513) 612-5980



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## WAYS TO HELP OHIO VALLEY GOODWILL INDUSTRIES

1. Donate clothing and household goods to us!
2. Outsource your business needs to Goodwill's Industrial Services division.
3. Shop at Goodwill's retail stores in Greater Cincinnati and Northern Kentucky.
4. Donate an unwanted vehicle to Goodwill's auto donation program.
5. Remember Goodwill in your will.
6. Have a Goodwill representative speak to your organization.
7. Make a financial contribution to Goodwill.
8. Hire a graduate from one of Goodwill's vocational training programs.
9. Come for a tour of Goodwill Industries.
10. Tell someone everything you know about Goodwill!



## Ohio Valley Goodwill and Hollywood Casino Begin New Partnership

Ohio Valley Goodwill Industries and Hollywood Casino joined together in April to open a new Attended Donation Center at Hollywood's overflow parking lot in Lawrenceburg, Indiana. The donation site is located on US 50 and is open Monday through Saturday from 8:00 am to 7:00 pm and Sunday from 11:00 am to 7:00 pm. For the convenience of donors, the center is staffed with an attendant who will assist contributors with their donations and offer them a receipt. "We are so pleased that Goodwill is able to offer this new convenient donation site for our customers in Indiana, and we appreciate their generous support of our very important mission," said Gail Hana, Goodwill's Vice President for Contributed Goods.

To encourage donations and as a way to introduce the new donation site to the public, the Hollywood Casino sponsored the first "Boogie for Goodwill" on May 19, 2012. Donors were treated to a pair of free passes to the casino's Boogie Nights themed dance club when making

a donation at the new site on Saturday, May 19th. A second "Boogie for Goodwill" was held on Saturday, June 23rd.

Ohio Valley Goodwill Industries is always in need of clean, usable clothing, household items including small electric appliances and kitchen items, seasonal items, sporting goods, shoes, furniture, and computers. Donations to Ohio Valley Goodwill are important to the organization as they help to make programs and services available to persons with disabilities and homeless veterans. When sold in Goodwill's network of 16 retail stores, the income generated helps to support services for men and women with disabilities and our nation's veterans. Each year, the organization serves over 3,100 individuals.

Ohio Valley Goodwill appreciates the generous support of the Hollywood Casino and its staff in helping to make the community aware of its mission to serve individuals with disabilities.

## SHOPPING & DONATING TO GOODWILL

Goodwill has 31 locations throughout Greater Cincinnati and Northern Kentucky. Donations are accepted at any of the following locations. Call (513) 771-4800 for hours and information or visit our website at: [www.cincinnati-goodwill.org](http://www.cincinnati-goodwill.org)

**Amelia Attended Donation Center**  
87 East Main St.  
Amelia, OH 45102  
(513) 947-2800

**Aurora Attended Donation Center**  
1030 Green Blvd.  
Aurora, IN 47001  
(812) 926-8139 **NEW LOCATION!**

**Batesville Goodwill Store**  
1348 State Rd., 46 East  
Batesville, IN 47006  
(812) 934-6349

**Beechmont Goodwill Store**  
4051 Commercial Dr.  
Cincinnati, OH 45245  
(513) 752-0067

**Bellevue Goodwill Store**  
15 Donnermeyer Drive  
Bellevue, KY 41073  
(859) 291-1333

**Blue Ash Attended Donation Center**  
9410 Kenwood Rd.  
Cincinnati, OH 45242  
(513) 791-6058

**Cheviot Goodwill Store**  
3980 North Bend Rd.  
Cincinnati, OH 45211  
(513) 662-7080



**Cold Spring Attended Donation Center**  
4691 Alexandria Pike  
Cold Spring, KY 41076  
(859) 441-0803

**Colerain Attended Donation Center**  
9289 Colerain Avenue  
Cincinnati, OH 45251  
(513) 245-2964

**Delhi Attended Donation Center**  
5080 Delhi Pike @ Former Kroger Store  
Cincinnati, OH 45238

**Fairfield Crossings Goodwill Store**  
4605 Dixie Highway  
Fairfield, OH 45014  
(513) 939-0020

**Finneytown Attended Donation Center**  
6700 Winton Rd.  
Cincinnati, OH 45224  
(513) 541-0409

**Florence Goodwill Store**  
7855 Tanner's Lane  
Florence, KY 41042  
(859) 371-1238

**Hamilton Attended Donation Center**  
5420 Liberty Fairfield Rd. @ Kroger  
Hamilton, OH 45011

**Harrison Goodwill Store**  
1110 Harrison Ave.  
Harrison, OH 45030  
(513) 367-2495

**Hollywood Casino**  
Lawrenceburg, Indiana 47025  
US 50 (At the Hollywood Casino Overflow  
Parking Lot) **NEW LOCATION!**

**Independence Goodwill Store**  
6435 Taylor Mill Rd.  
Independence, KY 41051  
(859) 356-5591

**Landen Attended Donation Center**  
8927 Columbia Rd.  
Landen, OH 45140  
(513) 583-5461

**Lebanon Goodwill Store**  
1161 E. Main St.  
Lebanon, OH 45036  
(513) 932-6856

**Loveland Goodwill Store**  
330 Loveland-Madeira Rd.  
Loveland, OH 45140  
(513) 683-1151

**Mariemont Attended Donation Center**  
7385 Wooster Pike @ Kroger  
Cincinnati, OH 45227

**Mason Boutique & Donation Drive-Thru**  
1063 Reading Rd.  
Mason, OH 45040  
(513) 770-3290

**Milford Attended Donation Center**  
985 State Route 28  
Milford, OH 45150  
(513) 831-9900

**Mt. Airy Attended Donation Center**  
6401 Colerain Ave. @ Kroger  
Cincinnati, OH 45239

**Montgomery Boutique & Donation Drive-Thru**  
9820 Montgomery Rd.  
Cincinnati, OH 45242  
(513) 791-7058

**Mt. Washington Boutique & Donation Drive-Thru**  
2234 Beechmont Ave.  
Cincinnati, OH 45230  
(513) 231-1459

**Oakley Goodwill Store**  
3080 Markbreit Ave.  
Cincinnati, OH 45209  
(513) 631-6348

**Tri-County Goodwill Store**  
10600 Springfield Pike  
Cincinnati, OH 45215  
(513) 771-4804

**West Chester Attended Donation Center**  
7779 Tylersville & Cox Rd. @ Big Lots  
West Chester, OH 45069

**Westwood Attended Donation Center**  
2990 Harrison Ave.  
Cincinnati, OH 45211

**Williamsburg Goodwill Store**  
342 Main St.  
Williamsburg, OH 45176  
(513) 724-1402

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