

Pearl Anniversary Celebration Raises Awareness and \$103,000 for Domestic Violence Programs

On March 22, 2008, nearly 300 friends and supporters celebrated Bridgeway's 30th Anniversary and raised more than \$103,000 to help Bridgeway's Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault programs.

"Bridgeway's Pearl Anniversary", held at the Saint Charles Convention Center, featured silent and live auctions, a raffle, dancing entertainment by local Swing, Tango, Ballroom and Salsa dancers. The celebratory atmosphere inspired hope for the women Bridgeway helps, several of whom shared their experiences in a video created to raise awareness about domestic violence.

Michelle S. touched every heart in the room as she stood to tell her personal story with Domestic Violence. Michelle's life experience, her strength in adversity, her transformation and her continuing growth and success demonstrate that breaking the cycle of abuse is inevitable, if we remain committed to positive change.

Auctioneer Gary Shaw was so moved by her story, he asked guests to bid \$50 each for a pearl necklace to be given to Michelle. Guests were more than happy to oblige.

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Michelle S., wearing pearls donated by Captivations Jewelry Design Studio; Ava Bothe, Women's Center Domestic Violence Counselor; Pat Kulik, Director, Women and Children's Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Services



Event Co-Chairs Joyce Shaw & Mary West



City of St. Charles Mayor Patti York, Event Planner Donna Costellia, Bridgeway President/CEO Janet Woodburn, Judge Sherri Sullivan, MO Court of Appeals

Terry L. Robertson Center Honored on 10th Anniversary



On February 8, 2008 Bridgeway's Terry L. Robertson Center celebrated 10 years of service to Lincoln County and surrounding communities.

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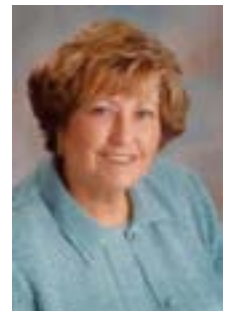
State Rep. Sally Faith to Lead Development Efforts

Rep. Sally Faith joins Bridgeway's staff effective August 25, accepting the position of Development Director. She has served on Bridgeway's Board of Directors for six years.

"I'm delighted to be able to work more closely with Bridgeway. Being a Board Member has been a wonderful experience; I know what a dynamic organization this is and I look forward to contributing to its continued success" said Faith.

Janet Woodburn, President/CEO, made the announcement on Aug. 12, 2008 at a meeting of Bridgeway's new Foundation Board. "Sally's expertise, her strong ties in our community, her dedication to service and her commitment to Bridgeway made her a natural choice to spearhead our fundraising efforts. We're very happy she's agreed to help us in this capacity," said Woodburn.

Rep. Faith will continue to represent Missouri voters; her responsibilities at Bridgeway will be part-time.



State Rep. Sally Faith, Bridgeway's new Development Director

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Thank you, from the President

Dear Friends,

Many of you have had helped to create our successes this year. To all of the volunteers, staff members, event sponsors and contributors whose efforts are so vital and meaningful; thank you.



*Janet Woodburn,
President/CEO*

On February 14, 2008, Bridgeway turned 30 years old; a major milestone that was celebrated with a beautiful gala and fundraising auction. We are honored to have so much community support; together we netted more than \$103,000 that will help our Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault programs serve women and children.

Bridgeway's Pearl Anniversary celebration also honored a very special person who has been guiding Bridgeway from the beginning; Dr. John (Jack) Bornmann. We are grateful for his dedication and leadership.

Renovations have begun in our new Adolescent and Family Resource Center. New offices and group rooms are now serving clients. Additional renovations will provide clients with healthy physical activities, education and counseling.

Major portions of this project are supported by NAP Tax Credits. Bridgeway can offer NAP Tax Credits to local business persons who donate goods or services needed for the project.

We are pleased to have opened our medical detoxification services in our Guilford County, North Carolina facility, to fully complete our 56-bed residential program.

Like the clients we serve, Bridgeway is growing, changing and moving forward in a positive way. Thank you for helping us every step of the way.

Sincerely,

Janet Woodburn

Volunteers Form Foundation to Support Bridgeway's Fundraising Efforts

Bridgeway is excited to announce the formation of the Bridgeway Behavioral Health Foundation Board. Volunteers who helped plan the 30th Anniversary gala have coordinated with Bridgeway to create the foundation. Its mission is to provide financial support to Bridgeway through fundraising events and programs.

The Foundation members elected Mrs. Jody Blanton to serve as Board Chairperson. As the BBH Foundation Board Chairperson, Blanton will serve as a liaison to Bridgeway's Board of Directors. "I'm honored to be asked to serve Bridgeway in this role and to help in some small way to change my corner of the world." Blanton said.

Mrs. Nancy Prost was elected to the position of Vice-Chairperson. Nancy, a Realtor with Coldwell-Banker Gundaker, has been a dedicated volunteer fundraiser for Bridgeway.

Mr. Craig Daily, a Commercial Loan Officer with First Bank, will serve as Secretary/Treasurer. Craig's assistance with events has been invaluable.

"Through the process of planning Bridgeway's Pearl Anniversary, we developed a great team. The synergy and energy is here; this is a dynamic and dedicated group. We found ourselves planning the next event before we'd even finished with the first. The Foundation will be a great way for us to expand the fundraising opportunities for Bridgeway, and most of all, to help the women and children in our community who are recovering from violence in their lives," said Blanton.

Volunteers who wish to help with events are encouraged to contact the Foundation Board through Bridgeway's Development Department, by calling 636-916-3550.

Bridgeway Behavioral Health Foundation Board Officers



*Jody Blanton
Chairperson*



*Nancy Prost
Vice-Chairperson*



*Craig Daily
Secretary/Treasurer*

Thank You!

To all of the individuals, families, community groups and businesses whose support made our Pearl Anniversary Celebration a success.

Pearl Anniversary

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In a very special appeal, an anonymous donor pledged to donate \$25,000 if it was matched at the event. In response, generous guests pledged \$35,000.

Bridgeway is grateful to the individuals and businesses that sponsored this event: Bill & Belinda Green, Jerry & Ruth Scheidegger, Cullinan Properties, Document & Network Technologies, Inc., Gary & Joyce Shaw, Dr. John Krause - Orthopedic Center of St. Louis, The Barklage Law Firm, MPP&W, Tom Hannegan - StreetScape Magazine, Roemer Originals, Giant Leap Productions, and Odessa Communications.

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State Grants More Domestic Violence Tax Credits

The State awarded Bridgeway more than \$46,000 in DV Tax Credits for the 2009 Fiscal Year.

Domestic Violence Tax Credits are available to anyone making a net monetary contribution \$100 or more, and equal 50% of the qualifying donation. Donors have one year from the date of the donation to apply for the tax credits.

The application process has been simplified, and the Development Department is glad to assist donors with the paperwork. Call or email for additional information: 636-916-3550, kcorbett@bridgewaybh.com.

"We are thrilled that our donors have been so generous. Their contributions showed the state that the community supports our programs and made it easier for us to qualify for tax credits for the next fiscal year." Said Pat Kulik, Director of Women and Children's Domestic Violence Services.

How You Can Help

The Women and children receiving assistance through our shelters need help establishing new households and our shelters also are in need of common household items. Please call Beth at the Women's Center or Caroline at the Robertson Center for more information about current needs.

Linens	Blankets, quilts, pillowcases, pillows, & bed sheets (twin, full & junior); hand & bath towels, washcloths.
Cleaning Supplies	Liquid hand, dish, & laundry soaps, dishwasher soap, mops, brooms, latex-free disposable & reusable gloves, Lysol, bleach, Windex.
Office Supplies	Printer paper, 3-ring binders, HP Tri-color print cartridges (#23), file folders, sharpies, black ink pens.
Kitchen Supplies	Plastic Bowls, plates & tumblers, electric can opener, towels, hot pads, electric mixer, wash rags & towels.

Justice for Victims – Justice for ALL Lincoln County Family Violence Council Honors Robertson Center at Annual Rally

Under blue skies on a warm spring day, the Lincoln County Family Violence Council held its annual Victim's Rights Rally During Crime Victims Week, on April 16th in Troy City Park. This year's theme was "Justice for Victims, Justice for ALL."

Bridgeway's Robertson Center received special recognition for its dedication to protecting and helping victims of domestic violence and sexual assault for the past 10 years.

Site Coordinator Tina Clayton accepted the award given to the shelter. Clayton thanked the Council on behalf of all the shelter staff, and also thanked local law enforcement, attorneys and community members for their caring efforts to assist victims in the community.

The Lincoln County Family Violence Council is a community organization whose members to educate and raise awareness about victims rights, and encourage a policy of zero-tolerance for violent crime. Clayton, is an active member of the Council, as is Sheryl LeJeune, from Bridgeway's Alternatives to Violence and Abuse (AVA) Program.

T-Shirts created by healing survivors were on display as part of the "Clothesline Project", a nationwide awareness project similar to the AIDS quilt. Survivors of Domestic Violence courageously "air their dirty laundry" by telling their stories in artwork on T-shirts which are displayed to help raise awareness about domestic violence.

Local Attorney Larry Nesslage also was recognized for his efforts on behalf of children in his capacity as a Guardian ad Litem.

The event was well attended by people of all ages, races and genders. To show support for victims of sexual assault, a number of people wore blue jeans in observance of Denim Day.

Bridgeway's Terry L. Robertson Center is the only emergency safe shelter and outreach support program in Lincoln County. It offers many services, including a 24-hour crisis hotline, counseling, advocacy, children's services and emergency shelter.



T-Shirt from the "Clothesline Project"



Tina Clayton, Attorney Pat Flynn, Moscow Mills Mayor Mike Clynych, Cheryl LeJeune, Officer Amy Tippit, Moscow Mills Police Chief James Partee, Guardian Ad-Litem Attorney Larry Nesslage



Family Violence Council Members Michelle Hakenewerth, Katie Blaine, Rachel Mayfield, Kim Tomko, Angie Robinson, Donna Walton, Tina Clayton, Cheryl LeJeune, and Denise Richards with the silhouetted figure of Terry L. Robertson.

BRIDGEWAY STEPS FORWARD: TAKES A STAND AGAINST RAPE AT DENIM DAY EVENTS

Blue jeans are worn by millions of Americans every day, but in April, employees at Bridgeway and other local organizations wore their denim for a special reason: to step forward and take a stand against sexual assault.

Art and visualization are powerful means to for survivors to express their emotions, thoughts, and self-concepts during the healing process. To raise awareness of the impact of sexual assault, members of Bridgeway's Sexual Assault Survivors Group used art to tell their personal stories on pairs of jeans.

Bridgeway sponsored Denim Day rape and sexual assault awareness events during the week of April 21 - 25 in partnership with the City of Saint Charles, St. Charles County Department of Community Health and the Environment, St. Charles Community College, Lindenwood University, and Mercy Health Plans. St. Charles Mayor Patti York issued a Proclamation at City Hall, where survivor's Denim Day jeans were on display.

Mercy Health Plans sponsored a Denim Day fundraiser; employees who wanted to wear jeans to work made a \$3 donation. Money collected was used to purchase items from Bridgeway's Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Center's wish lists.

"Every year since 1999, people have made a social statement by wearing jeans to protest the myths that surround rape and sexual assault," said Kelli Boennighausen, Sexual Assault Volunteer Coordinator and one of the organizers of this year's event in St. Charles County. "There's no excuse for and never an invitation to rape."



Kelly Schneider, Sexual Assault Counselor and Kelli Boennighausen, Sexual Assault Volunteer Coordinator hold a Denim Day Awareness Event at St. Charles City Hall



THE HISTORY OF DENIM DAY

Wearing jeans during Sexual Assault Awareness Month became an international symbol of protest against common attitudes about rape in 1999 when an Italian court overturned a rape conviction.

The justices reasoned that since the victim wore very tight jeans, the man who was accused of raping her could not have removed her jeans by himself, so the victim must have willingly participated. Women in the Italian parliament protested the decision by wearing jeans.

As news of the decision spread, so did the protest. California established the first Denim Day in the United States, and the movement has since spread.

Bridgeway to Attend Annual Candlelight Vigils in October

The Women's Center in St. Charles, MO and the Terry L. Robertson Center in Troy, MO each plan to participate in candlelight vigils to commemorate Domestic Violence Awareness Month in October.



The vigils are held annually by the Family Violence Council to honor the victims and survivors of domestic violence. Last year, more than 100 people attended the events.

We invite you to join us to help raise awareness about the impact of domestic violence on our community and become a beacon of light for those still suffering.

The Terry L. Robertson Center will meet on Tuesday, October 14 at 6:30 pm under the pavilion at the Duck Pond Park in Troy, MO. For more information, call Tina or Llona at 636-462-3355.

The Women's Center will meet on Wednesday, October 15 at 6:30 pm at Bogey Hills Baptist Church, 1721 Treetop Dr. St. Charles, MO, 63303. For more information, call Heather or Stephanie at 636-946-4780.

THE DENIM DAY LOGO

The **circle** has been a symbol of protection and healing throughout history.

The **forward movement** of the jeans symbolizes how important it is for a survivor of rape to leave the pain and violence behind and move forward, gaining power and strength.

The **mandala**, or shading, within the circle is associated with healing. By placing the pain in a circular design and then [stepping out of] the design, one can destroy the pain.

The color **blue** symbolizes wisdom and peace; **red** symbolizes the unwanted pain brought into the victim's life; the color **violet** is associated with enduring undesirable situations with inner strength.



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tickets available to Bridgeway staff,
volunteers, alumni, & friends.

Tickets are limited.

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email kcorbett@bridgewaybh.com
or call the Development Office
at **636-916-3550**



Volunteers' Appreciation Party

On Saturday, June 28, Bridgeway held an Appreciation Breakfast for the volunteers who help our Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault Programs and with fundraising events.

The event was held in the beautiful dining room at the Lake St. Charles Retirement Community. Special raffle prizes were donated by Inspire Salon. And World Martial Arts Studio.

Thank you to all of our volunteers!

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Year-Old Alumni Association Into Action & Working With Others

Bridgeway's Alumni Association celebrates its first anniversary in September, and what a year it has been! Alumni have stepped up, volunteering their time to help Bridgeway, each other, and newcomers.



In the Spring they held a garage sale, helping Bridgeway clear out storage space before building renovations could begin on the new outpatient offices and the new Adolescent and Family Resource Center. Proceeds from the sale have been channeled into service projects.

The Alumni purchased a new BBQ grill that they donated to Bridgeway for resident clients. "We had a great time using it for a 4th of July cookout; it gave the clients a chance to get out, get fresh air and learn that they still can have fun. Thanks to Rick Cox for grilling!" said Alumni President Greg Norman. Plans are in place to purchase new volleyball equipment for the clients as well.

The Association also has been working closely with Drug Court Commissioner Bill Bader to coordinate an outreach program for new Drug Court clients. "We want to reach out to people just entering the Drug Court program, as fellow clients and addicts, to let them know they aren't alone, that there is help and hope," said Norman.

"We have established a telephone hotline that clients can call to ask any questions they might have about their program. The line will be checked daily in order to get accurate answers back in a timely manner. The hotline also



can be used for anyone interested in joining the Alumni to leave their information so that we can contact them. Events and meeting information also will be announced on the voicemail system." Norman said.

Upcoming events include a family picnic at McNair Park at Noon on Saturday, August 23 and the 2nd Annual "Being Optimistic About Recovery Daily" Walk along the Katy Trail. The Alumni Association welcomes input and assistance at both events. Community Service hours may be available for participation; call to find out how you can give back.

**Bridgeway Alumni Association &
St. Charles County Drug Court
Hotline
636-949-3076**

The St. Louis County Drug Court also has started an Alumni Association.

It meets the 2nd Thursday of every month at
Bridgeway's Crestwood Office at
10000 Watson Rd., Ste.1L4, Crestwood, MO 63126.
Call for info. 314-822-3033

Grand Opening of Guilford County Substance Abuse Treatment Center: Operated by Bridgeway Behavioral Health

On June 9, 2008, the Guilford County, North Carolina Board of Commissioners and more than 100 local dignitaries gathered for a ribbon cutting and dedication ceremony to celebrate the opening of the new program.

Honored guests included Greensboro, NC Mayor Yvonne Johnson, Bridgeway executive staff and Chairman of the Board of Directors, William Green, and Guilford County's distinguished Public Defender and long-time substance abuse recovery advocate, Wally Harrelson.

Board of Commissioners Chairman Kirk Perkins presided over the ceremony. Vice Chairman Kay Cashion and Commissioners Bruce E. Davis and John Parks also participated. Reverend George Coates, a Guilford Center Board Member, delivered the invocation.

The festivities were highlighted by comments from Wally Harrelson and William Green before Commissioners Perkins, Parks and Cashion cut the ceremonial red ribbon, officially opening the site. An open house reception and tours of the facility followed.

Guilford County awarded Bridgeway a multi-million-dollar contract to provide comprehensive adult substance abuse and dual diagnosis treatment services at the Wendover Center in late 2007. Since then, Bridgeway has been working closely with officials in Guilford County to prepare the center to receive clients.

Bridgeway began providing treatment services at the Guilford County Substance Abuse Center on April 2, 2008.

"This is a great beginning for everyone involved, and we are pleased to have so much support in Guilford County," said Bridgeway Chief Operating Officer Mike Morrison.



Wally Harrelson, Guilford County Public Defender; Yvonne Johnson, Mayor, City of Greensboro, NC



John Parks, Guilford County Commissioner; Kay Cashion, Vice-Chairman, Guilford County Board of Commissioners; Wally Harrelson, Guilford County Public Defender; and Kirk Perkins, Chairman, Guilford County Board of Commissioners

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Guilford County Board of Commissioners and other dignitaries cut the red ribbon during opening ceremonies. In Attendance were (L to R): Greensboro, NC Mayor Yvonne Johnson; Public Defender Wally Harrelson, Deputy County Manager J.B. (Ben) Brown; Commissioner Chairman Kirk Perkins; Commissioner John Parks; Vice-Chairman Commissioner Kay Cashion; Commissioner Bruce E. Davis; County Manager W. David McNeill, Jr., Bridgeway Board Chairperson Wm. Green; and Guilford Center Director Billie Martin Pierce.



"You counseled me, fed and clothed me, sheltered and supported me. Then one day... I found that I could live without fear in my life."
 ~ From a Bridgeway Client, living without domestic violence, 20 years after shelter. Your help makes a difference.



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