



MOUNTAIN TOP BOYS HOME

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Candler Budd Award

Through the help of many over twenty-eight years Mountain Top has been able to provide a safe haven for boys who come from unfortunate circumstances. Gifts, both large and small, consisting of needed items to financial and most important time in both prayer and service have made the difference in Mountain Top's struggle. Often a prayer given long away from the mountain has made the difference.

There are some that have a vision for excellence in youth development that exceed the dreams of others. Such was the life of Dr. Candler Budd who had the idea that this property could be a source of family enrichment to those in need. It is in the spirit of Dr. Budd that an award was created to honor those who have, over a period of time consistently been important in the ability of Mountain Top to continue.

This is our hall of fame. Because it is the first year of this award we were able to choose three recipients that have all been important to our years of service to youth.

ROBERT & POLLY DUNN FOUNDATION

If it were not for the Dunn Foundation we could have easily folded the tent. Their gifts have been consistent and timely. However, most important their gifts have been from their hearts. With the uncertainty of state funding our income has dropped while the needs of the boys they send us have increased. Thanks to the Dunn Foundation Mountain Top has continued to be able to make a difference.



Karen Wilbanks and Andy Perry receive Dr. Candler Budd Award from Burt Bridges.

View from the Top



Dave Lemmerman, Director

A Sincere Thank You from Mountain Top and Residents

We wish to thank our contributors for all their support over the past year. We would not have been able to continue the mission on behalf of our youth without your kind gifts and contributions. We not only met their needs but were able to enhance their lives through experiential education and recreational excursions. A big THANKS to the Atlanta Braves and the Atlanta Falcons for the gifts of tickets. For many of our youth it was their first time at a professional event. Everyone had a great time.

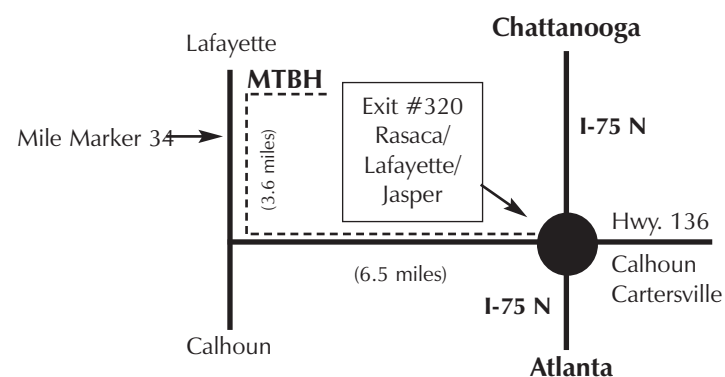
MOUNTAIN TOP SPEAKERS ARE AVAILABLE

Do you have:

- A Sunday School class that needs a speaker?
- A civic club that requires a program?
- A church group that wants to know more about Mountain Top?
- A missions team that wants to get involved?

Staff and Board Members are prepared to accommodate your speaking needs. Please contact the Mountain Top office at director@mountaintopboyshome.org or 706-397-8223 to schedule a speaker.

DIRECTIONS TO MOUNTAIN TOP



North Cobb Rotary cooks up again. L-R, Haden McClain, Keith Altobelli, Bob Hovey and Dudley Field the clubs first president who helped select the Mountain Top BBQ as their first service project.

NORTH COBB ROTARY

For twenty-one years during most of the life of the boy's home our annual fall bar-b-que has been the focal gathering point for Mountain Top. This event has been our home coming and show time. Many years when times were tough, as they are now, the one bright spot has always been the BBQ hosted by those great hearts at North Cobb Rotary. They have also provided dependable financial support.

PEACHTREE ROAD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Leadership in funding Mountain Top projects such as Dogwood Lodge, our state of the art boys home, the nearly half mile of road construction, the current administrative / bunkhouse building and the amphitheater have been a direct result of Peachtree Road's early and deep commitment. This dynamic church also is a dependable and significant contributor to the annual operating budget. For almost twenty years Peachtree Road has also been a major contributor of volunteer time. Love for Mountain Top runs deep in this gracious church.

Anne French receives the Dr. Candler Budd award for Peachtree Road United Methodist Church from Burt Bridges as the great preacher Don Harp smiles in approval.





Lorraine Roberts visits the remodeled Oakleaf Lodge which she first visited when it was heated by wood stove and the boys attended school in a single room. Lorraine began her service to Mountain Top nearly twenty-five years ago through her church Mt. Vernon United Methodist. They began by giving each new boy a pillow and have continued with construction and special help. Lorraine and Mt. Vernon has been a good neighbor to the Mountain Top over the years.



Lorraine and Mike enjoy a moment on the mountain



Mike LaChappell heads the United Methodist Children's Home office in Dalton. He is an avid outdoorsman and incredible fisherman (so he says), but most important he is "wired" to the problems surrounding the youth and the courts in northwest Georgia. His and his senior staff's council has been helpful to the Mountain Top board. We appreciate his friendship.



Stan is a very wise man.



Stan Carlson has likely spent more volunteer hours at Mountain Top than anyone we know. He was there long before there was a boys' home and amid the initial dreams of Dr. Budd that this mountain property would be used for retreats. Shortly after MUST Ministries started the boys home Stan and his church, Dalton First UMC began helping. Stan has helped often with projects such as tutoring and has served on the Mountain Top board.

Jesse Campbell, a Mountain Top graduate of 1985, brings his family to our annual Bar-B-Que. He is proud of the influence of Mountain Top in his life and has volunteered his time as his way to say thanks.



Jesse Campbell (center) shows photos of the 1985 BBQ to Scott Fogle (left) and Marty Vess.



Franklyn, Bobbie, David & Llana

College Press has not only been printing our newsletter, but they also have been instrumental with the layout and design. They have also helped with all of our printed material. Without their professional gifts this task would be certainly difficult for our non-profit volunteer group. We give deep and sincere thanks to our friends at College Press. No, they did not write this.

