



SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER

St. Elizabeth Foundation Board Member Retreat

On Friday, July 22, 2011 members of the St. Elizabeth's Board of Directors gathered at the Burden Center for the first formal Board Retreat. Beth Fuller and Emily DiStefano co-chaired the planning of the retreat. A professional consultant, Jackie K. Hall was engaged to facilitate the retreat and all related pre-activities. Key interviews were conducted in advance and a survey sent to all board members. Ms. Hall and board member Brian McClure presented best practices in the non-profit sector related to board governance, board development, succession planning and marketing. Additionally, Mr. McClure presented the findings of the financial assessment conducted by Bourgeois Bennett, CPA firm. The Board came to consensus on key goals for the future of St. Elizabeth's and agreed to begin meeting monthly in order expedite accomplishing the objectives.



St. Elizabeth Foundation Board Members at the 2011 Retreat



St. Elizabeth Foundation

Baby Update:

We ended the 2010-2011 fiscal year placing 17 babies into loving homes.
We placed 10 boys and 7 girls!

Our Newest Addition: Miss Landry Elizabeth



Born July 7th

Important Dates:

September 27: Bistro for a Cause

Dine at Bistro Byronz from 5-9 on September 27th and 20% of food sales
will be donated to St. Elizabeth Foundation.

Be sure to mention to your waiter you are Bistro-ing for your cause!

November 13: Birthmother Luncheon

Please contact Katherine at the office if you would like to make a
contribution for the luncheon honoring our birthmothers.



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Director's Remarks

Greetings to all our friends of St. Elizabeth Foundation,

We had a wonderful board retreat from which I left energized and proud! What a committed group of wonderful people who desire that St. Elizabeth Foundation fulfill its mission, to provide for the needs of birth parents, to educate about and advocate for adoption and to make it possible for adoptive couples to build their families. As an organization we are truly blessed with a gifted board of directors. The staff is grateful for your support and committed to your mission.

We have lots of activity at the office! Please stop by anytime.

-Teri



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