

December 2011



# hephzibah

CHILDREN'S ASSOCIATION

*Providing safety and care to society's most vulnerable children since 1897.*

*Group Homes, Foster Care, Family Services, Day Care*

## Gratitude and Good Tidings!

Thank you to the individual and corporate volunteers who logged countless hours of your time in fiscal year 2011. Thank you to the Chicago, Oak Park and Western Auxiliary Boards for your passionate support of Hephzibah's mission and many thanks to all of our generous donors. With your help, Hephzibah provided our award winning services to over 1000 children this year. We couldn't do it without you!



## December Means a New Start

The month of December is a busy time for the children at Hephzibah. For the youngsters who live in our Residence and Diagnostic Treatment Center it means celebrating the holiday season in a safe and peaceful dwelling - many for the first time in their difficult lives. For some, in our Family Based Program, this will be their first holiday with foster parents and siblings: new beginnings in a loving home.

Please take a moment to check out the right hand side of this newsletter for information about the fun & festive activities you can enjoy while helping children and families, too!

## From the Archives...Hephzibah Holidays



From time to time we like to pull out the old photo albums and share a few snapshots of *Hephzibah History* with our friends! This year we will continue our tradition of making the season a time of comfort and joy for children and families.

***Wishing you and your loved ones  
a safe and happy holiday season!***

***Donate Today!***

Our Mission: Hephzibah

enhances the lives of children and families through a continuum of innovative programs including:

**Group Homes, Foster**

**Care, Family Support** and **Day Care**

## Upcoming Events

**Make a Child's Wish Come True!  
Visit the Hephzibah Giving Tree at  
Whole Foods in River Forest**

Each heart shaped ornament has a child's name on it. Choose one from the tree and return it to the store with a special gift that you have chosen specifically for that child!

**Through December 16th, 2011**

[More Info >>](#)

## Bring-A-Gift Party

Join Hephzibah at Doc Ryan's in Forest Park for our annual toy drive. Help make the holidays merry for the disadvantaged children we serve. Raffle, Appetizers and Drink Specials. Admission is an unwrapped toy or gift certificate for children ages infant to 18.

**Thursday December 8, 2011**

[More Info >>](#)

## Heart of Gold Ball

Downtown Marriott Hotel. Dinner, dancing, silent and live auctions.

**Saturday, March 3, 2012**

**Save the date! More info to come.**

**Brides, Bubbles and Bliss: Avant  
Garde Bridal Soiree - proceeds to  
benefit Hephzibah**

Upcoming nuptials? Meet wedding vendors known for their creativity & exquisite style!

**Wednesday, March 7, 2012**

**For tickets & additional info.**

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