

**SEARCY SPOTLIGHT****B.E.V. AWARD**

The B.E.V. Award is named for Beverly Bursk, a long time KIDS FIRST employee who died in 2001. Beverly was highly regarded by all who knew her and she personified all of the qualities listed below.

**B– Balance and Behavior**

- 1.) Complies with UAMS/KIDS FIRST policies.
- 2.) Is aware and concerned about how actions and attitude effect others.
- 3.) Demonstrates appropriate behavior in a variety of situations.
- 4.) Seeks to maintain a good attitude even when adverse events occur.
- 5.) Greets others with courtesy and a smile.
- 6.) Recognizes that personal problems may affect behavior and tries to keep work and home separate.

**E– Excellence and Encouragement**

- 1.) Knows the requirements of the job and aspires to go above and beyond the basics.
- 2.) Encourages positive behavior in children and co-workers.
- 3.) Is open to suggestions and counseling without resentment.
- 4.) Looks for ways to enhance the clinic's effectiveness.
- 5.) Offers suggestions for change and works to implement new ideas.

**V– Values and Vigilance**

- 1.) Treats all co-workers, families, and children with respect.
- 2.) Maintains confidentiality and insists that others do also.
- 3.) Goes beyond personal likes and dislikes for the good of the organization.
- 4.) Takes the initiative to maintain the clinic/office as a clean, secure, safe, and comfortable, environment.
- 5.) Makes every effort to be at work each day, on time and in good spirits.

The award is given annually to 12 people one from each KIDS FIRST and from our Program Operations Center. Employees may be nominated by co-workers, patient families, and visitors in whose opinion that employee demonstrates care and concern for all, and best exemplifies the qualities outlined in the guidelines. The winner will get to go to the Governor's Mansion and have lunch with staff from our program operation center, and winners from every center, and possibly the governor himself.

**AND THE WINNER IS!****Dana Grady****Classroom  
Theme**

Each month our classrooms have different themes with which they design the children's activities around. October's curriculum involves, fire prevention, fall, and Halloween Safety. For the younger classes, the theme is fall. Each classroom will be doing various art projects, reading books, and doing hands on activities centered around these activities.

**FUNKY FALL  
FESTIVAL**

On October 24th, St. Paul United Methodist Church will be having a Funky Fall Festival sponsored by their Jonathan's child class. Activities will be designed for children with special needs. The festival is from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. Food will be provided.

## Congratulations to our perfect attendance children for the month of September

Micheal Harley Faith Konnor Joey Evan Athan Kaiden  
Nathan Timothy Yohan Jesse Nathaniel Orlando Jose

# THANK YOU

October is

## National Physical Therapy Month

October is National Physical Therapy month, here at KIDS FIRST, we are fortunate to have Pryor Physical Therapy to work with our children. Pryor Physical Therapy staff includes Robbie Pryor, Beth Black, Tara Holeyfield, and Ellen Loan. We would like to take this time to say thanks!



It is with mixed feelings that we say good-bye to Dana Grady one of our nurses. She is leaving KIDS FIRST full time so that she may spend time with her family. The good news is that we get to keep her as a call in nurse so you will still get to see her. We wish her luck.



Thank you to Nurse Peggy for creating such a great puppet show about hand washing and coughing and sneezing . All the kids had a great time.

Here are the songs/rhymes for you to do with your child.

### Wash Your Hands

(sung to row, row your boat)

Wash, wash, wash my hands, make them nice and clean! Rub the bottoms and the tops and fingers in between.

Song taken from the CDC website adapted from Sesame Street.

[www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov)

### Put Cough and Sneeze In Your Sleeve

Oh no! Oh Please! ( shake head no, then place hands together at chest)

Don't cough or sneeze on me! ( pretend to cough and sneeze, point to self)

Instead: Please! Please! (place hands together at chest)

Put that cough and put that sneeze in your upper sleeve (raise arm to mouth and pretend to cough and sneeze into uppers sleeve.

Poem designed by our very own Nurse Peggy!