

## *Summer Newsletter* *June 2008*



### Volunteer Luncheon

A simple “thank you” doesn’t seem enough to express the gratitude Diakon staff have for each and every volunteer who made this year a success. We had the opportunity on June 27, 2008 to share our appreciation with volunteers at a luncheon event. Laughter, excitement, and energy was in abundance. Each story shared between those in attendance revealed the connective influence we have in educating and empowering young girls. Although everyone likes to be shown appreciation for their devotion to this program, I strongly believe that the ability to touch the life of a young girl and make a difference is the motivating reason we continue our efforts. If we learn something about ourselves in the experience, the more fortunate we are.

### Summer Camps

Eleven camps were planned this summer, including 9 for Girls on the Run and 2 for Girls on Track. Approximately 126 girls have or will participate in the program along with 21 coaches/volunteers and 5 staff. New Balance, provided 5 new pairs of sneakers to girls who needed them. Thanks to all who made this summer fun and successful.



### Quotes from Camp

“Girls on the run is so much fun. We have a great time and have great spirit.”  
—Katelynn T.

“Girls on the run is so much fun. You can wear a bun. We even run in the sun. There are no winners. So go to girls on the run”  
—Kryslynn V.

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