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Girls For A Change

On Thursday, May 8, 2008 Brooke Smith, Phoenix Mercury forward, was on hand to recognize the accomplishments of 250 local high school girls at the Girls For A Change ceremony. Girls For A Change (GFC) is a national organization that empowers thousands of teen girls to create and lead social change. The celebration took place at Rio Salado College Conference Center in Tempe.

Reading at Phoenix Zoo

On Saturday, March 1st Bridget Pettis read "Horton Hears a Who" to children during story time at the Phoenix Zoo.

Dads and Daughters Clinic

Mercury Head Coach Corey Gaines and Assistant Coach Bridget Pettis hosted a dads and daughters basketball clinic at US Airways Center on Thursday, February 21st. Mercury General Manager Ann Meyers Drysdale hosted a special nutrition session. Suns Legend Eddie Johnson spoke with the dads. More than 60 dads and daughters participated in the clinic.

National Girls in Sports Day

As part of National Girls in Sports Day Mercury Assistant Coach Bridget Pettis spoke with athletes at Thunderbird High School about how the importance of sports.

Habitat for Humanity Women Build

Mercury President and COO Jay Parry was on hand for the ground breaking of the Habitat for Humanity Women build on Saturday, February 2, 2008. As part of the Mercury's commitment to this project Mercury fans, coaches, staff and players will help build the home for nine weekends.

Phoenix Mercury High School Tour

As part of the Mercury's fitness platform, the Phoenix Mercury High School tour will have had five stops from January through March. At each tour stop either Mercury General Manager, Ann Meyers Drysdale, or a member of the Mercury coaching staff attended a girls' basketball game and provided an exclusive motivational talk to both teams prior to the game. There was also a talk with parents of athletes, providing a behind-the-scenes look at issues that the student athletes will face at the collegiate and professional level. Both teams also took a picture with the WNBA Championship trophy.



Mercury forward Brooke Smith hangs out with a few of her friends from "Girls For A Change."
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