

Newsletter

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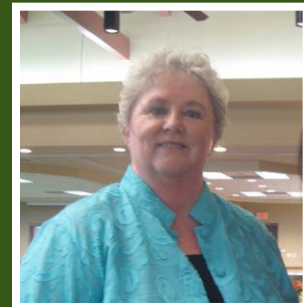


We held our first fund raiser this year - a Benefit Gospel Concert & Silent Auction held at the Savannah Rapids Pavilion on 10 June 2008. Our Committee Chairman, Jarrett Hindrew pulled together a group of very talented volunteers who did an

OUTSTANDING job. The event was beautiful and all raved about the enjoyable evening. The auction was a rousing success due to the many generous Businesses throughout our area. Their generosity touched our hearts.

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Looking for a speaker for your next club or organization meeting?



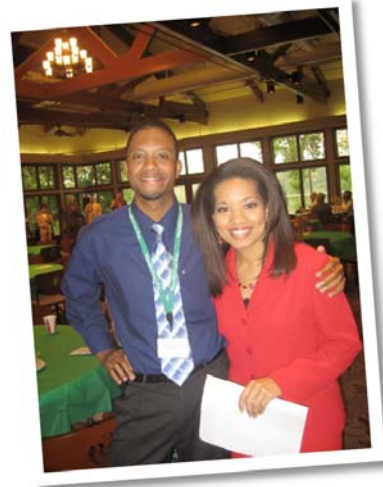
Executive Director, Helen McVicker has had several speaking engagements for local Churches, and for the Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program and is available to speak at your agency or Church if you would like to learn more about the needs in our area Nursing Homes.

WHCW WELCOMES A NEW BOARD MEMBER

We are excited to welcome the newest addition to our Board, Dr. Robin E. Bohannon. Dr. Bohannon is an Audiologist and co-owner of Augusta Hearing and Balance. We are especially pleased to have him join the Board due to his experience of working in the Nursing Homes on hearing issues. He is certain to be a great addition to our knowledgeable group.

We are already planning for next year's event because this one was so well received and the recently remodeled Savannah Rapids Pavilion was the perfect showplace. It is impossible to name all those who contributed to the Benefit, but noteworthy are Christina Meadows, Administrative Assistant to the Director who single handedly collected half of the Auction Items. From our gospel group WISDOM whose performance was outstanding, to Tammy & Rick Busby who ran the silent auction to Kathy Serrano who brought a bevy of beautiful ladies to help in memory of her mother, everyone was exceptional. Certainly the night would not have been possible without Susan McArthur, our BeautiControl Spa specialist, who arranged for all the food

items and service. Our special thanks to Miss Bridgett Williams from NBC Augusta News Division who served as our Emcee for the evening.



TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

Our Volunteers continue to be a source of pride. We have caring individuals who visit one-on-one in the homes with residents with no families and no visitors. One continues to offer hand and foot Spas to the residents, our librarian services the several established libraries, keeping the books rotated and one is a hard working

Administrative Assistant to the Director with another working as an office assistant. It's impossible in this space to name all volunteers, but their services are remarkable, including those of the many who knit, crochet and sew from home to donate their beautiful creations.



RECENT AND FUTURE ENDEAVORS

One of our recent endeavors was assisting in obtaining a covered pavilion for the residents at an older Nursing Home structure badly in need of protection for the residents so that they can enjoy the outdoors.

Recent and Future Endeavors cont.

We assisted with a 'men's project' at one home, with Iris Garden Club donating the blue bird houses and Fred Marriott and Dan Mumpower assisting with the construction. The men enjoyed a cool morning on the patio assembling the houses.

We have provided tapes on 'Ulcer Sore Prevention' to be used in the homes and we will rotate these through all the homes for training in this very important area of concern.

We continue to have numerous requests for large size clothing, both male and female. These size clothes are not readily available at discount stores. We have dressed residents for trips to get dialysis and chemo treatments.

A recent activity has been installing a computer for the resident's use in each home that request it. We hope they will be able

to play simple computer games to occupy their time. Those with email will be able to correspond with loved ones across the country.

When a resident watching a foot spa says, "This reminds me of the story in the Bible when Jesus washed the feet of his disciples" or a blind man hears music for the first time from the CD player we donated and smiles and says to the volunteer, 'You've made my day' = it tells us why our work is important.

Again – we offer our profound gratitude to those loyal donors who repeatedly show up with wonderful items to donate and the businesses who have pledged to contribute each year. Working together, we CAN improve the quality of life of these often 'forgotten' generation. God Bless You.

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There are several ways in which to contribute to the mission of WHCW. Donate online using our Pay Pal service, Easy and convenient. Mail your cash contributions to our address: WHCW, 3643 Walton Way Extension, Suite 4A, Augusta, GA 30909. We also need in-kind donations of many varied items. If you can donate any of the needed items, please give our office a call. We will be happy to pick up items at your convenience.

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When HELP Can't Wait is a 501 © 3 organization. All donations made to our organization are tax deductible. At the current time, There are little or no administrative costs being charged. Our Board of five members is completely a Volunteer board, to include the director. Our office space is donated. Our Board is comprised of local area business people.

To our Sponsors:

The success of our Benefit Concert and Silent Auction would not have happened if it wasn't for the partnership and the generosity of the business community.

We Thank You for your continued support to the seniors in our community !