

When HELP Can't Wait



NEWSLETTER

ANOTHER HOT, HOT SUMMER!

The heat has kept WHCW from having our summer yard sale, but we are planning one for the beginning of fall – October 1st – Put it on your calendar now!

With no grants this year, we have relied on community Churches, Organizations and individuals for donations to keep us going. While we exist primarily with in-kind donations (stuff) – we must pay rent, utilities and the like, which require cash. We have no salaried positions, but some money is needed to pay basic expenses.

When we name those who have helped, there is always the fear that we will leave someone out, but I will mention those



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whom I know contributed this quarter. They are:

- Augusta Newcomer's Club
- BI-LO Supermarket (Boosters Club)
- Ladies from The Church of Latter Day Saints (in-kind)
- Women's Connection / Stonecroft Ministries (in-kind)

While in-kind donations have been wonderful this quarter with many generous donors – I mention the two listed because they collected all new items that we consistently donate and both groups' donations filled my entire SUV with the seats down!!

We have new BI-LO cards for year 2012. If you don't have one yet, you can copy one from our website and facebook or pick one up at our office. It costs you nothing - just show your card one time and BI-LO contributes to us every time you shop!



would be happy to hear from you.

walls. These individuals who work all day and take the time out of their busy schedules to visit with our residents are truly God's angels on earth.

WHCW has been busy donating pictures for the walls of resident's rooms, a bookcase for a

library at one home, decorating a lobby at another. This expensive floral arrangement was a result of a donation from loyal donors. We

We have been blessed to be asked to speak to several groups this quarter and we are always grateful for the opportunity to get the word out to the community about WHCW. We spoke to the Augusta Newcomers Club, to the Women's Connection / Stonecroft Ministries, at The Elder Rights Conference held in Augusta, and at the KROC center. If you need a speaker for your community group, we

Some activities this quarter have been: The citizens of Georgia Power furnished a Cupcake Social and visited with our residents. We helped celebrate another 100-year-old birthday with the help of Sam's Club. A good looking group of young military visiting from Ft Bragg, NC offered to drop by a nursing home and visit with the lucky residents. West Acres Baptist church held a party for another. This interaction with new, smiling faces and interesting people, touch these residents who spend every day inside the same four





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distributed absolutely beautiful Quilts made especially for our Veterans by generous ladies who wanted to show their gratitude. We've given out over 50 so far and there are more coming. We have volunteers who knit and crochet lap robes, shawls and hats for our residents and they have been busy bees this summer. When fall and winter rolls in, we are stocked with these beautiful works of art to pass out!! A lot of time and love go into the making of these much-needed items. Our clothes closets continue to be our most sought after program.

Residents love getting new things to wear! The Augusta Weight Loss Surgery Support Group donated many larger size clothes that we were in dire need of – 1/3 of all residents need large size clothing – if you have some - male or female, we'd love to hear from you. We also were able to help lift a lady from depression by furnishing her a CD player and a few of her favorite classical music CDs. We find that access to their favorite music really makes a difference in their lives.

Our 'friendly visitors' continue their great work throughout all the nursing homes. We lost a long-time resident recently and that's always hard; one volunteer visited her resident in the hospital because she was totally alone and carried her much-needed items. All volunteers take snacks and items to the residents they visit and many pay for them from their own pocket. These are our unsung heroes – they are one-on-one with those who have no other visitors or no family members at all and they do it quietly and without recognition.

One of our Air Force volunteers left the service and is in Afghanistan working with a contractor and facing danger every day – but she sends generous donations via Pay-Pal on our website. If she can do that under her circumstances, how easy would it be for others from the comfort of their home? Please join us in praying for this loyal young lady's safety and show your support by following her

lead by checking out Pay-Pal on our website.

You may want to become a regular supporter of WHCW – it's so easy – Just go to our Website and hit the Pay-Pal button and use your credit card. Just \$10 or \$20 or whatever you're comfortable with can make all the difference in keeping us open and working. All your contributions are tax deductible.

We will begin our in-house monthly Boutiques very soon – watch for our announcement. We will offer our 'upscale yard-sale' buys and their popularity has already begun to spread. We also are listing items on E-Bay in order to raise much needed funding. As always, we are extremely grateful for our loyal donors, as well as all our wonderful volunteers who give of their time and make all we do possible. Have a wonderful Fall and come see us at WHCW!

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