



When HELP Can't Wait NEWSLETTER

HAPPY SPRING EVERYONE!!

It has been a long, cold winter and now that things are in bloom – we have some hope of warm sunshine filled days. A welcome change for all of us!

We are happy to report than once again, we were able to help our nursing home residents enjoy a bountiful Christmas!



The following are our very Loyal groups/businesses who help every year.

Collier Management/Todd Dixon	Adopts an Entire Nursing Home
The Church of the Redeemer/David Brown	“
Shane's Rib Shack	“
The Bell Family of Evans	“
Womens' Connection/Stonecroft Ministries	- Furnish Gift Items Galore
Blanchard & Calhoun Realtors/Davis Road	– Furnish Many Gift Items

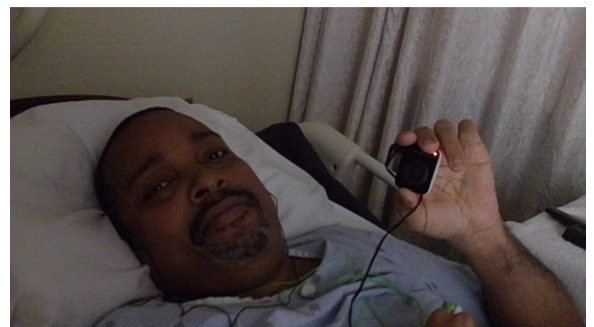
There are of course, many individuals whose loyalty never fails as well – Since we did not ask permission to mention their names, we must thank them silently but they know who they are: some bring blankets, some send cash, others bring toiletries, etc. but we know that we can always count on their help to bring cheer to our residents at this lonely time of year.



We weathered the Ice Storm in the nursing homes, but unfortunately some Florists were not so lucky, but they donated their flowers that went undelivered to WHCW! Residents of several homes enjoyed beautiful tulips, carnations and even long stem Red Roses. They loved them!! God Bless Green Thumb Nursery for thinking of us!

We are consistently holding Clothes Closets in the homes and the residents enjoy picking out new outfits and accessories. We try to make the shopping experience fun for them as well.

We continue to distribute MP3 players and CD players as needed, although we no longer have any on hand and need them restocked because they have made a HUGE difference in the lives of the residents.



We passed out more Handmade One-of-a-kind Quilts from our ladies in South Georgia to all our Veterans in our nursing homes. They make them feel special, as indeed they are!



We have had wonderful help this quarter from groups such as:

Citizens of Georgia Power

WJBF-Channel Six Staff

Airforce Personnel – Ft Gordon

These groups all held parties and visited with Residents in several homes and it means so much to see new faces and to enjoy new things.



In March we held our Volunteer Appreciation Dinner, this year generously catered by Shane's Rib Shack and we enjoyed the hospitality of St. Andrew Presbyterian Church with the help of Bonnie in the front office. We love to take time each year to celebrate our outstanding volunteers who make up all of When HELP Can't Wait.

We had at least 3 individuals receiving certificates for 7 years of service!! This is remarkable and we are very blessed with the best of the best!!

Two very special things occurred this past quarter. One was the winning of The Jefferson Award, by our President, Helen McVicker. It is a very prestigious award and she will compete in June at the National Level. The Sponsors of this award, WJBF – Channel Six, Georgia Bank and Trust and Walton Rehabilitation have also collected much needed toiletries for our nursing homes.

The other was a Live & Silent Auction held in our honor by The Augusta Newcomer's Club. We have never had any organization or group host a fund raising event for us in our eight years of business. All non-profits in the CSRA depend on at least one dedicated fund raising activity to form the basis of their budget, a run, a golf tournament, an auction, some money maker that helps them survive throughout the year by helping with their basic overhead expenses. WHCW has managed to survive without one, so it is very, very special to to have received this much needed help this year.

As we look into 2014 and the continued number of seniors being admitted to our nursing homes in the area, we are hopeful that our service can continue as we bring smiles and much needed basic necessities to the residents. We can only do this with the help that we receive from generous and caring Augusta residents. Thank you all for your continued support!

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