



BOARD MEETING: THURSDAY DECEMBER 4, 10 AM
403 VARGAS

SPECIAL GUESTS AND FRIENDS ARE ASKED TO COME TO SUPPORT THE NOMINEES AS THEY ARE ELECTED AND INSTALLED. WE WILL ALSO LEARN THE STATUS OF OUR CHALLENGING GOAL OF OFFERING MORE SCHOOL DAYS FOR THE COMMUNITY CHILDREN AT OUR EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT CENTER.

The Nominating Committee has worked hard to recruit these accepting nominees:

- **Board Chairs:** BILLIE TALLEY & CINDY BRANDT
- **Vice Chair:** VERNELL MONCURE
- **Secretary:** ALBERTA SHELTON
- **Treasurer:** EVA JORDAN
- **Nominations:** VIRGINIA SMITH CHR., & VERNELL MONCURE
- **Early Childhood Development Center:** TRACY BURGER
- **Publicity:** EMMA LEA MAYTON
- **Newsletter:** VIRGINIA WARRINGTON
- **Yearbook:** SUSAN SIDNEY
- **Miles Scholarship Committee:** MARTHA RENFROE, CHR, ANNE ADER, LIB HARRIS, ALBERTA SHELTON
- **Thrift Store Committee:** BILLIE TALLEY CHR, M,ARY RUTH BORGES, CINDY BRANDT
- **Building.& Grounds:** CHARLES MOORE AND

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- **Neighborhood Networking Chair:** ANN TEICH
- **Fund Raising Consultant:** SANDY WILDER
- **Community Health Services:** SUE SIDNEY & EVA JORDAN

- **Senior Activity Project Committee:** MARGIE SKINNER
CHR, MARIA CASTRO, MAGGIE HERNANDEZ
- **Colorado Hall Community Use:** MARIA CASTRO

We are searching for a nominee to assist Charles Moore on Building & Grounds Committee.

The children enjoyed learning about the early settlers working along-side the Indians and the purpose of our Thanksgiving holiday in their classes. They made Indian headbands and children and learned how important corn was to the members of the first Thanksgiving Day. As Christmas approaches, there is a need for gifts and lovely bags will come from the Manchaca Craft Group that will hold gifts that some of you might like to donate. Socks for 4 years old, crayolas and color books, reading books, playdough, glue sticks or an appropriate toy for a boy or girl would be much appreciated. These gifts should be brought to the school on December 10th or 12th. The last day of school is December 17th which will be a party. Kits received from Crestview were a big hit with the teachers, which have books in English and Spanish.

The Clothing Room sales has done very well in November. On Food Distribution Day, it made \$130, the largest amount so far. It will be open Saturday, December 6th, Tuesday December 9th and Saturday, December 20th. Octavia from Westlake has brought Christmas decorations and with those on hand, soon all will be sold. Billie will need volunteers on those days. Margie Skinner is amazed and grateful that Bingo items for prizes keep coming in. She says many, many thanks! She would like to have items for men and children however. They participate in the session, having lots of fun. Bingo will be in session on December 12, but not on Friday, December 19.

The MFCC leaders are so appreciative for very generous money donations from Crestview UMW Bazaar Funds and another from Tarrytown UMC. Other such gifts are needed to attain our goal for more school days!

THANKS FOR GREAT DONATIONS FOR THE SALES ROOM:

- GEORGIA DOMINGUEZ: bags of clothing
- ASBURY UMC" clothing
- DECKER UMC: bingo prizes and paper goods
- TARRY TOWN UMC: clothing, decoration, household items

- LYDIA CIRCLE OAK HILL: books for the school
- LAURA HERNANDEZ: clothing
- OCTAVIA SMITH, WESTLAKE UMC: clothing, Christmas decorations

It is sad news that one of our past Presidents and Clothing Room chairs (1974-75), **Ellyce Hall**, has passed away in November at **103 years!** She also helped organize Reading Is Fundamental when it was a part of MFCC. Our project was close to her heart and she continued to donate items for sale. Her family is in our prayers.

THE ENTIRE CENTER NEEDS DONATION OF TOILET PAPER AND PAPER TOWELS.

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL. OUR NEXT MEETING WILL BE THURSDAY, JANUARY 22, 2015!

TO: ALL AUSTIN-AREA UNITED METHODIST CHURCHES and UMW UNITS

FROM: Montopolis Friendship Community Center Board
RE: **FUNDS NEEDED to EXPAND *the Early Childhood Development Center Program at MFCC***

As your UMW units and United Methodist Churches begin to allocate funds during the next weeks, and prepare your budgets for 2015, **we have two needs for MFCC which are not covered in our current budget that we hope you will seriously consider -- \$6000 needed for a fence around the playground to meet state licensing guidelines and \$25,000 needed to expand the Early Childhood program to four days each week.**

MFCC Board Member Tracy Burger and others have spent countless hours completing the necessary paperwork and physical repairs so that our Early Childhood Development Center would meet ALL licensing requirements! This has been accomplished and the MFCC Board voted unanimously on August 28, 2014 to expand classes from two days to four days per week beginning in January, 2015. This will be a wonderful thing for the Montopolis community but will double the funds needed to pay operating costs, insurance and salaries for our two very dedicated Early Childhood staff members. An additional \$25,000 will be needed annually to expand this program to four days each week. It costs approximately \$230/day to operate the ECDC Program and the state requires a fenced playground area. Bids have been taken for the fence and \$6000 is the amount needed.

Our goal is to raise \$31,000 to expand the program in 2015. Please announce at church meetings and circle/unit UMW meetings, ask your children and adult Sunday school classes to contribute or designate a special offering at your church. Please put this plea in your church newsletter. Please make copies of this flyer and give to all who may want to help! Please be creative and do whatever you can to help raise these funds. No gift is too large or too small. *This is yet another way we are turning FAITH, HOPE and LOVE into ACTION in AUSTIN!* May God bless you all!

Emma Lea Mayton,

MFCC Church Networking Chair

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(Please enclose this form with your contribution)

_____ **Yes, I/WE want to help fund the fence and two additional days of instruction at Montopolis FCC!**

Name _____

Amount _____

Address _____ **Zip Code** _____

Phone _____

From our Church/SS Class/UMW Unit/UMW Circle/other group _____

Please make checks payable to Montopolis FCC and mail to:

MFCC Treasurer, Eva Jordan, P.O. Box 4691, Austin, TX 78765.

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