



## **MFCC October 2016 Newsletter**

### **BOARD MEETING: THURSDAY OCT. 27 2016, 10 AM**

**The Campbell label program for schools is no longer in effect. Thank you for all your work in collecting these for MFCC!**

The October Board members were busy planning for an expected tour of the Center by the attendees of the Rio Texas Conference UMW meeting in Austin. The Board members met at the Center on Food Day, October 11 and were disappointed when the tour was canceled. But a sparkling clean rooms helped soothe the wounds! More plans were made for the Board members for a half-day retreat to discuss ideas for the future of MFCC, searching for funding, and new members to carry out these plans. Eva Jordan graciously offered her home for a four hour session on November 17. Eva brought recommendations for this from the study of a sub-group.

We were pleased to have a visitor from the Community, Pedro Hernandez, at the meeting. He is on several Committees, president of one in the neighborhood, and is knowledgeable about events and change. He has helped on one Food Day. The Sales room was closed on October 15 so that UMW ladies could go to the Conference meeting. Thank you for the wonderful clean-up all you workers and to Eva for offering a comfortable place to meet!

We are very grateful for one of our members funding the Porta-Potties at the Center for the Food Day. With many clients it saves much clean-up. The Food Bank also offers nutrition classes and blood screenings on that day in the Colorado Hall. We are thrilled that Jack Matlack has offered to be the Chair of the Building and Grounds Committee. It is a demanding and time consuming job and he will need help! Workers are asked to be on his Committee. Jack's priority now is to place support railings along the steps into the building. Stephanie Lacy had a bad fall from a step outside and she made a urgent plea for railings to be put in. She is still in pain and is disabled after many weeks.

The Early Childhood Development Center is thriving with 11 student enrolled and studying pumpkins, harvest-time and changing colors in this season. A Harvest party will be held on October 31 with decorated pumpkins to take home. The health inspector came in September and gave the school an excellent award. Director Deborah Laurel and teacher Olga Lira are working to complete the necessary credits of training this year. The children are having fun learning.

Another wonderful donation is funding for the permit of our web site by Vernell and Jack Moncure, a sizable sum. Jack is also keeping the site up to date so we are publicizing our programs. We do thank them!

Bingo for seniors is also thriving. Eleven to fifteen seniors are coming on the second and third Fridays. With three men attending, Maria, Ms. Torres and Ms. Lugo need male gift items. Suggested are small tools, set of screwdrivers, handkerchiefs, and a set of combs. Do not forget the ladies! A can of coffee would be very nice to donate. Ole!!!!!!

**Sale Room opening days are Saturday, November 5 and 19. Food Day is November 8. Give Billie a call for one of these days at [512-926-3592](tel:512-926-3592).**

We appreciate all donations, clothing or funds, and volunteer work to keep the operation going. Funding is a must to keep our outreach ongoing. Miles Scholarships for high school graduates going to college will need grants. We are thankful for the Cedar Park ladies working, and sorting in the Clothing Room to give Board member s chance to tend to business!

Director Laurel report her church is having a Holiday Market on Nov. 12<sup>th</sup> and hope you can come to Hyde Park Presbyterian Church to look over the “goodies”.

#### **DONATIONS:**

##### **September:**

- BERKELEY UMC: LUNCH KITS AND BACK PACKS
- ST. JOHNS UMW: CLOTHING

##### **October**

- OAK HILL UMC: GONZALES AND WILDER SCHOOL SUPPLIES AND BINGO ITEMS
- TARRYTOWN UMC: STRONG CLOTHING
- GLORIA MORALES: CLOTHING HOUSEHOLD
- OLIVIA MALDONADO: CLOTHING
- MYRTLE ROBINSON: CLOTHES, PURSES
- MEMORIAL UMW: CLOTHING
- OAK HILL UMC:

**Because of the Thanksgiving holidays in November, the next meeting will be December 1. See you all Thursday, October 27!**

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