



**MONTOPOLIS FRIENDSHIP COMMUNITY CENTER**  
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**THURSDAY FEB. 27, 2014 10 AM**  
**EVERYONE IS INVITED**

Our February month started off differently - the Clothing Store was closed on Feb 1<sup>st</sup> because of a UMW Austin District Meeting that many wanted to attend in Dripping Springs. The session was to be about MFCC with the promotional video presented by Cindy Brandt, Eva Jordan, Martha Renfroe, and Vernell Moncure, District President. Many Friendship volunteers were there to support her. A great program, meeting and lunch resulted in a proposed visit to MFCC in September by the Dripping Springs UMW. Emma Lea Mayton provided flyers that she had written and mailed out to Unit Presidents and Churches telling of our programs, needs and asking for pledges for funds. Many thanks to all that made a special effort to have an impact on the District UMW ladies. These speakers and the video are available to your group by calling Billie at 512-926-3592.

At our January meeting, Eva Jordan, Treasurer, gave us good news about finances. Income for 2013 exceeded our budget requirements for operations to a small degree, and disbursements were a little less than expectations. Three cheers for a good year..

The Mothers' Day Out program has a name change. It will be called the Early Childhood Development Center. We are closer to our desired license for opening more school days than Wednesday and Fridays. Achieving this goal means new funds for additional staff hours, and when accomplished, would mean a great Montopolis location for child care, a 9:00-4:00 pm school day with an English and Spanish curriculum, The enrollment now numbers 11 with two more ready. The teachers will be attending classes for credit at St. John's UMC in the spring.

A wonderful Home Room Mother has planned parties all year long, with a fun Valentine's Day party with pizza, side dishes from parents and children exchanging valentines. Her name is Frances Hernandez and we appreciate all that she has done. The focus this month is LOVE. THE SCHOOL NEEDS CRAYONS, MARKERS, and 4 OZ BOTTLES OF ELMERS GLUE.

Bingo sessions need donated items for prizes NOW. Margie's wonderful supply of items is about all gone with all the winning that takes place. She expresses her thanks before-hand. Any item suitable for a gift is needed, as are a few items for men.

Call Margie at 512-258-2031. Maria Castro continues with her managing the Colorado Hall with renting and super cleaning. The rental brings in \$400 a month and the Hall is reserved through April. [Note: If you want to leave Bingo items in the UMW room on the second floor of the FUMC Sanctuary building, please do so and e-mail me that you have left them. I will pick them up and get them to MFCC. Ann](#)

The Clothing Store has stayed open in spite of cold weather and furnace repair. Vernell, Kay Dunbar, and several from St. John's worked hard and funds were made for the budget. Many items were sold, the receiving room is spick and span and the floors were swept. What a team - Thank you! VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR STORE OPENINGS SATURDAY, MARCH 1<sup>ST</sup>, SATURDAY, MARCH 15<sup>TH</sup> AND THE FOOD DISTRIBUTION DAY, TUESDAY, MARCH 11<sup>TH</sup>. MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!!

A wonderful anonymous donation enabled the Scholarship Committee to give \$400 this semester to each of the six students currently receiving funds from the Miles Scholarship Fund. One student will graduate in May and another in December.

Another terrific plan for a wintry February was a new aluminum sign highlighting our programs and activities times in English and Spanish. Margie and Walter Skinner donated the sign and Chuck Moore, Building Grounds Chair, installed it in place at the front of the building. So many sincere thank you's to these three and to those who worked on the wording!

#### APPRECIATED DONATIONS:

- December clothing: Alvena Gattis
- Memorial UMW: toys and dolls
- Westlake UMC: toys and games
- Parker Lane UMC: books and videos
- Asbury UMC
- St. John's UMW: Margie Skinner
- JAN CLOTHING: Memorial UMW
- Manchaca UMW: (C.Moon) and a small refrigerator
- Asbury UMC: bedding
- FEB. CLOTHING: St. John' Anna Circle
- Ms Laurel: vase,basket bows

- Crestview UMC, Oak Hill UMC: household items
- Anita Martin, Cedar Park UMC: booster car seat misc, Gloria Morales

REMEMBER CAMPBELL LABELS, CRAYONS, MARKERS, GLUE FOR SCHOOL!

VOLUNTEERS FOR MARCH 1<sup>ST</sup>, 11<sup>TH</sup>, AND 15<sup>TH</sup> CLOTHING STORE NEEDED!

**SEE YOU AT THE MEETING FEBRUARY 27TH!**



***New MFCC Sign***