

Heart of Georgia Developmental Disabilities Ministries, Inc.
a vision for special people...in our community

July 2008

From Hulda Cook, DDM president...

This newsletter is being sent to you because we know you care and want to be a part of Heart of Georgia Developmental Disabilities Ministries Inc. We are so grateful for the many new friends we have met through this ministry. Thank you for your prayers and gifts as we work together to build two group homes for adults with developmental disabilities. Please share this newsletter with someone you think would also like to be a part of this ministry.



We need volunteers....

Our faith-based ministry is composed of volunteers who have a heart to help individuals with disabilities. Very soon we will begin the construction process of our homes. We are compiling a list of volunteers. We are ready to add your name to our volunteer list. Contact David Johnson at 973-2743 or Hulda Cook at 953-2992 or any of our Board members.

We have been very fortunate to receive several grants. Our treasurer, John Bodenhamer, has really worked hard with our financial reports. If you are interested in knowing more about our financial reports, you may contact John at 987-0004 or email him at jrbodenhamer@cox.net

The Heart of Georgia DDM is a 501c3 corporation. Contributions are tax-deductible and can be made in care of Heart of Georgia DDM and mailed to 615 Corder Road, Warner Robins, Ga. 31088.

Our vision....

The Heart of Georgia DDM Home will provide a holistic, family-oriented Christian setting that will serve adults with developmental disabilities. This ministry will provide the opportunity for these individuals to reach their highest possible level of independence.

Update of past Fundraisers...

With the hard work of so many people, we have had many fundraisers. The following recent events were very successful in helping us get to where we are today:

- ...Belk Charity days
- ...Yard and plant sales
- ...Inkshoppe Fundraising Club card
- ... January Gospel Concert



Future Fundraisers...

Our next fundraiser will be a gospel concert on Friday, July 18, 2008, 7:00 pm at Shirley Hills Baptist Church. **The Cleghorns and South Georgia Quartet** will be participating in this awesome concert. We will not sell tickets, but will take a love offering. We will also be selling a few gift baskets. Programs with

ads from various individuals and businesses will be available. If you can volunteer to help with this event, please call Hulda Cook at 953-2992 or Judy Youmans at 953-1457.

We continue to collect empty ink cartridges and old cell phones. Future events include a Bowl-A-Thon as well as the opportunity to have an outside storage building built on your property. The building will be built by the Lions Club of Warner Robins. Proceeds will benefit DDM. For more information, call Randall Dodd at 922-9491 or email him at rdoddga@alltel.com

Our updated website...

We invite you to check out our awesome website- thanks to the hard work of **Robert Brown**. This website has important information about our ministry as well as a picture of the land and homes. Contact information for our Board of Directors, newsletters and our DVD can also be found on our website. You may access it at www.heartofgeorgiaddm.org
The email address is hogddm@heartofgeorgiaddm.org
Watch the DVD and email it to a friend.

Let us share our ministry...

We have had the opportunity in the past few months to speak at several club and organizational meetings. We have **new** brochures and a 6 ½ minute DVD we would love to share with any group! You may contact Hulda Cook at 953-2992, Judy Youmans at 953-1457 or any of our Board of Directors located on the website to schedule our group to share this important ministry.

We need your suggestions....

We need a name for our first home. Please offer your suggestions and email them to Judy Youmans at jey1@cox.net or John Bodenhamer at jrbodenhamer@cox.net

What can you do??

Most importantly we need your prayers as we carry out our vision. We need more volunteers, especially as we begin the construction process. We want you to have the joy of being a part of our ministry by giving a financial gift to DDM. A great gift would be to honor someone or make a gift in memory of a loved one for any occasion. We will send a card acknowledging that gift.

If your group would be willing to sponsor a fundraising event for DDM, please let us hear from you. Any comments or suggestions would be appreciated!

Please join us....

We are currently meeting every 2nd and 4th Monday evenings of the month at 6:30 pm at Shirley Hills Baptist Church located at 615 Corder Road in Warner Robins. We would love for anyone to join us.



DDM Board of Directors:

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