

WOODCREST BUZZ ~ SEPTEMBER 2011

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ACTION TAKEN AT ASSOCIATION MEETING:

CONGRATULATIONS were extended to Mr. & Mrs. David Burkette for their victory in winning the City Council seat in District 4. Mr. Burkette announced that one of his projects for this coming year is to assist in the cleanup of the West Side. He is going to sponsor two Beautification Contests for all neighborhoods. The neighborhood that wins the award will receive a Three Thousand Dollar grant. Mr. Burkette has volunteers who are willing to help us with the cleanup, including himself and Linda.

Mr. Burkette reminded us to use the 311 number for any city services we need. He receives a copy of the request, allowing him to check on the progress and completion of any given situation. Call 311 for ALL city services you may need.

Mr. Payne reported that his conversation with the Water Board was unsuccessful. The charge for replacing the water line, obtaining a plumber and parts would cost in excess of \$2,500. Mr. Burkette is going to check on the situation to see if there is anything that can be done to reduce the cost.

The Association unanimously agreed to contribute money to Martin Luther King Elementary School and Southland Middle School.

Several people attending the meeting reported that two homes have been burglarized in our neighborhood. Both homes were vacant at the time of the theft. All appliances were removed from the premises. This heightens our need and desire for our Neighborhood Watch Program. It was pointed out that we need a connection with one another. We have to communicate with each other when we are leaving town or when things will be happening at our homes that are unusual. Leaving our homes unattended is an open invitation for thieves to invade our neighborhood.

COURTESY COMMITTEE reported number of cards distributed in sympathy and get well wishes. Thank you cards were also received.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

YELLOW DOT PROGRAM ~ this program was created to assist citizens during automobile accidents when they might not be able to communicate for themselves. A Yellow Dot in the rear window of your vehicle will alert all First Responders to the vital information in your glove compartment. This will help to ensure that you receive the medical attention you need during that "Golden Hour" after a crash or other vehicle emergency involving your vehicle.

The Yellow Dot program is the first of its kind in the state of Alabama. The program is a cooperative effort between local Police Officers, Sheriff's Deputies, State Troopers, Emergency Medical Services, local Fire Departments, and Senior Groups to assist our citizens in a time of need when they might not be able to help themselves.

Although this program is geared primarily toward senior citizens, anyone may participate. The Yellow Dot program is sponsored and funded by the Governor's Highway Safety Office and the Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs, Law Enforcement Traffic Safety Division. Take advantage of this free program! Sign up at the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office (334-832-4980) www.MontgomerySheriff.com or Frazer United Methodist Church.

PARTNERS IN EDUCATION NEED VOLUNTEERS: To discover the great opportunities available to help motivate a student toward a positive lifestyle, please contact Sonya Stallworth, PIE Mentoring Program Director, at 334-240-0918 or via email at sstallworth@montgomerypie.org. To learn more, you may visit their website at <http://www.montgomerypie.org>.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SEPTEMBER 16 ~ Farmers Market Day at the Capitol, held at The Circle of Flags. Local farmers will display and sell their best homegrown produce, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Cash only!

SEPTEMBER 24 – Woodcrest Improvement Association meeting –
10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
Woodcrest Park Building

**AID TO INMATE MOTHERS
PRESENTS...**

Project "Pack-a-Purse"



Aid to Inmate Mothers is a Non-Profit 501 (c) (3) organization serving incarcerated women and their children. We provide reentry and aftercare services to women leaving prison. Approximately 60+ women leave Alabama's prisons every month with little or no resources and/or family support. Part of our reentry effort is to provide services that will assist in creating positive lifestyle changes. Additionally, we continue to fulfill our mission of the agency by diligently working to help provide women with the basic necessities while transitioning back into society. Your support can help make a difference in the life of women in need and help us facilitate a successful reentry.

How does this work?

Purchase a purse, tote, or backpack and fill it with any of the following items:

- Toiletry Items (comb/brush, toothpaste, toothbrush, deodorant, lotions, feminine products, shampoo/conditioner, hair accessories)
- New undergarments —bras, colored panties, socks, panty hose (please include plus sizes)
- Gift cards (Wal-Mart, Target, CVS, Walgreens)
- Pick-me-up Items (make-up, gift card to restaurant/movie theatre)
- Monetary donations are accepted—Check or Money order made payable to: Aid to Inmate Mothers
- Pajamas (include women's sizes)

PACKAGES WILL BE DISTRIBUTED TO WOMEN ONCE THEY LEAVE PRISON. FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THIS PROJECT OR VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES CONTACT OUR OFFICE @334-262-2245 OR EMAIL: KAREN@INMATEMOMS.ORG

A small gift makes a big difference!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Karen Carr, Reentry/Aftercare Coordinator 1-800-679-0246

Aid to Inmate Mothers (AIM)

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Clothing Drive



Help us..... Help Someone

AIM is a 501 c 3 non-profit that works to assist families impacted by maternal incarceration. As part of our aftercare services, we strive to provide women leaving prison with clothes.

Items Needed

Clean, Wearable Clothing (casual , all sizes)

Shoes

New Bras (all sizes)

New Packs of Panties (colored)



"Give as if the Giving were to you!"

All donations are 100% Tax-Deductible

****Please do not give clothes that are torn, broken zippers, missing buttons, etc.—we do not have staff nor resources to make needed repairs."**