



LWSC Council of Excellence

Community Service & Outreach Committee Report –September 8, 2020

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Committee: Community Service & Outreach Committee

Officer/Chair: Patricia Jackson

Committee Members: Barbara Jamison, Sherry Slater, Merrill White, Patrina Johnson, Mae Redden, Anna Marie Baity, Dorothy Wright, Amelia Dent, Barbara Johnson

1. ACTIVITIES COMPLETED FOR THIS MONTH:

- The Community Service & Outreach Committee met on August 20, 2020 and worked on the following initiatives:
 - The Back to School Event in support of Stoneview Elementary was held on Tuesday, August 25th, Thursday, August 21st and extended one more day on Thursday September 3rd. It was a roaring success led by committee member, Dorothy Wright. We collected numerous bags and boxes of needed school supplies and collected \$200 in financial contributions. The principal of Stoneview, Cassandra Davis along with our point of contact, Christopher Mostiller, school registrar was so thankful for donations given to their students from the seniors at Lou Walker.
 - We are working on drafting and pulling together the Let's Get Connected Technology program for seniors who need help with navigating their devices. We are incorporating a laptop loaner component, a tech assist needs survey to help identify seniors who may need help, along with a way to solicit volunteer instructors. We have already collected approximately 20 names and referrals of seniors who may qualify for a laptop. Pat Jackson, Merrill White and Anna Marie Baity are working on this initiative, and will be meeting later this week with hopes to solidify this program and get it underway.
 - Plans are being made to do a Voting Education Campaign in September to educate our senior voters on absentee voting, registering to vote, change of address, need for poll workers, early voting. etc. Mae Redden, lead on this initiative, along with Barbara Johnson and Patrina Johnson will also be working with Ercia King in developing Voting Education Sessions on Zoom for seniors.
 - The Virtual Paint Party for the Caregiver Support Group is scheduled next month October 7th at 4:00 pm. DeKalb For Seniors will be sponsoring this event. Caregivers are already signing up now, Sherry Slater is leading this initiative along with Amelia Dent and Dorothy Wright are assisting. Nakeemi Hawkins

with Fabulous Faces will be the virtual artist. She will be dropping off art supply kits for caregivers to pick up later this month at Lou Walker.

ACTIVITIES PLANNED FOR FUTURE:

none

2. ACTION REQUIRED FOR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

none

3. ACTION FOR LWSC

none

**4. MOTION STATED FOR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
CONSIDERATION/RESOLUTION/RECOMMENDATIONS:**

none

**5. CONCERNS, OPPORTUNITIES FOR CELEBRATION:
OTHER:**

Welcome to new members Amelia Dent and Barbara Johnson

Special thanks to Ercia King, other LWSC staff and security for help with Back to School event along with all COE executive board members and Lou Walker seniors that supported this outreach initiative.

Thanks also to our center director Bettye Davis for her continued guidance on committee initiatives.