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The Clubhouse

For Special Needs, Inc.

For the mild to moderate mentally/ physically challenged teenagers and young adults.

JANUARY 2009 Newsletter

From the Director's Desk

2008 was a great year however the fall was a challenge financially. Thank you to everyone that gave in 2008 to put us in the black starting 2009.

2008

Chevrolet Uplander Seven Passenger Van

What a surprise. KLTY Christmas Wish. The grandmother of one of our young people submitted an email asking for help in getting my car's air conditioning repaired. [Found out that two others did the same thing.] Mission Reality saw the email and decided to grant that wish. But instead of fixing the car's air conditioning they gave me a 2008 Chevrolet Uplander seven passenger van. Incredible! Praise the Lord. View the videos by going to missionreality.tv – Day 4 part 1 [end] part 2 [beginning] and the very first video at the top of the home page to see the actual presentation of the vehicle. Enjoy! I am!

Vacation to CA

I haven't had a vacation for years and I haven't been to see my brother in Long Beach, CA in eleven years and since I had some cash and a reliable vehicle – off we went. We drove 10 hours two days and slept one night. Had a grand time seeing relatives and friends, enjoying Disneyland and going to the Planetarium.

I am now totally refreshed and full of extra energy to start this new year.

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2009 Happy New Year

Things to Think About in 2009!

- Be sure to get on the lists for CLASS & HCS through MHMR. Or you can ask Darlene for more information. This is something you really don't want to miss out on.
- 2009 Calendars are now available for \$10 each plus postage.
- Guardianship and Trust concerns.
- MHMRTC EXPO in May.

**Not Too Early
TO BE THINKING ABOUT...**

**2009
All-day
SUMMER
PROGRAM**

Sign up early to ensure a place for
your young person!

Call **817-285-0885**

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"...exceedingly, abundantly above all we ask or think."

The Clubhouse admits anyone regardless of race, color, and national or ethnic origin. A MHMRTC Contracted Provider



Photo of the Month

2008 Chevrolet Uplander 7 passenger van

Starting the 2009 off right!!!

THANK YOU

Today I was handed a check from the HEB Rotary local and district club for \$1800.00 to be used towards equipment for the young people at The Clubhouse i.e. Wii and software, computers, flat screen TVs and more.

A big thank you to the Rotary – HEB & District.

THANK YOU

Thank you to Bryan's Fund for their generosity and love for The Clubhouse -- \$1500.00

A big thank you to Bryan's Family

Late Spring Expansion Plan

We're still hoping to move to a larger facility in late Spring. In order for that to happen we need six months of revenue in the bank. A move will increase our monthly budget two to three times what it is currently.

We had 22 young people throughout our Summer Program last year – averaged 10-12 a day. Our current facility only holds 20 people and that includes staff. We project that summer 2009 we'll easily exceed 22.

Job Opening

Long-Term Part-Time Paid Position

Monday thru Friday,
3:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Qualifications:

- Reliable / dependable
- Punctual
- Trustworthy
- Self-Starter
- Willing to go the extra mile

Interested parties please contact:

Darlene: 817-285-0885 or director@theclubhouse.org

DONATIONS

October/November were really tough months financially and to confess, I had my moments of doubt that we would be able to start 2009 in the black. Well, praise the Lord! December donations started coming in and God provided miraculously for The Clubhouse for Special Needs.

January 1, 2009 we're starting in the black.

This doesn't mean that everyone should sit back and not give. Remember, 2/3s of our budget comes from gifts from people like you. God bless all of you richly throughout 2009.

**Mail donations/gifts to: The Clubhouse for Special Needs, Inc.
P.O. Box 1196 Euless, Texas 76039**

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