

News from the heart

A quarterly newsletter from the Heart of Georgia DDM Home/August 2021

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DDM at a Glance

The Heart of Georgia Developmental Disabilities Ministry (DDM) supports families with special needs adults. Our first home was opened in 2011 and has six residents, three full-time staff and three part-time staff. This is a non-profit ministry supported by donations, room and board income from our residents and community grants.

Donations YTD:
\$23,667

Building fund:
Goal: \$400,000
Received: \$229,608

Thanks for your prayers, support and tax-deductible gifts to DDM. Thanks for all you do for us!

We welcome Joe Haselden to the DDM



Board of Directors. Joe recently served as senior adult pastor at Shirley Hills Baptist Church. He and Betty have been married 55 years. They have two boys and eight grandchildren.



We're turning our back porch into an air-conditioned sun room! In June, these volunteers (below) were framing the new sun room at the DDM Home. There's still much work to do ... want to help?



Progress!

Back porch turning into a sun room

The Heart of Georgia DDM Home is watching its back porch turn into a much-needed sun room this summer.

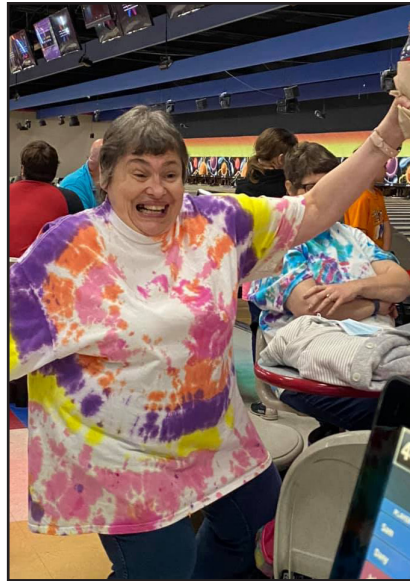
Thanks to generous donations at the end of 2020 and the hard work of several volunteers, we expect the sun room to be finished in a few weeks.

Shortages of building materials has hampered construction and delayed its completion.

Want to help finish the project, which includes a new covered deck for our residents? Contact James Yawn or Ann Garber to discover how you can help.

BIRTHDAY BANNER!!

July 6 - Cindy Harbuck; July 22 - Mary Ann Manucy



Residents enjoying many activities this summer

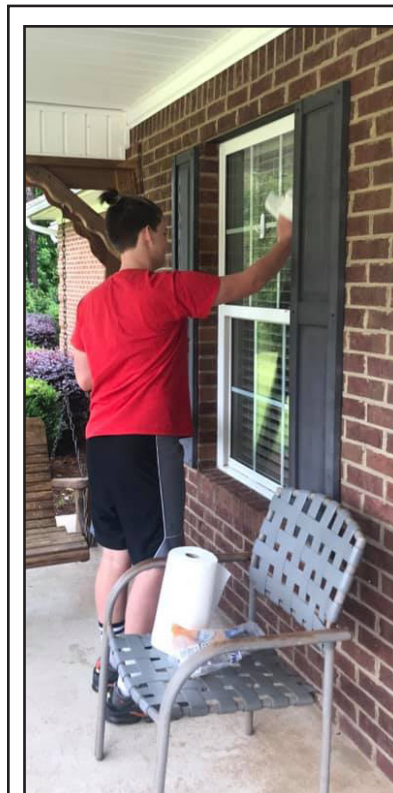
After spending so much time in quarantine last year, our residents have *really* been enjoying the summer of 2021!

In addition to returning to their full work schedules during the day, our residents have had several special outings.

Weekly bowling has returned, always a DDM favorite activity.

Other events have included:

- Dinner at Zen's for Valentine's Day.
- A picnic in Perry's Rozier Park.
- A day picking strawberries at Moore's in May.
- A big Memorial Day cookout for the residents, their families and our staff.
- An outing to Rigby's Water Park.
- Several birthday parties.
- Attending the Fourth of July Picnic at Central Baptist Church
- A swimming outing at Ann Garber's home.



A youth group from Shirley Hills Baptist Church spent some time this summer helping us clean the DDM Home. While some worked outside, others worked inside the home. We're so grateful for every volunteer that helps us keep this ministry shining! Would you like your youth group, Eagle Scout candidate or adult missions team to get plugged into a good project? Call us!