
NEWSLETTER

OSEOLA MCCARTY "YOUTH IN ACTION"

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A Newsletter for the Oseola McCarty Youth Development Center
Mission Statement: "To Empower Youth to Win in Every Area of their Lives"

January Activities

What a great day to honor Dr. Martin Luther King with a fantastic "Unity" parade in Quitman, MS!! Our youth had a blast!! We shared love with the "little ones" watching the parade by handing out stuffed animals!! The smiles on their faces was "priceless"!!!



As we are still "Living the Dream" honoring the life and legacy of Dr. King... We shared some love during the Annual MLK parade in Richton by giving some of the "little ones" stuffed animals. What a beautiful day to share love!!



Continuing the Dream Celebration...

We also celebrated the legacy of Dr. King by working with our Community Garden Project at the center. Remember... It's A Day On....not A Day Off!! Now who said "Pretty Girls" don't work??? WRONG!! Alpha Kappa Alpha (AKA's) Sorority did a fantastic job working in our Community Garden Project!! Thank you beautiful ladies for all the hard work on today honoring the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. "A Day On... Not A Day Off".... Pretty Girls Rock!! Thank you for coming to Share the Dream with Us!!!



Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated (AKA) was founded on a mission comprised of five basic tenets that have remained unchanged since the sorority's inception more than a century ago. Alpha Kappa Alpha's mission is to cultivate and encourage high scholastic and ethical standards, to promote unity and friendship among college women, to study and help alleviate problems concerning girls and women in order to improve their social stature, to maintain a progressive interest in college life, and to be of "Service to All Mankind".

After-School Tutoring with OMYDC Students

Once again many thanks to the ladies of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. at the University of Southern MS for coming and assisting with the Afterschool students and many other tasks. You ladies are such a blessing to us!! True Servants serving our community!!



Congratulations Janet Baldwin – Executive Director of the Oseola McCarty Youth Development Center !!!!

She received the Harriet Tubman Award honor from the Magnolia Bar Association, Inc. and the Magnolia Bar Foundation in Jackson as one of the five recipients in the entire state of MS.

So incredibly great honor!!! God is SO GOOD!!



Oseola McCarty Center Need Tutors / Mentors to Assist with After-School Program and Monthly Activities

We are looking for passionate volunteers to tutor and mentor students in our after-school program. Students will need assistance in Mathematics and English primarily, and may sometimes have special projects. This position is mostly suited for someone very energetic, and someone who can work well with students from different backgrounds. If interested in this opportunity, Please contact: Janet Baldwin @ (Email: jbjspecial@comcast.net) or you may contact me at 601-520-0657. After school is not only a great learning place but a place for lots of fun for our youth!!! Chrome Books for after-school are in!!! The kids are eager and ready to learn!! Join Us!!



Our children are the greatest!! Always ready to lend a helping hand!! Proverbs 22:6. "Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it."



After-School Activities

Thanks Men of Excellence at USM for coming to lend a helping hand with our afterschool youth... U guys are the greatest!!



So, so grateful to be a part of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Theta Sigma Omega and Iota Kappa Chapters 108 Year Founders' Day Celebration!!! Janet Baldwin, Executive Director received the Family Strengthening Award., ANOTHER great honor!! (Below: A few of the Executive Board Members of the Oseola McCarty Youth Development Center)



East Jerusalem Neighborhood Community Garden Project

Many thanks to USM Recreational Sports Emerging Leaders group who came to share love and support to us thru community service. This group was comprised and represented by members from all over the US. They assisted with many needed tasks at the center. We are so grateful for you all!!



We treasure our volunteers... we need you help!!! For more information, Please call Janet Baldwin at 601-520-0657 or Nohemi Martinez at 601-917-8319.... Thanks!!

Mark Your Calendar.... Upcoming Events for the Center



Saturday, May 7, 2016 - USM Baseball Concessions Event (12 people) – 12 Noon

Saturday, May 14, 2016 - USM Baseball Concessions Event (12 people) – 12 Noon

Thursday, May 19, 2016 - Last Day for Afterschool program – “End of School Jamboree”- 3pm

Monday, May 23 thru Wednesday, May 25, 2016 – Summer Camp Registration from 1pm till 6pm

June 6, 2016 thru July 1, 2016 – Summer Camp for Grades K-12 - (4 Weeks)

Mondays thru Fridays 7:30am to 1:00pm daily

Breakfast and Lunch provided.

Friday, June 24, 2016 – Oseola McCarty Center First Annual Math Bee Competition Event – Place & Time (TBA)

Saturday, June 25, 2016 – Annual June-teen Celebration – Quitman, MS (TBA) - Bus will be leaving the center at 8:30am and returning to Hattiesburg at 5pm.

Thursday, July 28, 2016 - National Night Out Against Crime Kick-off event
sponsored by City of Hattiesburg (TBA)

Tuesday, August 2, 2016 - Night Out Against Crime Event in East Jerusalem Neighborhood (TBA – AmeriCorps Volunteers)

Monday, August 29th – Wednesday, August 31, 2016 – Registration for Afterschool Program from 10am till 3pm each day

Tuesday, September 6, 2016 – Afterschool Program Begins (Mondays thru Thursdays from 10am till 3pm)

Saturday, September 10, 2016 - USM Football Concessions Event (18 people) – Time TBA

Saturday, September 17, 2016 - USM Football Concessions Event (18 people) – Time TBA

Saturday, October 1, 2016 - USM Football Concessions Event (18 people) – Time TBA

Saturday, October 22, 2016 – OMYDC Annual Make A Difference Day Event (TBA)

Saturday, October 29, 2016 - USM Football Concessions Event (18 people) – Time TBA

Saturday, November 5, 2016 - USM Football Concessions Event (18 people) – Time TBA

Monday, November 14th – Wednesday, November 16, 2016 – 12th Year Operation Christmas SLEEEVE
Application for needy families – 10am till 6pm daily

Saturday, November 26, 2016 - USM Football Concessions Event (18 people) – Time TBA

Thursday, December 15, 2016 – Last Day for Afterschool program

Thursday, December 22, 2016 - 12th Year Operation Christmas SLEEEVE Program Giveaway – 6pm

Friday, December 23, 2016 – Christmas Free Giveaway Donations – 8am till 12 noon

Follow us on FaceBook.... For updated Activities!!!!



Check us out and follow us on Facebook... <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Oseola-McCarty-Youth-Development-Center/239653269409083?fref=photo> **AND Check out our website:**
www.oseolamccartydc.org

March Spring Break Activity

Look out New Orleans....Here we come!! Perry County schools and Oseola McCarty Youth Center headed to Audubon Zoo!! What a great time our group had in New Orleans at the Audubon Aquarium and Entergy Theater. Over 100 students attending the 21st Century Afterschool programs from Richton, Runnelstown, Beaumont, New Augusta and Oseola McCarty Youth Center enjoyed their spring break field trip!!!



TIME
Spent with family



Is worth every
SECOND

"Family is not an
important thing.
it's everything."

- Michael J. Fox

www.AudubonZoo.com

East Jerusalem Neighborhood Community Garden Project

It's Spring Planting time at our East Jerusalem Neighborhood Community Garden!! Special thanks to my Americorp volunteers Nohemi and Samerria as well as my grands for helping start our seedlings and plants. Our harvest is on the way!!!



OMYDC Building Renovation Project

UPDATE: Our windows on the back side of the building are now closed in!!!!
Thanks to some of our fine volunteers, we are now ready for siding!!!! More on the way!!



(Before Photos)

SPONSORSHIP FOR THE BUILDING RENOVATION PROJECT STILL NEEDED !!!



Tax Deductible Sponsorship Levels of Support:

Small Commemorative Brick

Have a brick placed in your honor. With your donation of \$250 you will receive a Big Shout-Out on our Facebook page and our website, complimentary T-Shirt and a 5 1/2 inch x 8 1/2 inch commemorative brick place in our memorial garden.

Large Commemorative Brick

Have a brick placed in your honor. With your donation of \$500 you will receive a Big Shout-Out on our Facebook page and our website, complimentary T-Shirt and a 8 inch x 11 inch commemorative brick place in our memorial garden.

Bronze Sponsorship

Feeling generous? With your donation of \$1000 you will receive a Big Shout-Out on our Facebook page and our website, complimentary T-Shirt, a small commemorative brick place in our memorial garden, and your name on our Bronze Renovation Plaque outside the entrance of the building.

Silver Sponsorship

Heart to give! With your generous donation of \$2,500 you will receive a Big Shout-Out on our Facebook page and our website, a complimentary T-Shirt, a large commemorative brick place in our memorial garden, your name on our Bronze Renovation Plaque outside the entrance of the building.

Gold Sponsorship

Give and it shall be given! With your generous donation of \$5,000 you will receive a Big Shout-Out on our Facebook page and our website, a complimentary T-Shirt, a large commemorative brick place in our memorial garden, your name on our Bronze Renovation Plaque outside the entrance of the building, and a classroom named on you or your company's behalf.

Platinum Sponsorship

If you love to give this package is for you! With your generous donation of \$10,000 you will receive a Big Shout-Out on our Facebook page and our website, a complimentary T-Shirt, a large commemorative brick place in our memorial garden, your name on our Bronze Renovation Plaque outside the entrance of the building, and the new Conference Room named on you or your company's behalf.

PLEASE SUPPORT OUR EFFORTS IMMEDIATELY....ALL DONATIONS GREATLY APPRECIATED!!!

Oseola McCarty Youth Center Story

We are committed to good family values and we are committed to assist families to instill successful behaviors in our youth. We do not leave this to schools, daycare centers, or even the church alone. Children are taught to be obedient to parents and adults and taught to respect them. We teach them the principles of right and wrong, honesty, integrity and morality from God's word. Through our After-school program we also focus on developing and encouraging frequent reading habits and reading skills as well as one on one tutoring services. We consider it our privilege and responsibility to act as the stewards for meaningful resources for parents and caretakers of children; moreover, we wish to serve as humanitarians just as Miss Oseola McCarty who gave so "unselfishly" to help others.