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WINTER 2007

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PHASE 1 SLATED FOR FIRST QUARTER OCCUPACY!

The plans called for us to be in the two Phase 1 homes well before the end of 2006. As often happens, life got in the way. There were delays with the MDOT highway permit for the sewer crossing, delays with the hydraulics analysis to make sure the water system could handle our future plans, and on and on. Murphy's Law. But now both homes are in the final stages of completion and we will begin filling them up soon after the New Year. And we are excited to get rolling! Even though we haven't started canvassing our Waiting List to choose the initial 20 SON Valley residents, we've had a lot of people call and tell us how badly they need their loved on in Phase 1. That, in a nutshell, is why there will be a Phase 2, a Phase 3, etc.



FIRST HOUSE OPENING SOON



ENTRANCE



CLOSETS



LIVING AREA

DREAM KITCHEN



SECOND HOME TO OPEN

President's Corner

The SON Valley Ladies Auxiliary ended 2006 year with Ron Morton, Attorney of Elder Law, informing parents of the correct legal procedures to prepare for the future of their special needs children. He told of many types of Trust Funds which are available and stressed the importance of making a living will before it's too late. Thank you, Ron! Danny Berry was introduced to the ladies and will be the speaker at our January 20th meeting revealing his plans for Phase II in 2007. There will be door prizes and fun things to learn. Margaret Frazier was introduced as the new Business Manager of SON Valley. Bill showed the latest slides of the two homes and looks forward to the paving of the road and parking lot in the near future. Invite your friends to attend January 20th. Membership dues are still \$25.00 annually. We need the support of all those who want to see SON Valley built and thrive.



Merry Christmas - Rene Brock

Call: Bill McCormack
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Resident's List is Growing

Contact Info:



Visit our website at
www.sonvalley.net

Donations

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Phone: 601-940-8444



It's hard to believe the holidays are upon us. This is usually a GREAT time to approach people about giving because everyone seems to be in a giving mood as we remember the ONE

who gave His All for us. I have spent my first three months with SON Valley learning and praying for God to lead me to the ones who have a heart for our mission and are willing to give. I have made many contacts with our Baptist churches and expect several to put SON Valley in their budget for the coming year. Our Kroger Card program continues to grow but has sooooo much more potential. Please, help me get as many cards out there this month as possible as people do their holiday meal shopping. They make great Christmas gifts, too! We were able to be a part of Pinelake's Mission Fair in October and also at Broadmoor Baptist Church's in November. We have Miss Mississippi, Taryn Foshee scheduled to speak at the State Women's Federation Convention in April of 2007 which will give us some great exposure. We are getting the word out about SON Valley. I have been able to speak to several clubs and encourage you to help me get more scheduled. Everywhere I go speak I hear nothing but positive comments about what we are doing. Our Birdies For Charity program was not as successful as we had hoped, netting only about \$2000. I have plans for 2007 to make it

a much better success. I wish every one of you **Happy and Blessed Holiday Season.** Call me if you have an idea about raising money for our mission.



Danny Berry, DD
601-940-8444

DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

Executive Director's

Notes

WOW - COMPLETION LOOKED SO CLOSE



but yet it's always been just out of reach. But we're getting close -I promise! Arden Oakes has done a yeoman's job of keeping construction going forward toward completion. He's worked with the volunteers, plus orchestrated the professional contractors along the way. A lot of my time lately has been taken up with the Madison County Nursing Home. That's where I'm in training so that I can take the Nursing Home Administrator's tests (national and state) to get my Administrator's license. They are a good group of folks and are helping me all they can. Say a prayer for me! We're still interviewing for staff positions. We're looking for the best staff so SON Valley can be the best ICFMR. As I tell people, if we just plan to be ordinary, then why would we have done this in the first place? No, all this effort has got to be to make SON Valley a unique place in Mississippi. Help us to get the word out about SON Valley - we need to continue to grow our list of supporters and donors. If you want to schedule a speaker for your church\club call Danny Berry at 601-940-8444 OR put someone on the Waiting List, give me a call at 601-624-4138.

Bill McCormack

Jesus is the Reason for the Season



SHARING and SUPPORTING



**TWIN LAKES
CONTINUES THEIR FAITHFUL SUPPORT**



WORKING and SERVING

How's this for sincere support of the SON Valley effort...Twin Lakes Baptist in Madison does a lot:

They have SON Valley in their monthly budget.

They honored us with their annual **CHRISTMAS IN AUGUST** donation (pictured left).

Linda Blackledge sang 'The Lord's Prayer for them (pictured Center)

They came and volunteered their time on November 11 and worked hard (pictured right).

They have served meals at the Hospitality House several times over the last year.

Janette King started it all (by responding to a plea from Ruby Wadford), then got husband Jimmie interested. Pastor Hugh Smith stepped forward and gave his support. Thank you all so much. We truly appreciate our friends at Twin Lakes.

SON VALLEY SPECIALTY LICENSE PLATE We will be introducing a bill in the 2007 Legislative Session for Son Valley to have our own specialty license plates like the

Choose Life plates and others. This will allow Son Valley to raise necessary funds as \$24 of the extra \$30 cost of the tag will go to Son Valley. It will also be a great opportunity for us to make more people aware of Son Valley with our own personalized plate. In order for us to be able to get the plates we need 200 plates pre ordered before we can have them made if it passes the legislative process which we believe it will. So PLEASE send us a note, email (dmb@sonvalley.net) or call and let us know your desire to purchase one for each of your vehicles and tell your friends and neighbors. We also hope to put a link on our website soon for you to place your order. This could be huge for Son Valley so get yours ordered today and hopefully we can have them ready by late Spring or early Summer of 2007. Danny Berry, DD



SEWER SYSTEM

The water and sewer systems have been no easy fete to accomplish! We appreciate all who have helped us to get these humongous tasks completed! We are especially grateful to Foshee Construction Co for their prompt and professional expertise in getting the sewer pumping station, sewer and gas lines laid to Highway 51. In addition to all the work involved, they have been faithful to donate 10% of their earnings to SON Valley. As we keep saying, GOD is so good and He has been faithful to us to bring things together and people need at the right time.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: Guy Heying, Trey Palmer, Bill, and Joe Blake



PINELAKE VOLUNTEERS: Vicki Butler, Kay Foshee, MaryLou Collum, Yvonne Boykin



KUDOS TO TRACE CLEANERS

Son Valley was asked to place a donation jar in Trace Cleaners and in less than two months we have collected \$52 and some change. They are located on highway 51 in Ridgeland across from the library. A special thanks to Joan Brown for decorating the jar for us. If you know of other businesses who would be willing to follow Trace's lead just let us know.

601-940-8444



NEW KROGER CARD PATRONS: Central MS Medical Center, Laura\Jack Leathers, Gloria Peitz, Charlene Smith, Pinelake Ladies Small Group,-many others who paid in cash. Kroger checks year to date: **\$12,340.94.**

THANK YOU FOR PARTICIPATING IN THIS PROGRAM!.

Donors

Thanks for all your support.



SONshines (\$10,000 – 49,999)

Leslie & Zachary Lewis

SONbeams (\$1,000 – 9,999)

Central MS Down Syndrome
Clarksdale Baptist VBS Offering
Foshee Construction Co Inc
Gertrude Ford Foundation
Linda/D R Ingram
Jim Prince, Madison Co Journal
Twin Lake Baptist Church
Christmas in August Offering
Wm 'Jody' Hilbun Family

SONrays (\$100 – 999)

Mildred/Gafford Alderson
Lori/Chris Blount
Vicki Butler
Patty/Bart Clark
Clif Crawford
Dorris Faucett
Richard Hitt
KiwanisClubHinds/Madison
Leslie F Lewis
Marty Love HedermanCircle
Dot/Charles McInnis
Peggy/Victor O'Connor
Pinelake Missions Day:
Mary Kay/Jim Andress
Peggy/Bill Blackwell
Dolores/Ronald Christopher
Gretchen/Hiram Fleming
Rita/Larry Herrington
Bettye/Don May
Viva/Billy Simmons
Barbara/Tommy Ray
Ruth Ray SS, FBC Canton
Joyce/John Sadler
Mrs Connie Wadsworth

SONbeacons (less than \$100)

Jean/Charlie Bobo
Nancy/Ray Huff
Oscar Krietemeyer
Dot/Charles McInnis
Julia/Larry McMurtry
Karen McWilliams
Dr/Mrs Robert Ostenson
Otzie Richardson
Gladys Marie Thornton
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Sharon Tuten

SONworthy (EFT's/Monthly)

Black Jack Baptist, Vaughn
Broadmoor Baptist, Madison
Center Terrace Baptist, Canton
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Highland Baptist, Jackson
Melrose Baptist, Bentonia
New Bethel Baptist, Philadelphia
New GoodHope Baptist, Pulaski
Parkway Baptist, Clinton
Star Baptist, Star
Twin Lakes Baptist, Madison
Rev Bill/Jean Barton
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Gerry/Victor Gray-Lewis
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Dede/Bill McCormack
Clara/Lamar Rodgers
Janis/Lester Smith
Hazel Thornton
Ruby Wadford
Merle Williams

FATHERS DAY OFFERING

Emmanuel Baptist, Marion Asso
Hollywood Baptist, Sledge
Mt Hebron, Walnut
New Bethel Baptist, Philadelphia
New GoodHope Baptist, Pulaski
Pine Bluff Baptist, Hazelhurst

HONORARIUMS:

Ruth & Judd Allen

By: Faye Gambrell
Mary Catherine Smith

Margaret Frazier

By: Jr MacDowell Music Club

Mrs T J Anderson

Debra H Barnes

Mrs David Dennis

Carol Duram

Amelia Edwards

Jane Duran Fox

Annette Joe

Lillian Lee

Sandra Polanski

Mrs Donald Simpson

Carolina Whitfield Smith

Brenda Sullivan

Jacquelyn Thornell

Sarah Price Wright

Pam Pepper

By: Laynie/Joe Williams

Larry Brent Shirley

Sandy Sollie

By: B L/A A Laster

Hilda Jo Woods (birthday)

By: Terri/Mike Pigford

Joy/Mike Woods

Joy/Mike Woods

Mike Pigford

By: M/M Bobby Woods

MEMORIALS:

Terry Akin

By: Mrs Elma Tucker

Cliff Bailey

By: Linda Anglin

James Harkins

M/M Hugh Harpole

Debra DeWeese Holman

Sandra/Barney Ray Jeffcoats

Bill Johnston

M/M Jerry Lee
Russell Tillman
Betty T Malone
Gerald McKenzie
Claudia/Eugene Perrier
Suzanne Turnage
Leila/Walter Wilder
Sue Williams
Mary Alice/Donny White
Dr/M Martin Wood
Martha Bailey

By: Jeanette Canzoneri
Sara/Bethel Ferguson
Heritage Luncheon Club
Kathryn Hutton
Evelyn B Jones
Suzie/Bob Manning
Catherine Retzer
Dr/M E F Simmons

Mrs Beryl Brady

Mr Bill Barlow

By: Ann/Joe Cox

Harold Blair

WH 'Buster' Burril

By: M/M Bobby Woods

Ruby Bryant

By: Sandra/Tom Akin
Martha J/Vernon Andrews
Mary F/Hartwell Bowling
Cheryl/Paul Brummett
Bernadine Carruth
Merle/Jo Graham

Jo Anne/Danny Murphy

Mattie Rials

Janey Roff

JR/Linda/Susan Sudduth

Mrs Elma Tucker

Faye Watkins

Audrey Foster

By: M/M Oliver King

Mrs Elma Tucker

Lucye Harlan

By: Sarah/Bethel Ferguson

Rita Herrington

By: Ogden Baptist

Michael Lasseter

By: M/M David Hester

Jim Lewis

By: Ilene/Prentiss Alliston

Melissa/Ken Bailey DMD

Martha/Lloyd Burton

Barbara Case

Carlton Crawley

Peggy/Larry Eubanks

R Mike Harkins DMD

Leslie/Zachary Lewis

Mary Jo/John Lyle

Barbara M Savage

Mary H/FM Shelton III

Jimmy Tate

Warren Tate

Martha/Loyd Young

Bobby Miles

By: Guy L Arbuthnot III

Bennette/Thomas Ash
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Joan/Howard Brown
Linda/Tommy Burleson
Anne/Jerry Jobe
Zach Miles
Betty/Bramlett Posey
Sarah/Albert Satcher
Beth/BG Sollie
Kathryn Starnes
Cynthia/Marshall Williamson
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Percy 'Buck Anderson
Bill Teeter

By: Carol Parrish

Jim Morton

By: Eleanor/Ernest Turcotte

Carolyn McKee

Mrs Nolan

By: Beth/BG Sollie

Dorothy Polen

By: Faye Watkins

Mary Ann Sandifer

By: Lois Cooper

Ruby Pearl Smith

By: Sandra/Tom Akin

M/M Carey Ashcraft

Daphne Brewer

Rene/CG Brock

Virginia Bush

Jo/David Hester

Beatrice Jones

M/M Oliver King

Inez Long

Suzie/Bob Manning

Hubert Miazza

Virginia/Corky Smith

Danny Stampley

Elsie Traxler

Steve Stubblefield

By: Annie D Brumfield

John Tabb

By: Rob/Melanie Hathaway

Hubert Miazza

M/M Oliver King

Joyce Tew

Mr Carey Ware

By: Etta Mae Barnett

Marge Kirk



MERRY CHRISTMAS

**RUBY BRYANT
BUILDING:
Total: \$102,488.15**

ALL IN THE FAMILY—AND CHURCH



A year and a half ago, we got a call from Cornelia Pepper (far R). She had just heard about SON Valley and said that her daughter Pam (center) needed a place to live. Unfortunately, we had to tell her that Phase 1 was a long way off. But we put her on the waiting list; and we stayed in contact. Over the last year and a half, a lot has happened: Pam went to the Summer Camp at Central Hills and got to know some future residents of SON Valley. Pam and Cornelia's Pastor (Louis Smith) and Church (Black Jack Baptist) got involved with SON Valley. They came and volunteered to help build Phase 1. And they put SON Valley in the monthly budget. Pam came to SON Valley and met Miss Mississippi, Taryn Foshee. While Pam was at SON Valley, she did some excellent painting on the Yellow House (center L), and she picked out her room in the Green house. What a day she had! Cornelia's niece Kathy Crawford (L above) in Slayden learned about SON Valley... and got interested ... and got Slayden



SUPPORTERS

Baptist interested. They came down to volunteer on October 21; invited Bill McCormack to visit Slayden Baptist for the October 22 evening service, (pic on left) at which they donated over \$1000! So Pam Pepper is set to enter Phase 1 in the first quarter. Along the way, she got involved in spreading the word about SON Valley. Two churches have learned about us and have become supporters and friends. Cornelia is happy someone told her

about **SON Valley!**



VOLUNTEERS

WISH LIST

PRAYER the Power behind SON Valley

SIDEWALKS
PAVED DRIVE AND PARKING LOT
BUILDING FOR OFFICE SPACE
FURNITURE—HOME AND OFFICE
PC'S AND SERVER
TELEPHONE SYSTEM
TRANSPORTATION VANS
LANDSCAPING
GRASS/SOD
WASHERS AND DRYERS
KITCHEN UTENSILS/DISHES/SILVERWARE



TWIN LAKES BAPTIST FEED VOLUNTEERS

Left to Right: Charles McInnis, Frank & Delores Ginn, Joan Brown, Dot McInnis and Frank Roever.

UNION WEST JOINS SON VALLEY

In October 2003, the pastor of Union West Baptist Church called Bill McCormack and told him that he felt led by the Lord to learn more about SON Valley. So Bill made an early Sunday morning visit to Union West (on County Road 313 in Lafayette County) for a Brotherhood breakfast. During the meeting, Dean Varner told Bill, "My wife and I have been looking for a place that will take care of our daughter, especially after we're not here." Three years later, the pastor is back home in Alabama and Derrick Starnes is now the pastor. Dean and Patty Varner know that SON Valley is where they want their daughter Karen to live. Karen is slated to be one of the residents in Phase 1. Dean and Patty brought 15 of their Union West church family, along with Pastor Starnes, to SON Valley on October 21. Karen got to see SON Valley for the first time and is eager to move in. Her big question was, "Who is going to be my roommate?" We promised to choose someone special for her. Dean and Patty believe they found the right place for Karen. But the story won't end when Karen moves in; it will just be starting. And it won't end for Union West either. Brother Derrick said that he would like to bring a group back down after Karen is settled. They want to visit her and learn about the new life she will be leading; maybe they'll bring a picnic lunch.

We believe that's how the Lord has built SON Valley and how He will continue to help it grow. You see, there's a rumor that Union West is considering putting SON Valley in their budget. And Karen's sister in Water Valley is trying to get us in her church's budget also. That's how the Lord will build Phase 2 and Phase 3 and...



Karen



May the Blessings of
Christmas be with you
Today and always.
Merry Christmas
Happy New Year

SON Valley Friends



What's Missing here?
Asphalt paving that's what!
Black **GOLD**



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with it. Don't have a card? Contact us and we
will send you one for \$5.00 (pre-loaded on the
card) - GET SEVERAL TODAY



WHAT WE NEED FOR CHRISTMAS!

APAC has given us an excellent price to pave the road and
parking area (\$31,625). Please pray that someone will be
led to help us get it done before the year ends.

This price given to us by Apac Paving Company is gener-
ously at their cost! Thanks to Beth & BG Sollie for getting them interested in
SON Valley's needs. This offer is only good through the end of the year.
We cannot let this opportunity pass us by! We are trusting that God is faithful
and has someone whose heart He has been working on to contribute the
funds. We ask that you pray with us about this, seeking His will if you are
that special person or what you can do to help. 601-940-8444

MISSION STATEMENT

to build a quality
Christian Community
for adults with mental
retardation, ministering
to their physical,
spiritual, mental,
vocational and
recreational needs.



"...for as you do unto one
of these least of my brothers,
you have done it unto Me." Matthew 25: 40