SPRINGDALE OFFERING SUPPORT  
November 16, 2011

Present:  Mayor Webster, Julie Matheny, Bob Diehl, Deb Graziano, Marsha Bemmes-Hoctor, Carolyn Ghantous, Jim Squires, Greg Karle, and Cammie Mitrione

The minutes of October 19, 2011 were approved.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Hotel/Motel Vouchers
Bob Diehl reported that he had received one voucher from Extended Stay, one from Super 8, two from the Atrium, one coming from Extended Stay (Chesterdale) and a verbal commitment from La Quinta.

Needs Assessments
Mrs. Mitrione reported that Mrs. Nassar’s request from September 20 has been completed. Another resident is having financial difficulty, needs help with utility bill. They were given $25 gift card and application to sign up for Adopt a Family.

Mrs. Ghantous said she had a new number to call to make arrangements with Duke for payment and will e-mail it to Mrs. Mitrione.

Adopt a Family Program
Marsha Bemmes-Hoctor said we need help with twenty-eight Hispanic families. She is meeting with Jose Galicia to see what he can do. She said GE is having a food drive and donating food.

The Christmas wrapping party will be held on December 12th at 10 a.m. Cammie Mitrione and Barbara Thetford will be in charge. Mrs. Mitrione stated there are no bags and we need tissue paper, ribbon, tags and large boxes.

Mrs. Matheny said she would purchase those items. She also said she would contact Frame USA about donating $250 to buy coats.

Delivery of gifts will be on December 14th and 15th from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The group authorized $1400 to be spent out of the Christmas fund for gifts and more from the general account if needed.

Mrs. Mitrione will make a handout for the tree lighting ceremony.

NEW BUSINESS

Request for help from SOUL Ministries
Cammie Mitrione had an e-mail from the Doeblings asking for help preparing for the Pancake Breakfast at Forest Chapel UMC and also night time shoppers to work 6-8 p.m. Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday.
TREASURER’S REPORT
Julie Matheny reported there is $4773.58 in the checking account and $1225.32 in the Christmas fund. She said a check for $478 was written for the Niehaus project and $500 for SWAC at Target. She said $170 in donations has been received.

Mrs. Matheny said she purchased eight e-cards from Target but they could only be used online. Target said they would take the e-cards back and credit the account. She then purchased eight gift cards at the Target Store but has not received the credit for the e-cards yet.

NEXT MEETING – December 21, 2011

Respectfully submitted,

Cammie Mitrione, Secretary