



Eveline's Sunshine Cottage Newsletter

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4th Week Pantry

It has happened to many of us---“there is too much month left at the end of the paycheck”. By the end of the third week of the month the pay check is gone and there are still sweet little mouths to feed. That is the dilemma that our families face in Eveline’s Sunshine cottage. With your help, we are going to work to solve the problem. A “4th week pantry” is being created. It will include the likes of canned fruits and vegetables, canned tuna and chicken, crackers, string cheese, fresh fruits, soups, chili and stews and even if you choose to make casseroles, we have a freezer for the homemade and frozen items.

Please think about this project. Our families are working very hard to make a difference in their lives, and then will become productive individuals in the lives of those in our community.

SHOP FOR YOU AND ALSO PLEASE SHOP FOR US.

THANK YOU FOR “PICNIC IN THE PARK”

This past Spring, a fantastic group of women took an idea and made it into a very fun, successful event, and Eveline’s Sunshine Cottage is very grateful for all of their efforts. Susie O’Brien, Caroline Smith, Alice O’Brien, Jamie Carroll and Becky McKinley - “Chef”, created an outdoor event that became an informative, eye-opening experience for all of those who attended. This luncheon was planned to share with and present, “Who we are, Where we are and What we do” at Eveline’s Sunshine Cottage. All of this taking place in our own shady park, attached to our property. We would like say Thank You to all of these women and to all of those who attended. AND as the saying goes, “God willin’, and the creek don’t rise”, we will enjoy this event again next May.

EXCITING THINGS HAPPENING!!!

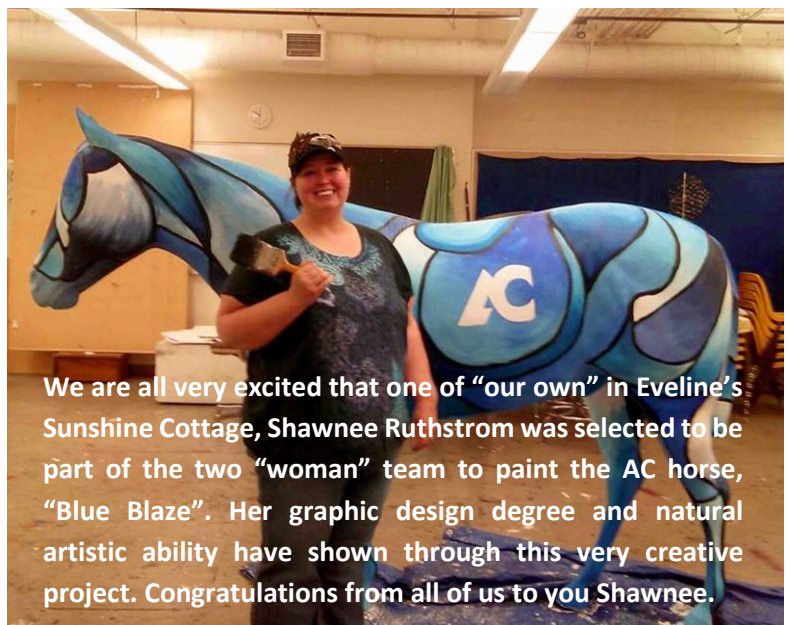
Due to a fire, construction on our new apartments will begin soon. With much support from our community, we are ready to rebuild! During the winter, please drive by and watch the progress over the next few months. In the Summer of 2015, we will be able to add additional families to Eveline’s Sunshine Cottage.....Mom’s to our “sisterhood”, and children who will have new found friends.



Marley Jo



Josey, Michael and Haley



We are all very excited that one of “our own” in Eveline’s Sunshine Cottage, Shawnee Ruthstrom was selected to be part of the two “woman” team to paint the AC horse, “Blue Blaze”. Her graphic design degree and natural artistic ability have shown through this very creative project. Congratulations from all of us to you Shawnee.

“A DREAM COME TRUE”

A YOUNG, TEENAGE Mother-----
----not sure of the road ahead.....and
now 7 years later, she is on the road to
“establishing” herself. Jessica Welch
came to Eveline’s Sunshine Cottages
with the responsibility of her young
family, and the desire and
determination to be an educated
success. After much hard work, Jessica
graduated in May with her Bachelor of
Science Degree in Nursing, a 4 year
degree, with an overall 3.2 grade
average. ALL along the way of
obtaining this degree, she showed her
3 children the importance of
education and instilled into each one
of them, the desire to become college
educated. This family meets our goal.
The goal of the Mother to obtain her
college degree, the Mother to be a
role model for her children, and both
generations to be educated and to get
off of the government system. Jessica,
from everyone connected to Eveline’s
Sunshine Cottage—Congratulations
for a **Job Well Done.**



UT Graduate Jessica Welch



**Destiny, Kaden and Keja
1st day of school**



**Jessica with her
Children at her UT
Graduation**



**Destiny and Kaden are
loving karate class.**

“SHENEKA WALLACE IS ON THE MOVE!!!!”

This wonderful, single Mom of 4 super children is on the pursuit of her
dream. She is going to become an Educator! Sheneka completed her
associate degree from Amarillo College this past summer, and is now
on the road to obtaining her 4 year degree from West Texas A&M. The
Journey for Sheneka and for all of Eveline’s Sunshine Cottage Mom’s is
never easy. It is endless studying, part time jobs, along with doing
everything that needs to be done for the children— all as a single
parent. Sheneka is being the role model for her children-showing them
the importance of education. SHENEKA—we the Board of Directors of
Eveline’s Sunshine Cottage are very proud of you and Congratulations
on your graduation from Amarillo College!!!!



**Tamiya, Ty Asia, Tenecia,
Marquise**

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Christmas Gift Giving

The holidays are fast approaching, and our families are no different than anyone else....they are making their Christmas Lists.....and redoing their list....and redoing their list!!!!!! If you would enjoy adopting one of “our” families to add to your holiday giving, please call us. We have families with one child up to a family with four children. We are working with both the parent and the child to teach the value of money. Each older child is on a budget as to how much can be spent on their gifts, and we are trying to pass this on to the parent as the younger child's gifts also are on a budget factor. Children up to age 5 will have a list with a budget of \$75. The budgets for other ages are as follows: 6-12 years -\$100, 13-18 years \$125. and the budget for gifts for the Mom is \$150. Most Moms choose household items that they will use when they graduate. The children are asked to complete the following questionnaire to determine their list:

I want/ I Need _____
 I'll wear/ I'll read _____
 I'd love my third present to be: _____

If you choose to shop for our families, we will wrap the gifts for you, in order to help you with your limited time during the holidays. We have 6 families from which you can choose for your Holiday Sharing!!!! Call us---372-3985

Community Partners

(Those referring our exceptional Clients)

- Faith City Mission Family Shelter
- Martha’s Home
- Downtown Women’s Center
- Cal Farley’s Boys Ranch
- AISSD
- Region 16
- Family Support Services



Pool



Party



2014



Needs List

- Large boxes – Tide
- Clorox Bleach
- Toilet Paper
- Bounce Dryer Sheets
- Pine sol
- Paper Plates
- Paper Napkins
- Paper towels
- Liquid Dishwashing Soap
- Comet Cleanser
- Aluminum Foil
- Zip Lock Bags
- Garbage Bags
- Warm winter gloves & hats
- School Supplies
- Gasoline Gift Cards

Share a Meal

All six of our families (and that includes 17 children) are swamped with studying during “finals” week. So in the past we have encouraged you to help with their “finals” week meals. That lightens the load of the Moms who are studying to make the best grades possible. From now until the first week in December, make casseroles and put them into your freezer, and then share them with us. The families thoroughly enjoy the variety and the easiness with which a meal appears on the table. Or if you chose not to cook, “Gift Cards” are great helping hands during the busy time of the year. (Fresh fruit and cookies can be devoured also).