



*Judy Welch, Clint Littleton, Doug Davis, **Harley Herndon**,
Dean DeWall, Skip Attinger, Ron Hill,
Luella & Cynthia Robinson, James Butler*



Tina George

Volunteer Spotlight

In 2007, Harley Herndon was electrocuted when he made contact with a high-power line -- an accident that changed his life forever due to the burns and nerve damage in his hands and the loss of a leg. Our volunteer Skip Attinger survived a similar accident many years ago, and his assistance and encouragement resulted in Harley using his machinist and construction skills to serve Hart Felt clients, especially those with amputations.

Harley had to endure a lengthy rehabilitation, and safety considerations dictated that he retire from his 20-year Navy career as a machine repairman. But his talents and resilience enable him to do repairs and build handicap ramps for Hart Felt, along with handyman projects for the Mayport Child Development Center where his wife, Dot, works.

Harley owns two prostheses, one of which is made for swimming and wet conditions. He loves to play golf and play with his two small grandchildren. He is currently growing a beard for the role of the Apostle Paul at Mayport Chapel's vacation Bible school, and he says their men's fellowship helped him through his ordeal. "God has blessed me," Harley says, and he is passing that blessing along to Hart Felt clients.

Client Spotlight

At age 19, Tina George dove off a 12 foot cliff on the Chattahoochee River into an invisible sandbar. She was paralyzed from the neck down, eventually regaining some use of her arms. While in rehab, she received encouraging visits from former Alabama Governor George Wallace, who was also wheelchair bound.

Tina's response to her predicament was typical of her positive attitude. She obtained her G.E.D. and studied criminal justice at Auburn University, where she met her husband, Arthur. Unfortunately, when her mother became ill, Tina left school and returned to her hometown Jacksonville. A car accident 10 years ago caused more injuries, and now Tina is virtually bed bound with Arthur as her 24/7 caregiver. She learned of Hart Felt some years ago when she needed a replacement wheelchair. Since that time, they have met many of her basic needs, along with home repairs, advocacy, and -- most appreciated of all -- encouraging visits.

Tina is especially fond of our volunteers Pastor Orrin Hall and Joan Scarbrough. The Georges' two children, three grandchildren, and Tina's love of reading Christian books all keep her spirits lifted. Most of all, Tina says, she's happy to be alive. "God's got a purpose for me."



Statistics for the Last 12 Months:

Volunteers: 152 ♥ Clients: 291 ♥ Donated Hours: 8,515
5,200 Individual Acts of Love ♥ Value to Community: \$163,000

Save the date!

Two opportunities to attend an Alzheimer's Disease continuing education program designed especially for Hart Felt Ministries and conducted by a representative from the Alzheimer's Association.

Thursday, June 25th - 6 to 8 pm - Alzheimer's Association office on Salisbury Rd.

Saturday, June 27th - 9 to 11am - Beach United Methodist Church - Family Life Center

Contact Kaye Lawson at kayeatlen@aol.com or 241-3609 to RSVP for this event.

Welcome New Volunteers:

Latriese Singleton
 Len Spillert
 Judy Spillert
 Margaret Abraham
 Yolie Macon
 Tim Baysore
 Stacey Pues
 Marie Thomas
 Susan McKindles
 Susan Thieman
 Dave Pellicer
 Carolyn Bothwell
 Julie Martin
 Marilyn Murray
 Mel Flynn
 Ben Black
 Andrea Henderson
 Kim Pitcock
 Amy Houser
 Barbara Clements
 Nancy Baker
 Barbara Owen
 Ron Owen
 Peggy Arrington
 Pat Durkin
 Hugh Nicol

Best Of Jacksonville 2009

For the second consecutive year, Hart Felt Ministries has been selected *Best of Jacksonville* in the Senior Citizens Service category by the U.S. Local Business Association. Nationwide, only 1 in 70 (1.4%) of the award recipients qualified as winners in both 2008 and 2009. Congratulations to all of our wonderful volunteers who have created and continue to sustain our standards of excellence in caring for their Hart Felt clients.



Hurricane Preparedness

Hurricane season is here again, and although Jacksonville has been largely spared, we must continue to be prepared. If you have special medical needs and require assistance and sheltering during evacuations, you must register with Fire and Rescue Department, Emergency Preparedness Division each year. If you have not yet received registration forms and a cover letter from Hart Felt Ministries, please contact Kaye Lawson at kayeatlen@aol.com or 241-3609.

Joy Martin, Mayor's Female Senior Citizen of the Year

At the recent Senior Expo, Joy Martin received Mayor Peyton's 2009 *Female Senior Citizen of the Year Award* for her work through Hart Felt Ministries. In 2008, Joy provided one or more of our services to over 120 of our clients, donating 829 hours of service to her community. Her positive outlook, boundless energy, tireless compassion, and deep loyalty to this organization set an example for all of us, and we congratulate Joy on this well-earned recognition.

Herb Helsel, Exec. Dir. of COEA and Joy Martin



Yard Cleanup Project



Robert Roane and Trish Philbin

CIT designates each May as Volunteer Month and encourages its employees to set aside one day to serve others in their local community. Hart Felt client, Robert Roane, was selected by Trish Philbin and six of her co-workers to fulfill his request for a yard cleanup. There was much pruning, cutting down, raking, and hauling required to clean up the overgrown property, but the CIT group accepted the challenge and volunteered not just one day, but several days. They worked in the heat and the rain, fully committed to completing the task at hand. Thank you Trish Philbin, Bill Massat, Kenneth Green (and father Ray Green), Dean Cook (and son Brandon Cook), Bonnie Boothe, Jennifer Repik, and Kelly Black-Swartz for your compassionate hearts and willing hands.

Northeast Florida Community Action Agency

The **Home Energy Assistance Program** provides financial assistance to low-income families with high-burden energy costs. The **Weatherization Program** helps families reduce future energy costs by funding home repairs that improve energy efficiency and conservation. For more information, call 398-7472 or visit www.nfcaa.org.

Emergency Services Appointments are only taken on Fridays from 8:00–10:00 am Call (904) 301-2812, (904) 301-2813, or (904) 301-2816.

Our mission is to provide, at no charge, through a network of community volunteers, non-medical support services and companionship to the frail elderly who require assistance in living independently.

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