

# NEW HORIZONS GROUP HOMES



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## BBQ/SILENT AUCTION

Summer for New Horizons always has us looking forward to our annual fall BBQ/Silent Auction, the major fundraiser of each year. This year we would like to invite you to our 27<sup>th</sup> BBQ and 13<sup>th</sup> Silent Auction, which will be held on Saturday October 1. This is a change from what was in the last letter, so if you marked your calendar, please make this change:

**Saturday, October 1st**

**11:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.**

**Central Baptist Christian School Gymnasium**

**402 E. Windhorst Road**

**Brandon, FL**

**Tickets: \$20**

Tickets may be purchased from board members, family members and friends, or by calling the New Horizons office at 813-571-2690. Although tickets may be purchased at the door, purchasing them in advance helps us with ordering the food.

We are looking forward to another afternoon of re-connecting with our good friends, **Dennis Lee and his band and the amazing Stephanie Ann on her unique fiddle!** We also look forward to visiting with all of our friends as we enjoy a delicious meal catered by **BubbaQue's** and our silent auction that is made possible by our wonderful friends and businesses in the Brandon, Valrico, Riverview and Tampa areas.

This year we are hoping to raise at least \$20,000 to restock our reserves, which have been declining due to rising costs for everything, declining donations and having several openings in the homes. **If you could help with sponsoring the event, that would help us tremendously!** Please send your donation to New Horizons and indicate that it is to sponsor the BBQ/Silent Auction.

This year we will have a special treat! **We will have our very first calendar featuring our residents photographed at the University of Tampa.** The calendars are \$15, and we are excited to share them with our friends as a great way to remember our residents throughout all of 2023!

## 23<sup>rd</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION LUNCHEON

We were thrilled to have many of you join us at our 23<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary Celebration Luncheon in June. Our sincere thanks go out to First Baptist Church Brandon for providing us the perfect venue to enjoy a delicious meal while having sweet fellowship with good friends. We are also extremely grateful to our very good friend, **Sally Thompson**, who graciously had a book signing for her wonderful book, **The Hole in the Fence Friends** and donated to New Horizons all of the proceeds from the books sold that day.

We also had an entertaining and informative program. **Peter Watkins** gave a brief history of New Horizons and **Shannon Griffith** spoke on the State of New Horizons, after which **Kerri Stoner, a resident of the Creamer Home**, shared her musical talent by playing a song that she performed from her recent piano recital. We are so proud of her! Her dad, **Steve Stoner**, shared what New Horizons has meant to his family, after which **Sally Thompson** spoke about how her book came about—definitely inspired by God! The highlight of the afternoon was our residents singing a song written for them by Sally, who accompanied them on the piano. They were directed by **Suzanne Day**. **All in all, it was a delightful day!**

## Thank you to our sponsors/donors:

**Carolyn Barlow**

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**Jim & Jeanine Bryant**

**Steve & Mary Stoner**

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**Joel & Beth Tyree**

**Moreno's Bakery**

**Alton Ward**



Sally Thompson



Our Amazing Residents!

***PAINTING WITH A TWIST***

Painting with a Twist on Lumsden Road recently hosted a fundraiser for New Horizons. Eighteen friends of New Horizons enjoyed learning to paint a lovely fall scene while helping out a great cause. A big thank you to Painting with a Twist and all who attended!

***RESIDENT ACTIVITIES***

Our residents stay busy with their regular daytime activities, whether it be working in the community or day programs. They are also found at First Baptist Brandon on Sundays and bowling on Saturdays. In addition to all of this, the last few months have found them at a very nice prom in Tampa, a 4<sup>th</sup> of July party at the homes, and a Sunday service at Friendship Baptist Church in Sun City Center, where our friend, Dave Ungar is the pastor.



Juan, John and Shawn working on 4th of July craft

***NEWSLETTERS***

*If you would like your newsletter to arrive by e-mail, notify me at [brenda\\_watkins@verizon.net](mailto:brenda_watkins@verizon.net). Please be sure to include your name. Thanks!*

***MISSION STATEMENT***

**It is our mission to provide a family-oriented, Christian living environment supporting adults with disabilities, enabling them to achieve their highest potential for independence through faith, family, choices, dignity and respect.**

*“I tell you the truth, whatever you do for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you do for me.”  
Matthew 25:40*

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Thank you for supporting New Horizons Group Homes. We also appreciate your gifts of time and talent and covet your prayers.

Amount of contribution: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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If you would like to make a contribution using your debit/credit card, please go to our web site ([www.newhorizonshomes.org](http://www.newhorizonshomes.org)) and click on the Donate button.

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