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26th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION LUNCHEON

Now that we have celebrated one-fourth of a century in operation, we are beginning the road to our half-century mark! If this goes as fast as our first 25 years, we'll be there in no time! As we continue this journey, we would like to invite you to join us as we celebrate our residents at our 26th Anniversary Celebration Luncheon:

Saturday, April 26, 2025 Noon – 2 p.m. First Baptist Church Brandon Dining Hall 216 N. Parsons Avenue, Brandon, FL

Tickets are \$25, or you may sponsor a table for 8 for \$175. For details about purchasing individual tickets or sponsoring a table, please contact one of the following:

Shannon Griffith at 813-363-2078 Brenda Watkins at 813-653-2466.

Deadline for purchasing tickets is April 18th.

There will be a drawing for two very nice items. Tickets will be \$5 each or \$20 for five.



Pleasant words are like honey, sweet to the spirit and healing to the body.

Proverbs 16:24

When you sponsor a table, you ask seven of your friends to join you, they pay you and you pay for the table. That is all you need to do! You might want to ask a friend who does not know about NHGH!

We would also like for some of you to sponsor the event, so that all proceeds can be used to benefit our residents. If you are able to help in this way, please send a check to New Horizons, indicating that it is to sponsor the luncheon.

We would like to thank all of you who have been faithful in supporting New Horizons for many years. We would not be where we are without you, and we definitely would not be here without having God's hand on New Horizons from the very beginning.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

We have enjoyed a pancake breakfast fundraiser at the Valrico Applebee's for several years. This is always a fun morning, and the staff at Applebee's is wonderful, opening the restaurant and cooking a delicious breakfast of pancakes, sausage, juice and coffee. This year, the breakfast will be on Saturday, March 29, 8 a.m. – 10 a.m. Tickets are \$10, and can be purchased in advance from any board member. Tickets will not be sold at the door.

NEWSLETTER BY E-MAIL

If you would like to receive letters by e-mail, send your e-mail address to brenda_watkins@verizon.net.

If you would like to be removed from the mailing list, send an e-mail to the above address or call New Horizons at 813-571-2690.

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. PAGE 2 MARCH 2025

RESIDENT ACTIVITIES

If you know our residents, you know that they stay busy! Since our last newsletter, December saw them enjoying several parties. First, there was the New Horizons Family Christmas Party, always a good time to fellowship with our residents and their families. Then they were treated to a party by the third graders from **Central Baptist Christian School**. This class has been coming to NHGH to bless our residents for at least 20 years, and both groups always look forward to this special evening. Next on the calendar was the Special Ministries Christmas party, which is always a highlight of their year.

February saw several special occasions for our residents. First, Kerri celebrated her 20-year anniversary working at McDonald's. **Kerri, we congratulate you!** Then they enjoyed a special Valentine's Day dance, "The Ball for All," at the Brandon Rec Center. Also, **Natalie** was able to attend the Tim Tebow Dance in Lakeland, which was a wonderful experience for her. Finally, they were able to enjoy a very good movie at AMC Regency, followed by dinner at CiCi's with their Special Ministries Life Group at FBC Brandon.

Finally, by the time you read this, they will be excitedly anticipating the Strawberry Festival, where they are looking forward to seeing their favorite entertainer, Dennis Lee.

OPENINGS IN THE HOMES

New Horizons currently has openings for four men, and the residents are eagerly waiting to see who will join them in the Storms Home and the Watkins Home. If you know of someone who would benefit from being in a home where they are supervised 24/7, while being treated with respect and love and being encouraged to be all that God created them to be, please send them our way! **Tiffany Hofeditz**, our administrator, would love to show families our homes and answer any questions they may have. Her number is 813-571-2690. Keep in mind that residents must be able to take care of their own personal needs and need to be able to attend a day program or work in the community.

MONTHLY DONORS

We would like to thank our supporters who are already monthly donors. It helps to have an idea of what income we should expect each month. Of course, we also appreciate so much all of you who support us when it works best for you, so please do not stop! However, we really do need more monthly supporters because, frequently, unexpected expenses arise that need to be taken care of immediately. Please know that we have an excellent administrator and a board of directors (who are all volunteers) who keep a close watch on expenses, as well as our bottom line. One thing that has been obvious over the years is that God has always provided for our needs.

"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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