

# The House Next Door

NOVEMBER 2016

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## 40th Anniversary Celebration!





# From our House to Yours

Steve Sally, Chief Executive Officer

### Oh What a Night!



And it wasn't late December in '63 (showing my age here), but rather, late September in '16 but......OH WHAT A NIGHT! It was The House Next Door's and the community's 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration of our agency providing services to our local communities. It was a packed, sold out house of over 300 people who came together to celebrate forty years of our community helping the agency to "nurture and empower families to help build better communities". The Celebration was held at the City of DeLand's Sanborn Center and began with a fellowship hour with heavy hors doeuvres, music, silent auction, a camera booth opportunity and the unveiling of our first DeLand Christmas Collectible Series ornament which was a Christmas bulb commemorating our 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

The program opened with the DeLand Fire Department's Color Guard and the invocation being provided by First Presbyterian Church's Pastor, Patrick Wrisley followed by a City of DeLand proclamation being read by our Mayor Bob Apgar. Board member and Event Chairperson Helen Pardee welcomed the crowd and introduced Board President, Josh Mott who spoke about the agency's programs and his vision for the agency going forward. Ray Salazar, retired Volusia/Flagler United Way President, serving as the master of ceremonies, provided insights to the audience about some of the contributions that The House Next Door has provided and the agency' highlights. He then introduced Executive Director, Steve Sally and together they presented awards to the following for their contributions to the agency and the community: the Cook Family - Mike, Star, Mike Jr. and the late Bob Cook for three generations of their support, Larry Kent, a 25 year supporter of The House Next Door in Deltona, the DeLand Breakfast Rotary who has been supporting the HND for 25 years with contributions from their Wild Game Feast and other various supports and the founders of the agency and still a major supporter, the First Presbyterian Church of DeLand. The agency also surprised our original Executive Director, Ann Rogers-Fox-Grell, with her family by her side, with a rubystudded heart pendant for her 40 years of service to the agency. But the evening wasn't over yet! The crowd was invited to step out onto the veranda overlooking the stars illuminated pond for a fireworks show graciously donated by the Santore family. It was a magnificent show highlighted by a Grand Finale that would rival most Cities' Fourth of July celebrations!

In closing, we would like to thank all of our sponsors, gift basket donors, our Celebration Committee made up of our Board of Directors members and staff and "Super Community Volunteer", Rebecca Rawski, as well as all of our attendees. It really was a night to remember!

#### Congratulations to

The House Next Door Employees of the Month for:

- July 2016 Morgan Perun, Clinical Supervisor
- August 2016 Virginia Maldonaldo, The Little House Next Door, Lead Teacher
  - September 2016 Mary Thierry, Health Card Specialist



The Little House Next Door
Child Development Center

Hours: 6:30 a.m.— 6:00 p.m.

Monday through Friday

133 East Church Street, DeLand 386-740-8823

## The kids at The Little House Next Door enjoy some

#### Halloween fun!















#### The Value of a Volunteer

In the world of non-profit organizations, volunteers are one of our most valuable resources. If you Google, "the value of a volunteer", you will see that The Non-Profit Times states that a volunteer hour is valued at \$23.65. According to the publication, considered the leading publication for non-profit management, "...we could never truly put a price tag on what volunteers mean to their communities, we are proud to offer this figure to attempt to frame the immense value of the time and effort they give." But how do you put a value on a smile, a gentle word, creativity or long-term commitment? Those are the qualities that Bobbi Baugh brings with her every time she comes to volunteer with the children at our Homework Club after-school program. Bobbi is a local resident, longtime member of the business community, a working studio artist and member of the DeLand Breakfast Rotary. She has volunteered at The Homework Club for years, building relationships with the children. Her current project has involved working with the children, along with her co-volunteer, Mara Whitridge, two at a time, to create original paintings depicting their visions of superheroes. Each child's painting is placed in a mat board and displayed in the "art gallery" of the facility. Bobbi brings to the children in the program experiences that they otherwise might never have!

For those of you that attended our 40th Anniversary Celebration, Bobbi also designed our 40th logo!

Thank you Bobbi for giving so much of yourself to our community!

Please join us Thursday, December 15 for our "Visions of Superheroes" Art Show at The Homework Club, 5:00 pm at 422 S. Delaware St., DeLand

#### **Volunteer Opportunity**

After School Tutoring/Mentoring
"The Homework Club"

In partnership with West Volusia PAL
Children 6 to 12 years old in a high-risk community
For more information contact: Lori Grant at
Igrant@thehnd.com

386-734-6691 ext. 101













Thank you to Nancy Dooley and her Seacoast Bank team for coming out on November 5 to paint the ramp and stairs at our 121 W. Pennsylvania therapy site! The project was "adopted" by Seacoast Bank via United Way's "Make a Difference Day". The goal is to bring United Way funded agencies and corporate donors together to see, first-hand, the agency that they support through their United Way donations and hear about the specific programs that are

funded.



# Get Your HND Christmas Ornament!

Celebrate 40 years of service to our community with a House Next Door 40th Anniversary Ornament for \$10.00!

Go to www.thehnd.com to order or contact lgrant@thehnd.com







# Help us provide the services that have helped us keep our community strong!

- Mental Health Therapy
- Sexual Abuse Treatment
- Parenting Programs
- Family Intervention and Prevention Programs
- Quality After-School Mentoring and Tutoring
- Child Care Food Program
- The Little House Next Door Child Development Center

#### Christmas is just around the corner!!

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For each gift card purchased, The House Next Door receives a percentage of the gift card amount! It's that easy!

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Place an order on Amazon Smile and a percentage will come back to our agency. Go to amazonsmile.com and indicate you would like to support House Next Door Inc.

# A gift to The House Next Door is always appreciated!

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Board members,
Jake Wilkerson and
Helen Pardee
invite you to take a
look inside and see
what's new at The
House Next Door!