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On April 5, 2014, The House Next Door held the First Annual "Brake For Families" Fun Bike Ride

The community joined Board members and staff for a fun filled, fundraising morning at Gemini Springs. The community was invited to bring their bikes, trikes, big wheels and wagons, they could even walk to each of the 6 HND Stations to have their tickets stamped to be eligible for terrific give-a-ways! A wonderful family event! We are looking forward to next year! A special thank you to JC's Bike Shop for joining us! **Thank you to our Sponsors and donors:**



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Thank you to Frontier Communications for providing such wonderful volunteers for the event!



From our House to Yours

Steve Sally, Executive Director



The agency staff has been extremely busy for the past few months with all of the essential training necessary for EVOLV, our new Electronic Health Record system. This has been a huge project for our agency and I would like to thank our Project Director, Gail Hallmon, with assistance from Henry Estrada and Jennifer Nadelkov, for all of their time and effort on making this a success. We went LIVE on April 7!

We have had some good developments at the agency of late. The United Way had available funding of approximately \$17,000 for Counseling Services which they made available through an RFP (request for proposals). We applied for and received the funding which we are utilizing for counseling services on the east side of the County. We also were informed by the County of Volusia that our Lead Agency contract for Family Services, Prevention and Intervention of \$323,000 was being renewed for another year. We are receiving an increase in our contract from Community Partnership for Children and renewed funding from the West Volusia Hospital Authority. Additionally, we have moved our New Smyrna Beach counseling office to 307 North Orange Avenue where we are co-located with Stewart-Marchman-Act Behavioral Healthcare. We believe that we will see an increase in clients as we now will only be one block off the bus line. The funding for the lease space is being provided by the People Inspired Foundation, a local Foundation that also provided for last year's lease costs and continues to be a large supporter of the agency.

In April, we held our first annual Brake for Families event which was enjoyed by everyone attending the event. This family-health oriented event, which raised \$4,000, will be an event that should grow exponentially and become a large event. I would like to thank our Board of Directors who "dreamed" up the event and staffed it with support from our Development Director, Lori Grant. We moved into May with the DeLand Breakfast Rotary's Wild Game Feast being held on May 1. Our agency staff set up the arena the day before while at the event itself our staff, Board members, Foundation Board members and community volunteers manned the food lines serving approximately 1,350 patrons attending the Feast. I want to thank all of our over fifty House Next Door supporters who worked the event for their participation in helping to make the event a success.

Mark your calendars for our Annual Dinner which will be held at Cook's Buffet, Café and Bakery for the third consecutive year, hosted by Foundation Board members on June 3. Tickets are on sale for \$25.00 at Cook's Café and at The House Next Door.



On a beautiful day in May, the children from the Little House Next Door took a break from their walk to stop by the Morgan Stanley office on Woodland Boulevard.



Where will the kids be in our next issue? Remember, The Little House Next Door has slots available for children birth to five years old.



A huge thank you to Tim Parsons for volunteering his time and expertise creating The Little House Next Door yearbook for 2014! Tim's company is "Ghosted Designs". Tim's son, Viktor, just graduated from the center this past week and is on his way to kindergarten. Thanks again Tim and good luck Viktor!



"The Little House Next Door held its annual VPK graduation at Sunflower Park on May 21. The children, parents and teachers celebrated the children's accomplishments with a ceremony and lots of cake! "

The children are looking forward to moving on to Kindergarten!



Cook's Café once again hosted our annual dinner, The Dinner Next Door, on June 3. The Board of Directors, staff and community came out to help celebrate another great year for The House Next Door!

Thank you to our hosts Mike and Star Cook, our sponsor

James Moore & Co., Frontier Communications for being our guest servers, S.R. Perrott for donating the wine and a special thanks to Missy Woods for doing the invitations and flyers again this year!



On Saturday, April 26, in honor of former Stetson President, Doug Lee, Stetson students Heather Hamilton, Naudia Jones, Sam Ziegler, Sam Hamann and John Stautbe came to The Little House Next Door to distribute mulch. The Little House Next Door needed to have mulch



spread underneath the playground area for the safety of the children. It was a hot day and hard work!

April 26 was declared "Doug Lee Day" and students completed volunteer projects throughout the community. Thank you to our Stetson volunteers for their help!



Please don't forget, without the generous support of our community, we could not provide the vital services that we do.

Take a moment and fill out the form below. You could even make a donation on behalf of someone special in your life. What a wonderful gift! Thank you!

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Congratulations to The House Next Door Employees of the Month for:

February 2014: Morgan Perun, MA, RMHCI, RMFTI Morgan began her Practicum and Internship at The House Next Door in August of 2012. Once she graduated from Rollins College in May, 2013 with her Master of Arts degree, she was hired as a full time Therapist. Morgan was also our 2013 Intern of the Year. Morgan is based at the DeLand Counseling Center.

March 2014: Jennifer Nadelkov, MA, LMFT. Jennifer started at The HND in 2005 as an intern in the therapy department. After she graduated with her Mast of Arts from UCF in December of 2005, she began employment as a Contract Therapist. She then was hired as a full time Therapist in the Families Empowering Families program, then moving as a Therapist to the DeLand Counseling Center. In 2011, she was promoted to Clinical Site Supervisor at the Deltona Counseling Center.

April 2014: Lucia Russo McPherson and Hector Barreto. Two staff were chosen for the April Employee of the Month for taking on additional responsibilities with the Success By Design program, along with continuing their Prevention Specialist responsibilities in the Alpha program. Lucia has been with The HND since November of 1999 and is based at George Marks and Blue Lake Elementary Schools in DeLand. Hector has been with The HND since December 2008 and is based at Discovery and Spirit Elementary Schools in Deltona. They both are also at DeLand Middle School in DeLand with the Success By Design program.

The House Next Door created "Donation Houses" to be placed in local businesses to help generate awareness and an opportunity to raise money for the agency. Pictured are Debra Ann West, Executive Director of the Pioneer Settlement for the Creative Arts in Barberville and Jennifer White of Quality Quick Print in DeLand. Thank you for hosting our "Donation Houses!"

Also, thank you to Kevin Kearney for making our houses!

If you would like to "host a house" contact Lori Grant at lgrant@thehnd.com or 386-734-7571.





The House Next Door Board and staff once again volunteered for the 23rd Annual Wild Game Feast hosted by The DeLand Breakfast Rotary on May 1st, 2014. The event is always a good time!



Brake For Families” Fun Bike Ride!



The House Next Door Board of Directors would like to welcome our newest member, Kathy Venice, to the Board. Kathy was raised in Louisville, Kentucky. In 1994 she was hired by Papa John's Corporate offices as a legal executive assistant. For the next eleven years worked in four different states for Papa John's in various positions such as a field representative, corporate trainer and finally heading up a tourist marketing program in Florida. In 2005 she married Joe Venice and moved to Deland, FL. Deciding to take on the responsibilities of being a step parent to a four year old girl, she ended her professional career with Papa John's. While running her small start up marketing consulting business in Deland, FL she decided to completely dedicate herself to return to college and pursue her education and graduated with a BS in Psychology from The University of Central Florida.



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