



New Hope - Family News

New Hope Charities strengthens disadvantaged communities through programs and collaborations that support individuals and families as they develop the skills necessary to reach their full potential. Our ultimate goal is to build sustainable families and communities that will flourish.

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New Hope is recognized by Center for Non Profit Excellence



Individuals pictured: (right to left) Oscar R. Hernandez, Frank Miller, Lian Fanjul de Azqueta, Serena Baldwin and Patricia Allard (Center for Non Profit Excellence), Jose "Pepe" Fanjul, Father Patrick O'Neil, Catherine Fanjul, C. Gerald Goldsmith, John O'Neil and Lyanne Azqueta.

On February 12, 2008 the Center for Nonprofit Excellence presented New Hope Charities with a plaque recognizing their distinction among Palm Beach County nonprofit agencies. Of the 3,500 nonprofit agencies serving communities throughout South Florida, New Hope Charities is one of only 53 who have successfully met the standards established by the Center for Nonprofit Excellence.

Nearly 8 years ago, a coalition of public and private funders in Palm Beach County created what has become the Center for Nonprofit Excellence. Working with experts in the field, the funders created a uniform

set of standards for certification of nonprofit agency governance and administration, finance and human resource management. Their mission is to promote quality and accountability in the nonprofit community through leadership development, education, and management services. Their ultimate goal is to create the opportunity for all nonprofit organizations to achieve their highest level of success.

Representatives Patricia Allard and Serena Baldwin presented the plaque to Board Chairman Jose "Pepe" Fanjul, Presidents Lian Fanjul de Azqueta and Father Patrick O'Neil and Vice President and Treasurer Oscar R. Hernandez; as well as the other distinguished members of New Hope Charities Board of Directors.

Upon accepting the award, Mr. Jose "Pepe" Fanjul, made the following comment:

"We view this as an incredible accomplishment. We originally began New Hope as a grass roots food distribution program 18 years ago in our mother's garage. Now through much hard work, tremendous public support and an investment in the communities of Western Palm Beach County we are proud to have grown into a multi-service family and community strengthening charity. We thank the Center for Nonprofit Excellence for this recognition, we look forward to living up to his honor, and we will continue our work to improve the lives of those we serve."



Thank You

New Hope Charities would like to thank Parallax Productions and Mr. Juan Carlos Fanjul for their assistance in creating our new promotional video. Mr. Michael Kintzel (who shot the piece) and his terrific production team, returned after ten years to take a fresh look at New Hope; and what a terrific job they did. With the help of WPEC-TV anchor Juan Carlos Fanjul (who narrated the video) and New Hope Charities' wonderful volunteers, students and staff—the production team spent 2 days in Pahokee shooting footage of the new center and clinic, the classrooms, students, the food distribution program and some of the local neighborhoods. The new video will be used to promote the agency at fundraising events, conferences and meetings. New Hope Charities also created a 30 second Public Service Announcement and is seeking an on-air sponsor. Call 561-366-5096 if you can help.

2nd Annual Spring Fiesta

The Spring Fiesta fundraiser took place on April 26, 2008 at the lovely estate of Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Poole and featured Latin cuisine by Sandy James Fine Food and Productions, Libations courtesy of Bacardi, coffee by Pilon and music by Spanish Grammy Nominee and DJ to Gloria Estefan – Mr. Carlos Sarli. In addition to the delicious food, refreshing spirits and marvelous music – guests who attended the celebration were able to bid on luxury items in the silent auction, purchase raffle tickets for fabulous prizes (including a 4-day/3-night vacation to the beautiful Casa de Campo Resort in the Dominican Republic) and were treated to a preview of New Hope Charities’ new video which was produced by Parallax Productions, narrated by news anchor Juan Carlos Fanjul and highlights the amazing work being done by this outstanding not for profit agency.

“ We created the Spring Fiesta in order to introduce New Hope and its Mission to the extremely generous and socially conscious community of Wellington”, says New Hope Charities’ Executive Director –Ms. Lyanne Azqueta. “ After receiving an incredible response last year we persuaded our Board of Directors to add this event to our annual fundraising calendar and we are so glad that we did; for once again the residents of Wellington proved just how big their hearts are when it comes to assisting those less fortunate than themselves.” Ms. Azqueta added, “ We are certain that this is the beginning of a tremendous relationship between New Hope and the residents of Wellington that will continue for years to come.” That commitment was certainly evident by the list of guests that attended Saturday evening’s festivities; for it included many of Wellington’s social elite and participation by District 6 County Commissioner Mr. Jess Santamaria.

The evening was planned by co-chairs Michele Poole and Milagros Rivera; as well as committee members Mrs. Maria Becker, Mrs. Aggie Stoops, Mrs. Susan Warmington, Ms. Blanca Mackrey and New Hope’s most steadfast volunteer Mrs. Berta Pons. The net of this year’s event was \$17,000.00.

Funds raised at this year’s Spring Fiesta will allow New Hope Charities to expand its vital programs and services while increasing the number of clients successfully served. Among the services New Hope provides are health and education classes, ESOL classes, after school programs, summer camp programs, economics and literacy programs, computer lab, a fully functioning lending library (operated in collaboration with the Palm Beach County Library System) and our highly successful food distribution program – which meets the needs of 250 families each month. The new health clinic is run in collaboration with a local physician, Dr. Pedro Sanchez and provides free health care to the community. The facility will soon expand its services to include pediatric dentistry in conjunction with Nova University.

Spring Fiesta sponsors included: Mr. Dixon Boardman and the Optima Charitable Foundation, Bacardi, Mr. and Mrs. Jeffrey Stoops, Dr. Kishore Dass, Dr. Ben Han, Palms West Hospital, Palm Beach Urology Associates, P.A. and Florida Crystals.

See you next year!



Mrs. Maria Becker, Commissioner Jess Santamaria, Mrs. Lian Fanjul de Azqueta and Lyanne Azqueta



Spring Fiesta hosts: Mr. Rodney Poole and Mrs. Michele Poole



Mr. and Mrs. Herman Gomez



New Hope Charities students present a gift card created by the students in the program to Mrs. Michele Poole for her generosity.

New Hope Spotlight



Caitlyn Esparza

New Hope Charities is proud to shine the spotlight this month on one of our brightest and most lovely young students, Caitlyn Esparza. Caitlyn is 12 years old and the daughter of Daniella Fonseca, the administrative assistant at our Family Center in Pahokee, Florida; and the granddaughter of one of our top counselors Janie Garcia, who teaches ESOL and Literacy.

Caitlyn, a native Floridian, has attended New Hope Charities’ after-school program since she was 8 years old. During the course of those four years staff all agree that Caitlyn has become an intelligent and respectful young person. She is always willing to help the teachers and students alike and as a result, has become a positive role model for New Hope’s younger students. As if that were not enough, Caitlyn’s academic performance is outstanding! Recently, Take Stock In Children awarded Caitlyn a scholarship track in their highly sought after “mentoring program”. There is no doubt in anyone’s mind that Caitlyn will take full advantage of this terrific opportunity by going off to college in the future.

There are some tough guidelines that must be met by each student in order for them to receive the full four year tuition scholarship which include: completing the mentoring process and maintaining exemplary academic performance throughout their middle and high school years. In addition to Caitlyn, four other New Hope Charities students have been awarded scholarships. They are: Daisy Jimenez-13 yrs old, Alexander Medrano-12 yrs old, and Eric Lawson-14 yrs old.

“ We are extremely proud of these young people and their tremendous accomplishments ”, says Guillermo Rivera – program director for the center. *“ We wish great things for them all. ”*

Like most 12 year old girls, Caitlyn also enjoys an active recreational and social life; as well as, reading and volunteering at the local Senior Citizen Center in Pahokee. The inside scoop is that she has a secret passion for the show “Naked Brothers Band” – which is a documentary, rockumentary, mockumentary musical comedy television series. Your secret is safe with us Caitlyn; oh, and the hundreds of readers we have sent this newsletter to.

New Hope Center “Wish List”

The following items are needed at our family center in Pahokee, Florida. If you or someone you know might be able to assist us in acquiring these articles- please contact our offices at (561)366-5093. We have included the name of the item and the lowest estimated price that we have been able to find.

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| 1. | Playground set | \$7,000.00 |
| 2. | Carpeting for the computer lab | \$2,500.00 |
| 3. | Outside lighting | \$2,000.00 |
| 4. | Floor buffer | \$1,500.00 |
| 5. | Pool Table with balls and cues | \$1,500.00 |
| 6. | Chapel electrical | \$1,500.00 |



We thank you in advance for your support!

Golf for Kids Tournament

Players teed off for the 8th Annual New Hope Charities' Golf for Kids Tournament on Tuesday, April 29, 2008 at the beautiful Dye Preserve in Jupiter; and what a beautiful day it was!

The tournament, sponsored by the William H. Pitt Foundation and Florida Crystals Corporation, was chaired again this year by Alex Fanjul and William Surtees and successfully netted \$70,000 to support programs and services offered by New Hope Charities to the deserving men, women and children of Western Palm Beach County.

"New Hope Charities provides a nurturing environment for children and valuable support to hundreds of worthy families in the Glades communities," said Alex Fanjul, President of Osceola Farms, a Florida Crystals subsidiary. "This tournament is a lot of fun to play in. When else can you spend a terrific afternoon playing golf on a world class course and enjoy the company of good friends; all while raising money for an important cause. I am pleased that this event is able to provide crucial funding necessary to assist those in need."

Other sponsors for the event included: Mr. George Merck and the Palm Beach Prayer Team Ministries, AON Risk Management, The Mary W. Harriman Foundation, Sugar Supply, Inc., Al Packer Ford, RioBak, The E. Burke Ross Charitable Foundation, J & G Transport, Glade & Grove, KPMG, Quest Media, Everglades Farm Equipment, Lore Dodge, Lucia Musso, Mashmeyer Construction and Pete Dye.

First place tournament winners were Robert Simses, Andy Simses, Robert Montero, and Peter Colangelo who narrowly beat the title holding team led by John O'Neil, New Hope Charities Board Member. Robert Simses also won a score of the raffle prizes including the grand prize – a 4 day 3 night trip to the spectacular resort *Casa de Campo* in the Dominican Republic. Golfers and guests enjoyed a continental breakfast and a traditional Cuban luncheon of roasted pork, plantains, black beans and rice and flan.

"Pahokee or Bust" – New Hope takes a bus trip



Ms. Dinah Fulton, bus trip guest, stops to chat with New Hope student

April 3, 2008 was a perfect day for a bus ride; at least that was the consensus of the thirty some individuals who boarded a luxurious Superior Charter bus at St. Juliana's Church in West Palm Beach and headed west to tour the new facility in Pahokee, Florida.

New Hope Charities Board member, Advisory Board Chairperson and Co-chair of the Holiday Bazaar, Mrs. Cathie Fanjul, spearheaded the trip providing dinner and libations for all who attended.

"We have to find new and innovative ways to get the word out about what is happening in Pahokee and the communities of the Glades" commented Cathie Fanjul. "New Hope is doing such a great job, but there is so much more that can be done if we can just introduce as many people possible to the mission of this agency –and that is the purpose of today."

The guests were treated to a tour of the entire New Hope campus which includes; the Health and Education Center, the Chelsea Morrison Clinic, the Recreation Center and Food Pantry as well as the day care facilities at Redlands Christian Migrants Association (RCMA). New Hope students were on hand to share their experiences with the visitors and even join in some recreational activities and a delicious dinner catered by Mr. Marcos De Zarraga and his staff.

It was not all fun and games though, for money had to be raised to purchase backpacks and supplies for each child attending New Hope Charities. Two large displays depicting trees laden with 140 backpacks were set up during the dinner and generous bus patrons competed to purchase as many backpacks as they could. Each backpack cost \$10.00 and an easy \$1,400.00 was raised to cover all the expenses for next year's supplies. Actually, it was all fun and games – but you will have to join us next time to find out for yourselves. Don't miss out!

Food For The Poor Aids New Hope Charities

A massive 53 ft. tractor-trailer arrived at New Hope Charities in Pahokee on Thursday morning, May 1, 2008 at 9:00 am. The rig held donations from Food For The Poor and Daniella Fonseca, administrative assistant at the center, ably handled the coordination of the delivery and unloading of the truck. This is the third such delivery made by Food for the Poor to assist New Hope Charities in the execution of its crucial food distribution program.

Prior to the arrival of the truck, the staff had secured the use of a forklift, which greatly expedited and eased the unloading process. Approximately 10 volunteers from the staff and the community had been recruited, and the entire unloading process took about 1-1/2 hours. Small teams of volunteers worked together to unload, move and place in storage all of the items. The donated items consisted of:



- Grocery items – non-perishable foods, and cooking supplies – 8 pallets
- Personal care items – soaps, shampoos, toothpaste, etc. – 4 pallets
- House wares – dishes, rugs, bedding – 3 pallets
- Cleaning supplies – cleaners/cleaning implements, mops, brooms – 2 pallets
- Diapers – disposable diapers – 2 pallets
- Paper goods – tissues, towels – 2 pallets
- Assorted – futons, luggage, chairs, coolers – 3 pallets

New Hope then held a community distribution the following week, similar to the one done at Christmas time. One of the volunteers who is a member of the Mt. Zion AME Church and custodian at New Hope Charities, Beresford Gordon, stated, *“At Christmas, we were able to distribute many items to the community. They will be able to come back and receive more help because of this donation.”*

Our most sincere thanks to Anne Brier, of Food for the Poor, for setting up the delivery and helping New Hope fulfill its mission to eradicate hunger in our county. Thank you Anne!

Smiling Faces—making a difference every day! (photos by Rene Hutchings)



New Hope Charities, Inc. "reaching out to help others"

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