

HAPPY NEW YEAR! 2011 promises to be an exciting year for NANA's HOUSE! We are looking forward to awesome growth. Please keep in mind that we are still in the market for acreage (4+) for our gated community. Contact us if you know someone who would like to donate some land and leave a memorable legacy!

NANA's House has experienced an unbelievable 2010. We have cared for four children since opening our doors in January...thanks to our generous community and the countless volunteers who took time out of their busy schedules to support our unique cause. We apologize for the long-winded newsletter that follows, but felt the need to share all the wonderful happenings that took place since our last newsletter and to inform you of all the upcoming events and new events that we are all excited about. From now on we hope to send a newsletter every other month to keep you up to date.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW CHILDREN

Welcome to our adorable three year old twin boys, Ajaye and Mikey. They arrived just in time to celebrate the first Christmas held at NANA's House. We are thankful to those who provided gifts to send with Santa and his elves on Christmas Eve morning to give to beautiful one year old Ava and her new "brothers". The children had a nice visit with Santa and a joyous Christmas.

FUNDRAISERS Our major Fundraiser, the **5K Walk-a-Thon and Family Fun Day** was a huge success. We raised over \$15,000 thanks to all our community support through walk participants and pledges. Special thanks to our sponsors of the event, our face painters, Howard with Our Father's Puppets, the massage therapists, UCF students, the Band from Calvary Sebastian Campus, Burnt Offerings Men's Ministry for providing sandwiches, Produce Place Of Suntree for the fresh fruit, and Winn Dixie, Publix, and City of Palm Bay for their donations of water, Gatorade, and granola bars. We appreciate all the volunteers and their special talents that helped make this event such a success.

A new addition to our fundraising has been our beautiful **Christmas Light Boxes**. Special thanks to Monica Spelt, Pete and Maria Lehotsky, Joanne Kelly and Lisa Eisele for making the lightboxes and helping to boost sales in the area, at jewelry shows, and our Christmas in July event. We sold approximately 100 over the past few months. There are some still available if you are looking for a special gift. Cost: \$30.00 plus tax.

Our hand-made jewelry collection, "**Links of Love**", has been getting more exposure through home jewelry shows. Thanks to Lisa Eisele and Paulette Elder for hosting these parties and giving up their precious time to help raise money for our cause. Anyone interested in hosting a Jewelry Party...please contact us by phone or by e-mail.

Join us this Sat. and Sun., Jan. 14 and 15, for our **Garage Sale** held at the Donald Barn property at 4655 Little Grey Lane, West Melbourne. Contact us for more information on this event.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR! Our next major fundraiser, **Our Annual Dinner Dance/Silent Auction**, is scheduled for May 14, 2011 at the Crowne Plaza. Volunteers, auction donations, and sponsors are needed for this big event. Please contact us by phone or e-mail, if interested. Details to follow in next newsletter!

DONATIONS THAT NEED TO BE RECOGNIZED SINCE OUR LAST NEWSLETTER:

~Esther Roverud who sent a donation "in honor of" Jena and Barry Wallingford

~Ron and Barbara Wolff "in honor of" Alden Foster and Claudia Bright.

~Patricia Mellace "in memory of" her husband Dino Mellace.

The Following Foundations for their generous donations:

- ~ Andre Family Foundation ~ Grace Roberti Foundation
- ~ Kashi Church Foundation ~ John and Katherine Duda Foundation
- ~ Margaret R. Binz Foundation ~ Motorola Foundation

The Following Fire Departments:

- ~ Melbourne Firefighters Association Local 1551
- ~ Brevard County Professional Firefighters
- ~ Florida Firefighters Charities

Year Round Service providers for NANA's House:

- ~ Country Green Lawn Service ~ Intercoastal Accounting
- ~ Slug-a-Bug ~ Encore- Russ Pells for providing mass e-mail
- ~ Storage Units (3) ~FAAACA- support throughout the year

Service Provider Donations:

- ~ Service Electric- John- for repairs at NANA's House
- ~ Reasonable Auto Repair- Brian Veil- repair of van
- ~ M & C Construction- Mike and Chris- for fixing back yard and storage shelving

Christmas Gift Donations:

- ~ Dave and Michele Hollis ~Target ~Holiday Park Community (Phyllis)
- ~ Nancy Bassile ~ Julie Steiner ~ JoAnn & Ray Willis for Angel
- ~ Dana Mosley Tree at IHOP (Jo)
- ~ Dana- thanks for Santa Suit ~ Palm Bay Police Dept.
- ~ Santa and his elves (Pete & Maria, Lisa& James, Donna, Eric & Kim) delivering gifts and toys

Businesses Who Organized Fundraisers in Support Of NANA's House:

- ~ VFW Golf Tourn. Men's Aux. Post 8191 ~ Cycle/Recycle- Sarah Marx and Lori McClusky
- ~ Eagle Riders of Palm Bay ~ Space Coast Darting Assoc.

~ Beef O'Brady's (Lake Wash. Rd.)
~ Live TV- light box sales

~ Noche and Gnache (10% sales)

SPECIAL THANKS TO:

- ~ Houseparents, Jarin and Jericho, for providing loving care and a real home for our children.
- ~ "Grandparents" (Jarin's and Jericho's parents) for accepting, loving, helping and providing extended "family" for our children.
- ~ Rick Dove for computer networking and "tech" services.
- ~ Judy Deeter for making sure we have plenty of Brochures.
- ~ Scott Merson for using his truck to pick-up and deliver large items all year long.
- ~ Donna DiBongrazio for working in the office with files, materials, donations, and paperwork.
- ~ Randy with The Groove for allowing us to display jewelry and sell raffle tickets.
- ~ Dave Hollis for speaking with Northrup Grummond and "WINGS" for their generous support.
- ~ Diamond School for the playground set for our future gated community
- ~ South Brevard Junior League for the table at the festival of Trees to sell our light boxes.
- ~ Lisa with Cumulous Radio Station for promoting NANA's House.
- ~ Whitney Wallingford and her work with Crosslites for donating money for City Water.
- ~ Linda with Brendon Group at the Sun Tree Fall Festival for allowing us to sell raffle tickets.
- ~ UCF students for volunteering to hold fundraisers and support NANA's House.
- ~ Wanda's Red Hat Ladies of Melbourne and Red Hat Golden Angels for their donations.
- ~ All our friends and volunteers, who helped celebrate Ava's First Birthday in October.

NEW FOUNDING 500

Gold:

The Andre Family Foundation
James and Margaret Martin
Cycle and Recycle for Charity
Grace Roberti Foundation
John and Katherine Duda Foundation
Beef O'Brady's Turkey Team (BOTT)

Silver:

Men's Auxiliary VFW Post 8191
Florida Firefighters Charity
Palm Bay Eagle Riders
James Miller
Physical Medicine and Rehab of Brevard, P.A.

Bronze:

Dennis and Susan Tharp
Carol MacDonald
Romanov Consulting, Inc

Kevin and Becky Womack
Suntree United Methodist Church
Port Malabar Park Bingo Players
Eastminster Presbyterian Church
Melbourne Firefighters Assoc. Local 1951

In closing, we want stress that we appreciate every single person who donates, volunteers, and supports our unique cause here at NANA's House. Sorry if we missed mentioning you or your organization...it's really a good problem to have so many supporters that it's hard to keep track of all the love and support!

Also, in the months ahead, we are looking for businesses and organizations who would like a representative to speak to their group about NANA's House, our mission, our goals, and vision for the future. Or... if you would like to have a DONATION BOX placed at your place of business, please contact us by phone or e-mail. We would be happy to provide one.

In addition, we are also looking for donated space for a NANA's House Thrift Store, a new idea for 2011. We hope to have a shop that takes in various donations and resells them to support expenses at NANA's House. Contact us with your ideas and possible suggestions on how to make this happen in the near future.

Finally, we are focusing on adding two more children to NANA's House this month, making our total five... our limit for this phase. Don't forget to keep your ears and eyes open for 4+ acres so we can move on to the next phase...our gated community for 40 children! There is a need out there and we hope to be influential in providing a loving, safe HOUSE for the **neglected, abused, needy or abandoned** children of the community.

Together, let's make 2011 even more memorable and successful in making a difference! Come to a meeting, meet our volunteer family- Thursdays, 6 p.m., Calvary Chapel, Minton Rd.

Thank you and here's to a healthy, prosperous, successful, and Happy New Year to all of us!

Take care and God Bless,

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