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# October 2012 Newsletter



## Nana's House

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<http://www.nanaschildrenshome.com>

*Mission: To provide a safe, secure, loving home where Neglected, Abused, Needy, or Abandoned children can come and experience God's love!*

### Wish List:

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### Calendar of Events:

Visit the calendar on our website.

## CALENDAR

New feature: Click on "Agenda" in top right corner of the calendar to see the latest meeting notes.

### Thanks for your participation:

We "rocked" at the Music Jam and "bowled them over" at the Bowling Fundraiser. **Read more in the newsletter.....**

**Saturday, Nov 17, 2012**

**5K Walk-a-Thon and Family Fun**



**100% Community Funded (no State funding)  
100% Volunteer Supported  
100% about Neglected, Abused, Needy or  
Abandoned Children**

Dear Nana's House Supporter,

Wow, I have great news! Due to Nana's House being full shortly after our opening almost 3 years ago, God has provided an opportunity for us to open Nana's House #2! This means that there will be 5 less children in our community in need of a safe, loving home! I continue to be humbled at the sight of God's mighty hand at work! To say that I am in awe is an understatement at this point. Now that we are opening another home this means that our expenses will be doubling and we are counting on you, our supporters for help. Every little bit helps make a difference in the lives of neglected, abused, needy, or abandoned children right here in our community! Remember that we are 100% community funded which means that we do not receive any state funding and we are 100% volunteers, so we need you to help the innocent children that can't help themselves! We are also praying for house parents for our new home, so please add that to your prayer list as well, it would be greatly appreciated! He provided the incredibly outstanding house parents that we have now and I know He will raise up our next set at well!

Since April 20th of this year I began keeping track of the children that we have had to turn away due to being full at Nana's House and the number is heart breaking.....22 children! A sibling group of 8, sibling group of 3, multiple sibling groups of 2, even a new born, just to name a few. They all come from various situations like drugs, homeless, incarcerated, ill parent, etc. I can't begin to describe the pain that comes when having to say "I'm sorry but we can't help!" Together, I know we can help more children if more people knew about the great things that we are doing at Nana's House and the awesome ministry that we have here! It is

**Day** at Front Street Park  
**Sponsors Needed**. Contact Kim at  
321.266.3829

**Thursday, Dec 6, 2012**

**Building Fundraiser Banquet**  
- details to follow

**February 9, 2013**

**6th Annual Valentine's Dinner**  
**Dance and Silent Auction** -  
Crowne Plaza Hotel

Check out the **TD Bank Affinity Program** that puts your money to work for Nana's House

**Attention all United Way Donors**

Please consider choosing Nana's Children's Home Inc DBA Nana's House as your charity of choice this year and share this idea with your coworkers!

**Have Kim Speak to Your Organization**

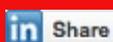
Let Kim tell your group her amazing story and share about Nana's House  
call Kim @ [321.266.3829](tel:321.266.3829)

**Did You Know?**

You can make a donation to Nana's House through a gift of cash, stocks, bonds, mutual funds, real estate or a bequest through your will.

**Check our Website or Facebook for details.**

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house and the awesome ministry that we have here. It is incredible to see the little lives change right before our eyes and know that we are making a life, long lasting difference in the lives that are entrusted to Nana's House!

With that being said, we are planning a Nana's House Fund Raising Banquet for December 6, 2012, and we are in need of 35-40 table hosts that will commit to inviting and filling a table of 10 including yourself! You would be welcome to invite family, friends, co workers, associates, etc. any one that you think would make a donation toward our cause. This is a good way to get more people in the community involved and educated on the needs of children in our community and an opportunity for us to share information on the services that we offer. We are also in need of an event sponsor of \$5,000. This will cover the expenses of the dinner event. This could be a business, organization or an individual. Your name would be on all press releases, invitations, etc. We are hoping and praying to have 350-400 people, it depends on how many table hosts we have involved! I would love to share more info with you on this upcoming event so please call me if you are interested in helping.

Also, I would just like to thank our Nana's House supporters that volunteer, provide services that we need, and those of you that send in monthly, quarterly, or annual financial support, we couldn't do this without you and I want you to know that I truly appreciate you from the bottom of my heart! You are making a difference in the little lives of neglected, abused, needy, or abandoned children every day!

If you haven't begun to support us financially I pray that you will prayerfully consider doing so. We are very frugal with all of the money that is entrusted to us and I assure you that we have no waste, anyone involved with Nana's House will agree with this statement. I always try and get items that we need donated first, after all we have a gated community to build and 40 children at a time to provide a safe, loving, home for!

God bless you and have a great day!

*Thank You!*

Kim Frodge, Founder & Volunteer  
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## **A Note from the House Parents**

Hello!

We are excited to announce that we have 5 of the smartest kids in Brevard living right here at Nana's House. They have all been absorbing our Pre-K curriculum



really well and are in the beginning stages of sounding out words! Papa Bear and I are learning first hand how spelling in front of kids soon loses its effectiveness after they learn letters :)



The house has passed all annual inspections with flying colors. Thanks to all the volunteers who helped remove extra items from the house, certify our fire extinguisher and keep our lawn looking so nice.

We have begun lessons at Nicole Cote's School of Dance and are enjoying watching the kids as they grow self awareness and develop new physical skills. Everyone in the class is surprised that Jasmine is new to the sport and that has really helped her feel a confidence she's never had. We are also still enjoying hikes at Turkey Creek, Digging in the sand at the Zoo, Art at Gymboree Play & Music and biking when it's not too hot. We had another rocket day with the kids and after many attempts to get the rocket in the air it finally flew over the rainbow!

We appreciate the opportunity to share in this ministry and hope you will continue to feel confident that you couldn't have chosen a more worthy cause than making these kids smile. As the holidays approach, please keep your eye on the Needs list for specific gift requests for each child and for costume requests. You are so faithful and we are so thankful! Happy Fall!



PapaBear, MamaBear  
and the Cubs  
*Jarin and Jericho*

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## News from the Thrift Cottage

Our Thrift Cottage, located at 2540 Malabar Road, has been open for about 5 months and is helping us to increase our income for the new homes that are desperately needed to house more neglected, abused, needy, and abandoned children in our community. We can't thank our volunteers who work at the cottage and all our patrons enough for helping to make this such a successful endeavor.



We are currently accepting gently used items of all kinds that are in top-notch, resalable condition. If you are interested in donating, please call **Kim Frodge @ 321-266-3829**.

**Please do not leave donations at the cottage, we take items by appointment only.**

To volunteer at the cottage, call Kim at 321-724-5111 or email [nanas.volunteers@gmail.com](mailto:nanas.volunteers@gmail.com)

**Thrift Cottage Hours:**

**Wed.-Fri. 10 am- 6 pm**

**Sat. 10 am- 4 pm**

**Closed- Sun., Mon. and Tues.**

Still Needed for improving our system here at the Thrift Cottage:

\*\*\*\*\*8'x10' shed (or larger), a POD (or similar) for sorting donated items right on the property

\*\*\*\*\*a concrete building for displaying furniture items on the property

Please call Kim @ 321-266-3829 if you or your company can help with a new shed or new building.

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## **Clothing Blowout Sale**

Our first clothing sale was a great success. We raised over \$1300 last week. Thanks to Rosa Vincent, Mardie Robbins, and their committee of dedicated volunteers for moving the clothes from storage, sorting, setting up, and selling clothes at this event.



Thanks to Calvary Chapel for loaning us the tables and to Jim Taranto for asking the building owner, Lou Armoon for donating the space. A huge dent was made in our storage unit and we will be taking in more clothes **in the near future.**

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## **5th Annual Walk-A-Thon/Family Fun Day**

Mark your calendars- **Saturday, November 17th, 2012**- will be the day for our 5th Annual Walk-a-thon and Family Fun Day! Our walk-a-thon portion of the day is for all ages who like raising money by taking pledges and walking across the causeway to benefit neglected, abused, needy and abandoned children in our community. **This year Chick-Fil-A has agreed to give a FREE chicken biscuit to the first 50 participants who check in!** So don't wait! Come early! Registration begins at Front Street Park at 7:30 a.m., followed by a Zumba warm-up. The walk begins at 8:30 a.m. and the fun continues to 12 noon. After the walk, stay for a sports drink, water, fresh fruit provided by The Produce Place, massages by local massage therapists, and a family fun portion with games, relay races, music by Jack Clutterham and face painting. There will be trophies for the most pledges collected and the most invited walkers. **We are currently looking for sponsors, runners, and walkers.**

**Forms are available on our website**

[\*\*Click Here\*\*](#)

Call Donna @ 609-510-3947 or email [donnadibon@yahoo.com](mailto:donnadibon@yahoo.com) for more details.

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## Building Fund Banquet

As mentioned in Kim's opening letter, we are planning a special fundraising banquet for our Building Fund on **Thursday, Dec. 6th. If you are interested in being a sponsor or table host, please contact Kim at 321-266-3829 as soon as possible.** Details about the time, place, etc. are being worked out and will be posted on our website as soon as they are arranged.

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## Bowling Event News

The 2nd Annual Nana's House Bowling Event Fundraiser was recently held on July 14, 2012 at Brunswick Harbour Lanes in Melbourne. We had an amazing turnout and the event was a huge success for us, raising nearly \$4,000! Those who attended were



treated to a fun-filled afternoon that included music, dancing, games, door prizes, 50/50 drawing, bake sale, raffles, and of course....BOWLING! The event was designed to be fun for all ages and was family friendly. There were Nana's House supporters literally dancing in the aisles! Of course, this event would not have been possible without the support of so many local businesses and friends of Nana's House! We THANK YOU all! Another big THANK YOU goes out to Brunswick Harbour Lanes who hosted this event for us at no charge! So, keep your eyes and ears open next summer because rumor has it that there may be a 3rd Annual Nana's House Bowling Event - and you will not want to miss out on the FUN!!!

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## Music Jam News

On September 8, 2012 the first annual Nana's House Music Jam took place at Camp Holly. The event was very successful with three featured bands, Chuck Van Riper, The XBand, and All About Nothing, all donating their time to create an entertaining day of great music and fun. There was fun for all ages, with airboat rides, alligators, face painting, corn hole, clown, raffles, bounce house and great food. All of this helped raise over \$4000 to help the Neglected, Abandoned, Needy & Abused children in our community. A big thank you to Florida Today newspaper, Hit Kicker 102.7, FIT Radio and M & L Auto for the exposure they gave to this event and Nana's House.

More of our thanks go out to Curt McKinney of Camp Holly for opening up his venue for the event, his help and ideas and for supplying great BBQ, to Chuck Van Riper, The XBand and All About Nothing for supplying the entertainment, to Phil D' Angelo of Kenny D's and D' Angelo's by the Sea for being a top sponsor and donating gift certificates to both restaurants, to Bob Cummings for running the cornhole tournament, to Violet & Joseph Guerrero of "We Paint Happy Faces" for face painting all day, to Twinkles the Clown, to Party Jumpers for the bounce house and to all who provided items for our raffles: Niki's Restaurant, Island Pasta, Del Sol, Marcia Hollis, Massage by Melissa, Slow & Low BBQ, Dick's Auto, Executive Cigar, Capt. Tony

Krzmenski, Palm Bay Marina and Famous Faces Comics.

And a very special thanks to all those volunteers who contributed their time in helping to organize and work the event. It was a very successful day and none of this could have happened without you! Our goal is to make Nana's House a household name and contribute in the continued success of this great organization.

God Bless you all!

Michele & Dave Hollis  
Volunteers & Event Coordinators

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## Upcoming Events

- **November 17th – Walk-a-thon and Family Fun Day** at Front Street Park. 7:30 registration Walk begins at 8:30 am Family Fun until 12 noon. **In need of sponsors, walkers and pledges.** Call Donna @ 609-510-3947
- **December 6th - Building Fund Banquet** - Details to follow. **In need of sponsors and table hosts.** Call Kim @ 321-266-3829
- **February 9th, 2013 - Valentine's 6th Annual Dinner Dance and Silent Auction** Crowne Plaza Hotel - Call Donna @ 609-510-3947 or email donnadibon@yahoo.com if interested in sponsoring the event or donating items for the silent auction.

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## Thanks to the following for their generous donations:

Joshua Noriega  
Sarah Beckett  
Lockmar Baptist Church  
Women of the Moose #1046  
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## Special Thanks To!

**Jaxson Crumpler** who raised \$70 for Nana's House at a lemonade stand that he set up in front of his dad's shop.

**Brunswick Harbour Lanes** for hosting our bowling event and donating prizes.

**Nana's House Charity Bowling Teams** for winning the bowling event.



**Kim & Jaxson Crumpler**

**Laura Clawson and her committee** for organizing the bowling event.

**Dave and Michelle Hollis and their committee** for organizing the Music Jam.

**Catherine Romanov** for holding a garage sale with proceeds going to Nana's House.

**Barbara Garofalo and Wally Baldwin with DRS Technologies** for providing us with a new projector

**Sheriff Jack Parker, Mike Wimberly and Dave Caudile** for their part in providing us with a box truck for our Thrift Cottage deliveries.

**Firehouse Wrappings and Signs in Merritt Island and Aaron Morgan** for their part in providing the beautiful wrapping of our box truck. It's a rolling advertisement for our unique cause!

**Space Coast Dart Association** for holding a dart tournament with all proceeds going to Nana's House.

**VFW Men's Auxiliary Post 8191** for holding a golf tournament with proceeds to Nana's House.

**Lockmar Baptist Church recently invited Nana's House to speak to their congregation.** The church generously supports Nana's House in a variety of ways. The Sunday School class donated their summer Vacation Bible School offerings as well as took a donation from the congregation following our presentation. In addition, Lockmar Baptist Church generously donates a meal to the Nana's House Meal Ministry every month. Thank you Pastor Matt for inviting us to speak!

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### **Donations "In Memory of" Marion Taverna were made by:**

Dallas Insurance Agency, Inc.

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Herbert and Pamela Dowling

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### **TD Bank Affinity Program**

If you bank at **TD Bank** please tell them the next time you are there that you would like to support



Nana's Childrens Home, Inc., DBA Nana's House and that will increase the amount of money that they give us at the end of each year! Follow the link below to learn more.

[Link to website](#)

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*Nana's House appreciates all our monthly service providers and loyal monthly contributors. We could not provide a safe loving home for neglected, abuse, needy or abandoned children in our community without you!  
God Bless You!*

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