



Independent living for adults with physical disabilities
and traumatic brain injuries



WORDS FROM SUSAN DiSTEFANO, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

A Year Of Training

The world is changing at a fast and furious pace. With social media, the web, etc., ideas are circulating faster than ever. One result is organizational and leadership models are changing to meet today's needs. If you aren't up to date on the newest and best changes, there is no doubt your organization will be left behind. The Hosanna Board recognizes this and we have embarked on a year of intense training. Administrative staff, House managers and Board members alike have been attending multiple conferences, webinars, and training sessions to learn new ideas and philosophies, how they will impact Hosanna, and what changes we need to make to stay relevant and current. This is an exciting time for us. We have already implemented changes within the Board and in the office. These changes will help us to provide better service and make how we spend our time more productive. Currently, the down side is that Katie, I and the staff may not be as immediately available to address your needs or answer your questions. However, please leave messages on the office phone (423-870-6880) or text me at 423-314-6921. We will get back to you as promptly as we can. As we incorporate new ideas, we will keep you updated as to these changes and how they will impact you and our residents. We have some exciting things coming our way!

Carolyn Rice, Development Chair

Would you like to bless the Hosanna Community in a big way? You can help sustain Hosanna for future generations by making a planned legacy gift to our endowment fund or for a special project. There are many different ways to give: wills, trusts, life insurance policies, retirement plans and gift annuities. No matter your age, now is the time to plan your future gift. We are truly grateful to those who have already added us to their estate planning. We would like to be included in **yours** as well. Can we continue this conversation with you in person? Contact Susan at 870-6880 to ask questions or set up an appointment.

Below, Several Hosanna board members attended a recent Association of Fundraising Professionals meeting to learn more about Engaging Board Members for Fundraising Success.





OPEN HOUSE

Our first open house was held on a beautiful Sunday in May, with bright sun and clear blue skies. We've got lots of folks to thank:

- ♦ Bill & Kathy Wilder and Sugar's Ribs for the delicious barbecue pork and chicken;
- ♦ Mike Hixson and all the members, friends, and family of the Kindred Spirit Band for some great music;
- ♦ Tee Bumpass who, like all devoted musicians, travels with his instrument, for sitting in on a few tunes;
- ♦ Ed Barels for his fantastic photos of the event
- ♦ our wonderful board members for their help with the set up, take down, and the many tasty side dishes; and
- ♦ our friends, family, and supporters for coming out and spending the day with us.



In memory of:

Billy Burk—Carlton Lee Thomas
Selmon Ted Franklin, Jr.—Carlton Lee Thomas
Larry Hall—Carlton Lee Thomas
Sue Richey Harrison—Carlton Lee Thomas
Billie Hunsucker—Carlton Lee Thomas
Gerry Shaw—Mary L. Brooke

In honor of:

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Frierson—Joe & Jean Richardson
Mr. and Mrs. Lowry Kline—Joe & Jean Richardson
Mrs. Jack (Alice) Lupton—Joe & Jean Richardson
Mrs. Molly Miles—Joe & Jean Richardson

For general operating support:

Bob and Susan Bosworth, Mary Brennan, Chattanooga Women's Club, Joe and Bette Cook, Carol Green, Jane Guthrie, Dawn Hewkin, Hixson United Methodist Church XYZ Group, Israel, Albert Jones, Russell and Jane Nemec, Thomas and Peggy Patton, St. Peter's Episcopal Church

Special Needs

St. Timothy's Episcopal Church for funding for new appliances for Faith House and for help with a new air conditioner.

Grandview Endowment for funding the printing of materials to be used in our efforts to cultivate legacy gifts and grow our endowment fund.



Once again, the employees of Liberty Mutual Insurance descended upon Hosanna in May for a day of spring cleaning and sprucing up in early May. They tackled refurbishing the greenhouse AND painting the outside of the Treehouse. They spread bags and bags of mulch, weeded many raised beds, and painted a few doors. Hosanna is blessed by its partnership with the local Liberty Mutual Insurance office. Thank you to Courtney Davis, Rod McGinley, and all the other skilled and willing volunteers from Liberty Mutual. We appreciate you!



CHURCHES HELP OUT:

Every month, we are visited by dedicated volunteers from two area churches. Members bring a delicious dinner and spend a few hours interacting with our residents. Not only does this provide a night of relief for our house managers, but, more importantly, it gives our resident an opportunity to spend time with others in a more intimate and concentrated way. We give thanks for the folks at Stuart Heights Baptist Church and for the women with the Solo Group of Hixson United Methodist Church.

In addition to folks who help with meals and residents, we must give thanks to the men of St. Alban's Episcopal Church. They have taken on the job of managing our "honey do" list here at Hosanna. From changing light bulbs to fixing dripping sinks to investigating the best stove to replace one that is on its last legs, the men of St. Alban's are wonderful. And besides that, they host a mean pancake breakfast on the last Saturday of the month!



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Mark your calendars!
Harvest for Hope
Thursday, October 6, 2016
5:30-9:00 at the
Privateer Yacht Club
4713 Privateer Road, Hixson, TN
music by the Tee Bumpass Band