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What's on the Horizon?

JUNE 2008

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **Camp 08**
- **Beach Party**
- **Year-long raffle starts**
- **Night at the Races**

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VOLUNTEERS STILL NEEDED

Horizon Camp 08 is less than a month away. We have been working hard planning this year's event and have a lot of great ideas to support this year's theme of "LAS VEGAS." It's not too late for you to join in on the fun! Although our spaces for campers are full, we are still in need of 10 male volunteers. If you can devote a week of your time to help some deserving individuals have a great experience, please apply now. Applications are available on our website at www.associationofhorizon.org by clicking on Summer Camp in the Activities tab. This year we also have a link on the website where you can check to see who has signed up for camp. Please take a look at it to see if your friends have signed up (it gets updated



Greg Ogorkowski and Dan Matuch enjoying the weather and the sites poolside at Horizon Camp 07.

weekly). So don't wait any longer, we are looking forward to hearing from you. If you are only able to participate part of the week, please contact us, we may be able to find someone else to split the week with you. For more information, or to sign up to help, please contact Michael.Trimpe@associationofhorizon.org.

Attention all supporters of Horizon:



Chris Gieck & Ramon Miller

We need your help! If you are available to help set up camp on Saturday afternoon, July 12th or to help clean up on Saturday morning, July 19th, please contact John Meneghini at (708) 846-7597 or johnybegood86@aol.com. Volunteers are needed to help organize supplies, deliver equipment to the cabins, and set up equipment in cabins and other buildings. Please contact us if you need more information or directions. Thank you in advance.

--Chris Gieck and John Meneghini

2nd Annual Spring for Horizon

The Spring for Horizon Committee

Jen Bernover

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Matt Settler

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The 2nd Annual Spring for Horizon was held on Saturday, March 29, 2008, and was a huge success! The event was held at the Rosewood Restaurant and Banquet facility in Rosemont, IL.

The evening began with a silent auction that offered over 70 items available for bidding. Participants in the evening's festivities were able to enjoy an open bar while mingling with each other and checking out the various selections at the auction tables. To everyone's surprise, they were treated to mini-martinis as they bid on dinners, vacations and golf outings, as well as multiple pieces of jewelry and sports memorabilia that couldn't help but attract ones interest. We are happy to say that the tables were empty at the end of the night, since every item in the auction sold!

The Dennis Keith Orchestra entertained us throughout the entire evening with great music and marvelous vocalists. They closed the evening down with the guest begging for more! The room was beautiful with dimmed lighting and fantastic centerpieces made by Michael Mauthe and his crew. Together they created fantastic balloon sculptures that included flowers, insects, and greenery.

The evening continued with a live auction that included 5 great prizes. Joe Almburg from Almburg Auctioneering did a great job getting each item to go for the best possible price. We auctioned off a 4 night vacation with airfare to Cancun, a limited edition Kosta Boda Vase, an autographed Gale Sayers Jersey, a photo of the celebration on the ice after the 1980 US Olympic Hockey Team beat Russia signed by each member of the team and a diamond encrusted Michele watch.

This year we also brought back the rally. Our resident M.C., Matt Settler, led the Rally to a resounding success! This year the rally brought in over 3 times what it did last year. This portion of the evening has proven to be one of our more successful draws at the event.

Dinner followed the auctions and the food at Rosewood was exceptional, as was the service. The orchestra played background music during the meal and many people commented on how lovely the evening was for all.

We'd like to take this time to thank everyone that helped make the evening such a wonderful success. We were again small, but mighty. The event was chaired by Jen Bernover, who did a great job of keeping things on track. This committee continues to draw in people who would not otherwise be involved in the Association of Horizon, Inc. We are grateful that we can continue to have these people be a part of this committee and the organization.

We would also like to thank the many individuals and businesses that provided the generous in-kind and monetary donations that helped make the event a success.

All in all, the evening was a success. We managed to bring in a gross total of over \$16,000. Most feedback so far has been very positive and the committee is already working to make the event even better for next year. Please be on the lookout for "Save the Date" information at the end of the summer.





Did you ever wish you could get paid for the things you do every day? Well, we found a way for you to raise money for Horizon by simply surfing the internet. Every time you do a search through GoodSearch, they will donate money to us.

Before you start searching all you have to do is enter Association of Horizon, Inc. (Chicago, IL) as the charity of your choice. After that, Horizon will automatically come up every time. You can make it even easier by adding GoodSearch to your browser's toolbar or by making GoodSearch your homepage. GoodSearch.com is powered by Yahoo!, so you get the same great

search results. Not a big surfer but you love to shop on-line? We need you too! Click on the GoodShop link and look at all 500+ stores that will donate to us if you shop their store through this site. The stores are donating between 2% and 37% of your purchases!

Below is an estimate of how much money can be made, as posted on GoodSearch.com.

Charity or School Size	Number of Supporters	Average Searches Per Day	Estimated Revenue/Year from Search	Amount Purchased Per Person/Year via GoodShop	Average % of Sale Donated	Estimated Revenue from Shopping	Total Donation/Year
Small	100	2	\$730	\$500	3%	\$1,500	\$2,230
Medium	1,000	2	\$7,300	\$500	3%	\$15,000	\$22,300
Large	10,000	2	\$73,000	\$500	3%	\$150,000	\$223,000

Horizon's Hope is Ready for it's Second Year

Kara Stout was the first recipient of the Horizon's Hope Grant, will you be the next?

Applications are available now on our website for the 2nd Annual Horizon's Hope Grant.

We are looking to award a \$1000 grant to one individual who fits in one of the following three categories:

- 1.) Is attending a college or university and is studying in a field that will allow them to work with individuals with disabilities, i.e. special education teacher, occupational therapist, physical therapist, etc.;
- 2.) Is doing research in an area involving significantly enhancing the life of people with disabilities, i.e. researching about a new communication device, looking into new medications that can benefit people with physical disabilities, etc.;
- 3.) Someone who has a physical disability and would like financial support with equipment that will make life easier, i.e. purchasing a new wheelchair, buying a new augmentative communication device, etc.



President, Lori Moore (left) and Secretary, Rachel Youngberg (right) present Kara Stout her award.

Last year we had many worthy applicants and this year we are expecting even more. Be sure to apply if you meet any of the requirements.

Applications and information are posted on our website at www.associationofhorizon.org or you can contact Rachel Youngberg at youngberg@naperville203.org for details and questions.



Beach Party Moves North to Montrose

After checking the camp schedule – the waterfront is open once again Saturday August 9th. That is not the waterfront at Timber Pointe but Chicago's very own Montrose Beach, the site of this year's annual after camp



Campers, volunteers and even future volunteers having fun at last year's beach party.

beach party. In traditional picnic style, please bring a dish or snack to share, Horizon will have a grill, bring your own hot dogs, hamburgers or veggie patties to grill. Horizon will also provide a cooler of water and pop. Friends and family are welcome. Montrose beach is a large site, so please look for details on our website before the event as to the general area we will be in. Montrose beach has a free parking lot (arrive early for a spot in the lot). The party is a great time to get together for food and fun at Chicago's lakefront.

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What's New on the Horizon?

Volunteer *Patty Smith*, from Queen of Peace High School, went to Costa Rica during spring break this year. She went to immerse herself in the language and get a better understanding of Costa Rican culture. She spent a week traveling around the country and spent her nights talking with her host mom.

After much anticipation and hard work, on May 11, 2008, our darling volunteer from WI, *Kim Nelson* married her long-time love, Corey Whitmore. Only Kim could get almost 150 people to fly to Las Vegas to be part of her day. Lucky for them, this is one thing that happened in Vegas that isn't staying in Vegas! What a great way to get started in the theme for camp this year.

Each year ISHA holds a journalism competition, consisting of a sectional competition which was held at Louis University. This year *Katie Flynn*, from Oak Forest High School, advanced to the state level of the competition that was held at Eastern Illinois University. Congrats Katie, we look forward to using your skills on the newsletter!

Geri Skudney celebrated her one year anniversary as a Tastefully Simple Consultant. She was able to do this with her faithful assistant *Brenda Bokowski*. During the past year, they have done a few fundraisers for Horizon and raised nearly \$600. If you would like to host a fundraiser party, give them a call, every little bit helps!



The 6th Annual Golf Outing and Luau a Huge Success



The 6th Annual Golf Outing and Luau was a huge success by bringing in a profit of over \$12,000!

We could not have asked for a better day - the weather was perfect and we had over 90 golfers attend the outing. Golfers were greeted and sent on their way just after 2 pm. Blame the slow play to our first ever "Pink Ball" game or our "Gimme Putt String," but perhaps it was just poor golfers!?!?

The Luau began at 6:30 and guests dined on various foods including a Pig Roast. Our silent auction, raffles, and ball-busters were a hit as always. As usual I didn't win the cash raffle...

The Brill Babies kept the music going until about midnight when we finally had to call it a night.

We want to thank our sponsors and donors for all their support. However, without all those who attended, we would have nothing!

Please be on the lookout for information regarding the 2009 event! And make sure to check our website for more details in the future.

If you would like to help plan our 2009 event and make it bigger and better than 2008, please contact us at golf@associationofhorizon.org.

Lori Moore
Golf Chairperson



New Horizon Year-Long Raffle

We are running a raffle that will last for a year, August 1, 08 thru July 31, 09. There will be 68 chances to win! 52 weekly winners (\$50), 12 monthly winners (\$100) & 4 quarterly winners (\$250). The cost of a ticket is \$10 and only 1000 tickets are being sold (and must be sold by Aug 1). The tickets are numbered 000 - 999 and the winners will be based on the IL Lottery numbers drawn for the specific time and date listed on

the ticket.

All winners will be posted on our website www.associationofhorizon.org For more information or if you're interested in purchasing a ticket please send an e-mail to geri.skudney@associationofhorizon.org

Name: _____ Address: _____ E-mail: _____ Phone: _____ Sold by: _____ (numbered 000-999)		Association of Horizon, Inc YEAR LONG RAFFLE - August 1, 2008 thru July 31, 2009 68 chances to win & you can win more than once! Winning numbers will be posted on our website - www.associationofhorizon.org 52 - \$50 Weekly Winners (Winning # is the Illinois Lottery Friday Evening Pick 3) 12 - \$100 Monthly Winners (Winning # is the Illinois Lottery Middy Pick 3 on the 1st day of the month) 4 - \$250 Quarterly Winners (Winning # is the Illinois Lottery Middy Pick 3 on 10/31/08, 1/31/09, 4/30/09 & 7/31/09) Winners will be paid by the 15th of the following month \$10.00 Donation per ticket. Only 1000 tickets will be sold.	(numbered 000-999)
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11th Annual Night at the Races

We are packing up the camp theme of "Las Vegas"
and taking it to the track.

Save the date of **October 4th** and plan to join us for the 11th
Annual Night at the Races at Balmoral Track in Crete, IL.

The committee is currently working on the plans for this event.

If you have some fresh ideas and want to help in the planning,
we'd love to hear from you.

Please e-mail NATR@associationofhorizon.org
or call 773-477-5170.



Editor's Remarks-

We hope you enjoyed this issue of *What's on the Horizon?*. If you have something you would like to see in the next issue please drop us a line at our address on the front page or e-mail to info@associationofhorizon.org with "Newsletter" in the subject. Perhaps a poem or "news" for "What's New on the Horizon" or a personal story on how Horizon has impacted your life. We'd love to hear from you.

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