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*"The greatest good you can do for another is not just share your riches,
but to reveal to him his own."* --Benjamin Disraeli

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New Horizons Un-Limited Appreciating Individuals with Disabilities

Wisconsin Governor Evers has proclaimed April, "Autism **Appreciation** Month," instead of "Autism **Awareness** Month." He has expressed the wishes of Autistic children and adults: the need to be treated as equal, to be **Appreciated**!

People with disabilities are often misunderstood and therefore mistreated at the hands of others. Being treated unequal or unfairly can lead to such trauma in an individual's life to affect their well-being, their self-esteem, and eventually their ability to find jobs or meaningful lives. To flip the narrative from **Awareness** to **Appreciation** everyone has a new outlook and a fresh beginning.

Trauma from disability is not an easy subject for which to find solutions. It can start from the beginning with a newborn's first cries or when a child has the first realizations they struggle more than peers to keep up or form relationships. If one is stared at, or people misunderstand one, or give one a hard time, the reaction from people might develop into name calling or worse bullying one with a disability.

We encourage you to read two blogs by adults who have faced disability challenges and the trauma of being misunderstood. You have to read between the lines to find the hideous accusations to their self-esteem they faced in their lives as both have chosen a positive path. Both adults describe the way in which they coped and rose above the mistreatment, how they focused on the positives in their lives, and working through this, came to understand their own self-worth.

Visit our NHU articles:

Focus on "ABLE" within Disability by Diane Gillan at:
newhorizonsunlimited.wordpress.com/2021/02/26/focus-on-able-within-disability/

Diane explains, "When disclosing that I'm disabled with having Multiple Sclerosis, I've tried to concentrate on the word "ABLE" within the term "disability." I'm a whole person including being a part-time worker—I'm not my disease."

What Power is in a Word? by Scott Uecker at:
newhorizonsunlimited.wordpress.com/2021/03/17/what-power-is-in-a-word-how-much-power-will-you-give-to-a-word/

Scott explains, "There are words in the English language, or any language, that are derogatory in nature. How do we combat the hurt they bring and make them less powerful over our lives? The answer is to not let the word or words control or define us."

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One of our goals at New Horizons Un-Limited has been to provide the tools and encouragement to help people find and share their own talents. In the words of Scott Uecker, "People with disabilities want to be respected and valued just like everyone else. It is important that people respect the differences in other people. We all have something to offer. People with disabilities can and will do great things if given the chance."

What can YOU do?

This month we encourage you to take an action to appreciate those in your lives who need us all to step up.

Urgent Advocacy Alert! How to Respect People with Disabilities at: [wikihow.com/Respect-People-With-Disabilities](https://www.wikihow.com/Respect-People-With-Disabilities). How to act and speak appropriately, learn and understand about the view of the person with disabilities, don't grade or try to define them or their disability, as you probably don't know enough about them or their disability.

This year we would like to remember and honor two of the best collaborators of New Horizons Un-Limited

*In Memory of Lynn A. Mielke,
March 7, 1961- March 31, 2021*

Lynn Mielke was a UW-Milwaukee graduate with a degree in Mass Communication/Radio and Television Production. She worked for 40 years for Sportservice at County Stadium. Additionally, Lynn freelanced videography work; her passion in highlighting sporting events.

She was a longtime supporter of New Horizons Un-Limited and individuals with disabilities in our community and gave much personal time to make sure individuals with disabilities had support and genuine family connection. Lynn is fondly remembered by her family as a "Rockstar."

Lynn is remembered most fondly by her family, friends and all of us at NHU. We will miss Lynn.

*In Memory of Thomas (Tom) A. Gauthier,
May 20, 1947- January 13, 2021*

Tom Gauthier was the president and co-founder of Adonai Employment Inc., a Department of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR) provider where he helped more than 1500 individuals with disabilities connect with employment. We at NHU would recommend Tom to all our clients with disabilities who wanted to find employment and collaborated with him for our NHU Employment Office and IT Skills Training Program. We evaluated, trained and provided work experience for people to find work placement through Tom. He was a great collaborator in this endeavor, incredibly kind and generous. He worked not only to find people a job, but their dream job.

Tom is remembered most fondly by his family, friends, clients, and all of us at NHU. We will miss Tom. Adonai Employment will be one of his legacies, continuing to give opportunity to people with disabilities in our community.

2021 Earth Day

We celebrate Earth Day everyday by accepting used computers from individuals and corporate donors like you who generously give. In turn, we provide refurbished computer workstations to people with disabilities throughout Southeastern Wisconsin and the state.

Since our program launch in 2004, as a Microsoft Registered Refurbisher, NHU prides itself on the fact that we have Refurbished or Recycled over 8000 computer components extending their useful life and diverting them from landfills which benefits our natural world for future generations. We take time to ensure each part, upon the end of its useful life, is disposed of in an environmentally responsible manner.

THANK YOU! for YOUR part in NHU's mission

For more information: Visit new-horizons.org/accomp.html

Join the Fun!**17th Annual NHU Benefit Golf Outing****June 2nd, 2021****Hawk's View Golf Club
Lake Geneva, Wisconsin**

View our on-line registration form at:
new-horizons.org/golf21.html

Golf Outing Sponsors Needed!

Believe in all the good **You** can provide our community members with disabilities via your sponsorship participation of our golf outing.

Advertise Your Company by Becoming a Tee Sponsor for our NHU Golf Outing!

Your logo and company name will be advertised in our event program, Tee location, NHU newsletters and website.

Market Your Company, Offer a Golfer Gift

Provide a golfer gift with your company logo/name for our 120 participants. Hats, towels, pens, cups, cozies, etc. are some of the many ideas. Please contact us two weeks in advance to arrange your donation.

Donate to Our Raffle or Silent Auction

We are always looking for unique items. Your contribution will be acknowledged in our event program, NHU newsletters and website. Please call us at least one week in advance.

For sponsorship details see our golf brochure at:

new-horizons.org/pdf/golf21.pdf

Questions? horizons@new-horizons.org

Order Spring/Summer Flowers Today!**NHU Spring/Summer Flower Sale**

Limited quantities left for spring / summer flowers and seeds. **Please order Today!**

Flower orders will be sent to you in time for spring planting, summer blooming. Perennials and Annuals are available as well as seeds.

To place your order directly from Flower Power, visit our NHU Flower Bulb catalog at:
newhorizons.fpfundraising.com

For more information, visit:
new-horizons.org/pdf/sprltr.pdf

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has never been easier!**

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with needed computer access. Your contributions are greatly appreciated!**

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in support of our community
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will improve their lives!**

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