



## Pre-Employment Transition Services

Meet some of our consumers from the Pre-ETS (Pre-Employment Transition Services) training classes; Marcus Smith, Kenmiyah Bragg, and Dequan Campbell. They have been attending our Work Adjustment Training (WAT) seminars. Their trainer, Connie Smith, asked them to "dress to impress," in preparation for a mock interview on the last day of their training. They all came professionally attired as practice for the day they attend their actual job interviews. If this photo is any indication of their desire to find employment, they are clearly ready to forge ahead and be successful in this next chapter of their lives.



**Special  
Olympics**



## Special Olympics

Xzavian Evans, Myranda Nicholas, and Paris Bridges competed in the 2019 D.C. Winter Special Olympics. They competed against individuals at other agencies, who support participants with special needs, in a variety of bowling activities at the AMF Bowling Alley. After competing for several weeks, they were able to qualify for their respective brackets where they would ultimately compete with other players at their skill levels.

**Paris Bridges** received a high score of 92 which placed him in 1st place in his bracket. He received a **gold medal**.

**Xzavian Evans** received a high score of 113 and finished in 2nd place, winning a **silver medal** in his bracket.

**Myranda Nicholas** received a high score of 78 which was enough to garner 3rd place and a **bronze medal** in her bracket.

**"International Women's Day" at New Horizons**



## Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month

Each March, the National Association of Councils on Developmental Disabilities (NACDD), partners with Association of University Centers on Disabilities (AUCD) and National Disability Rights Network (NDRN) to create a social media campaign that highlights the many ways in which people with and without disabilities come together to form strong, diverse communities. The campaign seeks to raise awareness about the inclusion of people with developmental disabilities in all areas of community life, as well as awareness to the barriers that people with disabilities still sometimes face in connecting to the communities in which they live. DD Awareness Month covers three main areas: education, employment and community living.

## World Down Syndrome Day

World Down Syndrome Day (WDSD), March 21, is a global awareness day which has been officially observed by the United Nations since 2012. Down Syndrome International (DSI)

encourages people all over the world to choose their own activities and events to help raise awareness of what Down Syndrome is, what it means to have Down Syndrome, and how people with Down Syndrome play a vital role in our lives and communities.



## World Autism Awareness Day

The twelfth annual World Autism Awareness Day is April 2, 2019. This holiday is a United Nations health-specific day that brings autism organizations from the

international community together to network and help with research and treatment projects for those individuals with this disorder. Autism-friendly events and educational activities take place all month to increase understanding and acceptance and foster worldwide support.

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### Congratulations!

Congratulations go out to LaTia Daniels and Kendra Penny for leading a very professional IP meeting for Renee Cefely. Renee's sister was so impressed she called Kim Turner to comment on how well run the meeting was. She said it was the most efficient, worthwhile IP meeting she had ever attended for Renee.

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### Personal Supports Success Story

With the help and guidance of his Personal Supports staff person, Edrick Williams, Dac'quan Lee has now found employment. He will be working in food service at the new Audi Field, a soccer-specific stadium, located in Buzzard Point in Washington, DC. Congratulations to them both!



### Golf Tournament Raffle - IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO JOIN IN!

As part of our Golf Tournament, we are selling raffle tickets - \$5.00 for one ticket and \$20.00 for (5) tickets. This is your chance to win big while supporting New Horizons. **The Grand Prize is \$500.00!**

Please contact Courtenay Whittington at [cwhittington@nhssi.org](mailto:cwhittington@nhssi.org) or 301.710.6909 to purchase your tickets or return the form that was sent home.

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### "A Fairway to Help"

Don't forget to sign up for this year's "A Fairway to Help" Golf Tournament. The event will be held at Lake Presidential Golf Club, in Upper Marlboro, on Thursday, May 9, 2019. [Click here](#) for details or to register to play or become a sponsor.



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