



Et Cetera

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*Happy
New Year*

A graphic of golden fireworks exploding, positioned to the right of the "Happy" text in the "Happy New Year" message.

As we turn the page on 2024, we are excited for 2025! 2024 was the year for volunteers, we recruited many new volunteers and groups, bringing our volunteers to over 400 with 15 volunteer groups.

The homemaking and chore programs had record increases as well, providing much needed services to the seniors in our community.

We held our first ever Giving Breakfast, providing us the opportunity to share our story with so many in the community. We are excited to get started on the 2nd annual event.

So, let's give a big "cheers" for an exciting 2025!

Neighborhood Dining Client Holiday Parties

The staff hosted two holiday parties for the Neighborhood Dining clients this year, at Serenity Towers and Casselberry Rec Center. We had a special visit from Santa, Flossy the Clown and had a whole lot of fun singing, dancing and playing games.



To learn more about our Neighborhood Dining Program, please contact us or visit our [website www.mealsetc.org](http://www.mealsetc.org)

Christmas Day Delivery

This year's Adopt-A-Senior for the Holidays exceeded anything we've ever seen! The generosity displayed by the community was heartwarming. We received over 600 gift baskets/bags that were shared with our Home-Delivered Meals clients on Christmas morning. Over 150 volunteers dressed in their festive holiday attire participated this year - delivering holiday cheer as they delivered the gifts and a delicious holiday meal.



Congratulations!
Volunteer of the
Quarter
October-December, 2025



Congratulations to **Sherene Scott**, Volunteer of the Quarter. Sherene has been a volunteer for close to two years as part of the AdventHealth Adopt-A-Route Program. Sherene has taken ownership of the route and is one of the first to sign up to deliver.

Sherene has taken the responsibility to check the cooler each morning to ensure it is ready for the volunteer to pick up. She also checks back again after lunch to ensure the meals were delivered and if not, she will deliver them on her break.

Sherene has developed great relationships with each of the clients and looks forward to seeing and checking on them. She loves to see the clients happy and see how appreciative they are for what Meals on Wheels, Etc. and the volunteers do.

Sherene shares that she is grateful for the opportunity to serve her community and feels it is important to do so. “As a volunteer, you are not just bringing a meal, you are also bringing joy because sometimes we are the only people they see regularly.”

Thank you, Sherene, for all you do for Meals on Wheels, Etc. We appreciate the care and compassion you bring to your volunteer role. Congratulations!

Upcoming Events

Mardi Gras
Saturday, February 15
 4-9 PM
 Downtown Sanford



Cranes Roost Park
Altamonte Springs
Saturday, March 15th
8:30-10:30 am

March for Meals
5K Brunch



Register Today!

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