The Alex and Ali Foundation proudly presents

"A Wight of Hope"

Annual Gala

Friday, March 1st, 2024 Barn at Bay Horse Inn

> Master of Ceremony Lauren Casey

The mission of The Alex and Ali Foundation is to empower and enhance the lives of adults with autism and other developmental disabilities by providing opportunities for job skill development, vocational activities and meaningful community involvement.





The Alex and Ali Joundation

The purpose of The Alex and Ali Foundation is to fulfill a crucial need faced by adults with various disabilities who live in our community: purposeful work. Through our programs, The Hope Gallery and Happy Hounds, we provide Team Members the opportunity to learn vocational skills and have meaningful employment. This educational and engaging opportunity allows Team Members to actively be part of their communities, living more purposeful, meaningful, and fulfilled lives.

Once individuals with developmental disabilities graduate from high school, there are very few resources and opportunities available for them. The reality for many of these adults is that they have nowhere to go, nothing to do, and very little interaction within their community. They want to work and have the capability to work with assistance and guidance – but too often, they spend their days alone, filling time with TV, computer, and video games. Both The Hope Gallery and Happy Hounds create a wonderful alternative by providing a safe place for these adults to learn, grow, and have purpose.









At The Hope Gallery Bargersville, Team Members provide a full customer service experience including sales, customer interaction, transaction processing, maintenance, inventory, and stocking shelves. Team Members continue to make products for The Hope Gallery including leather goods and ceramic tile art. The Hope Gallery Bargersville has continued to expand in its outreach and space. Next door to our retail store, The Hope Gallery offers a large workspace to allow more Team Members to participate each day. We also partner with companies and individuals with developmental disabilities across the world to bring additional unique and beautiful items to the Gallery.





















At Happy Hounds, Team Members provide hands-on attention, exceptional behavior management, and command training for our dogs. Team Members assist with grooming tasks such as bathing, drying, and trimming nails. Team Members at Happy Hounds also get to work on customer service and computer skills by interacting with dog owners during check-in. Over the past three years, Happy Hounds has added additional space to allow more indoor area to play in inclement weather. Dogs continue to receive plenty of playtime and cuddles from our Team Members.





















We thank you for your support as we celebrate the unique value of every single person and recognize that we all need a purpose.

"I love working with my friends and having a place I belong. It makes my heart happy." – Jamie

"It's really nice to work here. Happy Hounds kind of feels like a second home." – Christian

"This was my first job ever. I am very happy even though I'm going into my retirement years. I love having job and enjoy working with the team members and volunteers. It's the best thing I've ever done and look forward to it every day." – Sally

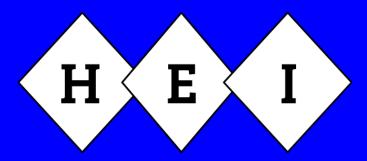


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6:00 - 7:00 PM Welcome Reception Silent Auction open Wine pull

7:15 PM Dinner Dessert Table available

8:00 PM Presentations and Live Auction Heads & Tails raffle

9:00 PM - 11:00 PM Dancing and fun!!!

9:00 PM Silent Auction Closes

9:15pm Auction Pickup Begins

Live and Silent Auction Donors

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