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PEOPLE HELPING PEOPLE'S MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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## Introducing Tomi Steinruck

PHP recently contracted with Tomi Steinruck to assist with grant writing, establish policies and procedures and to advise the board of directors. Tomi worked for over a dozen years as the director of Catholic Charities Diocese of St Petersburg. Catholic Charities serves with charity and compassion to promote the sanctity and dignity of all people with God. They offer hope by helping those in need and unites with others in service.

As an advisor to PHP, Tomi brings a unique prospective to our board from the view of homelessness. Tomi grew up in poverty and experienced homelessness first hand. Some of her family is still in poverty while Tomi was able to get a college degree and now lives in a middle-class neighborhood in Spring Hill. We are delighted to have Tomi helping PHP with strategic plans, grants and give us direction forward.

## What's going on at the HELP Center?



Lots! If you have not been there in a week, then you're in for a lot of changes. Here are some recent photos:

New door frames and doors make a big difference at the future HELP Center. Note,

the ceiling and flooring has been ordered but is not yet installed. Air conditioning has been installed and works.



The tile in the both the men's and women's restrooms and shower is complete, and materials are on site for installing hand rails, partitions and fixtures.



The family restroom is complete except for the baseboards, handrails and door hardware. This bathroom is part of the building that was funded by the Rotary Clubs of Hernando County.

The wall behind the new kitchen appliances will soon be covered with stainless steel and a 14 ft commercial hood above.



The vinyl wood-like plank flooring has been ordered. Flooring is one of the last items to be installed.

The construction project is expected to be complete by summer's end. As usual, PHP plans to approach

the move to the new facility slowly and methodically. A grand opening is scheduled for early December.

## Magic Show on September 8



Elliott Smith, internationally known magician, will be performing his magic school at Springstead Theater on September 8. Proceeds from the Magic Show will support the new HELP Center construction project. Tickets start at \$5 for children under 12 and adults for \$15. Special packages will allow families to attend for much

less. Tickets are available on PHP's website at [www.phpinhc.org](http://www.phpinhc.org) or by contacting Maureen Soliman (352) 650-9006 or any PHP board member. For additional information call (352)686-4466.



PHP is looking for sponsors and advertisers for the dinner program of the "Hoedown" scheduled for October 6.

### A Big Welcome to Chef D

Peter Diulio, "Chef D," is joining PHP as our chef at the new building's commercial kitchen when it opens later this summer. Pete just retired from Hernando County School District where he taught culinary arts at Nature Coast Technical High School. Prior to teaching, he

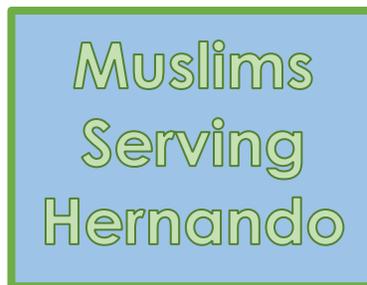


attended the Culinary Institute of America and worked in several restaurants. *Pit Boss* was the best-known local restaurant in this area where Chef D served as chef. Pete is married and has a Rottweiler named Max. Peter Diulio has already filed with the board of elections to run for school board in 2020.

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