AUTHOR! AUTHOR! Cummings Foundation co-founder Bill Cummings made a big impression on 80 New Horizons residents who came to hear him discuss his new book, Starting Small and Making It Big. It chronicles his entrepreneurial journey – from selling ice cream from his bike, to turning profits on refurbished boats, to converting a marginal fruit juice company into a million-dollar business. It also tells the story of how Bill and his wife, Joyce, created a billion-dollar philanthropic enterprise using personal wealth they generated from a real estate empire.

Bill gave New Horizons residents personal insights about the satisfying experience of writing a book. He confided that the process also gave him occasion to grit his teeth, noting, “One adviser made me take out 100 pages; take out stories I like to tell. I kept the ones that teach people something.” His giving-back spirit is lauded by resident John McKinney, who appreciates the way the Foundation runs New Horizons: “Old people many times are treated as if they were small children. All the staff here respect everyone; they’ll stop and smile and greet you.”

Resident Edie Venti Orr (pictured with Bill Cummings signing her copy of his book) relates closely to the author, as they grew up in the same Medford neighborhood. She also identifies with his management style: “I like his philosophy – put the power of the people in their hands – allow them to show their stuff!”

Starting Small is available for purchase at New Horizons’ front desk and at Cummings.com/book. All book proceeds benefit the nonprofit Cummings Foundation.

STAR-SPANGLED CELEBRATIONS! Left to right: a rousing performance by the New Horizons Chorus brings residents to their feet; residents Morris and Cecilia Karol enjoy patriotic parfaits; CSA Katelyn Reynolds and Dining Room Associate Manager Amanda Ferreira show their red, white and blue spirit!

RESIDENT ACTIVITIES FORUM Since February, we have been busy meeting your requests! We added Sunday Protestant services to the chapel, got a new wheelchair/scooter-accessible bus, expanded the Shoppers’ Shuttle, introduced Chair Yoga, added a fourth Watercise class, brought classes to the Art Studio, added daytime documentary films, attended local school productions, heard from political candidates, sang karaoke, and played board games. Your suggestions from the July 18 forum will generate even more great activities.

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