

On the Town: Positive Tomorrows earns pat on the back

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Positive Tomorrows held its annual Cork and Canvas auction and fundraiser last week for the first time in its new school, and it was a success by all measures.

The sold-out Cork and Canvas party fell on the date of the birthday of the school's executive director, Susan Agel, so a specialty drink – "the Susan Agel Birthday Suit" – was served in her honor. C2 Catering provided the food, including handmade, individually served pies, and Eventures handled the decor.

But the new school itself, a 42,000-square-foot building that opened in late 2019, was the featured attraction, with its cheery ambiance, colorful spaces, spacious student cubbies sponsored by donors and an outdoor playground. The new building replaced an 8,000-square-foot one and now the organization

can serve more students from Early Head Start preschool through middle school. The school is Oklahoma City's only elementary school and social services agency specifically for children and families experiencing homelessness, according to its website.

Guests bid on multiple auction items, which included 20 pieces of art made by students at Positive Tomorrows and other art made by local artists. One group of students created a hand-painted picnic table and a board game based on their dream escape – an island filled with only ramen noodles and nice people, according to information from Positive Tomorrows.

Presenting sponsors were First National Bank & Trust Co. and W&W AFCO Steel; gallery sponsors were Josh Jarrett and Niagara Bottling, with a long list of other sponsors and volunteers who made such a great evening possible.

For information about Positive Tomorrows, go to positivetomorrow.org.