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HOMEWORD

THE PHAN FAMILY

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1984-2019
Celebrating 35 years of Keeping Families Together
MHC Eastern Wisconsin opened its doors in 1984 with just 25 guest rooms, several common spaces, and two kitchens. Two expansions, hundreds of volunteers, 45 additional guest rooms and seven additional kitchens later, we are excited to be celebrating our 35th Anniversary in 2019. The last 35 years have brought along many changes, but our mission remains the same: to keep families together and promote the health and well-being of children.

We have provided more than 45,000 family stays over the last 35 years to families that needed our unique services. The House is so much more than a bed, a shower, and a hot meal. Our therapeutic programming, robust healthy meal program, and community of support make our Ronald McDonald House a safe, comfortable space for families to seek respite.

In 2019, we will continue to identify needs in our community – just as our founding members did almost 40 years ago when the House was just a dream. Our partnership with the Miles of Smiles Mobile Dental Clinic, our Happy Wheels Hospitality Cart at Children’s Hospital of Wisconsin, and some exciting new endeavors on the horizon are allowing us to expand our reach like never before.

We are truly honored and grateful for the support and generosity we’ve received over the past 35 years...and we can’t wait to see what the next 35 years will bring.

Our Volunteers are the Heart of our Team!
-Heather Egerer, Volunteer Services Director

As we begin to celebrate 35 years of existence as an RMHC chapter, this is a wonderful time for us to look into the past and see how our House and volunteers have evolved over the years. Our volunteers have been there every step of the way. We currently have seven volunteers that have been with us since our doors opened in 1984. They have witnessed the growth of the House and provided feedback and guidance to ensure we continue to provide the highest quality of care for our families. Some of our volunteer roles have remained the same over the years while we have added several new roles to streamline the effectiveness of the volunteer duties. We now have nearly 40 volunteers daily who share their time and talents with both the staff and our guest families here at RMHC in all weather conditions, 365 days a year. Our volunteer team has grown to 550 volunteers starting at 14 years of age to nearly a century. Words cannot express the gratitude I feel on a daily basis for the compassion and support our volunteers bring to RMHC.
Seventeen-year-old Aja Phan and her mom, Sheila, are closer than most mothers and daughters. After staying at the Ronald McDonald House 12 times in the past year, with two stays of nearly 150 days each, it’s not difficult to see why.

Aja was a typical high school freshman battling finals, preparing for the upcoming soccer season, when her family noticed she was more tired than usual. Then bruises started appearing after only the slightest bump. A trip to their doctor revealed that Aja’s blood wasn’t clotting and within hours they were sent directly to the hospital to get more testing. Two bone marrow biopsies and less than a week later, Aja was diagnosed with severe aplastic anemia.

Aplastic anemia is an autoimmune disease that is a failure of the bone marrow. The medical team tested both parents and Aja’s sister, Maya, in hopes to find a match so Aja could receive a bone marrow transplant. Keeping the family’s diverse ethnic background in mind—Sheila is originally from Malaysia, and her husband, Son, is from Vietnam—they also had to look to the bone marrow registry but there were no matches for Aja.

Without the option for a bone marrow transplant, the Phans turned to drug therapy protocols for treating aplastic anemia. These treatments can take three to six months before improvement is seen. This began a roller coaster of highs and lows as Aja responded to treatment.

The Ronald McDonald House keeps Sheila close to Aja as she endures treatment at the hospital.
positively only to face a set-back and feel like they were starting back at square one. After more than a year and two different drug therapies, Aja was hospitalized due to an infection and swelling in her throat where a lump was located. A biopsy of the lump revealed carcinoma. Treatment for her aplastic anemia was priority; the carcinoma would have to wait. Aja’s body was already too worn down.

It was time to start looking for other options to fight Aja’s aplastic anemia. This was the first time that the family was pointed toward Milwaukee, where they learned that a haploidentical transplant could be an option. This would be a bone marrow transplant that was a 50% match and allowed Maya to be her sister’s donor. With renewed hope, Sheila checked into the Ronald McDonald House and began the first of what would be many days spent in their home away from home:

“When I walked in here, I don’t know what I was expecting- just a roof over my head. But then I walked in and oh my gosh.”

Just before Aja was diagnosed, both Sheila and Son lost their jobs due to company-wide layoffs. Maya decided to go to college near home so she could commute and be close for transplant and additional needs. Though they are at a better place now, the Phans shudder to think how they could have sought treatment for Aja at CHW without the help of RMHC. Aja was one of the sickest patients the team in Milwaukee had ever treated with this transplant. Yet 55 days post-transplant, she shocked everyone as she was discharged from the hospital and headed back to RMHC.

Several months later you wouldn’t even recognize the sweet girl with the big smile as the same Aja whose mom would give her morphine just to make the walk to appointments. Among the many teenagers roaming the Ronald McDonald House, setting aside their medical experiences and enjoying time together, Aja has found forever friends. Sheila has found a community of parents who know the struggle of worrying over every moment of their child’s day while trying to let them “just be kids.” The Phans still have many questions ahead as they continue to navigate post-transplant and the unknowns of the carcinoma. But throughout the ups and downs, Aja and Sheila have found the support that allows them to be their best together no matter what is to come.

“RMHC has been a godsend and we will forever be grateful for easing our burden and making our health journey with Aja a pleasant one.” -Sheila Phan
How has our House changed
SINCE 1984?

ENTRANCE

SECRET GARDEN

1984 GRAND OPENING

GREAT ROOM

GAME ROOM

2014 EXPANSION GROUND BREAKING

RONALD GIVES A HUG

KITCHEN
"THE HOUSE THAT LOVE BUILT"

THROUGH THE YEARS, THERE HAVE BEEN MANY UPDATES AND CHANGES. ALTHOUGH OUR HOUSE MAY LOOK DIFFERENT, THE WAY WE KEEP FAMILIES TOGETHER HAS NEVER CHANGED

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#IronMacy

Macy Van Zeeland was born on July 18, 2016 in Neenah, WI. Shortly after birth, Macy was diagnosed with a rare condition called tracheoesophageal fistula and esophageal atresia (her airway was attached to her esophagus and her esophagus was not connected to her stomach). The day after she was born she was taken by ambulance from Neenah, WI to Children’s Hospital (CHW) in Milwaukee. Her parents, Molly and Adam, and 2 year-old sister, Paige were able to stay together as a family during Macy’s 89 days in the NICU where Macy underwent 4 surgeries. Macy’s family was given a room in the long-term wing where there was plenty of room for family and guests. Paige enjoyed playing outside on the playground, in the playroom and of course her visit to the Magic Room. Macy struggled with ongoing respiratory and GI issues and spent approximately 12 of her short 14.5 months in and out of CHW. She had a total of seven surgeries. RMHC gave Macy’s family a safe, fun and affordable place to stay together during that incredibly difficult year of their lives.

* There were 1,165 family stays in our first full year of operation: October 1984 through September 1985.
"The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others." - Ghandi

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RMHC Volunteers have been the heart of our House since 1984.
Our 2018 VOLUNTEERS

Our volunteers go above and beyond to help keep families close while their children are receiving medical treatment and we couldn’t do our work without them. Whether they are preparing and serving a meal to our families, performing light housekeeping tasks, welcoming guests or spreading the word about our mission in the community, they help make our House a home. We are fortunate to have our many volunteers and are grateful for each and every hour they spend with us, but unfortunately we do not have the capacity to list them all below. Please forgive any error or omission.

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Jennifer Olkwitz
Izabella Oquendo
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Sydney Schmidt
Reegan Schmidt
Mariah Schilling
Beth Schermer
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Paul Sawicki
Karen Sanfelippo
Abbi Rydell
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Anna Ross
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Pattie Weber
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Kayla Yang
Emma Zak
Ellen Ziegler
Barb Zydowicz

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Bjorn Starup

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TopLine Results Corporation
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UnitedHealthcare Wisconsin
Dan Van Rite
WageWorks
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Wauwatosa After Hours Kiwanis Club
Paula Weckman
Mark Welle
Essie Whitelaw
Lauren Wilhelm
Paul Zerkel
Zywave

2018 Family Meal Program Groups
#KAILEYSTRONG
Advocate Aurora Health
Allay Home and Hospice
AllState Insurance
Alpha Delta Pi
Ripon College
Alpha Kappa Alpha
Alpha Omicron Pi
Antonneau Family
Antonneau Family
Arrowhead High School
Arya's Memory
ASQ
Associated Bank
Association of Equipment Manufacturers
Astellas Pharma
AT&T
Augustine Prep
Aurora COV Pharmacy
Aurora Emergency Department
Aurora St. Luke's Medical Center 6KLM
Aurora St. Luke's Same Day Surgery Unit
B.R.O.A.D.S for a Cause
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BelAir Cantina
Blood Center of Wisconsin
Body by Design Muskego
Book Club
Brady Corporation Digital Team
Brew City Mamas
Brewer's Staff
Brewer's Wives
Bristol Chapter Eastern Star
Brookfield Lutheran Church
Bruss Family
Bryant Women of HVAC
Caleffi North American, Inc
Carmax
Carmen High School
Carroll University
Cedar Lake Yacht Club
Center for Diagnostic Imaging
Charter Steel
Chr. Hansen
Christ Lutheran Church
CHW Clinical Resource Unit
CHW Educational Services
CHW Neonatal ICU Provider Group
CHW Neonatology Team
CHW NICU Nurses
CHW Project Management Office
CHW Respiratory Care Department
Cindy Vick
Clausen/Schmidt
Cohen and Company
Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage
Columbia College of Nursing Student Nursing Association
Community Church of Christ
Concordia University
Concordia University PA Program
Concordia University Wisconsin Student Nursing Association
Cookers With Hart
Couples Club
Creative Business Interiors Crossroads Church
Crossway Church
Customer Care of Direct Supply
Dano Family
Dedicated Computing
Dell EMC
Delta Kappa Gamma
Alpha Alpha
Delta Sigma Pi
Direct Supply
DoubleTree
Eagle Eye Power Solutions Eaton Cooper Cares
Eleanor's Journey
Elm Grove Junior Guild
Enterprise Rent-A-Car
Epikos
ESP
Faye's
Ficke Family
Firefly Real Estate
First Federal Bank of Wisconsin
First Presbyterian Church Oostburg
FIS Corporation
Fiserv
Franklin High School Dance Team
Friends of Hales Corners Lutheran
Future Farmers of America
Gaatz Family
GE
Geigers and Friends
Gina Griesbach and Friends
Girl Scout Troop 2045
Girl Scout Troop 4283
Girl Scout Troop 6208
GMR Marketing
Godfrey and Khan
Gold's Gym
Good Samaritan Church of God
Grafton High School HOSA Grandma's House Day Care
Greater Milwaukee American Payroll Association
Greywolf Partners
GSF Mortgage Corporation
Hales Corners Lutheran Church
Hambrook Family
Hamm Family and Friends
Hands of Hope
Harper Strong
Helping Hands
Heritage Christian School
Hess Family
Hydro Thermal Corp
Institute of Beauty and Wellness
Ivelisse Family and Friends
JDA Software
Jean and Grace Klimek
Jessica Malachowski
JLA Architects
JP Morgan Chase
K&S Manufacturing
Kacey's Friends
Kalleigh's Krew
Kalmbach Publishing
Karen Saito and Friends
Kesslers Diamonds
Kewaskum High School Service Club
KinderCare
Kiwanis Milwaukee
Kiwanis Wauwatosa
Kohl's
Kohl's Home/Footwear
KONE Elevators and Escalators
Krenzien Family
Lamplight Farms
Lanigan Family
Larch Family
Laureate Alpha Zeta
LDS Milwaukee
Leah Wright and Friends
Learning Leaders
Lena Wildcat Volleyball Team
Lifeline Church
Lippman Milwaukee
Live to Give
Local 469 Masterlock
Love Your Melon
Lucas Milhaupt Supply Chain
Make-A-Wish
Maria Sarandos Family and Friends
Marine Bank
Mark Travel
Marquette Alums
Master's Gallery
MCW Pediatric Student Association
MCW Student Assembly Meetings and Incentives Worldwide, Inc.
Merck Oncology
Merkel's and Friends
Milwaukee Fun
Milwaukee Junior League
Milwaukee Tool
Milwaukee Yacht Club
Monday Small Group
MPS OT/PT Departments
MSDRA
MSOE Circle K
Mt. Mary Women's Basketball
Nana Fotsch Family
RMHC Eastern Wisconsin HomeWord
Wanted:
Committed, caring, compassionate individuals to volunteer their time making our House feel like home for the families we serve.

Apply today!
www.rmhc-easternwi.org/how-to-help/volunteer
For the past six years, Greta, age 12, Izzy, age 11, and Sonya, age 11, have hosted the Falbo Family’s 4th of July picnic. To date, they have raised over $10,000 for the Ronald McDonald House. The girls simply wanted to have a party and raise money for a great cause. In their words, “Of course it had to be Ronald McDonald House!”

They became familiar with the Ronald McDonald House through family members that had previously stayed at the House. The girls were also inspired by Ronald McDonald himself as they saw him at different school functions. Greta, Izzy and Sonya decided that they wanted to do raffles at their party, which ended up being their most successful fundraising technique. Family and friends donated all of the raffle prizes including iPads, Kindles, fishing equipment, quilts, gift cards, backpacks filled with school supplies and so much more.

The 4th of July parties also feature pay-to-play games to make raising money a little more fun! There are water slides, a bouncy house, 3 legged races, paintball, water balloon relays and more. Pie-in-the-face was the biggest fundraising game because the participants had to pay to throw a pie at someone; however, if that person did not want a pie in their face they had to match the original donation!

As their Grandma Donna says, “Of course to have any fundraiser be a success, you must have commitment from many people. This is a generous and loving family that happens to have 3 amazing young ladies that believe in the work that the Ronald McDonald House does. I’ve watched this event grow over the years due to the support the girls get from their parents, their Grandpa and many others.”
3 Ways to Donate

♥ Go online - www.RMHC-EasternWI.org
♥ Call Bridget - she'd love to talk to you! (414) 935-6511
♥ Clip it - send the form below to:
  RMHC Eastern Wisconsin
  Attn: Jennifer Krueger
  8948 Watertown Plank Road,
  Milwaukee, WI 53226

Enclosed is my gift ☐ $500 ☐ $250 ☐ $100 ☐ Other: _____
Name: ___________________________________________________________
Address: __________________________________________________________
Telephone: _________________________________________________________
Email: ___________________________________________________________________
By giving your email address you will receive occasional e-newsletters. We do not sell or share information.
Credit Card: ☐ Visa ☐ AmEx ☐ MC ☐ Discover  Security Code: _____
CC Number: ___________________________________________________________________
Name on Card: ______________________ Exp. Date: _______
Signature: ___________________________________________________________________
Please make checks payable to Ronald McDonald House Charities Eastern Wisconsin.
Contributions are tax deductible to the fullest extent of the law.

It costs over $100 per night for a family to stay at RMHC, yet we suggest our families make a donation of just $20 a night. No family is ever turned away for their inability to pay. Your ongoing support is a major reason why.

Thank you for your generosity!

Our Mission:
To keep families together and promote the health and well-being of children.