



Donor Newsletter

Fall 2010

Your donations at work

You'll be happy to hear that your recent support has helped The Ottawa Rotary Home provide respite breaks to dozens of families in the region caring for children and young adults with severe physical disabilities.

Thanks to your contributions, we raised \$175,000 last year in support of the Rotary Home's programs. Your help enabled us to fund hundreds of days of respite programs for families in need of a break. And to those of you continuing your support by fulfilling pledges to the new Home campaign, you have made dreams come true. We are grateful every day for our bright, spacious new building.

But there is still much work to be done to make sure the Rotary Home has the funds needed to continue its new adult respite program. I hope you enjoy this update. I'm sure you'll be keen to read about how your donation has benefited a child or young adult with disabilities and their family.

Golfers provide over 100 days of respite!

On June 7, 2010, close to one hundred golfers joined us for the 7th annual Rotary Home Golf Marathon at Emerald Links Golf & Country Club. It was a fun-filled day of non-stop golf, great food, fabulous contests and with the support of donors like you, the event raised **\$63,000** for the Rotary Home's adult respite program.

A huge thank you goes out to all our participants, volunteers, and to the hundreds of donors who pledged their support and helped make this year one of the most successful ever for the event! Your contributions provided



For the 5th year running, Angela Houle and Marco Cesario are out enjoying their day at the Golf Marathon.

over **100 days** of respite care to families caring for young adults with disabilities.

"It's spectacular that the amount raised [at the Golf Marathon] continues to increase from year to year...everyone's hard work really pays off for our children. The Rotary Home is really a godsend for us parents who need a break once in a while emotionally and physically."

- Rotary Home parent



Introducing Chloe Hillier the new Director of Development

Several years ago, I had the privilege of working with the dedicated and passionate staff and volunteer leadership of the Ottawa Rotary Home Foundation during the campaign for the new Home. So when I was approached to renew my involvement with the Foundation, first to organize the Golf Marathon and then to become Director of Development, it was an easy decision.

The Foundation is entering an exciting period of renewed growth and vigour. With the building campaign complete and the new Home open and running smoothly, we now turn our focus to raising funds for the adult respite program. This program currently has no government funding. Although we hope this will one day change, for now, we will need the continued support of the community and our corporate and foundation sponsors to make sure the Home can continue to offer these important services to families in the region.

THANK YOU GOLF MARATHON SPONSORS!



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Thank you for your support!

A message of thanks to the Rotary Home...

Even if it was just 2 days of respite care, our rest is defined as peace of mind. We know Camila is at home with Rotary and she is always happy there.

And we realized how much we had missed the Rotary Home! The staff greeted us thoroughly organized, charming and professional. We were glad to leave Camila in their care. We contacted Rotary 3 times during Camila's stay. Chantal was on duty every time. We have never met her but were so pleased to talk to her. She was enthusiastic, attentive to Camila's needs and resourceful.

Once again the Rotary team has proven to be dynamic and reliable and a pleasure to deal with. Kudos to the management team and their capable staff! And many, many thanks.

- Eleonora and Jacques Dufault

Business and Community Leaders Making a Difference

Stikeman Elliott LLP and its Ottawa Partners have given generously to the Foundation in recent years. Now the Partners have committed to providing funding for the adult program.

Keller Williams Cares has contributed \$30,000 over the past two years to fund 2 full weeks of adult respite care programming. The second Keller Williams Cares week will take place in early November 2010.

The Harold Crabtree Foundation donated \$25,000 this year in support of the Rotary Home's adult programming.

On behalf of the families who rely on the Rotary Home's vital services, thank you to all our corporate and foundation partners!



This is Victoria Whittle, Mom Joanne, and Foundation staff Wendy May. Victoria has been visiting the Rotary Home since she was 16 years old. Now, at 24 she can continue those visits as part of the new adult program.

ROTARY CASH CALENDAR

Lottery calendar with **daily cash prizes** from \$25 to the grand prize of \$1,000. Prizes total \$20,000!

This year's calendar is a tribute to the late Wendy Booth, renown Ottawa nature photographer.

Proceeds benefit the Rotary Home and other Ottawa community services.

Buy yours now for just \$20!

Calendars can be purchased at the Home or by calling Kimbra at 613.236.3200.

Racing for the Rotary Home

We are fortunate to have supporters who donate their time, energy and passion in addition to their financial resources.

The Halpenny family for example—long time supporters of the Home—turned out in full force during this summer's Ottawa Race weekend to support the Rotary Home. All twenty family members participated in various events and raised over \$11,000 from friends and family!

Your support through fundraising events like this can make a big impact on the families using the Rotary Home. Birthday parties, auctions, or sporting events, can all be wonderful and fun ways to support the Foundation.

If you are interested in holding a fundraiser to benefit the Rotary Home Foundation, please contact Chloe Hillier for more information at 613.322.7069 or by email at chillier@orhfoundation.ca.

Win a Trip for two to the Saturday and Sunday Round of

THE MASTERS GOLF TOURNAMENT 2011

Friday April 8th to Monday April 11th
Augusta, Georgia

GOLF RAFFLE
Tickets: \$100.00 each

Purchase tickets online at ottawabytownrotaryclub.com. Follow the link on the homepage to purchase tickets and then select "ROTARY HOME FOUNDATION" from the menu on the left. Or call or email 613.322.7069 or chillier@orhfoundation.ca.



Did you know?

You can designate your annual United Way contribution to the Ottawa Rotary Home Foundation. Just bring this information to your United Way workplace representative:

The Ottawa Rotary Home Foundation Charitable Registration Number 89418 7962 RR0001