



Ronald McDonald House of Cleveland

House Update

April 24, 2007

Tools for Today and Tomorrow



The Tools for Today and Tomorrow Program 3-part series "How the Law Affects Your Child with Special Needs," continues in the Months of April and May. Depending on interest and availability, participants may choose to attend any one or all of the workshops in this series at any of the sites listed.

Workshop II "Legal and Financial Planning Strategies," is the second

in the series. Parents will be informed about important legal and financial planning strategies for preserving government benefits and enabling their children to be as independent and financially secure as possible as adults. The workshop will be held from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 18, at the Ursuline Educational Center, Merici Conference Room and again on Wednesday, April 25, at the Ronald McDonald House.

Workshop III "Guardianship and Special Education Rights," which concludes the series, will address two topics: 1) Guardianship and 2) What parents need to know about rights and accessibility to a free and public education (FAPE) and the enforcement of those rights. The workshop will be held from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 2, at the Cuyahoga Valley Career Center, May 23 at the Ronald McDonald House and May 30 at the Ursuline Educational Center, Merici Conference Room.

Contact Linda Kresnye, Program Manager, at 216-229-5757 to register. Visit www.toolsfortoday.org for additional reading materials about these and other topics.

"Redskins Raid the House" With "Helping Hands"

RMH "Growing" Support



Faculty Participants: Joe Lobo, Sean Wheeler, Chris Lamphear, Dave Hille, Brian Biermann, Shane Sullivan, Patrick McNichols, and Bill Wagner after a clean shave.

Students and faculty from Lakewood High School have truly had a hair-raising time over the past five months. Since October 30, 2006 six male teachers and two principals have been growing their facial hair in a friendly contest judged upon by the students. On Thursday, April 5th they chose their winner, this contestant received a wonderful shave in a school-wide assembly. Those who lost also received a prize: shaving their hair completely off!

All together, the school raised an incredible \$2,848.43! Thank you to all the students and faculty; we loved watching this unique event grow into a complete success!

It's a Spring Thing! Ready to Start Planting?

Visit Heights Garden Center
13410 Cedar Road
Cleveland Heights

Friday, June 1, 2007 from
9:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

And they will DONATE 10% of





Cuyahoga Heights Home Economics Course prepare a delicious meal for RMH families.



Cuyahoga Heights High School National Honor Society members do chores around RMH.

Cuyahoga Heights High School Redskins' National Honor Society spent the afternoon at Ronald McDonald House Spring Cleaning our Guest Rooms and common areas inside and doing some yard clean-up outside despite the snowy/rainy conditions. In addition, the Home Economics class prepared a delicious and nutritious dinner for our families and helped clean and organize our kitchen cupboards and House refrigerator. Cuyahoga Heights National Honor Society has adopted us as their charity for the last two years raising awareness and funds for the House at their school.

Annual Meeting

Please join us as we celebrate a year of achievements.

Thursday, May 3, 2007

Glidden House

1901 Ford Drive, Cleveland, OH 44106

5:30 p.m. - 6:15 p.m. Buffet Dinner

6:15 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Program

7:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Dessert and Tour of Glidden House

all sales on June 1,

(Includes annuals, hanging baskets, herbs, shrubs, mulch, fertilizer, garden art, birdbaths, etc.)

to benefit the Ronald McDonald House of Cleveland.

www.heightsgardencenter.com

The RMH Legacy Society

Make provisions for RMH of Cleveland to be the recipient in your will, trust, or through another planning technique.

Please contact us for details or assistance at (216) 229-5757.

Planned Giving to benefit RMH

Unique Opportunity - Tax Free Distribution From Your IRA to Benefit RMH

During 2007 you can make, tax-free, direct transfers from your Individual Retirement Accounts (IRA's) to Ronald McDonald House of Cleveland and other qualified charities.

This limited and unique opportunity ends December 30, 2007. Anyone 70.5 years or older can make a gift of any amount, up to \$100,000, from their IRA directly to RMH of Cleveland **without paying any taxes.**

This means you can:

- Meet your required minimum IRA distributions
- Reduce your Social Security wage

Time is running out if you want to show your support of RMH. The process is quick and simple. Call us at 216-229-5757 for assistance with this limited time opportunity or for information on other ways to support RMH of Cleveland. **Gifts must be transferred directly from the IRA to RMH and must be completed by December 31, 2007.**

Don't forget to also include RMH of Cleveland as a beneficiary of your IRA. It's one of the easiest gifting techniques as it saves more of your other assets for your family and provides your estate with an important charitable tax deduction.

This is intended for educational purposes only. Please consult with your qualified tax and legal advisor(s).

- Hear about our recent accomplishments and future goals.
- Help us recognize DigiKnow and Saks Fifth Avenue for their ongoing support of RMH.
- Tour the newly renovated Glidden House.

Reservations Required by April 27th - RSVP to Barb Disterhof (216) 229-5757 or bdisterhof@ronaldhousecle.org.
Valet parking will be provided.



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