









NOVEMBER 2023

## AROUND THE HOUSE



## A Message from our Associate Director of Development, Brandon Cook

The holiday season is upon us, and we're thrilled to invite you to our annual Run Santa Run 5K—a festive fundraising event filled with joy, community spirit, and a dash of holiday magic! This year's race is brought to you by Colombo Law, Breezeline, Friends of WVU Hospitals, Howard Hanna, JustTech, Daniel's of Morgantown, and Morgantown Portable Toilet Rentals.

Event Details:

- Date: Sunday, December 10th
- Time: Race Time: 9 AM, Packet Pickup starts at 8 AM
- Location: 30 Family House Dr., Morgantown, WV 26506

Registration is open! Whether you're a seasoned runner, a casual jogger, or love soaking in the holiday atmosphere, this race is for you!

Register and secure your spot in this merry celebration at https://www.runsanta5k.com/westvirginia.

#### Volunteer Opportunities:

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Spread the cheer and lend a helping hand! We're in need of enthusiastic volunteers to make this event a success. If you're interested in being part of the magic behind the scenes, please email Brandon at <a href="mailto:bcook@wvuf.org">bcook@wvuf.org</a> to sign up as a volunteer.

Let's make this holiday season unforgettable together. Lace-up your running shoes and show your support to our patients and families by registering for the Run Santa Run 5K.

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### **Guest Halloween Party**

We had the best time bringing smiles to our guests on Halloween. We provided pizza donated from Fat Angelo's, "rigabonie" made by our own Tonya Lucero, and tons of treats thanks to our board members. Thank you also to the festive staff for always doing their best to help our guests forget about the stresses of the hospital.



#### **Donation Station**

Thank you to the Civil Military Innovation Institute III for the incredible donation of wish list items! They provided multiples of everything on our entire list. Our guests are so appreciative of these items, and they'll definitely go to good use.



## Wish List

Check for our #WishlistWednesday posts on Facebook to see our weekly needs and start a supply drive in your own community! We are in immediate need of sugar packets, coffee (regular and decaf), coffee cups with lids, food storage containers, latexfree gloves, and travel-sized toiletries (especially conditioner). Use the Amazon link on Facebook to order and ship directly to the House; drop off items any day of the week between 7:30 am and 7:30 pm; or ship donations to 30 Family House Drive, Morgantown, WV 26506. Your donations help families like Steven and Nancy Nickell. We appreciate your support of our families!



## We're Hiring

We're hiring for our Saturday and Sunday overnight Patient Family Liaison position. The position is part-time 10:30pm-7am. If interested, scan the QR Code below.



### **Getting Crafty for a Cause**



We have received some beautiful wreaths this year for our annual Wreath Decorating Contest and Auction. While submissions for the Decorating Contest are closed, we will be able to take

wreaths for auction until Sunday, December 10th. Wreaths for the contest will be judged on Friday, December 8th, and our auction will be held on Thursday, December 14th from 10am-2pm. We will be set up in the J.W. Ruby Memorial cafeteria, but you can also make your bid online at give.wvu.edu/event/christmas-wreath-auction/e536358. Please contact Elizabeth Kanosky with any questions at 304-598-6094 option 3 or elizabeth.kanosky@wvumedicine.org.

## **Enjoy Coupon Books**



support Family House while you save.

Enjoy Coupon Books are here at Rosenbaum Family House! Get tons of savings for various businesses around the area for only \$40 per book with \$10 of sales going to the Family House. These make excellent stocking stuffers for the holidays. Stop by to pick yours up and

# Adopt A Day/Week

Our Adopt A Day/Week program provides financial resources to help the guests who are unable to afford the nightly cost of staying at the House during their medical journey at WVU Medicine. The donation to Adopt a Day is \$250, and the donation to Adopt A Week is \$1,000. For more information on supporting Rosenbaum Family House, contact: Brandon Cook Associate Director of Development, Rosenbaum Family House WVU Foundation 304-554-0240 bcook@wvuf.org



Rosenbaum Family House

## **Entertaining Our Guests**







At Rosenbaum Family House, we strive to offer our guests the best experience possible. One way we achieve this is by providing fun and engaging activities. This month, we had the pleasure of welcoming the Elks Jammers, a quartet of musicians who played traditional Irish music and even took requests from our guests for popular songs. Band member David Dial shared, "Our goal was to provide some emotional relief for the residents," and we couldn't agree more. To keep things exciting, Alpha Epsilon Delta National Health Preprofessional Honor Society provided snacks and gave our guests a lesson on making mocktails, which everyone enjoyed. Additionally, we brought back Bingo, a beloved activity that our guests have missed since the passing of our long-time Bingo Lady, Lesley Klishis, in June. We are grateful to WVU students Blair Lewis and Caroline Dundervill for volunteering their time to continue this tradition. We appreciate these groups for their contributions in providing our guests with moments of enjoyment and fun.

## **Thanksgiving**

The staff and board members of Rosenbaum Family House extend our heartfelt gratitude to you and your loved ones this holiday season. Your support throughout the year has enabled us to help countless families in need. We are grateful for your continued donations and could not do it without you. We hope you had a safe and happy Thanksgiving.

We would also like to thank Petroplus and Associates for sponsoring Thanksgiving dinner from M&M Bake Shop. Thank you to the Lucero family for providing extra sides and serving to our guests. Holiday meals make our families feel more at home.