



Devon Nicole's House
PO Box 901
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To:

DNH Critical Needs:

- Donations at all levels
- Experienced Fund Raisers
- Prayers and ideas for finding a suitable home site in or near Boston MA
- Annual Endowments for on going operational costs to support DNH
- Help in rehabilitation of the home. (Architect, Contractors, etc. etc.)
- Members for Advisors to DNH to provide on going support and guidance to the Board of Trustees

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It is estimated that 1 million Americans have CHD and 35,000 babies are born with CHD each year.

The BEST way to battle CHD is to be informed!
If you have a family history of heart disease or would like more information: Call 1-800-AHA-USA1
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Keep your Calendar open for the BEST Valentines event ever! If you thought you had fun last year...you ain't seen nothing yet! Come and join us for this event of the Heart! Call us for your ticket NOW!



*You are cordially invited to attend the
**Second Annual Odyssey Valentines Dinner Cruise for
Devon Nicole's House**
Saturday, February 16th, 2002.*

Location: On board the Odyssey. Downtown Boston, MA at Rowes Wharf.

Event: ***Romantic and Elegant Valentines Dinner Cruise around Boston Harbor.***
Charity event with proceeds to help fund Devon Nicole's House.

Boarding time: 6pm - 7pm. Cruise: 7pm - 10:30pm

Price will include: Hors d'oeuvres, Formal Dinner, drinks (beer, wine, and soda), entertainment, dancing and entrance to the **Silent Auction**.

Pricing: **Individual Seating** is \$150 per plate.
To request an invitation please contact us before December 20th.

Corporate Pricing is also available. Tables seat 8-12 people. Pricing starts at \$2000 per table
Package includes listing in Event Program, Press Releases, and on DNH web site.
Please contact us as soon as possible if you are interested. (603) 490-3671
or tomm@devonshouse.org *More information is available at: <http://www.devonshouse.org>

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Bogar Salon and Spa of Londonderry Cut-A-Thon

By Celeste Simpson



A little snip here and a little snip there and voila, you have a mighty fine looking hair-do.

That's exactly what Bogar Salon and Spa did back in May was provide beautiful haircuts for many of its' existing customers and supporters of Devon Nicole's House. You would have needed an appointment ahead of time for this event. As many found out, these appointments booked quickly. Some were even put on a cancellation list.

The salon opened its doors on a Sunday, which would generally be closed to the public and devoted the entire day to hair cutting at discounted prices. Several stylists made themselves available by volunteering their time to such a good cause. The funds collected for this event were well over \$1,000.

Thanks to the owners of Salon Bogar, Amy and Al, for orchestrating such a wonderful event



Greater Derry Mom's Club Yard Sale and Bake Sale



It was a warm and wonderful Saturday in June at the Derry NH Wal-Mart parking lot. Mothers of Derry and Londonderry came out to help support Devon Nicole's House. The mom's brought in truck loads of furniture, clothes, tricycles, strollers and much more for the Yard Sale. Two whole tables were dedicated to mouth-watering cookies and chocolates.



2nd Annual Basket Bingo Party !



It was truly a ladies night out for mothers and daughters as they treated themselves to a special evening of fun and excitement. This event has grown in popularity. We also did not have to contend with a New England winter snow storm this time! Bingo cards, baked goods and refreshments were sold to help raise funds for Devon Nicole's House. The competition was fierce at times, but a good time was had by all.

Also in September, Devon Nicole's House participated in the American Heart Association walk-a-thon. Roughly 3,000 people attended on a chilly Saturday to stroll along the Charles River. Warm people with big hearts helped to make the event a huge success.

With the turning of the seasons from Summer to Fall, the heat on our activities has been turned up. Two board members have stepped up to take on the task of digging in to the Grant Maker's database in Boston and put together several proposals targeted at specific people, groups or organizations that are potentially open to helping us make the vision of Devon Nicole's House a reality. We will be aggressively following through with this aspect of our fund raising activities over the next few months. We have also added members to our Board of Trustees and have begun to establish a group of Special Advisors to the Board.

In October we had our 2nd annual Basket Bingo fund-raiser with Cindy Mastropiero. This time we did not have to contend with a snow cancellation. The ladies night out was a huge success. Mothers and daughters all had a great time!

Pampered Chef Consultant Jenn Kidwell and Discovery Toys Betty Mak also held a fund-raiser on November 2nd to help DNH. There were raffles and give-aways to all those that took the opportunity to get a jump on the Christmas shopping season or buy a special gift for someone.

The next 6 months will be FILLED with good, but busy times. All on the Board of Trustees have committed to helping DNH make big strides in the coming months. On December 1st we have the Annual Luisa's Pizza party in Londonderry NH. The team at Luisa's makes the best pizza in town and has expects an even bigger turn out this year. Santa had such a great time last year that he has committed to making time again in his busy schedule to attend again this year!! On Sunday the 2nd of December Devon Nicole's House has been invited to participate in the Manchester Mall of NH "Evening of Giving". THIS IS BIG. We are selling tickets for an exclusive shopping event to really help people get a jump on finding that special gift for a loved one. The Mall will close and then re-open at 6pm for a special sales, ticket only event. There will be shopping sprees, raffles, and deep-discounts to those attending. (More information on this event is on our web site: <http://www.devonshouse.org/Fundraising/index.htm>).

Then in February we will be working with the various regional CHD (congenital heart disease) Awareness groups to promote CHD Awareness Day on the 14th. This all leads up to the formal, 2nd Annual Valentines Dinner Cruise on board the Odyssey Cruise ship. We expect to fill the ENTIRE boat this year. Ask ANYONE that attended the cruise last year and you will hear about what a great time this truly was. For those people that were aboard last year, I repeat my invitation to join us again and bring a friend or two.

We still think about Devon every day. We know that she is watching over our family and the people helping us with this project. We pray that you join us in helping DNH become a reality. Come with us and help the vision grow!

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Special Thanks!!

To all of the DNH Board members and Advisors. With out your help and encouragement we'd not be where we are today on this project of the heart.

To the owners and staff at Salon Bogar for the Cut-a-thon.

To everyone who helped make the Derry Mom's Club yard sale and bake sale a HUGE success. (And to Derry Wal-Mart for lending us their "yard" for the afternoon.)

To all the kids and teachers at LPC VBS for the time and love that went into the cards.

To Jenn Kidwell and Betty Mak for their recent fundraiser.

To Cindy Mastropiero for hosting the 2nd Longerberger basket bingo night.

To Maddy Mandelbaum for taking the time to listen.

To the parishioners of LPC that have continued to pray for us and for DNH.

To George and Elaine Wallace and Master Printers on New England for the GREAT job they did in printing up our brochures.

To Dean Ouellette for stepping up to re-design the DNH web site and keeping it up to date.

To Ruth Adams for her love, dedication and time with the triplets and us.

To the people that have encouraged us with words, prayers, actions and donations. You know who you are. Thank you and God bless.



Devon Nicole's House Newsletter

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Fall 2001

On July 30, 1999 a beautiful healthy baby girl named Devon Nicole came into this world. Five short days later she was called back to heaven. This may sound like the end of a story, but as it turns out, it is just the beginning of a journey....

Mission:

Devon Nicole's House is a Non-Profit Charity that is dedicated to establishing a home-away-from-home for families that have children either awaiting cardiac care, organ donations or that are in a Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) at any of the Boston area Hospitals. We hope to relieve the parents of the financial worry of how to afford being close to their child during a difficult time

Changes to our World *by Devon's Dad*



It amazes me how much can happen to change our world in just 6 months, or in just one day. As much of a shock it was to Deanna and I to lose our baby girl Devon, our hearts truly went out to the hundreds of families affected by the tragedy that struck our nation on September 11th. We have the unfortunate insight to know just a small piece of the suffering and pain that the people who lost loved ones that grim Tuesday morning are going through. We know the road that they have ahead of them. We would ask all that read this newsletter to keep those families in their prayers. The time they need to heal and grieve over their loss will not be a matter of weeks or months. There is nothing that can ever replace a person that is lost in such a senseless act. There are no words that will ever truly comfort them.... I would also ask for your prayers and support for the leaders of our nation to follow through on the road they have chosen.

Baby Steps *by Devon's Dad*

The summer absolutely sped by. We have continued to make some significant progress. DNH has been "officially" adopted by the American Heart Association as a primary solution to help establish some type of temporary housing for families with members undergoing cardiac care in the Boston area. We have pledged to work hard to bring the vision of DNH to Boston as soon as we possibly can. With your continued support we know that this will happen. (And soon.)

We have also continued to build our relationship with the people in Boston Children's Hospital Cardiac unit. We look forward to deepening our support of the wonderful care that they give to not just their patients, but to the whole family of the kids that come to see them with heart problems. We expect to work closer with **Little Hearts** and members of the **Gift of Life**. (More info on both of these groups is on our web site.)

Our fund raising activities have continued. In May we had our first Cut-a-thon with Salon Bogar in Londonderry NH. This was a tremendous way for us to get the word out to some people that had not heard about DNH. In June the Derry NH Mom's Club held a very successful garage and bake sale that raised over \$1300. In June we had over 150 children from the Londonderry Presbyterian Vacation Bible School donate their time and labor to create some wonderful hand-made thank-you cards for DNH that we have included in our notes going out to people that have donated to DNH.

In September we had a Stampin-Up party combined with a Creative Memories workshop fundraiser. If you'd like to get more information on either of these events or would like to book a party with proceeds to go to Devon Nicole's House, please contact Corinne Wood or Celeste Simpson. (corinne@devonshouse.org and celeste@devonshouse.org)

Fundraising Events:

December 1st, 2001 11-2pm

2nd Annual Luisa's Pizza Party

Guest appearance by

SANTA!

December 2nd, 2001 6pm-9:30pm

Evening of Giving, Manchester Mall of New Hampshire. **Tickets \$7.**

February 16th 2002 6pm - 11pm



Valentines Dinner Cruise

Come join us aboard the Odyssey for our 2nd annual Cruise. GREAT time will be had for all. Hor'sdeuvres, Dinner, and **Silent Auction**.

Charity Golf Tournament
Spring/Summer 2002

For more information or to volunteer to HELP, check out our web site.

We need your **HELP!**

DNH is AGGRESSIVELY seeking donated items, get-a-ways, or Gift Certificates for our various Auctions and Fundraisers. If you can help call or email us at 603-490-3671

tom@devonshouse.org

(We will come pick it up!!)