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FALL 2014

A FIRST AND LAST HOME FOR ROBERT

The relationship each of us has with Jocelyn House is complex. It serves as the stage for heartfelt sorrows, unexpected joys and profound wisdom.

For a resident named Robert, Jocelyn House brought a fleeting but most welcome relief.

Robert was 61 years old and suffering from cancer when he came to Jocelyn House last winter. He had been in and out of the L'Arche community and also spent many of his years in different rooming houses. In short, Robert had never had a place to truly call home, until he came to Jocelyn House.

Jackie, a JHH volunteer, was working the evening Robert joined us and welcomed him into the house.

"It's an emotional day when new residents arrive," Jackie says. "Robert was tired, but I had a clear sense of who he was, very gentle and kind."

As he settled into his room, Jackie was preparing supper, and asked if he was hungry or thirsty.

"I have everything I need," Robert said, very simply.

"It was the most beautiful thing I've ever heard," Jackie says, and explains that she still gets shivers when she remembers that profound moment. "It was such an incredible reminder for me, from someone in a very unique place at the end of his life: we truly have everything we need."

After supper, she checked on him again and Robert admitted he would like a Pepsi. Because there was none in the house, Jackie decided to run up the street to buy a six-pack, despite his assurances it wasn't necessary.

When she returned a few minutes later, Robert was sleeping, so Jackie left the Pepsi beside his bed. Michelle, the night nurse, says he savoured every sip, after she had given him a bed bath and a fresh shave.



"It took me ten minutes and a few dollars, but that little gesture meant so much to him," says Jackie. "I can't see a can of Pepsi without thinking of him and it's a treasured reminder to enjoy every moment. That's something I love about Jocelyn House: you always get more than you give."

Robert passed away the next morning. It was difficult for the volunteers and staff, who usually have more time to get to know residents and create a sense of home and comfort for them. But a few weeks later at Robert's memorial service, Jackie had the chance to learn more about him and gain a sense of peace.

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT



Since being welcomed into the Jocelyn House family in May, I have come to understand that Jocelyn House is much more than a hospice; it is a community, embodied with common values and a true commitment to serving the residents in our care. Although small, Jocelyn House Hospice and its team of dedicated staff,

volunteers, Board members and generous supporters have a huge responsibility to deliver compassionate care to terminally ill patients and their families and they do so, expertly and admirably.

Contrary to what many may imagine, Jocelyn House is not a place of sadness, but is a home filled with activity, laughter and contentment. The beautiful park-like setting, smell of home cooking and bustle of family visitors make Jocelyn House a comfortable environment for adding life to final days. As a non-profit organization, the need for community and corporate support is great. I invite those of you interested in learning more, perhaps as a donor or volunteer, to contact me. I will proudly show you the important and meaningful contribution Jocelyn House is making in our community.

I had the pleasure of spending some time with Bill Hutton, Jocelyn's father, and he regaled me with stories of his daughter and the history of the hospice. Mr.

Hutton's words eloquently conveyed the enormous impact Jocelyn had on her family and others in her life. Thank you, Mr. Hutton, for your continued dedication and inspiration.

I would also like to congratulate my predecessor, Tanya Benoit, for her great accomplishments and thank her for her assistance during our transition.

I am grateful to have the opportunity to lead the Jocelyn House Hospice team. I look forward to working with our Boards to plan an expansion of Jocelyn House to meet the growing need for hospice care in our province. 🍀

Jackie Stephen

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MESSAGE FROM JOCELYN HOUSE HOSPICE CHAIRS:

It is an honour to be included in the passion and caring that are part of Jocelyn House Hospice. Having taken our seats as Chairs in June, we have assumed new roles in the Jocelyn House family.

The last couple of years have brought change and new energy to Jocelyn House and the legacy of Jocelyn Hutton. Two big changes were the creation of the Jocelyn Hutton Foundation in 2012 and the evolution of our staffing model in 2013. We welcome Jackie Stephen, Executive Director, to the Jocelyn House family. We sincerely thank Val Coward and Bob

Girard, past Chairs and Tanya Benoit, interim Executive Director, for their commitment and dedication.

As we move through 2014-2015 we are excited to continue the work of the previous Boards, staff, and volunteers. Our Boards share a vision of expanding the hospice care that Jocelyn House provides to be there for more people at the end of life and the families who support them. We hope to be part of the group that guides expansion of the hospice and raises awareness of this tremendous community asset.

With the assistance of our tireless volunteers, dedicated staff, and the continued support of our donors we are confident that our dream of an expanded Jocelyn House Hospice will be realized.

Thank you for your time, your financial support, and your assistance in sharing the Jocelyn House message with others. 🍀

Tracy McMahon, Chair
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BAND TOGETHER



Last year a unique themed fundraising event was created in support of Jocelyn House Hospice. Band Together “I want to hold your hand – the Songs of the Beatles” was held at the Park Theatre on October 10th and featured exciting musical collaborations from over 30 artists who donated both their time and talent. Over 200 people attended the first Band Together Concert that raised over \$5,000 for Jocelyn House Hospice. With the Band Together Concert, Jocelyn House Hospice has joined World Hospice Day Voices for Hospice events around the world helping to promote hospice and palliative care awareness. The second Band Together Concert “I’ll Be There – The Songs of Motown, Soul and R&B” takes place on October 9th at the Park Theatre. 🐾

A purple poster for the 'Band Together' concert. At the top, it says 'BAND TOGETHER' in a green box, with 'CONCERT IN SUPPORT OF JOCELYN HOUSE HOSPICE' below it. The main title is 'SONGS OF MOTOWN SOUL R&B' in large green letters. Below that, it says 'I'LL BE THERE'. The ticket price is '\$40' in large green letters. The date and time are 'THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2014' and 'COCKTAILS AT 6:30 PM SHOW AT 7:30 PM'. The venue is 'THE PARK THEATRE 698 OSBORNE STREET'. At the bottom, it says 'TICKETS AVAILABLE AT THE PARK THEATRE OR CALL 204-253-5898' and 'WWW.JOCELYNHOUSE.CA & WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/BANDTOGETHERWPG'.



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“He didn’t have any family, so there were only about nine of us there. It was clear, though, that Robert really had an impact on those who got to know him,” says Jackie. “A doctor, who attended with his wife and son and who had cared for Robert throughout his life spoke at the memorial, which I thought was special.”

Another attendee at his memorial was a woman whose mother had lived next to Robert at one time. She said Robert was a sweet and helpful man, saying he had a “servant’s heart”.

“We were both comforted,” says Jackie. “I got to meet someone who knew him when he was well, she got to meet someone who was with him at the end, and it was a wonderful tribute to Robert. Our paths wouldn’t have crossed without Jocelyn House, and that is so unique to this place. It can bring lives full circle in ways you least expect.” 🐾



BMO VOLUNTEERS PLANT SEEDS OF JOY AT JOCELYN HOUSE HOSPICE

Responding to BMO's invitation to volunteer their time once again at JHH we were delighted to team up with the four volunteers and the JHH volunteers to accomplish the spring planting. A great morning on June 4th was had by the 10 participants who engaged in beautifying JHH gardens and landscape projects.

Armed with gardening tools and a happy spirit the teams completed the gardening tasks of planting, landscaping and cleaning up the winter fall. By 11:30 a.m. the work was completed and it was time to relax and enjoy conversation and feasting at the BBQ luncheon.

JHH is looking forward to next year as the four BMO volunteers are signing up for another yard adventure to beautify the grounds.

BMO Thanks a million! 🍀



DONOR PROFILE: MELINDA SEARS

I'm an outgoing member of the Jocelyn Hutton Foundation Board, and have been involved since 2007. In that time, I've sat on committees, sat as Board Chair and even went to the house to investigate problems like water leaks!



Your passions?

I love golf and getting away in the winter.

Favourite thing about Manitoba?

We have everything the big cities have, but the accessibility of a small city.

How do you describe JHH to someone who's never heard of it?

It's a home for people with a terminal illness, who would stay in their own home until the end if they could. Because they can't, they come here, where they live out their final days just as if they were in their own home.

For how long have you donated to JHH?

Beyond the hours of my time on the Board, I also support JHH with an annual gift at Christmas.

Why do you think JHH is a worthy recipient of your financial support?

It's the impact on the lives of residents and their families, the happiness and peacefulness that comes from the home-like setting: sitting at a dining room table for meals, visiting with family in the living room, enjoying a cup of tea when you want it.

Have your reasons for supporting JHH evolved over the years?

Yes! We've implemented changes that have improved things, like the move from health aides to nursing staff. That was a huge financial commitment, but we've opened the door to more residents because we now offer a broader scope of care. Changes like that make you want to keep on giving.

How would you encourage someone to support JHH?

Come see the house, come hear the stories...I dare you not to help!

Anything else?

As a Board member, I know JHH wouldn't exist without the volunteers; we could never pay for all the services and compassion they provide. And the staff, their compassion and commitment is indescribable. The future is bright for JHH and I can't wait to see our future plans evolve into reality! 🍀



SUNDAY SUPPER 2014

Our fifth annual Sunday Supper was held on March 9 at The Gates and it was our most successful fundraiser to date. 144 guests enjoyed a lovely evening of fun and fellowship and raised almost \$50,000 for Jocelyn House Hospice.

Guests mingled with members of the Board and special guests Bill Hutton, Jocelyn's father, and John Hutton, Jocelyn's brother, over appetizers and drinks. We then enjoyed a wonderful dinner, followed by the opportunity to hear Jocelyn House Hospice LPNs Pamela Stanton and Karen Faurschou speak about their experiences. It was moving and humbling to hear these women talk about their work with our residents and how it affects their outlook on life. Many people called this the highlight of the evening.

An exciting addition to this year's event was a live auction where a number of generous bidders purchased some great items, including groceries for the hospice! Many thanks to auctioneer Dylan Morrow, who energized the evening with his rapid-fire skills.

We would also like to thank Caroline Hunter, whose voice you may recognize at Blue Bomber games, who did a fabulous job as our emcee for the evening.

Be sure to join us for next year's Sunday Supper. It's a great night out, a family affair, a business celebration and a great way to support Jocelyn House Hospice. 🍷

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For more information on planned giving in support of Jocelyn House, please contact; **Jackie Stephen, Executive Director**
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Jocelyn House Hospice would like to extend a special thank you to the ALL of the individuals and organizations that have helped add life to our residents' final days through their generous contributions. We would like to acknowledge those who have donated \$4000 and over, for which we are especially grateful.

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Congratulations to our Jocelyn House Hospice team who participated in the Hospice & Palliative Care Manitoba – Hike for Hospice on May 4, 2014



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MISSION & VISION

At Jocelyn House Hospice, we have a very clear idea of the role we play in our residents' lives and a vibrant vision for what our future holds...

Our Mission

To carry on the dream of Jocelyn Hutton: adding life to final days for the terminally ill, and their loved ones, by providing care and comfort in a home-like setting.

Our Vision for the Future

To enhance and expand Jocelyn House Hospice to meet the increasing needs for end-of-life care, while ensuring the mission and values on which our organization is founded are never compromised.