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for our kids with cancer
a home for families

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Creating communities to support hope and healing



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OUR VISION

Making a difference in the lives of children with cancer and their families...one day at a time.

OUR MISSION

To help those living with cancer by providing housing and programs through partnerships in our community.

As time goes by . . .

“Much may be done in those little shreds and patches of time which every day produces, and which most men throw away.”

—CHARLES CALEB COLTON

We started 2011 determined to serve more families by maximizing the use of our wonderful facilities and improving the support we are able to provide to each family that makes Brent's Place their home away from home. We expected that the busy end to 2010 would continue into this year, but I am not sure that we anticipated the need for housing that we have seen in the first six months of 2011. The continued growth of Children's Hospital Colorado's outreach throughout the region and the emergence of the Rocky Mountain Hospital for Children downtown have increased the demand for the "Safe-Clean" housing only Brent's Place can provide. Our facility in Aurora has been full since the fall of 2010 and for the first time since we opened the new facility in 2009, we have more families in need of housing on a monthly basis than we can accommodate. **Allen Browning**, our Family Services Manager, and **Fabian Jimenez**, our House Operations Manager, continue to amaze me with their ability to manage the constantly shifting list of patients and families while ensuring that we are ready to welcome every new resident that comes to Brent's Place.

The growing list of families in need can be daunting and at times overwhelming, and we often get caught up in the "business" of providing housing and support. However we also share in the joy of each family that heads home with hopes for a brighter future. Whether it is **Carlos** (10) visiting from Albuquerque one year after his transplant with a clean bill of health, or **Lucas** (1) going home healthy and happy shortly after celebrating his first birthday with everyone at Brent's Place, we feel privileged to have shared the journey of every family we serve. As 2011 speeds forward, we will continue to search for innovative ways to support each family during their stay at Brent's Place, and we know that our supporters and volunteers at every level will directly impact all that we provide. I sincerely thank everyone who has volunteered their time, participated in an event, or made a generous contribution already this year. As you will see in the pages that follow, there is a lot going on throughout the next few months. I hope we have provided an opportunity that will allow each of you to get involved in your own special way.

Enjoy your summer!

Sincerely,
Sean Meyerhoffer
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Our Families . . .

Summer is bringing more busy schedules for the families at Brent's Place! For the sixth month in a row, we will be above 90% occupancy in our facility in Aurora. We have many families who are staying much longer than our average of 89 days. We have had lots of smiles and many tears, but it has been a fulfilling few months.

Brent's Place has been alive with the pitter patter of little feet as **Lily** (6) and her pal **Jasmine** (10) play hide and seek and come in to the office for candy. Imaginary sounds of construction and collisions are also frequent as **Lucas** (1) and his brother **Gabriel** (3) play on the power wheels outside and on the train table in the common room. **Cameron** (2) with his sisters **Aubrianna** (3) and **Anabella** (3) have been frequent players at game nights and are always willing to help with anything and everything. **Johnathan** (8) is always eager to challenge you to a game of pool or to come up with some

creative T-shirt designs.

We have also had a great time going out in the community to the Colorado Railroad Museum, The Denver Zoo, The Denver Firefighter Museum, and Hammonds Candy. **Marty** (15) and his sister **Lily**, **Max** (7), and **Madelyn** (3) had a great time climbing and exploring the many trains at the Railroad Museum. The Zoo is always a favorite and this time **Delaney** (8) and her sister **Emma** (1), **Storei** (2), **Madelyn**, **Max**, **Lily**, and **Polina** (1) all enjoyed seeing the giraffes, bears, and trying to avoid the smelly elephants. Hammonds Candy is always a favorite with the wonderful smells and free samples. **Jasmine** and **Lily** loved seeing how the candy was pulled and changed colors right in front of you!

Thanks so much to all of our program interns and volunteers who have made the lives of our families a little bit easier, one day at a time!

Our most sincere condolences go to the families of Juliette Romero, Edward Rosenberg, Abraham Ramirez, Robert Sanchez, Jr., and Mike Paul. We keep these families in our thoughts and in our hearts.

How well do you know Brent's Place? Well, get to know us better! We're very social!

Check out our website at www.BrentsPlace.org "Like" us on  Follow us on 

Current Family Profile: Delaney



Delaney is a bright and cheery 8 year old with Neuroblastoma. She loves things that sparkle and is a big fan of Justin Bieber. Delaney has been staying with Brent's Place since April, and is now finishing up treatment in Denver and getting ready to go back home to Grand Junction. Delaney's mom, Wendy had some time to talk with us about Delaney and their journey.

What brought you to Brent's Place?

Delaney has stage 4 Neuroblastoma cancer and needed a stem cell rescue and Brent's Place is the best option for us to have a safe place for Delaney's recovery.

How has your child's treatment affected your life?

It's kind of put a change in our daily routine, to move and live in Denver for a while. My husband still lives in Grand Junction. Things are crazy but there is nothing that I wouldn't do for Delaney. It's hard, but we are doing it. It has brought us closer together.

What is the best part of staying at Brent's Place?

The best part is that it is close to the hospital which makes it really convenient. We have our own apartment, where we can be on our own, but also a great facility where there are activities and things to keep us occupied if we want to hang out with other people.

What has Brent's Place meant to your family?

Really Brent's Place has meant that we know we have a safe place, we are welcome and can be together as a family. We know that it is all okay. Brent's Place is amazing.

What's your child's favorite thing to do?

Delaney's favorite thing is to play outside. She likes to swing, dance and jump and be a crazy kid. She really loves swimming and is sad because she can't do that right now.

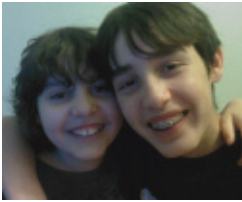
What are you and your family most looking forward to when you get to go home?

Being back at the house with friends and family and getting back to the normal swing of things. Things are anything but normal right now.

Do you have any additional comments you want to make?

I want to say that Brent's Place has made our stay in Denver much easier. Thanks so much for all you do.

Past Family Profile: Carlos



Carlos Marquez and his family stayed with Brent's Place last year while he was in the hospital receiving a bone marrow transplant to cure his Leukemia. They stayed with us for a total of 132 days. Carlos was just back in Denver

for a checkup and he and his family stopped by to visit with us.

It is amazing to see how great Carlos is doing and how fast he is growing! We had a chance to talk with Carlos's dad, Donald about how life has been after their stay at Brent's Place.

How is your child doing?

He is doing great! He has his energy again and is being a kid again!

How did Brent's Place help your family?

Brent's Place was a great help, especially with morale. It was great to have a place that was like home with lots of smiles and activities. The staff was great!

How has life been post Brent's Place?

Life has been great! It's hard when they are sick, but it's great to see him with kids and hiking swimming, playing and being a kid. He was back to school for a few hours a day and will be back full time in the fall.

What's your favorite memory of Brent's Place?

Love when we had the blanket making at Brent's Place. Family night was great, especially the food.

Are you still involved with Brent's Place?

Yes, we want to play in the golf tournament and since I work in a school, we want to do a supply drive for Brent's Place. We want to stay involved with Brent's Place as long as we can.

Interviews and family stories by Allen Browning, Family Services Manager

Big News!!

Support from **The James and Beatrice Salah Charitable Trust** allows Brent's Place to provide our services at no cost to families! The James and Beatrice Salah Charitable Trust, a private family foundation based in Canton, MA, announced on May 4, 2011 that it will support Brent's Place over the next three years with the largest single donation we have received outside of our 2007-2009 capital campaign. The growing partnership with the James and Beatrice Salah Charitable Trust will allow Brent's Place to return to a policy of housing free of charge for all of our patients and their families coming to Denver for life-saving treatments. The change became effective in April and the feedback from our families has been filled with surprise and gratitude, confirming that this will indeed help eliminate another burden that our families face each day. We cannot thank the Board of Directors from The James and Beatrice Salah Charitable Trust enough for their generosity.

The James and Beatrice Salah Charitable Trust supports nonprofit organizations in the US that strengthen families and communities and advances individuals to become productive and responsible citizens. There is a special interest in education, medical research, community development and self-sufficiency programs aimed at the economically disadvantaged, the young, the elderly and the disabled. The Trust is led by Executive Director and Trust Protector, Noreen Salah Burpee as well as her three children: Megan Fearnow, Frederick Churbuck and George Taylor. Noreen's brother, Joseph Salah, is also a member of the board.



Our Volunteers . . .



Volunteer Profile: Ferooza Eswaran

Tell us what how you spend your time when you aren't volunteering at Brent's Place.

I teach Microbiology to students of surgical technology at Colorado Technical University. Right now I am working towards setting up my business, a Kumon Franchise. Kumon is an afterschool math and reading program for kids. I am also excited to be heading out next week for the Annual Indian Nepalese camp, a camp for adopted kids of Indian origin. I also volunteer with DAPAC (Denver Asian Pacific American Commission; support liaison and facilitator between the APA community in Denver, the Agency for Human Rights and Community Relations, and the Office of the Mayor of Denver). When I do find my way to the gym... I love to Zumba and do yoga. I love reading and am part of a couple of book clubs, one of which is a mother daughter book club which I love. I love to cook and entertain...and spend time with my kids.

How did you find Brent's Place?

A good friend who volunteered for Brent's Place got me involved and I have been hooked ever since then!

How do you contribute to the community at Brent's Place?

I have volunteered weekly at Family Nights for the longest time, and now I help out with Personal Chef on Wednesday nights. I also serve on the Program Development Committee and help Allen create and implement new programs for the families staying at Brent's Place. Finally, I try to volunteer and be part of the Brent Place events whenever possible.

What about Brent's Place appeals to you as a volunteer?

I love the people who work at Brent's Place. The founders, staff and volunteers are so giving and caring. They are a breed apart, and I feel like I have found an extended family here. My kids volunteer at Brent's Place too and it has become an integral part of our life. With all the changes in staff I always wondered how the new staff would pan out, but I must say hat's off to whoever does the hiring.

Really the most important thing for me is getting to know the families and their struggles. I hope that I can contribute a little towards making them comfortable in a small way while they are going through the hardest and toughest times.

Brent's Buddies

CARE PACKAGES

Sara Holloway
Anna Rubinchik
Erin Di Joseph
Lara Melvin
Christy Noulin

ARTS AND CRAFTS

Blake Sidion
Eileen Stiffy
Gabriel Nair
Dana Morris
Eileen Stiffey
Debbie Gendill
Brenda Stokes
Christy Noulin
Eileen Stiffey
Judy Potter
& Bev Robin

BINGO NIGHT AND MOVIES

Gabriel Nair
Heather Bercher

FAMILY NIGHT

Barbara Wells
Milgard
Lola
Erin Di Joseph
Wilderness
Sam's Club
Northwestern Mutual
Angela Welsh
Tracy and Evan Ritter
Adwai &
Yashna Eswaran

PERSONAL CHEF

Gayle A. Govedni
Sam's Club
Joyce Mahn
Morgan Margolis
Pediatrics 5280
Molly Jackson
Becky Plunkett
Joyce Mahn
Chris Starks
Cal Stricklin
Curt &
Marilu Hirschinger
Wilderness
Sarahy Hernandez
Jessica Manchenton
Sabina Fechisin
Jarder Cappers
Jocelyn Stephens
Steph Martinez
Justin Larson
(Pathways Church)
Rhea Staniszewski

Barbara Wells
Lockton Companies
Ferooza Eswaran
Sangeeta Guha

BREAKFAST

Julica Bonsall
Eileen Stiffey
Cindy Veryser
Jenn & Mike Sittaro
Snooze
Bess Wentz
Whole Foods

HOLIDAY PARTIES

Brent's Place Executive
Leadership Council
Executive Self Storage
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Marissa Kaufman

FRONT DESK

Jerry Miller
Quinn Adams
Terry Martin
Sangeeta Guha
Margi Clute
Jack White
Tamarac Optimists
Debbie Gendill
Linda Eley
Mandee Hunter
Mardi Hunter
Lydia Rodriguez
Cecelia Romero
Teresa Castillo
Paul Rogers

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Rachel Monroe
Talia Halfon
Kerry Berlinger
Jill Messinger
Heather Bercher
Adrienne Matthews

For more information on volunteering at Brent's Place, contact Rachel
at 720-343-2806 or rwool@brentsplace.org

Our Events . . .

Help make 2011 a record year for Brent's Place!

Since the beginning of 2011, Brent's Place has been operating at a 95% occupancy rate or higher, meaning we continue to serve as many families as our facilities will hold. In addition, Children's Hospital Colorado continues to expand its bone marrow transplantation program and Rocky Mountain Hospital for Children, Presbyterian St. Luke's Medical Center and University of Colorado Hospital continue to increase the number of cancer patients they serve, meaning more families will be in need of Brent's Place in the near future. As the demand for our services increases, so does the need for participation in our events. So far, 2011 has been a record setting year for Brent's Place events. We still have many more events coming up and your participation is needed now more than ever!



Our first record of the year was set in April with our Dos Casas event at Lola. We sold out the entire restaurant 2 weeks prior to the event, including BeLola, which was opened up for our Executive Leadership Committee. Once again, **Jamey Fader**, co-owner and head chef of LOLA and the other top chefs from Denver out did themselves in preparing a delectable 6-course meal with wine pairings. We would like to thank **Troy Guard of TAG, Goose Sorenson of Solera, Sean Yontz of El Diablo, Brandon Biederman of Steuben's, Alex Sidel of Fruition, Tyler Wiard of Elways, Matt Selby of Vesta Dipping Grill and Stebuen's, Jamey Fader of LOLA and Keegan Gerhard of D Bar Desserts** for creating an extraordinary evening enjoyed

by all! The event would not have been possible if it were not for the dedication of the chefs and entire staff of LOLA who generously gave up their entire evening to support Brent's Place. Thanks to everyone who participated and made this a record year for the event. With your help we raised the roof off of LOLA with a total of \$30,000 for our kids with cancer and their families. **Save the date as Dos Casas will take place again on April 18, 2012!**



Brent's Place broke another record this year at the second annual all day Pur-A-thon hosted by Pura Vida Fitness and Spa on Friday, June 10th. Participants could choose one, two, three or a full day of classes consisting of Body Ballet, Indoor Spinning, Indo-Row, Will, Power and Grace, Yoga and Zumba. It was a spectacular day in Cherry Creek with 121 participants, 22 VIP participants, and 6 all day participants combining to raise more than \$30,000! Brent's Place would like to give a special thanks to the outstanding **staff at Pura Vida** for putting their pure energy into the event. Thanks to the generous support of **Whole Foods, Cherry Creek North, Bluebonnet, Mici's Pizza, Mad Greens, Milwaukee Street Tavern, Mix1, and Honest Tea**, participants enjoyed tasty treats all day long! The perfect day concluded with a Viva la Vida party celebrating all our participants and their support of our kids with cancer and their families.

The 2011 Volley for Kids tournament was a big success this year after a disappointing cancellation last year due to weather. Thanks to **Myke Woods** and the **dedicated members of Face Denver** for taking on the event and planning a great day of volleyball for the 38 teams that participated! Without their dedicated support, this event would not have been possible. We can't thank the volleyball community enough for their support of Brent's place and we look forward to another great event next year.



At Brent's Place, our focus is serving our families, so we never turn away a family in need. We couldn't do this without the generous support of our donors. There are many ways to give! Our One Day at a Time program funds the \$93 per day it takes to cover the costs associated with each of our 20 apartments.

DONATE HERE

**We can't do it without YOU!
Come and volunteer with Brent's Place!**

Events: Kids Cure, July 24th

Programs: Sign up to cook for our families on Personal Chef nights—Wednesdays & Thursdays

Supply Drives: Organize a cleaning supply drive for your business, church or community organization.

**Call or Email Rachel to sign up!
720-343-2806 or rwool@brentsplace.org**

Our Events . . .

continued

Kid's Cure for Cancer 5k Race

Sunday, July 24th
Washington Park



We want to continue to set more records this summer and we need your help! It is not too late to sign up for Kid's Cure for Cancer—the best 5k this summer! Join us on the Yellow Brick Road, July 24th at 8 am at Washington Park. At the end of the rainbow you will find the best pancake breakfast in the Emerald City, full of never-ending fun! Everyone will enjoy train rides, face painting, carnival games and music provided by The Woodies and The School of Rock. Join us in celebration of all of our kids with cancer by signing up at www.kidscure.org. You can participate as an individual, team or volunteer. Hope to see you on the Yellow Brick Road!

Step Up For Cancer

Sunday, August 7th
Dick's Sporting Goods Park

On August 7th, we will Step Up for Cancer at Dick's Sporting Goods Park. When you Step Up, you're teaming up with your community in the fight against cancer. Take to the stairs at your own pace as you listen to live music. Then wander the concourse and learn about cancer prevention, detection, treatment and more from over 40 non-profit cancer organizations. Stop by the kid's zone, get a massage or try some yoga. To register as a member of the Brent's Place team, go to www.stepupforcancer.org and choose **Brent's Place as your non-profit**.

Brent's Place Invitational Golf Tournament

Monday, August 15th
Pinehurst Country Club



Enjoy a day on the links FORE Brent's Place! The Brent's Place Invitational Golf Tournament will be at Pinehurst Country Club on Monday, August 15th. The tournament is much more than a day of golf; it is a gathering of good friends and ardent supporters to celebrate another year of service to Brent's Place families. Join us for a great day of golf and make a difference in the lives of our kids with cancer and their families. To sign up your foursome or for additional information please contact: Julie Gart at jgart@brentsplace.org or 720.343.2803.

Do you "like" Brent's Place yet?



We're on Facebook! "Like" us to see photos from past events, invite people to upcoming fundraisers and spread the word about how your friends can make a difference in the lives of kids with cancer and their families.

Deer Creek Challenge

Sunday, August 21

Ride the Deer Creek Challenge on behalf of Brent's Place! The Deer Creek Challenge has a special incentive for our Brent's Place team riders and supporters. Deer Creek Challenge will donate an additional \$100 to Brent's Place for every Brent's Place fundraiser that raises \$250.00 or more! That's right! Collect \$250 in online and offline donations by August 26, 2011 and the DCC will give \$100 to Brent's Place. Don't miss out...sign up today at <http://www.active.com/donate/BrentsPlace11>

Urban Navigator

Saturday, August 27
Downtown Denver



GET READY TO NAVIGATE! Adventures for Charity's Urban Navigator is a group adventure that will have your team navigating through downtown Denver, completing mental, physical and humorous challenges. You will use your brain, your brawn and your funny bone to benefit the kids at Brent's Place. For more information on becoming a sponsor, to volunteer or to participate in the 2011 Urban Navigator visit www.adventuresforcharity.org

Join the fun and get involved
with Brent's Place events!

We invite you to join us as a
**committee member, sponsor,
participant or donor. If you would
like to get involved, have questions
or would like to RSVP for an event,
please contact Julie Gart at
jgart@brentsplace.org or
720-343-2803.**

Thank you!

Generous Support . . .

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 Dan Kirkwood
 Darby Moses

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Denver Center for the Performing Arts
Denver Nuggets
Diz's Daisies
Donn Eley
Donna Gart
Dove Chocolate Discoveries
DTC Wine and Spirits
Duxiana
Energy Solutions
Enstrom Candy
Ervin Engelhaupt
Europtics
Forever Yours Floral Design
Four Seasons Hotel
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Gallery Rouge
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George Hesse
Girl Scout Troop 855
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Cameron Dalene
Margaret Dunne

IN HONOR OF

Ashlee Vaillancourt
Peter Tippett
The Biederman Family
James Devlin
The Nair Family
Bobbi & Bob Nelson

Brent's Place Wish List

A full house at both locations makes donations to our supply closet and resource room all the more welcome. We appreciate your help with the following (only new items please):

GENERAL CLEANING SUPPLIES

Listed in order of need:

- Dishwasher Detergent (*Machine*) Cascade
- Dish Detergent (*Hand*) Joy, Dawn
- Pinesol or Comparable Cleaner
- Clorox Bleach Wipes
- Unscented Laundry Detergent (*HE*)
- Unscented Dryer Sheets
- Paper Towels
- Bathroom Tissue
- Facial Tissue: Kleenex
- Scotch Brite Scrubber Sponges
- Garbage Bags: 8, 13 and 30 Gallon Sizes
- Pledge or other Furniture polish
- Windex
- 409 Cleaner
- Anti-Mildew Tub and Tile Cleaner

LINENS (*White or Beige Color*)

- Queen Sized Sheet sets
- Twin Sized Sheet Sets
- Water Proof Pillow covers
- Synthetic Pillows (Standard Size)
- Hand Towels
- Bath Towels
- Face Cloths
- New Comforters for Queen and Twin Size
- Mattress Pads for Queen and Twin Size
- Plastic Mattress Covers in Queen and Twin Size

For more information about what we need and how to contribute, please contact us at 720-343-2800.

Business Highlight . . .

Wilderness Logistics Solutions

Tom Cagney, President and CEO of Wilderness Logistics Solutions, a results-driven supply chain and transportation company in Aurora, Colorado, realized that community service was something lacking at his company. "I was asked about my company's involvement in community service," he said. "At that point, I realized how much more I could do and it sort of flipped the switch, so to speak." Community service has always been an integral part of his personal life and his family life. Now the concept of "giving back" has become part of his company's culture as well.

And part of the company culture it is. All of the 20 full-time employees in Aurora dedicate time to Brent's Place. Every month the company gives three employees 2 hours of paid time off to volunteer at the Brent's Place. Studies have shown the benefits of volunteerism are limitless for both a company and its employees. Researchers have come to realize professional and personal development go hand-in-hand. When employees enjoy and have a passion for the projects they do, job performance is enhanced and employees become more satisfied in both their personal and professional lives.

Tammy Halvorsen, Sales Account Manager at Wilderness, said after her recent volunteering effort "My experience at Brent's Place was uplifting. I left feeling as if I contributed to a real cause and wanted to do more."

Since the Volunteer Program began in February 2011, Wilderness employees have volunteered one Monday each month for Family Night dinner, held a successful cleaning supply drive, and had an Easter chocolate candy workshop for



the kids. **Brian Peats**, who volunteered for Family Night dinner in March, commented "I kept thinking what an awesome way to spend some time, and the potential to really make a difference for these kids...what a worthwhile experience!"

When asked to summarize why the company has an employee volunteer program, the answer for Wilderness Logistics is simple. "I believe community service comes back ten-fold," Cagney said. "It's going to motivate employees. It's going to bring goodwill to the company. Our partnership with Brent's Place has done just that."

Brent's Place makes it easy to support children with cancer and their families.

Join Brent's Place's "**Squeaky Clean Families Campaign.**" Cleaning supplies equal a "Safe Clean" environment for the kids at Brent's Place and their families. Minimizing the risk of infection is key to a smooth recovery for many of our children. Bone marrow transplantation, a common treatment for pediatric cancer, can cost between \$600,000 and \$1,000,000. Purchasing household cleaners is the last thing a family battling cancer should have to worry about.

Brent's Place is looking for organizations to join our "Squeaky Clean Families Campaign" in 2011. Brent's Place will provide you with a Supply Drive Kit, including donation boxes, wish-lists and promotional material. Pick up and drop off is available. Every donation goes directly to help a family fighting cancer. Please contact Rachel at Rwool@brentsplace.org if your business, service organization or religious organization would like to hold a supply drive.

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Rachel at Rwool@brentsplace.org or 720-343-2806.