

Keeping families close

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Happy 33rd Anniversary

Ringing in our 33rd Anniversary of the Ronald McDonald House of Scranton has been a refreshing reminder of our roots. In a year where we are renovating our House and taking the first steps to progress our mission into serving families of children struggling with mental illness, it can be easy to forget that 33 years ago this Ronald McDonald House began with three people, Dr. Melvyn Wolk and Carol and Albert Mueller. Now, our system spans five hospitals, one large house campus, hundreds of volunteers, and an overwhelmingly generous community A lot has changed... What hasn't changed is our pride in keeping families close and our gratitude for the constant support our community has shown us. We look forward to another year of smiles, I love yous, and especially summer barbecues.

THE HUFFERT FAMILY STORY



Erica & Isaac Huffert

When her son, Isaac, was born several months prematurely, Erica of Carbondale could not have known that they would end up spending 43 days in the hospital while he got big and strong. Wanting to be as close to her baby as possible, the Ronald McDonald House of Scranton was blessed to keep them close for 38 days until a beaming Erica announced that Isaac could finally go home. Erica says she was most surprised by the van service and how nice and caring everyone was. Her favorite part of staying at the Ronald McDonald House was the private rooms, the ability to do her own laundry, and how much it felt like home. She wants to tell the volunteers and donors who make our mission possible: Thank you for supporting the Ronald McDonald House of Scranton. It is truly helpful and appreciated!

MEET THE STAFF: BEN LOOMIS



Title: Resident Manager

What is your favorite food? All Types of Seafood

What do you do at RMH?

My main job is to work in conjunction with the staff and volunteers to make sure the Ronald McDonald House is clean, safe, and inviting for the families that stay there.

Why do you love your job?

I get to interact with so many amazing people from the families that stay at the House to staff and volunteers that work there.

What are your hobbies?

Woodworking, volleyball, and playing guitar

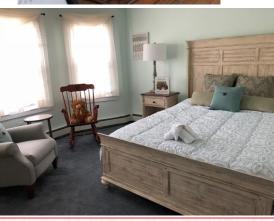
What is your favorite television show?

Survivor



House Renovation

While much construction and design is still underway, we are proud to unveil our beautiful new rooms that are fresh and modernized with a rustic twist. Now, the rooms are completely soundproofed and Netflix and Hulu capable. We couldn't have begun to renovate and refresh these rooms without the generous support of the Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Foundation and we're so deeply and forever thankful for their generosity to this mission. Please keep your eyes out for our campaign to renovate the rest of the House coming this summer.





House Testimonials







"The Ronald McDonald House has a warm, cozy and welcoming feel. You get that relaxed and comfortable feeling when you are here. It is even better when you come in the House and someone has just cooked or baked something. I love volunteering at the House because I know I am helping to create that cozy, comfortable feeling for our guests who are away from home."

-Rose Paulowskey

"Ronald McDonald House always meant so much to me and my family. We stayed in Danville and also in Hershey. They are such a terrific organization that is there for families when they are needed the most. I always said when my children were raised and I was retired that I would help the Ronald McDonald House. Here I am. It really means the most that I can maybe make a difference."

-Linda Connors



We are thrilled to have our Apple Orchard Show Your Stripes 5k returning in partnership with Lakeland Orchard and Cidery to put on a wonderful day of family friendly events to support the mission of the Ronald McDonald House of Scranton. This year promises to be even better than last with the Cidery finally open and the park once again available for a day of fun for the whole family. Kicking off with our Apple Orchard 5k and finishing with our Reunion for families that have stayed at the Ronald McDonald House, this event will include a magician, barbecue, arts & crafts for children, and a free day at the Orchard for the whole family. 100% of the event's proceeds go to support the Ronald McDonald House.