

Newsletter

CAYMAN HOSPICECARE

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We're About Life



The CHC Villa

We are extremely proud to announce the opening of our newest project – the CHC Villa, a unique in-patient facility designed for our patients who are unable to remain at home for their final weeks of life or respite care for patients in advanced stages of a life limiting disease. Previously our nursing and care giving has been done in the community at the homes of patients. Occasionally, home is not the ideal setting to care for certain patients, and thanks to the generous funding from the Aall Foundation, Cayman HospiceCare can now offer this excellent, advanced care on a temporary basis for end of life comfort care.

Our Vision:

We are committed to providing extraordinary end of life care to any person living in the Cayman Islands.

Our Values:

We pledge to:

Honour each patient and to respect his or her journey.
Support patient and family wishes in end-of-life care.
Care for survivors, helping them heal and move through their grief.

Become life-long learners, ensuring our patients receive the finest care possible.

Value our colleagues, believing in the dignity of our mission and acknowledging each person's unique contribution.

Our Mission:

Cayman HospiceCare is the premier community resource for end of life care and services. We are a non profit organisation and offer quality comfort care

to

anyone who has cancer or other terminal illnesses, free of charge.

Our Palliative Care Specialist Nurses reduce pain, manage other distressing symptoms and attend to the social, psychological, spiritual and emotional needs of both patient and family.

We are committed to enhancing and improving the lives of all those affected by death and to assuring long term

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Light up a Life

Camana Bay



On a beautiful December evening in Cassia Court at Camana Bay, more than one hundred and twenty-five people gathered to celebrate memories of loved ones with this year's Light up a Life Ceremony of Remembrance. For a small donation guests were able to add their personalized lights to our community memorial structure, lit throughout the holiday season. Our many thanks to Pastor Randy Von Kanel for his poignant words, Terry Delaney, our Full Circle Grief Recovery Facilitator, Sue Horrocks and the National Chamber Orchestra and Choir for their inspiring musical selections and to our sponsors, FirstCaribbean Bank, Visual Concepts and Camana Bay.

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Cayman HospiceCare... We're About Life!

It is a wonderful gift when people have the initiative to set personal goals while at the same time supporting charity. Marathons are an excellent vehicle for this, with the presumed logic being if you're going through all that pain and preparation to get to the starting line, then doing it for a worthy cause is an added bonus and incentive to ensure you give 100 percent.

That is certainly true of Juliet Forget and Alison Lomax who raised \$6,000 for Cayman HospiceCare by running the 13.1 mile half marathon at the December Cayman Marathon.

Alison is actively involved as a volunteer at HospiceCare and suggested to her friend they both run to raise money for CHC. "The donations came flooding in from family and friends who continually support local causes for which we deeply thank them," said Alison.

"We both completed the Chicago Half Marathon in September this year and continued our training of running four or five times a week including weekend long runs," said Alison. "Cayman's early start was great. The temperature was perfect for running the half and together with the fabulous turn out of runners, the great atmosphere and running for such an important and wonderful cause like Cayman HospiceCare made it all worthwhile. We are definitely up for the challenge again next year."

Alison finished in 1 hour 51 minutes and 5 seconds and Juliet finished in 2 hours and 48 minutes.

Congratulations to you both and thanks for making our cause yours.



The Marathon Mums...running for CHC



The 11th Annual Flag Day Weekend Fundraiser was a whopping success once again thanks to our amazing volunteers and the generosity of the Cayman Community. Collecting at more locations than ever, event chair Mary Boxall and her team accepted donations from more than 15,000 people over the 48 hour event. His Excellency Duncan Taylor made the ceremonial first Flag Day donation while DMS kicked the event into high gear with a two hour live remote telecast from downtown early on the Friday morning. Our many thanks to our sponsors DMS and Walkers Global Foundation, the team at the Book Nook, our amazingly dedicated Butterfield Bank counters, to all the local business owners and managers for letting us collect outside their premises, and to our volunteers; we couldn't do it without you!

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Roy Tatum, Board Chairman 2010

I have been privileged to serve as Chairman for the past year; a year with some challenges but also of continued growth. We are now a recognised medical facility, licensed by the CI Health Practice Commission. This year we held our second Palliative Care Conference along with other successful fundraising and profile raising events. One of my personal favourites is the Light Up a Life Memorial Ceremony. Whatever the event I am always in awe of how many people support CHC by giving time, money, or helping in whatever way they can. Funding from the Aall Foundation enabled CHC to make our long wished for residential facility become a reality. Thus in January we were able to open the CHC Hospice Villa. We have done good work over this past year. The challenges for the coming year will be met by our strong Board and our professional, first rate staff, who will continue to move CHC forward.



Robin Dalsheimer, Board Chairman 2011

After serving as a Board Member responsible for Fundraising at Cayman HospiceCare for the past ten years, and as a member of the Executive Committee for the past eight years, it is with pleasure I now accept the the role of Board Chairman. Over the years I have watched CHC grow from a recognized need to an island wide service, helping those with life limiting illnesses and their families. I hope to continue in the footsteps of my very capable predecessors to provide able leadership as we navigate through these difficult financial times. It is exciting to realise how far we have come in twelve years and the chance to help this very special organisation move forward is as gratifying as it is challenging.



For our American friends, Cayman HospiceCare has a 501(C)3 status in the form of U.S. Friends of Cayman HospiceCare, allowing you to make tax deductible contributions as allowed under the IRS tax code.

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For Brandon Simmonds' fourth birthday, he asked for money instead of gifts. Not for himself, but as donations for Cayman HospiceCare. Brandon and his parents, Monique and Marcus Simmonds recently presented the funds to Robin Dalsheimer, while she was in Miami, where the Simmonds family now reside. Giving back has become a tradition for the Simmonds family, who own Tortuga Imports/Tortuga Rum Cake Company. "We chose Cayman HospiceCare because most families will have a need for their services at some point in their lives," says Monique Hamaty-Simmonds.

"Our children have so much and are learning the joy of giving"

If you have had a personal loss, are grieving for a loved one or a valued friend and in need of, or desire to find a way to deal with the emotional impact of such a loss, Full Circle offers people helping each other at this most vulnerable time. Being with people trained to help as well as others in similar situations can help with the sense of isolation you may be feeling.

For information regarding the counselors and services offered by Full Circle please contact us.

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Everyone who has experienced loss and would like to begin or continue healing is welcome.



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co-founded by
Cayman HospiceCare & Our Angels Foundation,
meets every Wednesday at 6 PM
at the
Cayman HospiceCare facility
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