

Newsletter

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Dear Friends of Ranfurly,

We are pleased to introduce to you our very first Newsletter! We are very excited about sharing all the wonderful projects and improvements that are happening at Ranfurly and what better way to do it than a newsletter. In housing 35 children, 20 boys and 15 girls you can image things move quickly. It is our hope that with greater communication to our association & advocates we will continue to encourage energetic and creative support for the success of our children. Our home is not only seeking to meet the mandatory financial demands of protecting the young futures we foster, but to build a sanctuary of healthy healing, strengthening our children to become active, involved, educated and accepted members of our society.

Many of you have understood the need to engage

our children in enriching experiences and tremendous results have come from the activities that have brought the kids out of the Home, and the Home into the wider community.

We the Board, remain ever grateful for the enormous generosity of individuals and organizations who give with great heart and consistency. But, there remains a real, urgent demand for the timely care to cover the costs and concerns of the home. Like every family the needs at Ranfurly are ever-present and

expanding.

Alexandra Maillis-
Lynch, President

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The proposed site for the Transitional Home was mowed for the 1st time! Trees were damaged by Hurricane Irene but were replaced and the property is pleasing to the eye now! The Home is again grateful to our private donor for underwriting the costs. THANK YOU - You know who you are!!



JULY – Powerboat Adventures

Recent Summer Activities

The summer has been filled with activities from day trips to Exuma on Powerboat Adventures (photo on this page) to Summer Sailing Camp in which three residents of the Home were selected to compete in the Nationals in Freeport early October. All children were guests at the taping of the game show “Hole in the Wall” at Atlantis. Four of our residents were participants in the show and one made it to the finish! *Congratulations Tyrone!*

9 children attended summer school at St. Anne’s and C.W. Saunders. Other programs were:

- Camp Bahamas Eleuthera
- Glad Tidings Bible Camp
- Film & Drama Art Summer Program
- Jeff Rodgers Basketball Camp
- Kevin Johnson Basketball Camp
- Computer Camp
- BFM
- TWD Track & Field Camp
- BREEF
- Butch Kerzner Summit Foundation



Hole In The Wall

Junior Generations Fishing Tournament

The first annual Generations Fishing Tournament was held this past June. It was a great success and fun was had by all who participated.



JUNE - Generations Tournament

A BIG Thank you Peter Maury of Green Parrot, Ben & Jerry’s Ice Cream, Brooks Russell, Chris Lloyd from BASRA, KPMG and Nick Rademaker from Harbourside Marine!!



As a result of poor performances during the last school year, some residents were required to do summer school and 3 children have to repeat the same academic grade for 2011/12. This school year we will be placing a **HEAVY** emphasis on academics and additional tutoring where needed as we want no student left behind.

Message from our Nurse

We recently attended a meeting at the Ministry of Health to discuss the Dengue outbreak. They had a group come to inspect the Home thoroughly and checked for any possible mosquito-breeding locations. They said the property looked pretty good except that an old water tank was found to be full of mosquitoes. The tank was emptied and sealed. Seven residents had contracted this unfortunate fever, one of whom had symptoms so severe he had to be hospitalized.



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Upcoming Events	Oct	Nov	Dec
	<p data-bbox="475 488 657 533">22 & 23</p> <p data-bbox="475 539 753 595">Cultural Festival at Botanical Gardens</p> <p data-bbox="475 712 536 757">29</p> <p data-bbox="475 763 705 819">Annual Grand Raffle at Home</p>	<p data-bbox="826 488 887 533">25</p> <p data-bbox="826 539 1078 566">Thanksgiving at the Home</p> <p data-bbox="826 712 887 757">30</p> <p data-bbox="826 763 1046 790">Bahamas Speed Week</p>	<p data-bbox="1177 253 1206 297">4</p> <p data-bbox="1177 304 1471 360">Bahamas Speed Week - Gala Ball</p> <p data-bbox="1177 712 1238 757">25</p> <p data-bbox="1177 763 1270 790">Christmas</p>

It has been a great summer at the Home and I truly believe all the children enjoyed the camps and day trips throughout The Bahamas. It is back to school again and the children have their uniforms, books and supplies needed to start the school year off right.

The home is still in urgent need of additional staffing to help balance out the workload in keeping up with energetic teenagers! An 11-seater Hyundai van was bought a few months ago but we are still in need of a 30-seater bus for transportation. We are currently spending \$450 per week for the additional transportation to school for some children.

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If you wish to volunteer in any way, we would be thrilled to find a purpose, which will use your gifts or resources effectively! Please contact the Home to help out at 242.393.3115 or roberts_ranfurly@yahoo.com .

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Thank you all for being a part of Ranfurly's extended family and support system. Our calling to care for these children is a great and beautiful one, and so are the responsibilities that come with it. We are dependent on YOU who share the honor of this task with us!



*Love that Child
Care for a child during the
Holidays!
Contact: Alexandra 557-3557*

Make An Immediate
Impact on a Child's
Life, Become a Mentor



Don't Miss

Oct 5th - Board Meeting
Oct 19th - Association Meeting