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Letter from the Chairman

~ by John Francis

Summer is here and we are eagerly gearing up for a Special Event in August. A Planning Committee has been formed and is busy attending to all the necessary details including logistics, food and drink, venue (Fueled Collective), live and silent auction items, live music, etc.

Once we hit the financial milestone of a minimum bank balance of \$75,000, we will proceed with filling the position of Executive Director who will, in the short term, oversee administrative details as well as broaden our fundraising efforts. We're excited about reaching this milestone.

As mentioned in our previous newsletter, Sarah House is an active member of the "Like House Coalition" which is a coalition of existing and emerging Children's Respite & Hospice Home programs ("Like Houses"), predominantly 501(c)(3) non-profit organizations from across the United States.

As an active member, our Board members join in on regular Zoom calls with other Like Houses to share updates with each other, share learnings, and work together to push our missions forward.

Read on to learn about the upcoming national conference at which our founder, Kim Marcum-Mercier, will be a co-presenter to share about Sarah House's history and journey.

Thank you.

John Francis, Board Chair

Founder Highlight

~ by Ariel Schmid

Kim Marcum-Mercier wins Distinguished Service Award!

Our very own Kim Marcum-Mercier won a [Distinguished Service Award from Miami University](#) for her work founding Sarah House. On their website, they share that:

"The Distinguished Service Award is given to someone who has served and supported nursing's mission at Miami by using caring, creative problem-solving, and critical thinking reflection in their daily practice."

While the awardee does not necessarily need to be a Miami University (MU) graduate or a practicing nurse, Kim graduated from MU with an associate degree and then a bachelor's degree in nursing in 1995 and 2018, respectively. Kim was also a 2018 MU recipient of the Ruth Ann Busald Leadership Award. Congratulations to Kim for this deserved recognition!



From left to right: Evan Hingsbergen, Brooke Flinders, Kimberly Marcum-Mercier

Kim Marcum-Mercier to speak at National Lifespan Respite Conference in September

[National Lifespan Respite Conference](#) is pleased to accept Kim Marcum-Mercier, Sarah House Founder, and Jonathan Cotter, Children's Hospital International, into this year's conference, presenting *Recharge caregivers by filling a gap in unmet overnight respite through scaling Children's Hospice Homes*.

Communities fortunate enough to have a Children's Hospice Home are reimagining a solution to meet the unmet overnight respite needs of family caregivers. A ground-breaking national center of excellence formed in 2022, led by Children's Hospice International, to promote access to all-inclusive coordinated care for children with life-limiting conditions and their families and the scaling of community-based pediatric palliative and hospice care programs, including Children's Hospice Homes.

The conference will be held at the Concourse Hotel in Madison, Wisconsin, on September 13-15, 2022, hosted by the Respite Care Association of Wisconsin (RCAW) and the ARCH National Respite Network and Resource Center. The conference will open with a reception on the evening of September 13th from 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm.

Mark your Calendars!

Join us for an evening of fun, drinks and refreshments at the gorgeous Fueled Collective in Norwood this August 12th and learn more about Sarah House's next goal. We are so excited to have an in-person event this year, with a fantastic assortment of quality items for our live and silent auctions.

Sarah House is working hard to reach its vision of operating a facility to provide the much-needed respite care that parents of medically fragile children in our community need. Our annual summer fundraiser is one way we are working to making that vision a reality. We sincerely hope you'll join us and make your mark in helping us reach this dream together.



We need Volunteers!

Do you like planning events? Making ideas come to life? We need your help to make our summer fundraiser a success! If you would like to be a part of our team, or know the perfect person to help, please let us know by emailing us at admin@sarahhousecincy.org.



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