



Kevin Guest House
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CELEBRATION

Est. 1972

Thursday, July 23rd
2026





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Free parking is available at the Buffalo Medical Group lot located at 85 High Street, and street parking is also available throughout the Medical Campus.



4:00 PM: Tours led by KGH staff and board members

5:00 PM: Welcome to Kevin Guest House. Check in at the KGH tent.

5:30 PM: Presentation of Heart Awards in front of the Main House.

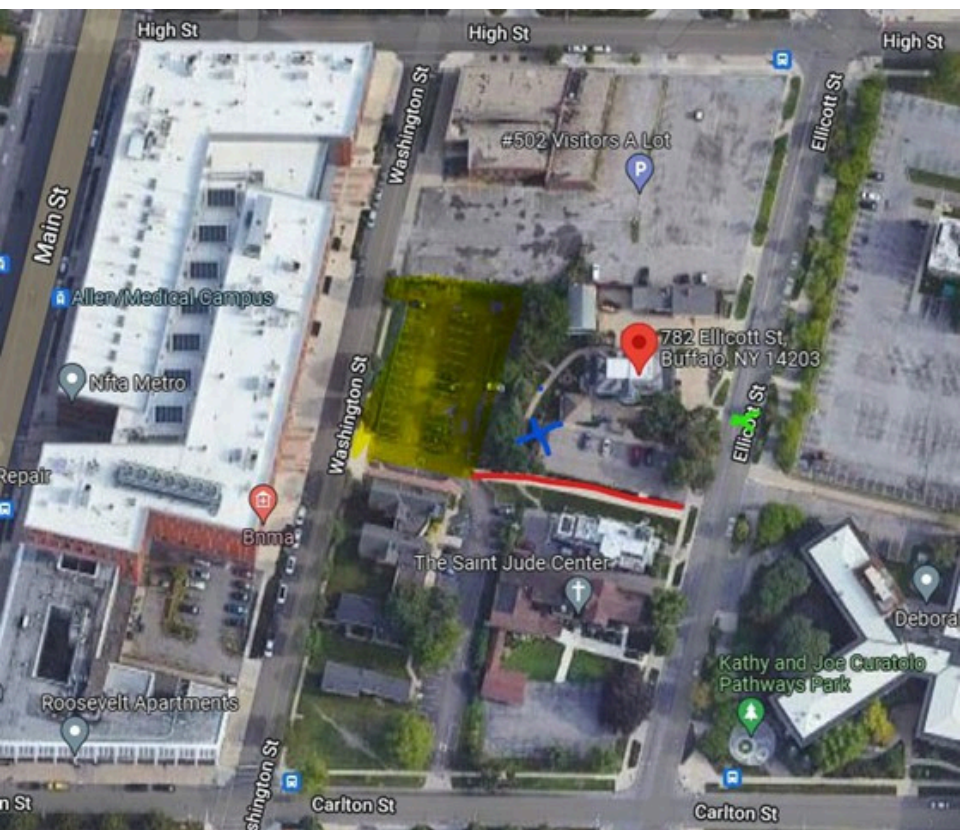
6:00 -7:30 PM: Enjoy refreshments & entertainment under the tent and relax in the beautiful Healing Garden.

Tables reserved for Honorees, Sponsors, Board of Directors, and Giving Hearts located under the tent.

Seating & hightop tables for all friends of Kevin Guest House located throughout the Healing Garden & tent areas

Parking Map

Vehicles can park as indicated in the map in yellow) to get the closest access to unload. This is due to the tent and street closure on Ellicott Street in front of the house, which will be blocked off. If arriving from 33 expressway, the best way to this lot is from Goodell, turn right on Washington, then right onto High Street and the entrance to the lot - the Buffalo Medical Group parking lot for event guests at 85 High Street across from Buffalo General Medical Center. (Another entrance is on North Oak). In the case of it being full, you can then park in the parking at 901 Washington Street designated for volunteers,





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**Congratulations to the 2026
Heart Awardees**



THE *Kevin Guest House* STORY

We are fortunate to have state of the art health care right in our backyard. Imagine if you had to travel many miles and stay away from home for days, weeks or even months to receive critical care for either yourself or a loved one. Where would you stay? How would you afford it? That is the reality for the families who stay at Kevin Guest House. Our daily work is to help keep families together during their medical crisis and close to their care.

It was January 1972 when 13-year-old Kevin Garvey passed away. He had spent the last 18 months fighting leukemia, spending much of that time at Roswell Park Memorial Hospital. While at the hospital, Kevin's parents, Claudia and Cyril, witnessed the hardships of other families, who slept in their cars and waiting rooms because they were unable to afford lodging. Yet according to his siblings, it was actually Kevin, at such a young age, who saw others hardship and asked his parents to find a place for other families to rest their heads.

The Garvey's wanted to help those families, so they purchased the property at 782 Ellicott Street and opened their doors in July 1972, welcoming people to Kevin Guest House. More than 66,000+ guests, coming from Western New York, 49 states, Canada and 11 other countries, have stayed with us since then.

Located on the Buffalo Niagara Medical Campus, Kevin Guest House was the first healthcare hospitality house in the United States. We provide a comfortable home away from home for patients and their families who are seeking critical medical treatment at Buffalo-area hospitals and medical centers.

In August 2018, our campus grew to four properties as we opened the Russell J. Salvatore Hospitality House on the Kevin Guest House Campus, making us fully accessible for the first time and allowing us to serve more families. Our two main houses combine to offer 10 guest rooms, four family suites, common living and dining areas along with amenities from free laundry service and breakfast to our beautiful garden. The Russell J. Salvatore Hospitality House also includes two apartments, giving our campus a total of eight units which allow bone marrow and other transplant patients an environmentally safe place to recover within the required distance to their medical facility. In 2022, the KGH50 Campaign began to bring the oldest three buildings on the Kevin Guest House campus to the same standard as this newest building, in order to maximize capacity and serve our guests in the best environment for healing. We completed the renovations at 788 Ellicott Brick building to serve larger families, expanding the space & bedding options along with working towards adding an accessible ramp to allow more mobility restricted guests on campus. In 2026, we began our renovations of our back Garden apartment to provide an additional accessible entry to the lower apartment along with a complete renovation to upgrade materials & provide a space to the same standards for our most immunocompromised guests. This renovation at 788.5 Ellicott is expected to be completed in May where we will reevaluate our next steps as we devise a master plan for "Kevin's" main house in the next year. We are excited about the changes happening thanks to our community funders and can't wait to keep improve our spaces to best support our guests. Please reach out if you ever want to get more involved or come for a tour of campus.

The door is always open at Kevin Guest House and we value bringing families together, acting with compassion, promote a culture of volunteerism, providing an environment with comfort & dignity, partnering with our WNY healthcare community and having a commitment to quality & progress.

Cyril Garvey once said,

"If you are lucky enough to have just one good idea and work really hard on it, it makes life all worthwhile."

The house at 782 Ellicott Street, Buffalo was just such an idea.



Thank you for joining us as we celebrate the 54th anniversary of Kevin Guest House, with our annual open house hosted by Wegmans and with special thanks to the Co-chairs Jennifer Dunn (Kaleida Health) & Maria Morreale (BNMC), along with their committee, have put together an intimate garden reception to commemorate this milestone in our history. We are grateful to Kevin's siblings, Hugh Garvey, Tom and his wife Mary Garvey who also helped to support tonight's event. This year, we have some exciting updates to share, starting with the nearly completed renovations of our two transplant recovery apartments at 788.5 Ellicott Street with the Upper apartment hoping to re-open in August. We reflect on the incredible movement Kevin's parents, Cyril and Claudia Garvey, began in 1972 that has affected millions around the world. We remember Kevin, their little boy with a heart of gold, who like many children before and after him showed incredible bravery during his short life and struggle with cancer.

The two transplant recovery apartments at 788.5 Ellicott received complete removal inside both spaces with our construction partners Draghi Burgos, Ferguson Electric and Innovative Mechanical Systems. The project includes refreshing bedrooms, expanding bathrooms with more accessible features for those with mobility restrictions, replacing torn and broken furniture with commercial-grade materials, redoing kitchens with all new materials, updating equipment & safety materials, and installing improved air filtration required for immune-compromised patients in both apartments, replacing a winding staircase and adding some porch & cover for each space. We continue to have a wait list of patients waiting for these spaces to re-open and happy to have one family already utilizing the lower space while we complete the finishing touches upstairs. We cannot begin to thank our partners so far who have helped us nearly complete this space to better serve our weak and immune compromised patients and their families including the Keybank & First Niagara Foundations, Mother Cabrini Foundation, Josephine Goodyear Foundation amongst many others.

The Garveys helped to start the healthcare hospitality movement that continues to directly impact guests today.

Our namesake Kevin Garvey was nicknamed "heart" by his family, which inspired our logo and that of hundreds of homes across the world. Before Kevin sadly succumbed to his illness, he was able to see the houses that would be named after him, but passed away on January 14, 1972. His parents continued their work to honor Kevin's legacy and welcomed the first guest on July 26, 1972. Thanks to support from what was previously known as Roswell Park Memorial Hospital, generations of patients & caregivers have been able to focus on their health and worry less about the financial burdens that accompany life-threatening illnesses away from home.

We are excited to celebrate our 2026 Heart Award honorees, the individuals and groups that have the extra mile for our guests this past year. We are excited to move onto our upgrades to our Salvatore House building while we evaluate our next steps to bring our main home that started it all at 782 Ellicott and how we can best support our guests in the future.

We encourage people to learn more about our history by purchasing a copy of our KGH Book written in 2016, just before we completed the purchase of our fourth property at 766 Ellicott. We also have a fascinating virtual itours360 online experience you can view on our website donated by Peter Schiffmacher, a Reality Capture Expert, which allows you to click through our campus as though you were walking through yourself. **View now at KevinGuestHouse.org/virtualtour.**



We hope you'll consider a tour today to see our future renovations dreams in action to restore the three original homes and bring them to the standards set for patients after the pandemic. It will be a long journey to renovate these homes and keep the Victorian character that makes them special. We invite you to come back for private tours along this journey any time and hope you will consider spreading the word of our mission so we can continue to make this environment the best possible space for patients to heal.

We invite you to contribute to our work as we support families that need to be close to their care by honoring our 54th anniversary with a gift to our Pay It Forward Campaign in honor of our Heart award honorees, or an additional gift to our capital renovation project. Your gift can literally help “pay it forward” for a guest who otherwise couldn't afford a place to stay during one of the most difficult times in their lives. We hope you enjoy today's festivities and will celebrate with us as we honor all those moments that made a difference for our guests.

You are the reason that Kevin's legacy lives on for our families and will continue for the next half century to come. Cheers to 53 years!



Lynsey Zimdahl Weaver,
Executive Director



Presenting our 2026 Heart Award Honorees:

Individual Honorees: Robert & Elaine Marinucci **1st ever Virginia Brady Lifetime Volunteer Award**

We are pleased to offer this recognition for the Marinucci's long standing commitment to our mission. Bob and Elaine can be seen at almost every event, donating baskets and more and when Bob was a board member, he served on the Building & Grounds, Celebrity Golf Classic and Nine & Wine Tournaments committee, Blues & Brews committee amongst many others. It was their idea to create the Kevin Garvey Society as they committed to a five year gift to support the house with a major gift. They continue to support us in small and major ways and grateful for their service for others.



Group Honoree: OTC South Park High School

We've had many different school groups come over the years and several from the OTC program, but this particular group from South Park High School stayed longer than usual this past year and did what was ever asked of them. They came if not weekly but several times a month and always put in the hard effort to clean, organize, garden or help in the office. Always with a smile and always with a willingness to help.



Individual Honorees: Linda Muldoon

Linda has been a longstanding dinner volunteer with the Babushka Girls dinner group for more than a decade, but when she retired she decided to commit one day a week to come help in our offices. Well it turned into much more than that, she often enlisted friends and family to chip in so that whenever we don't have a meal, she is one on the short list we call that she comes in especially on Friday's to cook unique meals so that they have food for the weekend. Some of the favorites of our guests is her polish specialties like golumpki, pierogi's and a Dyngus Day feast.



Youth Honoree: Carson Guise, Student at RIT

Carson was selected to be our marketing intern last summer through the UB Sophomore Externship program coming from the Rochester Institute of Technology. We were lucky to have three great students last summer, but Carson took it upon himself to stay extra hours and lead the effort to run our GIVE716 fundraising program on his own and help to raise over \$10,000 for us last summer. He ran our social media, website and email campaigns without much questions and kept our message reaching our supporters well into the beginning of 2026, all while going to school full time. Carson always had a smile on his face, willing to go above and beyond and made the extra effort for our guests.



**Donate \$54 in honor of one of our Heart
Awardee winners here:**
<https://KGH54.givesmart.com>



Thank you to all the Supporters of
Kevin Guest House

Including tonight's hosts
The Kevin Garvey Family



THE HISTORY OF KEVIN GUEST HOUSE

"If you are lucky enough to have just one good idea and work really hard on it, it makes life all worthwhile."
— Cyril Garvey, Founder

KGH50 CAMPAIGN RENOVATES THREE ORIGINAL PROPERTIES
TO THE POST-PANDEMIC HEALTHCARE STANDARDS NECESSARY FOR GUEST SAFETY



AMERICA'S FIRST INDEPENDENT HOSPITAL HOSPITALITY HOUSE

2023

2022

JULY 26



A YEAR FULL OF CELEBRATIONS MARKING THE 50TH GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY

2021

iTOURS 360VR

KGH50 CAMPAIGN LAUNCHED TO BRING A CONSISTENT STANDARD OF GUEST CARE TO THE CAMPUS
VIRTUAL 360 HISTORICAL ITOUR CREATED REPLICATES WALKING THROUGH KGH CAMPUS

2020

MARCH

KEVIN GUEST HOUSE DEEMED AN ESSENTIAL SERVICE BY HEALTHCARE PARTNERS TO REMAIN OPEN DURING COVID-19 PANDEMIC

2018

UB JACOBS SCHOOL OF MEDICINE AND JOHN R. GISHKEI CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL OPEN NEXT DOOR TO KGH



DECORATOR SHOWHOUSE TRANSFORMS SALVATORE HOUSE BRINGS 11,000 VISITORS TO KGH
766 OPENS TO FIRST GUESTS IN AUGUST 2018



UNION LEAGUE OF BUFFALO THE BUFFALO NEWS DECORATORS SHOWHOUSE

2017

SINGLE LARGEST ONE-TIME GIFT TO KGH FROM BUFFALO RESTAURATEUR OFFICIALLY NAMES 766 ELLICOTT BUILDING THE **RUSSELL J. SALVATORE HOSPITALITY HOUSE**
KEVIN GUEST HOUSE IMAGES OF MODERN AMERICA BOOK PUBLISHED BY GERALD HALLIGAN



2016

2014

FIRST EVER EXPANSION CAMPAIGN RE-LAUNCHED
PURCHASED 766 ELLICOTT BUILDING (FOURTH PROPERTY)



1990



JOINS THE HEALTHCARE HOSPITALITY NETWORK BRINGING TOGETHER 400 SIMILAR ORGANIZATIONS WORLDWIDE



RENOVATION OF BRICK & ORIGINAL GARAGE INTO ONE OF THE FIRST TRANSPLANT RECOVERY APARTMENTS IN THE COUNTRY. KGH BEGINS ACCEPTING GUESTS FROM ALL AREA HOSPITALS AND SERVES FIRST HEART TRANSPLANT FROM BUFFALO GENERAL MEDICAL CENTER.



1990's

OPENING OF RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE CHARITIES INSPIRED FOLLOWING A VISIT TO KEVIN GUEST HOUSE BY JAMES MURRAY OF THE PHILADELPHIA EAGLES



1974

FIRST HOSPITAL HOSPITALITY HOUSE

KEVIN GUEST HOUSE OPENS WELCOMING ITS FIRST GUEST

JULY 26

1972

GARVEY'S ARRIVE TO ROSWELL PARK CANCER INSTITUTE TO BEGIN KEVIN'S TREATMENT OF LEUKEMIA

JULY 28

1971

KEVIN JOSEPH GARVEY IS BORN

JUNE 05

1958

THE VICTORIAN ERA HOUSES ALONG ELLICOTT STREET BUILT



1860's

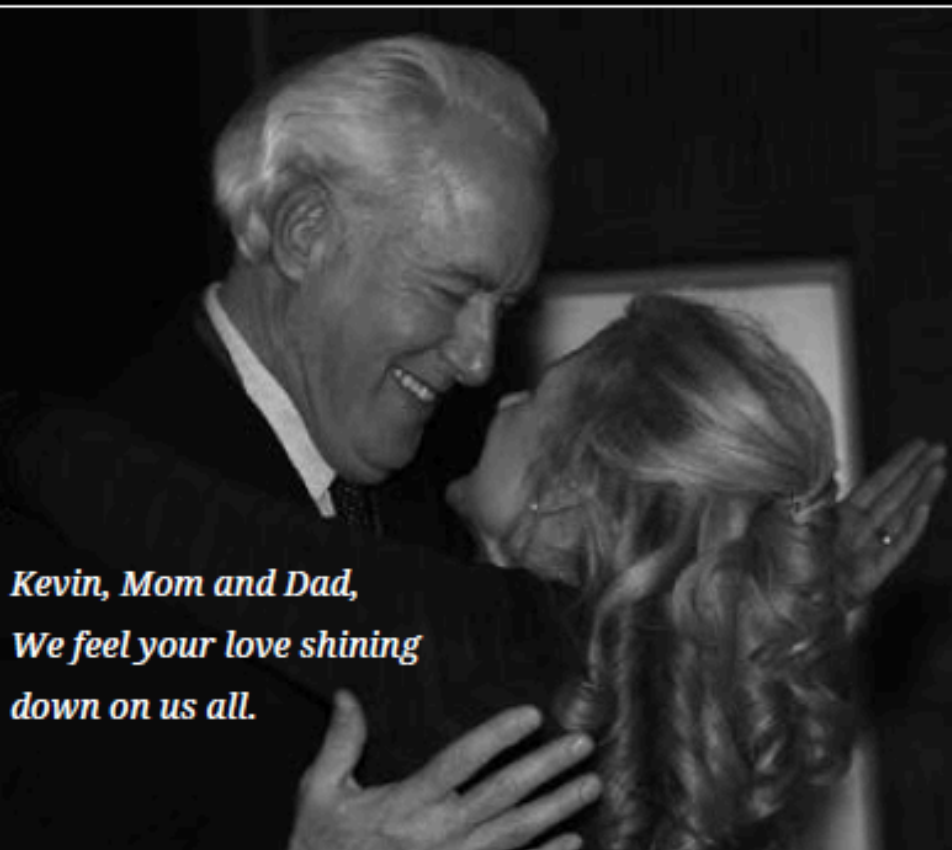


Young Kevin's legacy lives on with the support of his seven siblings and extended family.



We Celebrate 54 YEARS

of providing a home away from home for thousands of families



*Kevin, Mom and Dad,
We feel your love shining
down on us all.*

*Love,
Tom & Mary Garvey*

KEVIN GARVEY Award



Kevin Garvey was nicknamed “heart,” given after a family vacation because of his kindhearted nature. His mother Claudia said, **“in the eighteen months that Kevin lived with his illness, that finally conquered even his stout heart, he served constantly as a model and an example for all of us.”** Reflecting on the past 50+ years, much has changed on campus, but the heart of our mission has always remained. As brother Hugh said, “Kevin was only with us here on Earth for 13 short years, but he has left a good and kind and everlasting footprint on our world. May Kevin Guest House continue to serve those, like Kevin, at their most needed time, with a place of comfort, love, and life. As sister Mary said, **Kevin Guest House “shines through all of you who open his doors to all those in need”.**

As the inspiration for the Kevin Guest House, he was known for his open heart and loving spirit. In that tradition, the Kevin Garvey Award is given to a unique individual or organization that opens their heart to our home, showing their support and devotion to our guests and to the mission of Kevin Guest House. Kevin’s siblings and family are asked to consider some of the most influential supporters of the house in recent history to honor with such an award.

This year, we’re honored to celebrate Cynthia Walawander, Founder & President of Woley Analytics

Tribute to Cynthia Walawander



Cynthia Walawander is the owner of Woley Analytics but no stranger to larger and small business who has been a member of the Advisory Council for the University at Buffalo CEL program and Alumni Engagement leader. Cindy was introduced to Kevin Guest House as our Executive Director, Lynsey Weaver’s mentor as part of the Center for Entrepreneurial Leadership - University at Buffalo School of Management where she spent the last year learning from other business leaders to improve our organization with a scholarship from a UB benefactor. Cynthia became much more than that over the last year and half, dedicating several days a week, learning our business, meeting our guests and helping to improve operational procedures and implement two major technological advancements including our first ever online guest reservation system and IT managed service contract by researching and advising our staff on the next steps. Her next project includes months of dedicated and detailed work to clean over 40 years of data to hopefully soon implement our first ever online constituent database that will integrate systems across multiple platforms and reduce wasteful duplicative efforts. What is more, it will allow for easier opportunities to give and get involved in our mission. While Cynthia would like to remain quite on the sidelines, her commitment to our improvement and to advise nearly every staff member on how we can try something new is unparalleled to most. She is a true friend to our guests, giving a small part every visit bringing snacks and really taking time to listen to both staff, volunteer and guests on how she might help. We are honored she has chosen to support our mission and we are excited to acknowledge the massive improvements she’s made to better serve our community. We can’t wait to unveil more and more of her tremendous work to all of you!



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UPCOMING EVENTS



Checker's Queen City Mile

The Checker's Running Club has been hosting their one-mile run for over 25 years to benefit Kevin Guest House. They've made it bigger and better than ever renaming it the Queen City Mile. They are always looking for runners and volunteers alike. Come out to watch & cheer the runners on! Buffalo, NY
<https://runsignup.com/Race/NY/Buffalo/QueenCityMile>



Celebrity Golf Classic

Golf Classic includes lunch, an 18-hole scramble, and hors d'oeuvres afterwards. The Nine & Wine Tournament starts with a putting contest and morning refreshments, followed by a 9-hole scramble and outdoor lunch. Lewiston, NY
kevinguesthouse.org/golf



Supper in the Street

Enjoy a catered farm-to-table dinner in the middle of Ellicott Street along with live music and open bar (21+ event) at the longest dinner table in the City of Buffalo. Don't miss the Dessert Dash which is the highlight of the night. Buffalo, NY
kevinguesthouse.org/events/supper



Bites & Brews

Hosted by the Giving Hearts, this sampling event provides an opportunity for emerging leaders to network with other community-minded professionals. Includes light food and new this year will be a MEAT & VEGGIE RAFFLE theme.
kevinguesthouse.com/events/bites/

About Giving Hearts



Giving Hearts are engaging young, entrepreneurial and philanthropic individuals who are on the rise in the Buffalo-Niagara community.

Together we will ensure that every patient and family member traveling to Buffalo for medical care will be welcomed through our doors, regardless of their ability to pay for their stay.

Join a dynamic group of individuals who have committed for one year to:

- **LEARN** about non-profits, the medical campus and how to fundraise for a cause.
- **SUPPORT** the patients and families who call KGH their “home away from home” with hands-on volunteering and fundraising.
- **NETWORK** with other young professionals who are looking to contribute to a cause, as well as KGH board members and other community supporters.
- **SHARE** your knowledge with friends, family and co-workers as we look to increase awareness of KGH and grow our network.

Do you, or someone you know, want to support KGH
and gain non-profit experience?

Visit kevinguesthouse.org/give/givinghearts for more information to
join Giving Hearts!



Change the world with a Giving Heart

Thank you ♥ Giving Hearts ♥



GIVING HEARTS

Thank you to the 2025 Members for raising more than \$40,000 for Kevin Guest House!

This dedicated group not only raised critical funds to support our operations but help spread awareness for KGH in our community.

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Do you know a young professional looking to give back to the community?
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Join the 2026 Class of Giving Hearts! Visit [KevinGuestHouse.org/Give/GivingHearts](https://kevinguesthouse.org/Give/GivingHearts) for more information or email events@kevinguesthouse.org.

GIVING HEARTS **KEEP KGH GOING!**

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At Buffalo's Longest Dinner Table

Table of
8:
\$1200

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Start at
\$300

Saturday, September 26th
5:00-9:00 PM

In front of the KGH Campus
766 & 782 Ellicott Street, Buffalo
at the longest dinner table in WNY!



- ♥ farm-to-table dinner
- ♥ at-home option available
- ♥ live music
- ♥ raffles & more!

Reserve your table by August 1st for extra table captain perks

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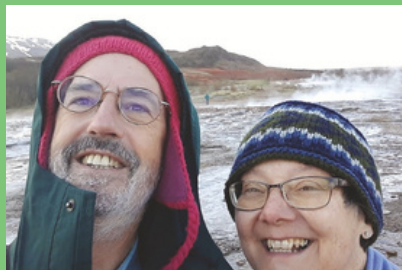
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Pathway to Remembrance and Healing



George Leedom, from Saranac Lake, NY is a previous KGH guest, having stayed with us for several weeks in 2019 while his late wife Eloise received a bone marrow transplant. In addition to honoring her memory with a paver in our Healing Garden, he has made donations for KGH logo pavers on the entrance and exit paths in the garden and contributed to our operating funds.

Among the reasons he chooses to support Kevin Guest House is knowing how impactful his contributions are to a small organization. We are grateful to George for being our first donor to set up a Charitable Gift Annuity to benefit Kevin Guest House, and he hopes to inspire others to do the same.

"For those donors who are going to leave money to charity when they die, a CGA is a great way to give the money now, get a steady income now, get a tax break now, and not lose tax any tax break from your estate (which you will if you pass with the money still in your name). It is true that the organization does not get to use the money now, but has it on their books as a future donation."

"**Why KGH???** It was a super place for somebody or family to stay when a member has cancer. Under treatment or confined to the hospital, it sure took the burden of finding what to do with myself for an extended stay."



Help us reach

51 INSPIRATIONAL PAVERS IN OUR GARDEN...

30 MORE TO OUR GOAL FOR 51 YEARS OF KGH

Our Healing Garden is one of the only green spaces on the Buffalo Niagara Medical Campus and our walkways are often the only critical exercise & fresh air our immune compromised guests get during their stay.

Paver Size Cost

4x7 inches	\$250
8x7 inches	\$500
8x13 inches	\$1,000



George began his giving by dedicating the entrance of our walkway with a paver of our KGH logo and continues to support our paver program to honor his wife.

If you'd like to purchase a paver, call us at 716-882-1818 or visit kevinguesthouse.org/give/garden.

HELP US REACH
IN OUR GARDEN...

25 MORE TO OUR GOAL FOR 54 YEARS OF KGH!

54 inspirational pavers



"In the 1990s, a friend introduced me to the 'house with a heart'. I brought my husband David and later he, along with an Eagle Scout and others, had the privilege of creating and implementing a plan for what is now the beautiful Healing Garden at Kevin Guest House. An integral part of the garden design was its planned installation of inscribed pavers, meant to honor loved ones or memorialize a stay. Now there are many pavers throughout the garden — each engraved with a loved one's name, heart or phrase — providing hope and peace to all who walk through."

- Katherine Carlson

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4 X 7 INCHES	\$250
8 X 7 INCHES	\$500
8 X 13 INCHES	\$1,000



On behalf of the staff and board of directors at Kevin Guest House and the guests we serve, thank you to all who volunteered their time and talents for this event. We would especially like to thank our sponsors and in-kind donors for their generosity. It is because of your support that we are celebrating 53 years of service.



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VOLUNTEER Opportunities



It truly takes a village!

We are extremely grateful to two high school students & sisters, Amaya 15 (City Honors) and Alessia 17 (Nardin Academy), who have been spending endless hours helping us get our database organized and updated.

"Kevin Guest House has taught me how to organize and manage tasks in a timely manner. Researching the businesses and churches that have connections along with relationships to Kevin Guest House comes to show how it substantially contributes to the prosperity of the City of Buffalo." - Alessia

Interested in lending a hand too? Email JOConnor@kevinguesthouse.org and we can find a project for you or your team!



[Photo is of Richard Tabbi and his sister Carol]
"I'm very impressed with Kevin Guest House and enjoy my volunteer time here. My fellow volunteers and the KGH staff are all dedicated caring people with a common goal. It was exactly what I was looking for and I couldn't be more pleased." - Richard Tabbi

**Want to
volunteer
and support
the staff?**

- ♥ Prepare & drop off a meal
- ♥ Office support
- ♥ Maintain our grounds
- ♥ Donor appreciation phone calls
- ♥ Share on social media
- ♥ Event support
- ♥ Join a committee



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BITES & BREWS



**FRIDAY
NOVEMBER 7, 2025**



6:00 - 9:00PM

Join us for a boujee meat raffle, where the purchase of ticket gets you
free food and drinks! Raffle for a reason, feast for a season!



@kevinguesthouse | kevinguesthouse.com/events/bites



“KGH has provided essential support to people from around the region needing advanced medical services at Roswell Park, Buffalo General Medical Center and other area facilities,” says Dr. Edge. “This ‘home away from home’ is a lifesaver for these people and their families.”

-Dr. Stephen Edge & his wife Dr. Cynthia Swain



Hugh Garvey III



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OUR WISH

is to free our world from the fear, pain and
loss due to cancer — one act of compassion,
one breakthrough discovery, one life-changing
therapy at a time — until cancer is gone.

Congratulations
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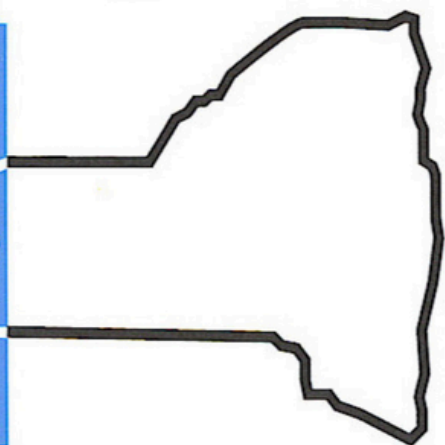
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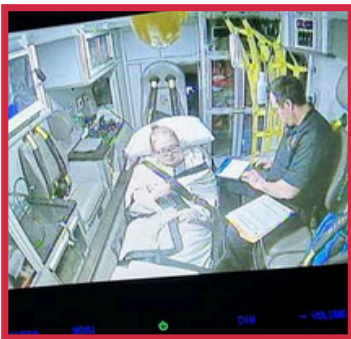
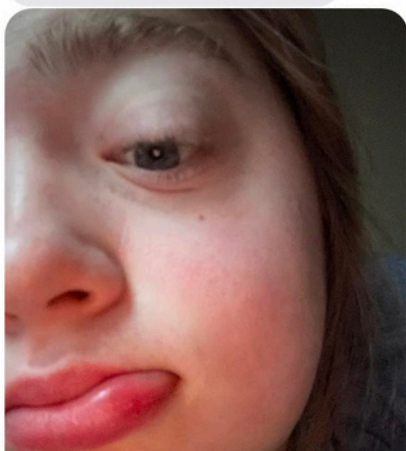
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Audrey's Journey

When Audrey Williams, a college student, woke up one morning with a swollen lip, her mother never imagined it would be the first sign of a life-changing diagnosis. Mom asked her to get it checked out and that same day Audrey was being transferred from Wyoming County hospital to Erie County Medical Center via ambulance. Audrey was diagnosed with Leukemia and admitted as an inpatient at Roswell Park where she remained for over a month. The aggressive chemotherapy was grueling, but eventually, she was able to return home while awaiting a life-saving stem cell donor match. The simple text below to her parents and her own self-awareness that something wasn't right, Audrey's journey became more complicated than expected.



Maybe I bit it in my sleep?



The weeks were filled with intense reactions to chemotherapy, numerous blood transfusions, and frequent medical appointments, including another bone marrow biopsy. Throughout this journey, Audrey's family traveled back and forth between their home in Dolgeville and Roswell Park in both Schenectady and Buffalo, managing the emotional and logistical challenges of her treatment. Finally, a selfless 18-year-old donor came forward, offering the life-saving donation Audrey desperately needed. His stem cells were flown to Roswell Park immediately, and within a day, Audrey underwent the crucial transplant. Audrey and her family were guests during her transplant process and remain deeply grateful for this incredible gift of life and a safe place to stay during their time here in Buffalo.



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Lucas's Journey

Lucas (just over a year old) has been diagnosed with a rare form of Retinoblastoma, a type of eye cancer, which has left him with two detached retinas and no vision. Currently, Lucas's family—his parents Jim and Sara, and his brother Liam—are navigating this difficult journey. Lucas' medical care will involve frequent trips to John R. Oishei Children's Hospital and Strong Memorial in Rochester, and as you can imagine, this comes with a significant financial burden. Lucas had to have one of his eyes removed; and continues chemotherapy. Many don't know, but pediatric cancer patients are treated here in Buffalo at the Roswell Park Oishei Children's Cancer and Blood Disorders. Combining the expertise and capabilities of two premier specialty centers — the region's only stand-alone children's hospital and NCI-designated comprehensive cancer center — to offer world-class care right here in Western New York.



"We are deeply grateful for the opportunity to stay at the Kevin Guest House during this unimaginable time in our lives. Knowing we have a safe, welcoming place to call home while Lucas undergoes treatment gives us one less thing to worry about and allows us to focus entirely on him. The warmth and kindness we've experienced here remind us that even in the hardest moments, there is so much good in the world. Thank you for giving our family a sense of comfort and hope as we navigate this journey." — James Kemp

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