A STORY TOLD

IN TWO VOICES





The Ronald McDonald House of Chapel Hill is a beacon of hope for families experiencing what may well be one of the worst times they will ever know. From a warm place to rest to something more tangible, like a community of people who know how they feel, who can share their experiences and support during the tough times. It's here where family and community flourish, everybody helping, reaching for one another to offer the kind of caring found only in one special place.





The Ronald McDonald House of Chapel Hill provides families with the basic necessities and comforts of home so that they can focus on caring for a sick child. Many come from hundreds of miles away, seeking the best possible care for their child. Traveling back and forth from home or staying at an area hotel can take its toll on already pinched pocketbooks.

The Ronald McDonald House of Chapel Hill provides for these families with 30 hotel-style guest rooms that offer patients, parents and siblings the chance to stay close during tough times.





The Ronald McDonald House of Chapel Hill provides not only the basic need of shelter, but also offers at least five dinners and two breakfasts each week, 365 days a year, for our guests. Birthdays are celebrated here like anywhere else, with cake and ice cream, gifts and balloons. And holidays mean special celebrations and the chance to sit down with family and friends to celebrate life's small miracles. All of this is made possible by hundreds of caring community volunteers and a dedicated staff who understand what our families are going through.





The Ronald McDonald House of Chapel Hill is more than a building. It's a safe haven from the world of the hospital. Here, children can enjoy a game of hide-n-seek on the playground, build a pillow fort in the playroom or battle it out on the air hockey table in the game room. In our well-stocked library, parents can enjoy a good book or go online to check their e-mail. The video library provides ample diversions for young and old. And the quiet wooded environment offers opportunities for exercise, reflection and respite with nearby trails and garden retreats. Most importantly, the caring and supportive environment contributes to the well-being of every member of the family.



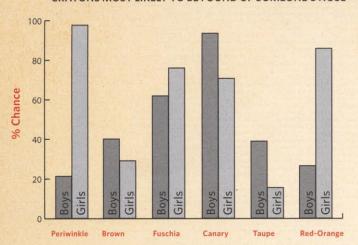


The Ronald McDonald House of Chapel Hill is more than a helping hand; we're the entire arm. We're the grandmothers with time to share and students with energy to burn. We're a community of caring that extends far beyond these walls. Here, families connect. Here, friendships are forged and lasting memories are made. Here, hope is part of every day.

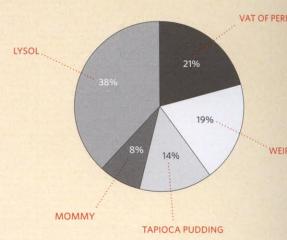
some of you say, "joy is greater than sorrow," and others say, "nay, sorrow is the greater"

but I say unto you, THEY ARE INSEPARABLE

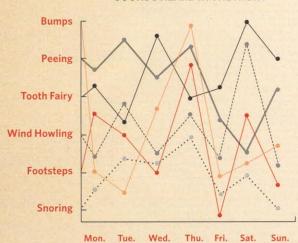
### CRAYONS MOST LIKELY TO BE FOUND UP SOMEONE'S NOSE



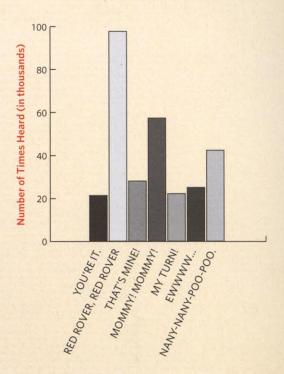
# TOP NURSE SMELLS



### SOUNDS HEARD IN THE NIGHT



#### OVERHEARD AT THE HOUSE LAST YEAR



## TOP TEN WORDS MISSPELLED IN ALPHABET SOUP

| 1. | Sily      |
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| 2. | Wran      |
| 3. | Skipy     |
| 4. | Popcycle  |
| 5. | Mowe      |
| 6. | Happie    |
| 7. | Sik       |
| 8. | Dogg      |
| 9. | Sukky     |
| 10 | . Birfday |