Heals and Restores the Spirits of Hospitalized Children with Cancer and Other Serious Illnesses

Dear friend,

17 November, 2023

I have a secret to share with you. But first I have a question. What helps to heal the body of cancer? Chemo, radiation and surgery are often essential in removing cancer, but the body has to heal from these as well. It is the immune system that helps to heal the body.

The problem is, when cancer arrives, so does fear and anxiety. Fear and anxiety are silent assassins that attack and diminish the immune system reducing the body's ability to heal itself.

The secret is in how the Dances With Wood program strengthens and empower the immune system to help heal the body? On the enclosed insert, the secret is revealed.



The Dances With Wood program has reached over 60,000 children in 42 states! Alas, hospitals do not have funding to support the DWW program. Despite this lack of financial support, no child or family have ever had to pay for the program. How are we able to donate our program to so many children? Because of caring and generous people like you!

I am writing to ask for your support so that we can empower and inspire even more seriously ill children who need to experience DWW program. Please donate today, to bring joy, empowerment and happiness to brave children in hospital battling illness.

On behalf of these children and myself, we wish you and your loved ones health and happiness.

Robert W H Wilkins "Woody" **Executive Director/Founder**



The Secret

Imagine the athlete who just won a gold medal at the Olympics with tears of joy running down his/her cheeks. Given that our emotions affect our immune system, imagine how these positive emotions empowered the athlete's immune system.

A few years ago, I worked with a 10-year-old boy in the hospital who was going through a challenging time with chemo. Despite mouth sores, hair loss and vomiting, he

wanted to build a wooden ship. I sat quietly beside him as he built and painted his beautiful ship specially designed by DWW for children in hospital settings.

When the ship was finished, we both sat quietly gazing at his amazing workmanship. From the corner of my eye I noticed that he was shaking his head from side to side. He turned to look at me, as I turned to look at him. Rolling down his cheeks were large tears of joy. Then he spoke. "Woody, I didn't know I could do that!"

This was his Olympic-gold-medal emotional experience! He was inspired, empowered and every cell in his body came alive with health. His immune system pulsed with vitality, and there was no sign of fear or anxiety.

Time and again, the Dances With Wood program takes children on a magical and creative journey into themselves where they discover health, wholeness and empowerment.

The beautiful wood project becomes their gold medal, a lasting symbol of their inner power and creative beauty.

This is the secret of how the Dances With Wood program strengthens and empowers the immune system, which helps to heal the body.

Donations can be made through our website, danceswithwood.org using the enclosed envelop or mailed direct to:

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