



"What do we live for, if not to make life less difficult for each other?" - George Eliot

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## What's happening at My Joyful Heart

# The Rotary Club of Chicago O'Hare 2019 District Conference

On April 13, My Joyful Heart was invited to the 2019 Rotary District Conference held at the Union League Club of Chicago. We were guests of the <u>Rotary Club of Chicago O'Hare</u>, one of our longest and most dedicated supporters since 2005. We showcased our charity at their table and shared stories of our kids and our mission with conference attendees from all across the Chicagoland area.

Thanks to our friends at the Rotary Club of Chicago O'Hare for helping us spread the word about our organization and for your continued support.







## Stories from My Joyful Heart

#### It's in the bag



At the beginning of this year, we asked for your help collecting brown paper bags to fill our need for the Valentine and Summer events and the response was tremendous! Thank you for sharing our post on Facebook, for telling your friends and family and for holding collection drives on our behalf.

Please keep the collections going – we will need at least another 3,000 bags to finish out this year.

Drop off at our Ministry Center between 9am-2pm. Please call first during summer hours to make sure someone is there to accept your donation. Thank you!

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#### Check out our new website

We are excited to announce a new and refreshed look for our website to reflect our growth and to provide visitors with a clean and organized way to learn about our organization. The new website has



been designed to inspire with new photos, updated content, and easier navigation. We hope you'll take a look and let us know what you think. We'd love to hear from you!

Visit our website

#### Bunco for a cause



Our May 3rd fundraiser was a great night of fun! Our guests enjoyed pizza, desserts, prizes and a special gift just for attending! We had a split-the-pot (which our winner generously donated back to us), a huge number of raffle prizes and silent auction items, too.

Special thanks to <u>Providence Bank of Orland Park</u> for donating the pizzas, to Blondie's Baskets for creating such beautifully wrapped raffle baskets, <u>The Macaron Shoppe (Mokena)</u>, <u>Nothing Bundt Cakes (Orland Park)</u> and to our volunteer bakers for providing an incredible sweets table! We'd also like to thank our many volunteers, including <u>Kohl's Cares</u>, for helping before, during and after the event. And last but certainly not least, thanks to our attendees for supporting My Joyful Heart. All proceeds from this fundraiser will be used to purchase items for our Fall Gift Event.





Lather up!

Hygiene items (shampoo, body wash, soap, toothpaste) for our 1,000+ kids are one of our greatest year-round needs. Thanks to everyone who donated and helped us to meet our "Shampoo Challenge" goal in March!



Once again, we are at a loss for words to express how truly grateful we are to our sponsors, neighbors and local

business friends who always come to our aid. We couldn't fulfill our mission with you!!

### Save the date - November 16, 2019



Please join us on Orland Park, IL as we celebrate the

1,000+ kids of My Joyful Heart.

Visit our website and follow us on Facebook for more details, including sponsorship opportunities, prize donations, and tickets. You don't want to miss this special night.





Joyfull Heart Thankyou so much For the gifts! From the bottom of my





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## Lynne O'Connor Rose

Volunteer and Friend

