



Dear Friend,

The **2nd Annual Sophie's Angel Run** will be held on **Sunday, September 28, 2008** in conjunction with St. Jude Parish's Oktoberfest in Bridgetown. This event will benefit **Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center (CCHMC)**, specifically **brain tumor research**, as well as the **Sophie Meinhardt Fund of the Greater Cincinnati Foundation (GCF)** to support scholarships at St. Jude School.

Sophie's Angel Run is a 5K Memorial Run/Walk/Kids' Fun Run held in memory of Sophia Grace Meinhardt, daughter of Mark and Missy Meinhardt. Sophie was an active and healthy 18-month-old girl who was diagnosed with an aggressive brain tumor while vacationing with her family at Hilton Head Island in August of 2006. She was airlifted from Savannah Hospital to CCHMC for further diagnosis and treatment. Sophie died three days later during surgery to remove the brain tumor.

Sophie's brain tumor was an Atypical Teratoid/Rhabdoid Tumor (AT/RT). This is a very rare and aggressive brain tumor that grows rapidly within 1-2 months. Currently there are no known causes or cures for this type of brain tumor in children Sophie's age. Brain tumors are the second leading cause of cancer-related deaths in children under the age of 20. **Funding for brain tumor research is vital** to give children like Sophie a fighting chance to survive such a devastating diagnosis.

Last year the first **Sophie's Angel Run** was a huge success! Over **1,500** people registered for the race and over **1,200 participants** completed the race making **Sophie's Angel Run** one of the Top Ten Races in the Cincinnati Area based on number of participants. Over **\$40,000** was donated to CCHMC for Brain Tumor Research. Also the Sophie Meinhardt Fund of the GCF was established to support scholarships at St. Jude School.

We are asking for your assistance in making this event a continued success. You can help us by participating in the following ways:

- **Become a SPONSOR for "Sophie's Angel Run"**
- **Make a Monetary Donation**
- **Donate gifts to be used as door prizes and/or awards**
- **Donate Promotional items to be placed in "goody bags" that will be distributed at the event (your product, brochures, pens, food clips, note pads, etc.)**
- **Donate In-Kind Donations of goods and services**

There is a deadline of September 18, 2008 for Sponsors and Donors to be recognized on printed material at Sophie's Angel Run / St. Jude Oktoberfest.

We are hopeful that you can support this event, and we are very grateful for any assistance you can provide. **Please complete the form on the back of this letter. All checks should be made out to Sophie Meinhardt Fund of the Greater Cincinnati Foundation (GCF) in order to receive a tax deduction.** If you need more information, please visit us on the web at www.sophiesangelrun.org, e-mail at: sophiesangelrun@fuse.net or call us at (513) 574-0696.

Sincerely,

Mark and Missy Meinhardt



DONATION FORM

Please make all checks payable to: *Sophie Meinhardt Fund of the GCF* and mail to:

Sophie's Angel Run
6513 Greenoak Drive, Cincinnati, OH 45248

SPONSORSHIP: (Please check one)

_____ **\$1,000 – Platinum Level**

- Name/Logo **prominently** displayed on Race T-Shirt
- Name/Logo **prominently** displayed on signage at St. Jude's Oktoberfest all weekend
- Name/Logo **prominently** displayed on signage at *Sophie's Angel Run Booth*
- Name/Logo **prominently** displayed on signage at the Finish Line
- Name/Logo **prominently** displayed on program included in the Goody Bags
- Company Link on www.sophiesangelrun.org website
- 4 Complimentary 5K race entries

_____ **\$ 500 – Gold Level**

- Name/Logo displayed on Race T-Shirt
- Name/Logo displayed on signage at St. Jude's Oktoberfest all weekend
- Name/Logo displayed at *Sophie's Angel Run Booth*
- Name/Logo displayed on program included in the Goody Bags
- Name/Logo on www.sophiesangelrun.org website
- 3 Complimentary 5K race entries

_____ **\$ 250 – Silver Level**

- Name displayed on program included in the Goody Bags
- Name displayed on www.sophiesangelrun.org website
- 2 Complimentary 5K race entries

_____ **\$ 100 – Bronze Level**

- Name displayed on program included in the Goody Bags
- 1 Complimentary 5K race entry

GIFT DONATION: (Please e-mail us at sophiesangelrun@fuse.net or call 574-0696 to arrange pickup or delivery of item(s) if necessary.)

_____ **Monetary Donation of \$** _____ (Checks payable to: *Sophie Meinhardt Fund of the GCF*)

_____ **Gift Donation of** _____ **valued @ \$** _____

_____ **Promotional Items for Goody Bags** _____ **valued @ \$** _____

_____ **In-Kind Donation of** _____ **valued @ \$** _____

Company Name: _____ Contact Person: _____

Address: _____

E-mail: _____ Phone: () _____

*** Please send your company LOGO to sophiesangelrun@fuse.net for Sponsorship if applicable