

Presenting the 2023

charity for children

Wednesday September 27th & Thursday September 28th 2023

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Ralph C. Wilson, Jr. Niagara Community Center: Impact Overview

Our community center is thriving thanks to you and others like you who have contributed so generously in the past. It all started with our dream to be able to provide a safe place for the youth in our community for healthy activities. Of the 25,000 annual visits, over 2/3 attend for free!

Since our last fundraiser in 2018, we have added a basketball court and a dance/cheer studio. Over the past year, "The Ralph" has grown rapidly, now serving over 2,000 children monthly in healthy, athletic activities including; soccer, baseball, cheerleading, tennis, lacrosse, softball, day-hab for special needs individuals in programs provided through our many partners including:



**NIAGARA FALLS
BOYS & GIRLS CLUB**



An example of how every donation is utilized, please check out the below Linking Literacy to Movement video in collaboration with Niagara University and the Niagara Falls School District.

<https://youtu.be/DUxaaTeXXPc>



Join Us In Support

Dear friends of the The Ralph C. Wilson, Jr. Niagara Community Center, Inc. (on behalf of WTS),

WTS is pleased to announce our Charity for Children event on September 27th and 28th, for the benefit of The Ralph C. Wilson, Jr. Niagara Community Center, a.k.a "The Ralph". Here is a brief overview of our Charity for Children Event:

Wednesday, September 27th:

Afternoon Fishing Tournament: Lower Niagara River

or

Afternoon Golf Tournament: Niagara Falls Country Club

Evening: Reception and Dinner at The Niagara Falls Country Club

Thursday, September 28th:

Morning: Fishing Tournament: Lower Niagara River

Early Afternoon: Awards Ceremony and Luncheon

Our goal is to raise \$200,000, which will directly support the children of our community in the safety of the Ralph C. Wilson Jr. Niagara Community Center, Inc. Specifically, this 21,600 square-foot multi use indoor sports and education facility hosts children from the Western New York community including many underserved, impoverished and at risk youth. Thanks to the generosity of collaborative partners and friends like you, The Ralph, has been able to expand our reach beyond after school programs to day-hab programs during school hours for youth with intellectual and developmental disabilities. We welcome the opportunity to host you to personally visit the Ralph C. Wilson, Jr. Niagara Community Center to see your impact of your support.

Will you join WTS in support of our 2023 Charity for Children? Come and enjoy all or part of our event, become a sponsor and/ join with your donation. Over the years, with your generosity, our Charity for Children events have raised over \$1.5 MM.

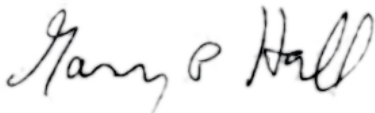
Just think every \$1,000 we raise will make a life changing difference for one child for a year.

On the following pages, we are pleased to share highlights of the Ralph, developments and impacts along with an overview of ways to sponsor, participate or contribute. Contributions can be made to the Ralph C. Wilson Jr. Niagara Community Center (a 501(c)(3) public charity founded in 2013) or online by visiting the-niagara.com/donate/

Please feel free to call to discuss all of the benefits your contribution will have on the future development of our youth. If you have any questions or are interested in being a sponsor and participating in the event, please contact Christine Supples by phone at 716.754.5400 or email at c4c@wtsonline.com.

Thank you for your kind consideration!

Very truly yours,



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Ralph C. Wilson, Jr. Niagara Community Center

The Ralph C. Wilson Jr. Niagara Community Center ("RCWJ-NCC") is a 501(c)(3) public charity that was founded in 2013 by Gary P. Hall. The primary deliverable the RCWJ-NCC provides its community stakeholders is an inspiring, uplifting, safe and functional multi-use indoor facility in which to convene. The principal mission and activity of the RCWJ-NCC is to promote the health and social welfare of the Niagara Falls community



through its 21,600 square-foot multi-use, indoor sports and education facility (the "Facility") that serves as a community center for area youth and community members. The RCWJ-NCC is operated through a variety of collaborative partnerships with other local nonprofits that share its vision of strengthening minds and bodies by helping all community members (both young and old) improve themselves

through education and exercise, while also offering a safe place for community youth to conduct positive activities after school. The RCWJ-NCC's collaborative partners include community groups such as local schools (including Niagara University and its Linking Literacy to Movement program and Niagara Falls School District, including its Unified Sports program for special needs), Niagara Falls Boys & Girls Club, Niagara PAL Soccer & Chess, hosting day habilitation programs for Empower and People Inc., Grand Island Special Needs Summer Day, local Little League Baseball, Soccer, Cheerleading, Basketball, Football & Tennis teams from surrounding communities, and an increasing number of other not-for-profit organizations joining RCWJ-NCC's growing coalition to collectively address significant community problems of mutual concern. RCWJ-NCC has hosted over 15,000 annual participant visits each year for the past two years and more than 65% of those participants were hosted by the RCWJ-NCC for free.



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Lower Niagara River Sport Fishing Challenge

Undoubtedly you have heard of the natural wonder of the world that is Niagara Falls and the river that runs through it, bearing the same name. The Niagara River serves as a conduit connecting the Great Lakes of Erie and Ontario joining these two fishing Mecca's that are second to none in the way of quality and diversity. These majestic waters boast a reputation of excellence for great numbers of all types of game fish.

Our Charity for Children tournament is a two day fishing event in Lewiston, NY on the Lower Niagara River and Lake Ontario. The fishery is world-renowned for king salmon, musky, northern pike, yellow pike, lake trout, brown trout, rainbow (steelhead) trout and small mouth bass, among others. In previous tournaments, some of the noteworthy catches included a 38-inch salmon, a 26.5-inch walleye and a 39-inch tiger musky.



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Niagara Falls Country Club Golf Tournament

The Niagara Falls Country Club's 18 holes were originally designed by A.W. Tillinghast in 1919, and later updated by Robert Trent Jones Sr. This par 70 - 6,621 yard championship course is a hidden gem and one of the top courses in NYS. Niagara Falls Country Club hosts a major Amateur Tournament called the Porter Cup. Most of the PGA tour has played in this event including current US Open Champion Wyndham Clark, current British Open Champion Brian Harman (won Porter Cup in 2007), Brooks



Koepka, Rickie Fowler, Dustin Johnson, Tiger Woods, and Phil Mickelson amongst others. This list of top players is too long for this page. Three of the four majors are currently held by Porter Cup participants.

Last time out, our Charity for Children golf tournament had over 90 participants!



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2023 Tentative Schedule

Wednesday, September 27, 2023

Fishing Tournament at Lewiston Public Docks
Center and Water Streets, Lewiston, NY, 14092

- Registration and pizza at docks: 12:00 pm
- Blessing of the fleet/Launch: 12:30 pm
- Lines in: 1:00 pm
- Lines out: 5:00 pm

Golf Tournament at Niagara Falls Country Club
505 Mountain View Drive, Lewiston, NY, 14092

- Registration for golf: 11:00 am
- Lunch w/children from Niagara Falls Boys & Girls Club: 11:30 pm
- Golf tee-off: 1:00 pm

Tournament Reception at the Niagara Falls Country Club
505 Mountain View Drive, Lewiston, NY, 14092

- Dinner and cocktail reception with gourmet cuisine: 6:00 pm
- Evening features incredible Live Auction and Golf Awards: 8:00 pm
- Dress is business casual.

Thursday, September 28, 2023

Fishing Tournament at Lewiston Public Docks
Center and Water Streets, Lewiston, NY, 14092

- Coffee & Breakfast: 7:30 am at the docks
- Lines in: 8:00 am
- Lines out: 1:00 pm

Fishing Awards Ceremony and Luncheon at WTS
435 North 2nd Street, Lewiston, NY, 14092

- Luncheon & Awards Ceremony: 1:30 pm

Subject to change. Final details will be sent in welcome packet.

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Sponsorship Levels - 09/27 & 09/28

\$25,000+ Community Builder: 2023 Charity for Children Sponsor

- **Exclusive Charity for Children Sponsor:** Your company will be prominently referenced as '2023 WTS Charity for Children sponsored by <Your Company Name>'
- Two days of fishing in the Lower Niagara River for up to six people
- Up to three foursome's for Golf at the Niagara Falls Country Club
- Includes all Champion level benefits

\$15,000+ Champion Sponsor

- Two days of fishing in the Lower Niagara River for up to six people or three foursomes at the Niagara Falls Country Club (NFCC)
- Wednesday Reception and Dinner at NFCC for up to 12 people
- Wednesday Luncheon at NFCC or Thursday Anglers Award Luncheon
- Sponsorship of golf hole for tournament
- Company logo placement on all promotional materials

\$10,000+ Hope Giver Sponsor

- Two days of fishing in the Lower Niagara River for up to four people or two foursomes at the Niagara Falls Country Club (NFCC)
- Wednesday Reception and Dinner at NFCC for up to 10 people
- Wednesday Luncheon at NFCC or Thursday Anglers Award Luncheon
- Company logo placement on all promotional materials

\$7,500+ Compassion in Action Sponsor

- Two days of fishing in the Lower Niagara River for up to three people or one foursome at the Niagara Falls Country Club (NFCC)
- Wednesday Reception and Dinner at NFCC for up to 8 people
- Wednesday Luncheon at NFCC or Thursday Anglers Award Luncheon
- Company logo placement on all promotional materials

\$2,000+ Mentor Sponsor

- Two days of fishing in the Lower Niagara River or one day of golf at the Niagara Falls Country Club (NFCC)
- Wednesday Reception and Dinner at NFCC for 2 people
- Wednesday Luncheon at NFCC or Thursday Anglers Award Luncheon

Direct Impact Sponsor

- \$1,000: Sponsor a child at the Ralph C. Wilson, Jr. Niagara Community Center for a year
- \$100: Sponsor a child at the Ralph C. Wilson, Jr. Niagara Community Center for a month
- \$1,000: Golf Hole Sponsor