



# The HARVESTER

A Harvest House Newsletter | Spring 2020

## INTRODUCING: HARVEST HOUSE CANDLES!

This year, Harvest House did something new – we started making candles! We're pouring wax, mixing beautiful scents, and creating candle stands. But even though candle-making is new for us, this is actually just a new chapter of Harvest House's social entrepreneurship. So, we thought we'd tell you a bit of the history behind our candle selling.

### PICNIC TABLES, PENS AND EVERYTHING IN BETWEEN!

When Harvest House started in 1979, it was in a 4-bedroom house with eight residents and a staff of only three volunteers. To help additional addicted young men, we needed to bring in funds. So, in the 1980s, Harvest House started selling handmade picnic tables



*Harvest House picnic table from the late 1980s*



*Our new lighthouse candles!*

on the side of the road. It was a huge success! And it all started with a simple sign: "Picnic tables for sale!" Building and selling these tables gave residents a sense of accomplishment, allowing them to use and develop their skills.

Around that time, we also began our salesmanship program. We started by selling calendars door-to-door and soon developed a telephone fundraising approach. The idea was that we could raise the funds we needed to keep the doors open while also helping the men at Harvest House develop professional skills that they could use after they graduated the program. This approach still forms the core of our fundraising.

## HARVEST HOUSE MINISTRIES OF OTTAWA-CARLETON MISSION STATEMENT

The Mission of Harvest House Ministries is to rehabilitate young men who are chemically dependent, to instill in them self-discipline, and to reintegrate them into society by an inner change brought about by faith in Jesus Christ.



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*Clocks and calendar holders made in the Harvest House woodshop*

By volunteering in our phone sales room, residents learn to express themselves clearly and communicate in a professional manner. As they share their stories with members of the community, they also gain confidence and come to realize just how many people care about them. Harvest House residents have been blessed countless times by the compassion of those on the other end of the line. Today, most of our funds come from donors in the Ottawa area who received a sales call from one of our residents.

It all started with picnic tables in the 1980s, but there have been a lot of new projects since then! Over the years, we've made and sold handmade wooden pens, clocks, trays, placemats, calendar holders, Adirondack chairs and

other patio furniture. Many of our new projects started because we noticed residents' talents and skills. For example, about 10 years ago we began selling greeting cards using artwork and photography created by men at Harvest House.

Our social entrepreneurship has been a huge success for Harvest House's fundraising. But it's also led to individual success for graduates of our program. Using the professional skills they learned at Harvest House, graduates have gone on to own successful businesses, work in sales and management, and earn university and college degrees in a variety of majors. Our goal at Harvest House is not simply to help men get sober, but to provide them with the skills they need to be successful members of the community.



*Harvest House candles waiting to dry.*

# WHY CANDLES?

Every few years, we like to introduce a new product to sell. It allows us to give something new to the supporters who have given us so much.

So, why candles? Well, for one, they're beautiful! We love creating quality handmade products that our supporters can enjoy. And candles are something that can create a warm and cozy atmosphere just about anywhere.

We also thought that candles were a great way to represent the light that people like you shine into the lives of the men at Harvest House. When you support Harvest House, you attack the darkness of addiction and shine light into a young man's future.



Harvest House residents learning to make candles.

## About Harvest House Candles:

- 16oz paraffin-soy mix
- Dimensions: 3 ¼" high, 3 ½" diameter
- Scents: Vanilla, Cinnamon, Citrus, Lavendar, Plain
- All candles come in a glass jar with a label of a lighthouse painting by one of Harvest House's former residents



To order your Harvest House candles today, visit [www.harvesthouse.org](http://www.harvesthouse.org) or phone 613-521-9114.

**YES!** I am interested in supporting Harvest House through easy Monthly Giving!  
*Your participation in our Monthly Giving Program will have a substantial impact on our program.*

I wish to pledge \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per month beginning in the month of \_\_\_\_\_ (all debits occur on the 15th of the month).

### Mailing Address for Tax Receipt:

\*If any of your information has changed please update that information here.

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I authorize Harvest House Ministries to debit my:

☐ Bank Account (enclose void cheque)

☐ Visa

☐ Mastercard

☐ Amex

Credit Card No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Expiry: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Please make your cheque payable to Harvest House Ministries and enclose this card to ensure delivery of your tax receipt for donations of \$10 or more. One tax receipt will be issued for the full amount of your monthly donations at the end of the year.

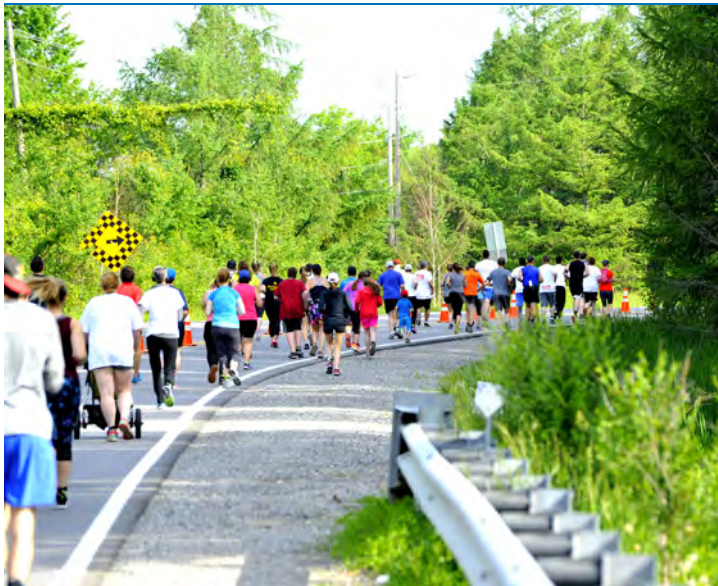
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# UPDATE on our Summer 2020 events



## 2020 Redemption Run CANCELLED

Due to COVID-19, we cancelled the Redemption Run this year.

Thank you to all the runners who have come out to support this fundraising event in the past.

We ask that you continue to support Harvest House in 2020. Unlike the run registration, your donation will come with a charitable tax receipt.

We look forward to running with you next year!!

## 33rd Annual Recovery Cup August 22, 2020

Since the Recovery Cup is scheduled for the end of August, we're hoping that it will move forward!

After the physical distancing and stress of COVID-19, it will be wonderful to enjoy a day of softball in the sun together!



# YES!

*I want to make a difference in my community!*

**Your investment goes a long way towards saving lives!**

☐ \$30   ☐ \$50   ☐ \$75   ☐ \$100   ☐ \$250

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☐ I prefer to contribute \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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Credit Card No. \_\_\_\_\_

Expiry \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

☐ I have made a gift to Harvest House in my will.

☐ I would like more information about making a gift to Harvest House in my will.

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