Cancer doesn't care what season it is.

Sískínds the Law Fírm has a long hístory of gíving back to their community which has helped to shape their business. Sískínds supports many organizations and charities like Childcan in the London region.

In the spirit of this season and in appreciation of their clients and support of our community, Siskinds wanted to make a meaningful donation to Childcan.

Sískínds ís proud to make a \$20,000 gíft of hope to Childcan and most importantly the children and famílíes líving with childhood cancer that Childcan

serves. Sískínds knows the importance of children and families having an opportunity to spend time together during the holiday season with family and friends.

This gift will help support Childcan in two ways. The first, is funding for the annual holiday party that Childcan hosts for the children and families each year. This special holiday party allows families to come together to forget about childhood cancer for awhile and just be kids. The coming together in a social setting outside the hospital and clinic where they receive treatment each week is truly good for the soul! The room filled with laughter and an early visit from Santa will ensure that many go home with magical moments shared. Our gift will support many children and families this season! The second way funding will be used is to directly assist a few families in need (see Max's story below).

We are so pleased to be able to make such a gift of hope for individual families and for those who will celebrate the holidays a little early this season!

To read more about Max visit https://www.facebook.com/siskinds

From Our House To Yours Sincerely,

Sískínds LLP



Max and family Summer 2011

This holiday season help bring hope to hundreds of children and families living with childhood cancer by making a holiday gift filled with the magic of the season! visit www.childcan.on.ca and click "light a



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gold ríbbon of hope"

The summer of 2009 was a bit different for our son Max who had just turned 11 in August of that year. He had been experiencing headaches and vomiting and not feeling well at all. We went to the Pediatric Emergency at Children's Hospital in London to see what was wrong with our usually vibrant, funny, creative and active robust 11 year old. The doctor sent Max for a CT scan. It was then that they noticed that something was wrong. He was then sent for an MRI and that is when we heard the words... "Your son has a brain tumour!" Not words that any parent expects to hear about their child or that it could cancerous! Kids don't get cancer, do they? Max's tumour was in the brain stem.

What we didn't know then, was our family of five, Max, his twin sister and brother Mae and Luc and we his parent's, were headed into a world that we didn't know existed and a journey that has left us all different from when we began.

what we soon learned was there were thousands of other children and families facing their own journey through childhood cancer, a journey we have come to know all too well.

Seventy weeks of chemotherapy, many tests, hospital and clinic visits, nausea vomiting, not wanting to eat, watching our boy change before our eyes because of life saving medicine. Two years later and Max has just recently finished treatment. It has been a journey filled with many peaks and valleys but one that has brought us all closer together as a family and we are now members of the childhood cancer community, filled with the bravest and most courageous children and families on the planet. We call the kids "Our Heroes"!

If you asked us to go on this journey would we have said yes? Absolutely not, however, we have met many other brave children and families just like ours and for that we feel truly blessed to not have to walk this journey alone.

The gift that Siskinds is making this holiday season to support individual children and families such as ours and the annual holiday party that Childcan hosts is priceless!

Our family has been fortunate enough to be chosen to receive funds from Siskinds which will allow us to finally complete our bathroom renovation which has been on hold since Max took ill.

The annual party allows families like ours to gather for one day and hangout just being kids and parents and forget about cancer for awhile. These types of social gatherings provide families the opportunity to have magical moments at sometimes the most challenging time of the year.

To hear the lull of voices catching up, laughter in the air, a gasp or a squeal of joy, when Santa makes a special "Pre-Christmas" visit and is truly music for the heart and soul!

Sískínds, on behalf of our family and the hundreds of kids and families who have or are walking their own childhood cancer journey, we give a heartfelt thanks for making this holiday season a bit more magical for all of us and Childcan. We know that "Cancer Doesn't Care What Season It Is", but Sískínds sure does!

You have truly left your mark on our hearts. Thanks for caring this holiday season. There is truly "Holiday Magic in the Air"!

Jenn, David, Max, Luc and Mae!

Happiest of Holiday's Siskinds!

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Max and two fellow warriors

Thank you for your generosity!

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