

the SOS MONTHLY



IMPORTANT DATES

Bake Sale in IAHS
Oct 25

Pumpkin Hike
Oct 26

Hospital Trick or Treat
Oct 31

RMH Candy Drive
Nov 3

Boston Pizza Fundraiser
Nov 7

Shave For a Cure
Nov 21



Fall at a glance

Following an incredible turn out at Clubsfest, the new season of SOS is in full swing, and our executive team and new subcommittee members are working hard to plan our various events for the rest of the year. Though the school term has just begun, we have a multitude of exciting events coming your way in these next few months!

In October, we will be hosting our first bake sale in IAHS. Right after, our Smiles Squad and Hospital Arts & Crafts Committee will be organizing the annual Pumpkin Hike and Hospital Trick or Treat events.

November brings about our first large fundraising event of the year - Shave for a Cure! At this event, participants will shave their heads to fundraise for Camp Trillium, an organization that provides year-round recreational activities to pediatric patients and their families. If you are interested in getting involved as a volunteer or a shaver, please send an email our way within the next few weeks!



A great turnout at Clubsfest this year!
Thanks to everyone who stopped by.



Upcoming Events

Pumpkin Hike

This October, Smiles Squad will be participating in the annual Pumpkin Hike at Cootes Paradise Elementary school. Smiles Squad members are working hard preparing games, crafts and activities for the children in the community and cannot wait for the event! This year we are really excited to collaborate with the MSU Maroons on this event!

RMH Candy Drive

On November 3, excess Halloween treats or candy items will be collected from homeowners in the west Hamilton community to provide to patient families staying in the Ronald McDonald House. By providing these donated items to the RMH, we lift some of the financial burden associated with having a hospitalized child. Additionally, this initiative ensures that children staying at the RMH receive candy, even if they are not able to go trick or treating this Halloween season.

Humans of SOS



Name:

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Position:

Smiles Squad Coordinator

Quote:

During high school, my sister told stories of the many amazing experiences she had throughout her involvement in Smiling Over Sickness. Once I became a McMaster student, I thought joining SOS would be an excellent opportunity for me to learn, give, and grow with some of the most wonderful people in the Hamilton community. Volunteering in Smiles Squad was one of my favourite experiences in first year! Outreach events such as Pumpkin Hike stand out in my memory as one of my most rewarding experiences at Mac. I am continuously shocked by the amount of time and effort that is put into this club by its diverse team of members. It has truly been a pleasure to play in a role in developing such an amazing club as SOS.



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