



Home on the Hill
Supportive Housing

Speakers' Series Event



Home on the Hill presents another *Speaker Series* event on **Wednesday November 26, 7:00 p.m.**, at St., Mary's Anglican Church, Richmond Hill.

In *A Family's Perspective* **Ana Long** will discuss her challenges and successes in providing care for her son who has schizophrenia. A Mother of three adult children, and a Registered Early Childhood Educator she says, " My youngest son has schizophrenia with concurrent disorders. This illness has greatly impacted the quality of life for my son as well as for me and my family. This is a journey that has forced us into an array of eye-opening experiences, some horrendous and heart-wrenching, but

some giving room for hope. Becoming educated in the matters of schizophrenia and related issues has been key to our daily survival, but the greatest source of hope lies in the empathetic non-judgmental professional and personal contacts which support us through our very many challenges."

When Ana gave this presentation to the Conference on Mental Health and Youth in October she received a standing ovation and much media attention. We are delighted to have her speak to us—the evening promises to be an exciting event.

She will be introduced by Marvin Ross, a publisher specializing in books on serious mental illness, and a regular blogger for both Huffington Post and his own blog Mind You. He is the recipient of the Hall of Fame Award in 2013 from FAME for recognition of his contribution to the public's understanding of mental illness, and his untiring advocacy around mental health issues. Dr. E. Fuller Torrey, in his latest edition of the classic *Understanding Schizophrenia A Manual For Families*, called him "one of the leading Canadian advocates for individuals with serious psychiatric disorders".

This is a **FREE** seminar.

Parking accessed through McLatchy Lane
north off Major Mackenzie, just west of Yonge.

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we do incur expenses.***

Home on the Hill Supportive Housing has two objectives:

“To provide and operate non-profit residential accommodations and incidental facilities for persons of low or modest income including seniors and disabled persons.” and

“To provide training, counselling and other support services to people with disabilities.”

Our primary focus is on persons with mental illness and their family caregivers. And the long term objective, to provide affordable supportive housing, will require substantial investment from both government and the public.

We are seeking government support and will be conducting major fundraising drives in the future. In the meantime we are continuing the *Speakers' Series* in which experts in the treatment of mental illness present information to family caregivers and others. We are also providing and developing support programs in collaboration with Mind Body and Soul, a local charitable organization.

Although the speakers, the members of the board of directors and volunteers are not paid we do incur expenses for supplies, rent and specialized services. In order to continue existing activities and to develop new and expanded initiatives we need your help. Please consider a donation to Home on the Hill Supportive Housing as part of your charitable giving. It is a registered charity, number 84686 3082 RR0001, and donations are tax deductible. You can donate by telephone, by mail (cheque), or online at *Canada Helps*: www.canadahelps.org .

Thank you.