

Unknown couple helped son after fall

I am writing to convey my thanks to the unknown but very thoughtful couple from Heathwood Heights Drive who helped my son Nathan on Friday, April 19.

Nathan is 22 and has a severe seizure disorder; he cannot speak or understand speech. He was out walking Friday evening on the trail that runs off Tom's Park with his worker and his dog Homer, one of his favourite activities.

Somewhere on the trail, Nathan had a tonic-clonic seizure (what used to be called a grand-mal seizure). He fell forward, hurting his hand, and was out cold on the ground when a couple walking their Golden Retriever offered their help.

They spent well over an hour, waiting for him to be able to get up and walk, and then helping his worker get him back to our home on Lanewood Drive safely.

Nathan's seizures occur anywhere from once a week to several times a day and can be very debilitating. There is never much one can do except make sure he is safe and wait for him to wake up and be able to get moving again.

Without this couple's help, it probably would have been a longer wait outside on what was a fairly cold evening, and a more difficult walk home.

I am grateful for the kindness of these strangers. Perhaps our Golden Retrievers will recognize each other when walking in the neighbourhood again, and I will be able to personally thank them for their assistance.

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