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**BURLINGTON COMMUNITY RALLIES AROUND SIX YEAR OLD GIRL WITH INCURABLE
DISORDER TO RAISE RESEARCH FUNDS**

**--Pubic Invited To Dinner Dance Fundraiser To Support Treatments And Cures For
Charcot-Marie-Tooth Disorder--**

Burlington, KY (September 23, 2008)—The Utz family invites the community to join them for a dinner dance fundraiser on Saturday, September 27th at The Briarwood in Hebron, Kentucky. The event begins at 7:00 pm. Advance tickets may be purchased by contacting Pam Utz at 859.817.9338 or Kathy Utz at 859.586.5824; tickets will also be available at the door and cost \$50.00 per couple and \$10.00 for children, and 6 and under are free. The fun also includes a silent auction, split the pot and more.

Six year Avonia Utz was diagnosed at age four with Charcot-Marie-Tooth (CMT) disorder, the most commonly inherited peripheral neuropathy that causes the nerve cells leading to the bodies extremities to slowly degenerate resulting in loss of normal use of the feet/legs and hands/arms. CMT affects one in every 2,500 people of all ages, gender, and races in the United States—2.6 million worldwide.

Proceeds from the event will support the Charcot-Marie-Tooth Association (CMTA)'s Strategy to Accelerate Research (STAR™), a groundbreaking research initiative designed to discover treatments for CMT in 3-5 years and a cure within 10 years. For more information on the CMTA and/or STAR, or to make a tax deductible donation, call 1-800-606-2682 or visit <http://www.charcot-marie-tooth.org>.

The Briarwood is located on 2134 Petersburg Road in Hebron, Kentucky. For directions, please call 859.689.4000.

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