

Findlay Shrine Club and K of C Work for Kids and our Hospital

In the photo, right, member of the Board of Governors Jerry Crouch, *Zenobia Noble*, presents a check for \$4,088 to Board Chairman Bill Kuehn. The gift came from the annual rose sale on Sweetest Day and an event hosted by the Findlay, OH, Knights of Columbus in cooperation with the Findlay Shrine Club. “This is the 66th year,” Jerry comments, “that these two groups have cooperated in raising money for their respective causes.” More than 100 guests participated in this year’s event. We are grateful to these Findlay friends, who think enough of each other and our kids to work on behalf of SHC – Chicago each year.



A 12-year Patient at SHC – Chicago Brings His Violin and Entertains



If you had visited our hospital recently, when Bogdan Dragomir and his guardian, Lidia Curtean were here, you’d have been privileged to hear a splendid violin mini-concert by 12-year patient Bogdan—and if you were really lucky and standing close enough, you’d have heard the lovely contralto voice of Lidia accompanying him as he performed so exquisitely “How Great Thou Art.” Lidia says of Bogdan, a native of Romania, “He’s blessed by God and a blessing to others.” Bogdan’s musical specialty is the hymn, and he performed several of his favorite hymns—and a couple of Christmas carols, as Lidia sang. One of Dr. Jeffrey Ackman’s patients, Bogdan has studied the violin for 10 years. He’s now a 15-year-old ninth grader. In the photo, left, Bogdan, performs in the lobby of our hospital for appreciative drivers and guests.

Orak Nobles and Friends Become ‘Hall of Kindness’ Members

Our irrepressible co-Donor Development Director (formerly called “Donor Relations Director”) from *Orak Shrine*, George Alex is on a constant search for funds (I think we could call him “aggressive” in his search for gifts!) throughout Northwest Indiana—and he’s usually successful! Recently, he and fellow Noble Wayne Hodgetts, driver, usher, and co-DDD-*Orak*, brought in a check for \$1,000 for our Family-to-Family program from Hobart friend, Thomas Kingston, acquainted with the great work of SHC – Chicago through an *Orak* Shriner, who had praised our great work in caring for kids. Mr. Kingston wanted to be part of that loving tradition and thus joined the Hall of Kindness with his gift.



Hospital Day 2012 to Be Held on June 3! Mark It on Your Calendar

Please mark your calendar for Sunday, June 3, 2012—that’s the day SHC – Chicago will host our annual open-house celebration, called “Hospital Day!” This is a major event in the annual life of our hospital, a time to showcase our hospital and the marvelous work done here in caring for children—more than 65,000 children in the past 86 years. Nobles from all 14 temples in our service area will be here, and you’ll not want to miss this signal event of 2012. So, guys, rent a bus, hire a van, bring your friends to experience one of the great pediatric medical centers of America! See you on the Third!

