## Shrinelines

A weekly update for friends of Shriners Hospitals for Children® — Chicago

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## Dalton Herendeen Qualifies for Rio Paralympics in September . . .

We're pleased to announce that former SHC - Chicago patient, swimmer Dalton Herendeen, has qualified for the Rio de Janeiro Summer Paralympics, scheduled for September 7-18, 2016. He qualified in the 100M breast, 400M free, 200M, 100M fly, and, he hopes, two relays. In qualification, Dalton broke the American and Pan Am records for 100M breaststroke at 1:14.59. What an achievement! This will be Dalton's second Paralympic performance, having competed in the 2012 London Paralympics.

A patient with us since birth, he "graduated" from SHC - Chicago in 2015, and is now the assistant swim coach at the University of Mary Washington, Fredricksburg, VA, where he has been training under



swim coach Abby Brethauer. In the photo right, he poses poolside with mom Lynn and dad Steve, in Charlotte, NC, where he qualified for Rio.

We are proud of this young man's remarkable achievements as an athlete and as a human being. We have no finer representative of our hospital and no better role model for all of our patients. You make us both proud and thankful, Dalton! Good luck in Rio!

## Eastern Michigan Order of Eastern Star Journey to SHC - Chicago



We were delighted to welcome 22 members and friends of the Southeastern Michigan Order of Eastern Star to our hospital recently. They came bringing beautiful, handcrafted gifts for the children, which they present to Mary McCauley in the photo, left.

We were pleased to arrange a tour, share lunch with the group, and then spend some time together talking about the remarkable care provided by our hospital staff. We thank our friends for the kind generosity and hope they'll come again!



## **Hoosier Harness Racer Makes Annual Gift**

Mike Peterson (left), a harness racer at Hoosier Park Racing, Kokomo, IN, inspired by his grandfather, a Mizpah Shriner devoted to our hospital, gives a portion of his winnings each year toward the care of kids here in Chicago. In the photo right, Murat Noble Richard Sobel of the Madison Country Shrine Club, presents Mike's 2016 gift of nearly \$1,000 to Yours Truly. We



thank Mike for his gifts and for expanding our reach into the Hoosier harness racing circuit.