



Just Between Friends **Brenner Children's Hospital**

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Pictured here are Brittany Ray, age 9 and her sister, Haley age 5, and Lottie Kay, president of Friends, delivering gifts from Brittany's 9th birthday party to Brenner Children's Hospital. For her birthday, Brittany asked her friends to bring toys, books and games for the patients at Brenner Children's Hospital instead of bringing birthday presents for her. She also made a special card for all the children who are patients at Brenner.

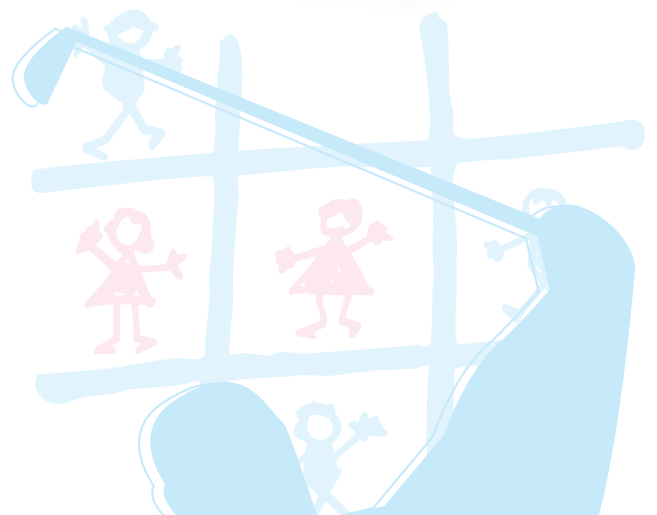


Help Make a Difference at Brenner Campaign runs July and August

Check your local Harris Teeter, Lowes Foods, and Food Lion grocery stores for the following wines in the July and August. Purchase any of these wines between July 1 and August 30 and Constellation Wines will donate a portion of the proceeds of the sale to Brenner Children's Hospital.

Help Make a
Difference
when you purchase
any of these wines!

Ravenswood, Hardy's Nottage Hill, Blackstone Winery, Marcus James, Kim Crawford, Ruffino, Hayman Hill, Red Guitar, Arbor Mist, and Zen of Zin



Celebrity Golf Classic

The 21st Annual Celebrity Golf Classic for Brenner Children's Hospital will be held at Tanglewood Golf Club on Friday, May 29. Many thanks to our sponsors, volunteers and the Celebrity Golf Classic committee for their support again this year!

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A Word from Our President



It has been a cherished privilege to serve as president of Friends of Brenner. It is hard to believe that my term is coming to an end. The saying, "Time flies when you are having fun" has proved true.

Meeting Brittany Ray at the hospital when she donated her birthday presents to Brenner patients was definitely fun! What a special gift from one of our young friends! Thank you, Brittany!

As our year comes to a close, there are so many volunteers to thank: Cheers! Co-Chairs Bill and Mary Dean and Morris and Beverly Marley for a very successful and fun event, Kara Helms for hosting our April membership meeting in her beautiful home where Julie Barnes, Brenner's Family Centered Care Coordinator, shared information about services provided to patients and their families, and the many volunteers planning our golf tournament coming up on May 29.

All of our dedicated volunteers, the very talented and energetic board members listed on the left, and the untiring development office staff led by Susan Kennedy, have all made this a very successful year in spite of the economic downturn that has plagued our country. You can take pride in knowing that your faithful service has been an important investment which has truly made a difference in the lives of the patients at Brenner.

To each and every one of you, thank you for being a Friend and thank you for all you do for Brenner Children's Hospital.

Lottie Kay

St. Baldrick's Awards Grant for Pediatric Cancer Research

RUNNING RESEARCH PROTOCOLS may sound less than exciting, but these protocols help make a huge difference in treating kids with cancer, according to associate professor Tom McLean, M.D.

A grant of \$52,333 to Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center from the St. Baldrick's Foundation is funding the hiring of a new employee whose primary responsibility will be to open new research protocols for children being treated for cancer. The new hire will handle much of the paperwork and data management associated with research protocols, freeing up physicians to focus on patient care.

"Research protocols are the main way we've been able to make such significant advances in pediatric cancer over the years," said McLean. "This grant really is about continuing those advances right here at Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center."

McLean had his head shaved last fall for the local

St. Baldrick's fundraiser "because it's a great cause and a great organization. Plus, it gave me a healthy dose of empathy for my patients, most of whom lose their hair from chemotherapy."

St. Baldrick's is a non-profit foundation that raises money nationally for childhood cancer research. Last fall, the foundation provided more than \$2.4 million in grants to 28 institutions to help treat more children on clinical trials and provide resources to make more research possible.

The foundation coordinates worldwide head-shaving events, with volunteer "shavees" raising money to support childhood cancer research. Since 2000, head-shaving events have taken place in 18 countries and 48 U.S. states, raising more than \$51 million and shaving more than 73,000 heads.

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Cheers! and thanks to all who contributed to a fun night for Brenner!

Thanks to our wonderful 2009 Cheers! *Chairs*:

Beverly and Mo Marley, and Mary and Bill Dean

Many thanks also to the Cheers! *Committee*:

Shannon Barto, Kay Chalk, Molly Curran, Luci Driscoll, Sara Hollan, Shelley Holden, Elizabeth Madden, Susan Mann, Elizabeth Marley, Lynda Morris and Margaret Townsend

Cheers! Participants

Restaurants:

1703
Bernardin's Fine Dining and
Bleu Restaurant & Bar
Big Shotz Tavern
Camel City Café
Century Kitchen at Flint Hill Vineyards
Foothills Brewing
Meridian Restaurant
Old Salem Tavern
Ombu Wood Fired Fusion
River House Country Inn & Restaurant
The Painted Plate
Twin City Diner
Village Tavern

Wineries and Vineyards:

American Premium Beverage
Benny Parsons, Rendezvous Ridge
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Elkin Creek Vineyard
Flint Hill Vineyards
Mutual Distributing Company
RagApple Lassie Vineyards
Shelton Vineyards
The Country Vintner of NC
Tryon Distributing Company
Westbend Vineyards

Brewing:

Foothills Brewing



2009 CHEERS! Chairs Bill and Mary Dean; Beverly and Morris Marley



Lots of good food, great wine and fun at Cheers! Katharine Atala, Bill Parsley, Brooke Burr

Let the bidding begin at the Cheers silent auction!



Save the Date

Brenner Celebrity Golf Classic

Friday, May 29

Tanglewood Golf Club

Brenner Children's Classic Run

Saturday, August 29

Reynolda Business Center

www.bccrun.org

Brett's Ride for Rhabdo

Sunday, October 4

Hickory Foundation YMCA

Hickory, NC

www.hickoryveloclub.com

Festival of Trees

November 21-22

Education Building

Dixie Classic Fairgrounds

Welcome, New Friends!

Mallie Whatley *

*Lifetime members

Sea Turtle Treatment Room Is Comforting to Children

A Brenner general pediatric unit has been made into a 'sea-themed' Sea Turtle Treatment Room. Support from the Family Centered Care fund provided the "makeover," which features a pediatric exam table in the shape of a sea turtle, along with special wall decor. By creating a child-friendly environment, the treatment room is used for starting IV's and changing wound dressings, thus allowing the child's room to be a pain free, comforting area.

Family Centered Care is an approach to the planning, delivery, and evaluation of healthcare that creates a partnership between patients, families, and providers. The Family Centered Care fund has been established to help meet the needs of patients and families while they are hospitalized. A goal of Brenner Children's Hospital is to create "Pain Free Zones"-- places for children where no painful procedures occur. Patient rooms and hospital playrooms are designed to offer safe, secure environments for our children.



Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center (www.wfubmc.edu) is an academic health system comprised of North Carolina Baptist Hospital, Brenner Children's Hospital, Wake Forest University Physicians, and Wake Forest University Health Sciences, which operates the university's School of Medicine and Piedmont Triad Research Park. The system comprises 1,056 acute care, rehabilitation and long-term care beds and has been ranked as one of "America's Best Hospitals" by U.S. News & World Report since 1993. Wake Forest Baptist is ranked 32nd in the nation by America's Top Doctors for the number of its doctors considered best by their peers.

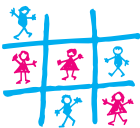


High School Senior Gives Teddy Bears to Brenner Children's Hospital

In February, Northwest Guilford High School senior Megan Hitchcock delivered 85 Build-A-Bear Workshop® stuffed teddy bears to Brenner Children's Hospital. The donation was part of her required senior project, titled "Hope in a Teddy Bear."

Hitchcock raised more than \$1,300 in donations, and she and a few of her friends assembled the bears just in time for their special delivery. In addition to the teddy bears, Hitchcock plans to donate books, puzzles and movies.

Pictured are Megan Hitchcock (far right) with other students Christi Champion and Cody Peterson, as Wesley McCormick inspects one of the new bears.



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