



# Care in Action

An E-Newsletter for Employees, Staff and Friends of Shriners Hospitals for Children—Spokane

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## Teddy Bear Run Benefits Hospital

Two Rivers Casino Resort, Road House Cycles and the Hot Rod Cafe teamed up to benefit the hospital recently. Saturday, September 6th, nearly 300 riders and one dog made the trek from Post Falls, Idaho to Two Rivers in Washington. The group raised about \$5000 and donated two truck loads of new teddy bears for the children.

Two Rivers Casino donated the music, lunch and t-shirts for the event, as well as game tokens for every rider.

Each day we provide pediatric specialty care to children ages 0 to 18 at no cost to the family and that is made possible through the generous support of donors and community partners. Thanks for your support!



Archie and other riders delivered teddy bears for the kids after their two hour ride to Two Rivers.

Care in Action is a monthly e-newsletter from Shriners Hospitals for Children in Spokane. If you wish to be added or be removed from this or any future mailings, please contact us at [spokanenews@shrinenet.org](mailto:spokanenews@shrinenet.org) or call 509.744.1240 to leave a message.

For more information on our hospital, its services and our mission, please visit our website [www.shrinershospitals.org](http://www.shrinershospitals.org).

## IMPORTANT - 85th Celebration Changes

Shriners Hospitals for Children—Spokane will be celebrating its 85th anniversary in 2009. We are grateful for the investment of our many donors, volunteers, staff and patient families over the years!

Our hospital's most important priority is taking care of children and providing the very best in medical care for those we treat. ***With this priority in mind, we are changing the scope of our 85th anniversary in Sept. 2009 and will have more details to come in future newsletters.*** We apologize for any inconvenience but expect to help even more children in 2009 and enjoy a smaller celebration together. We look forward to working with you to make that possible!

Please contact the public relations office if you have questions, need more information or are interested in knowing other ways you may assist us in our mission! We may be reached at [spokanews@shrinenet.org](mailto:spokanews@shrinenet.org).

## Making a Difference



Rachel Lassman

Rachel Lassman decided she wanted to make a difference in the lives of children this year...and she did just that! Rachel coordinated a Kids Carnival to benefit the hospital and got many community businesses to donate prizes, games or funds in support of the hospital. She presented the hospital with a check for \$750 as a result of her fun filled day for neighborhood kids. Thank you

Rachel.

To find out ways you may help support our hospital, please call public relations at 509.744.1240.

## Throwing the First Pitch



Premera and the Spokane Indians baseball franchise teamed up to provide a special day of fun for our hospital. After a visit to our patients in the hospital, they hosted a pre-game social, signed autographs and met our families who were provided free tickets for the evening's game. Eleven year old Arik Clark, a Spokane patient, got to throw a "first pitch" and was the ONLY one who made it into the catchers mitt. A big THANK YOU goes to Premera and the Indians for caring for our kids!

## Temple of the Month Al Shamal - Edmonton, Canada



The Al Shamal temple is located in Edmonton, Alberta in Canada. The temple was chartered in July of 1986 and has a membership of 795.

Al Shamal is being honored as our Spokane hospital's September Temple of the Month. Currently under the leadership of Potentate James "Jim" Heron, Al Shamal remains active in support of our hospital system, primarily in Portland and Spokane.

We are grateful for the many Shriners from Canada who help all of us help children Defy the Odds.

## Upcoming Dates & Events

Please visit our website for more information on these and other events:

### September 20

WSU Football Foundation Day vs. Portland State.  
Book your discount tickets at [www.wsucougars.com](http://www.wsucougars.com).  
Login:Shriners, password:gocougs

### September 29-October 2

We will be re-filming our hospital video all week. We may be calling you for a starring role!

### Month of October

Together for Kids "Virtual" Walk - Not a big group all together on a specific day, but a "virtual walk" across Washington to raise money for our hospital! Get pledges for each mile you walk, ride or exercise on your own during the month of October. and then for each \$50 collected, you will be entered into a drawing for great prizes donated by local businesses. See website for more information, forms and details or call public relations at 509.744.1240.



## Justin Timberlake and Shriners Hospitals Tee Off for Kids



Katie Walker, a Shriners Hospitals patient and tournament ambassador, with Justin Timberlake, tournament host

The Justin Timberlake Shriners Hospitals for Children Open is hitting Las Vegas Oct. 13-19, 2008. The tournament is part of the PGA TOUR's Fall Series, and net proceeds from the event will benefit Shriners Hospitals for Children.

### Support the tournament:

- **Be a Spectator.**  
Tickets start as low as \$15.
- **Volunteer.**  
Event volunteers receive official tournament uniforms and other perks.
- **Tune In.**  
The tournament will be broadcast on the Golf Channel Oct. 16-19, from 4-6 p.m. EST.

For more information, call **(702) 873-1010**  
or visit **[www.jtshrinersopen.com](http://www.jtshrinersopen.com)**.



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