The Pulse

NEWS FROM
Shriners Children's™ Ohio

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Shriners serve fez-tastic lunch to hospital staff

The Shriners Children's Ohio Board of Governors hosted a summer appreciation cookout for our staff. For the second year, the nobles grilled summer favorites like hotdogs and hamburgers. The Shriners also invited our friends at Dayton Children's Hospital to grab a bite as well!

James meets inspiration behind Silent Messenger statue

Shriners Children's Ohio patient ambassador, James, had the opportunity to meet the inspiration behind the Silent Messenger statue. Bobbi Jo was a little girl attending a local county fair when a Shriner picked her up so she could get a better view above the crowd. At the time, she was a patient at Shriners Children's St. Louis. Today, Bobbi Jo speaks at various hospital and Temple events. Most recently she spoke at Al Menah Temple in Nashville, Tenn., where she met James.

He was also invited to make a speech about the care he received at Shriners Children's Ohio. Below is a portion of his heart-felt words:

"My journey with Shriners started when I was a baby. At just a year old I was severely burned in a house fire. The medical staff has given me a more normal life so that I can do the things I enjoy most. I will be under the care of the Shriners medical staff until I reach adulthood.

Through the Shrine network, I have met some pretty cool kids. I have had the chance to cross paths with some extremely skilled medical professionals, and I have had the chance to meet with the men and women who make everything possible. We kids within the Shrine Community connect on a level that other kids will never know. Kids in the Shrine Network are brought together by the hard work, dedication and love of the men in the red hats and their wives and by the doctors and nurses who dedicate themselves to our care. I feel very blessed to be a part of such a caring unselfish group of amazing people.

Thank you for caring for the kids nobody else wants. Thank you for your continued support, from yesterday, to today and into the future."

Donor Spotlight

Can-do spirit generates nearly $1 million for Shriners Children's

The Champaign County Shrine Club in Ohio is creating some serious cash from aluminum cans! With support from the entire community, these nobles have collected, sorted and recycled hundreds of thousands of cans for more than 40 years. Read more about their labor of love by clicking here.

SCO patient celebrates birthday by giving back

Five-year-old Hazel asked for lots of toys as part of her birthday party. But they weren't for her! Instead, she plans to donate them to the hospital. We treated Hazel a couple of years ago after she sustained a burn on her family's farm. Like we do with all of our patients, we spoiled Hazel with toys and games to help to make her recovery a little more fun. Hazel wanted to give back and started "Hazel's Helping Hands" toy drive. She collected nearly 200 toys just from her birthday party! Way to go, Hazel!

Indiana family commits to supporting Shriners Children's Ohio

Gifts of $5 million or more
Shriners Children's Dayton

We were proud to welcome Andrea, with Daughters of the Nile, her husband Aaron from Hadi Temple and their son Bryce to our hospital. Andrea presented Chief of Staff Dr. Petra Warner with the donation and spoke with other staff members about what kind of care and support our burn and cleft lip and palate patients need on their recovery journey.

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If these stories inspire you to give, you can donate directly to our hospital by clicking this link.

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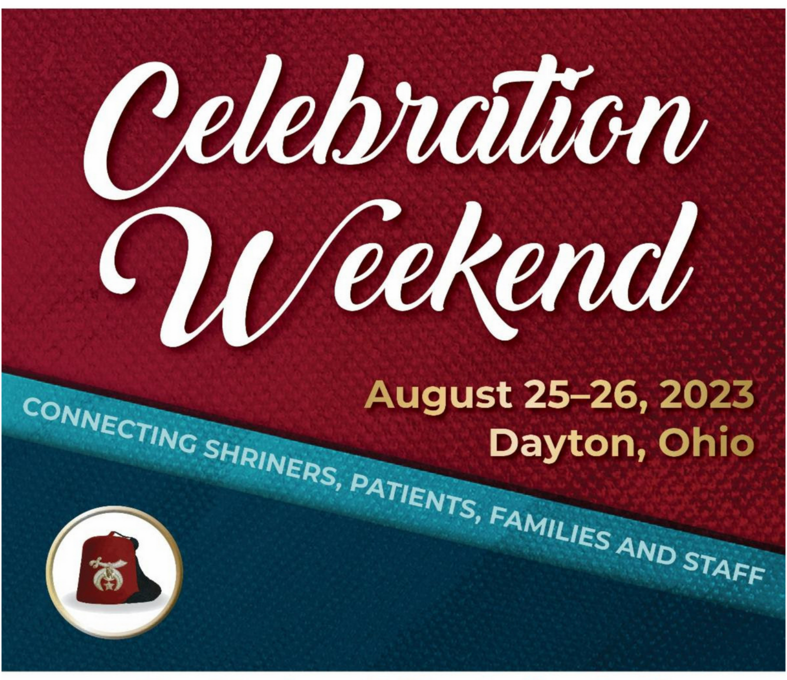
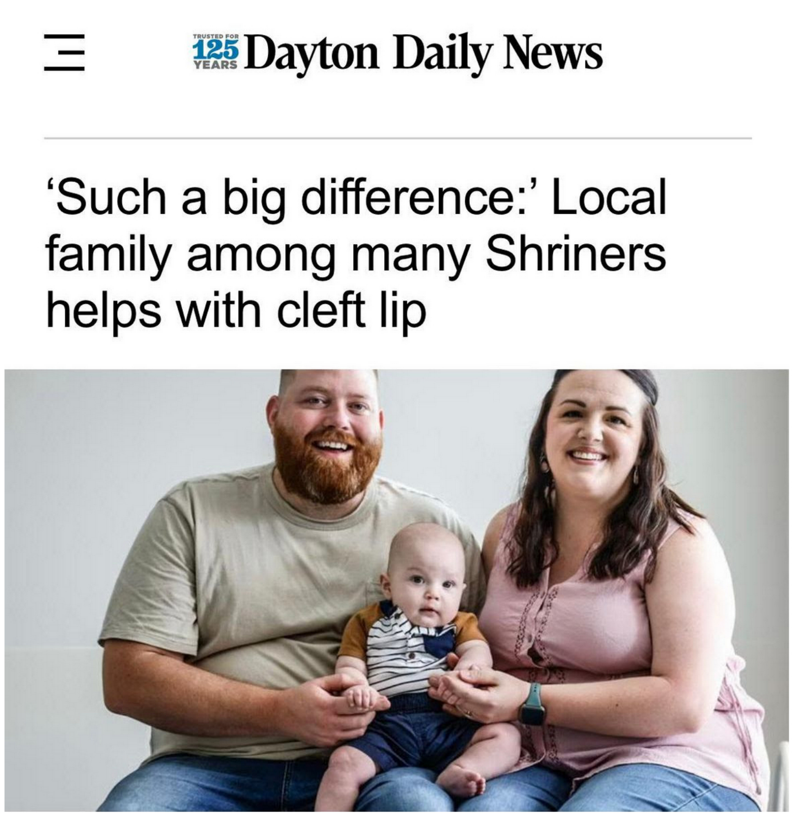


New Members, Nobles, Ladies, Staff and Guests, please plan to join us.

Time is running out to RSVP! Click HERE to get registered for this exciting event celebrating SCO!

News coverage and cleft clinic position SCO as leader in craniofacial care



Dayton Daily News

‘Such a big difference:’ Local family among many Shriners helps with cleft lip

The Dayton Daily News featured a story on 5-month-old Case and his parents, Quentin and Amanda. When they found out Case would be born with a cleft lip, they turned to Shriners Children's Ohio for a treatment plan. Dr. Salim Mancho performed Case's cleft repair surgery.

As you can see from everyone's smiles, they are happy with the results! The news story was published during Cleft and Craniofacial Awareness and Prevention Month to highlight a local family's experience and why they trusted us with their son's surgery. Click here to read the full story.

SCO hosts clinic to connect patients, families with ancillary services

There were no shortage of smiles at our craniofacial clinic Wednesday, July 26. Families had the chance to meet with Dr. Gordon and Dr. Mancho, our care coordinators, and a registered dietician. Families could also learn more about ancillary services like speech therapy without setting up a separate appointment.

(Left) Eight-year-old Kayson charmed all of us with his adorable smile! He and his family drove up from Alabama to meet with Dr. Gordon and the nurse care managers to discuss the next steps in his treatment plan. Kayson's mom told us she feels "blessed be to in the care of Shriners" and is "already looking forward to our next visit.

(Above) Dr. Chris Gordon, Colleen Beckman, RN, and Care Coordinators Renee Johnson and Julia McBride are some of the team that met with families during the clinic.

All-star patient shines at all-star football game

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16-year-old Patient Ambassador Owen represented Shriners Children's Ohio at an Indiana football game featuring the best high school players in the Hoosier state. Owen walked on the field during the ceremonial coin toss for the Murat Shrine North/South Football Classic. He also shared a little bit of his burn recovery journey to inspire the high school athletes, referees and parents before kick-off.

Don't forget to check out the resource hub!

We've collected the best hospital and patient videos, logos, social media graphics, fundraising information and education materials in one easy-to-access hub. Simply scan the QR code or click the link below to access the hub. We'll continue to add more resources so check back often!

Click here to access SCO Resource Hub

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If you know a child we can help, go to **ShrinersOhio.org** or call: **855-206-2096**

Shriners Children's™ Ohio is one of only four Shriners hospitals in the country dedicated to the treatment of pediatric burns and specializing in plastic and reconstructive surgery. Our physicians' experience and expertise in pediatric treatment makes Shriners Children's Ohio a first choice for care. All services are provided regardless of the families' ability to pay.

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All types of burns
Cleft lip & palate
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Complex wounds & skin conditions

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