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*“Do not neglect hospitality, for through it some have unknowingly entertained angels.”*

Hebrews 13:2

September 2016

September is Childhood Cancer Awareness month. It is a perfect time to remember all the children and families affected by this disease. I am sure you know someone affected by cancer and have shared in their struggle.

Our pediatrics cancer program is nationally ranked. Last September, we featured a story about our plans to renovate 4 North, our inpatient cancer unit. Joey and his mom shared their excitement for this spirited and necessary renovation. This month, Brian, shares his remarkable journey of faith as he celebrates life and its many blessings.

As a quick update, we have raised \$2,635,000 of the \$4 million the Foundation needs to turn this space into a bright, beautiful and modern healing environment for kids battling cancer. While these dollars represent more than 60% of the required funding, we still have a way to go. Please help us with a gift if you can; there are many ways to give.

We thank you for your ongoing generosity to benefit our children; they truly are grateful for your loving kindness. As you make your year-end giving plans, check with your advisor or give me a call. Please open your hearts during our 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary year to support our children in need.

Join us as we celebrate the feast of the Archangels on September 29; let us pray.

Heavenly Father, you have given us archangels to assist us during our pilgrimage on earth. **Saint Michael** is our protector, I ask him to come to my aid, fight for all my loved ones, and protect us from danger. **Saint Gabriel** is a messenger for the Good News, I ask him to help me clearly, hear your voice and to teach me the truth. **Saint Raphael** is the healing angel, I ask him to take my need for healing and that of everyone I know, lift it up to your throne of grace and deliver back to us the gift of recovery. Help us O Lord to realize more fully the reality of the archangels and their desire to serve us. Holy Angels pray for us. Amen

We pray for you and your intentions at daily Mass. May God shower you with His blessings.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Rose Brower".

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## THANK YOU FOR YOUR LOVING SUPPORT!

YOU make life better for the children at  
SSM Health Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital.

You are invited!

If you are in town, we hope to see you at our upcoming events:

October 17	Dierdorf-Pronger Golf Tournament
November 5	Glennon Glow (60 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala)
November 17	Tree of Hope Opening
December 7	Foundation Holiday Party

St. Louis Racquet Club  
476 Kingshighway Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63108

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For more information about these events,  
call 1-800-269-0552 or visit [glennon.org](http://glennon.org)

Please consider making a heartfelt gift in your will or trust and make a lasting impact  
on our children now and for generations to come.

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## Happy Birthday Brian Ott: "A Walking Miracle!"



Brian's health story begins just before his 3<sup>rd</sup> birthday. He was a vibrant 2 year old when he was diagnosed with an inoperable brain tumor; his doctors told his family he had two weeks to live. That's when another doctor stepped in and referred Brian to SSM Health Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital. On September 16, Brian—a vibrant high school senior goalie on a hockey team for the disabled and volunteer at summer camps—turns 18 years old and he celebrates his life with us by sharing his favorite pictures. "A walking miracle," declares his mother, Erin. "Cardinal Glennon did not give up on him!"



While Brian's life has been filled with challenges, his blue eyes sparkle when he expresses his gratitude to Michael Kelly, MD, attending SLUCare oncologist at Cardinal Glennon when he was first admitted, and attributes Dr. Kelly with saving his life. "Dr. Kelly did not give up on me!" Even at age 3, young Brian knew that at Cardinal Glennon he would be fine. Erin and Brian recall feeling God's healing presence in all they met and the overwhelming faith, hope and love they experienced over the years with chemotherapy and radiation. Erin says "The chapel is always my first stop. I pray for all the kids." She further expressed her heartfelt thanks to Christopher Hugge, MD, SLUCare pediatric oncologist, all the staff and volunteers, Footprints and all service groups at the hospital...and the toy closet! "The support we received was always positive and everyone's encouragement brought back Brian's smile," explained Erin. Through 15 long years of extensive and consistent care for his cancer and uncertain outcome, faith sustained them.

Brian's health is stable though he is not cured. Even now, Brian is unafraid and determined to face and overcome any obstacle and challenge that is put on his path. His indomitable spirit is wise beyond his years. Brian stands tall with confidence and inspires all. He is "thankful for all my blessings." May God continue to bless Brian and his family with abundant grace and love.



## IT'S TIME TO THINK ABOUT A YEAR-END GIFT FOR THE KIDS.

### GIFTS YOU CAN MAKE TODAY

- Charitable Gift Annuities
- Outright Gift of Cash
- Required Minimum Distributions
- IRA Charitable Rollovers
- Stock and Securities
- Donor Advised Funds
- Life Insurance
- Real Estate
- Appreciated Property
- Savings Bonds
- Corporate Matching Gifts
- Charitable Lead Trust
- Charitable Remainder Unitrust
- Charitable Remainder Annuity Trust

### AFTER YOUR LIFETIME GIVING

- Financial accounts beneficiary
- Life Insurance beneficiary
- IRA / Retirement plan beneficiary
- Will or Trust beneficiary
- Outright, residuary or contingent bequests
- Residences and farms beneficiary

Since 1956, SSM Health Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital has been providing exceptional health care to families in need, regardless of ability to pay.

SSM Health Cardinal Glennon was built through donations from the St. Louis community and from around the country, and we continue to rely on your heartfelt generosity today.

Through your gifts we've been able to provide state-of-the-art facilities and medical equipment *and* hire the best and most compassionate caregivers. We've also renovated areas of the hospital into child-friendly and healing environments for kids in places like The Costas Center, the Dorothy and Larry Dallas Heart Center, the Pediatric Intensive Care Unit and the Diagnostic Imaging Center.

We hope you will join us as we celebrate **60 YEARS** of providing hope and healing to all children and their families who are served by this world-class hospital.