



**CHRISTUS[®]
SOUTHEAST TEXAS**

Foundation



**Children's
Miracle Network
Hospitals**

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Gala 2017

With over 1,300 people in attendance, the 2017 CHRISTUS Gala was the highest attended gala to date! Keith Urban lived up to his superstar name and gave an electric performance, getting the gala crowd on its feet for a night of high energy entertainment. He by turns wooed the audience with sweet ballads and had the audience out of their seats and dancing to his high-powered country rock tunes. From the decadent meal – provided by WOW Food Concepts – to the elegant décor – provided by Deco Design by Janey Phelan – the evening was a resounding success!

As always, we want to thank our generous and dedicated CHRISTUS donors. Without you, this gala would not be possible. Without you, the CHRISTUS Southeast Texas Foundation would not be able to assist funding medical equipment for the CHRISTUS hospitals. Thank you for playing such a large role in the CHRISTUS mission of extending the healing ministry of Jesus Christ.



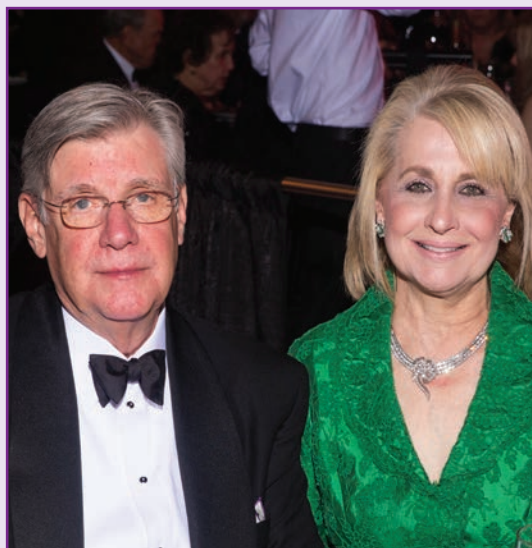
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SAVE THE DATE!



7TH ANNUAL CLAY SHOOT
Saturday, September 23, 2017

1 In One Hundred Gun Club
1228 FM 421
Lumberton, TX 77657

To pre-register, call (409) 236-7598



6TH ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT
Monday, October 16, 2017

Beaumont Country Club
5355 Pine St
Beaumont, TX 77703

To pre-register, call (409) 236-7598

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Bruce Allred Tournament

CHRISTUS Southeast Texas Health System participated in the 13th Annual Bruce Allred Memorial Golf Tournament. Proceeds will benefit Children's Miracle Network of Southeast Texas. We are so grateful to Jan Allred for creating such a loving memorial to her late husband Bruce, and for donating the proceeds to Children's Miracle Network. Bruce was pivotal in bringing Children's Miracle Network to Southeast Texas 28 years ago.



Michaels Inspires Creativity and Brings Smiles to Seriously Ill Children



Celebrating National Volunteer Week, Starlight Children's Foundation and Michaels have teamed up to deliver Michaels backpacks that will bring joy and comfort to hospitalized children across the U.S. and Canada. Generously provided by Michaels and assembled by team members across North America, Michaels backpacks are filled with cool arts, crafts, and other supplies to inspire creativity and bring smiles to seriously ill children of all ages. From April 23-29, Michaels' team members will deliver a total of 30,000 backpacks to kids at over 380 hospitals and other healthcare facilities.

"Michaels is helping to bring moments of joy and comfort to millions of seriously ill children and their families," said Chris Helfrich, CEO of Starlight Children's Foundation. "Michaels backpacks will bring smiles to 30,000 children and we're grateful for their continued generosity in communities across North America."

On April 28, Michaels team members from Beaumont, Texas and Lake Charles, Louisiana delivered over 50 backpacks to the kids at CHRISTUS Southeast Texas St. Elizabeth.

"Giving back is a key value at Michaels, and we are grateful to have a partner in Starlight Children's Foundation that supports us in bringing our commitment to life. We are proud to have our team members across the country celebrating National Volunteer Week this way and hope the backpacks being delivered this week provide some comfort, amusement, and inspire creativity for both the kids and their families," said Chuck Rubin, CEO of Michaels.

Radio Flyers Deliver Joy to and Comfort to Hospitalized Children

Radio Flyer, Inc. and Starlight Children's Foundation – a foundation committed to bringing joy and comfort to hospitalized children and their families- recently donated 2 cherry red Pathfinder Wagons to the Day Surgery unit at CHRISTUS Southeast Texas St. Elizabeth. Radio Flyer has been a Starlight Children's Foundation partner since 2001 and has contributed more than 12,000 of its signature Radio Flyer wagons to support sick kids at Starlight community partners in the United States. The wagons help make the healing experience a fun adventure for patients during their time in the hospital.

"To parents, the wagon can be just another toy, but to kids, especially a special needs kid, it is magic."

Hospital personnel use the classic wagons in place of wheelchairs or stretchers to transport children to and from surgeries, treatment rooms and private rooms. The wagons help to make the experience an adventure, with children traveling the hallways in comfort and style.

"We have found the children to be less stressed and more relaxed when brought to the operating room in a wagon instead of a cart."

Thank you, Radio Flyer and Starlight Children's Foundation, for helping us care for sick and injured kids in Southeast Texas!



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Giving Retirement ASSETS



How to Provide for Your Loved Ones
and Avoid Unnecessary Taxes

Americans own several trillions of dollars of wealth in the form retirement assets. Congress never meant for these plans to be passed on to heirs. These assets are considered "Income in Respect of Decedent or IRD."

Someone has to pay the tax on these assets. By leaving them to someone other than your spouse, you can subject your heirs to significant taxes on the inheritance of these retirement assets:

- Qualified pension plans
- Profit sharing plans
- 401(k)s
- SEP
- 403(b) tax sheltered annuities
- Keoghs
- IRAs
- Stock option plans

You can provide for your loved ones and the causes you care about while avoiding unnecessary taxes.

Charitable Bequest — Consider naming us as the beneficiary of your IRD assets while leaving your cash and other investment assets to your heirs.

Charitable Remainder Trust — Funding a CRT with your IRA or other IRD assets as part of your estate plan can help you provide for your heirs and lessen their tax burden.

Charitable Gift Annuity — You can leave your IRD assets to fund a charitable gift annuity that will benefit a friend or family member with lifetime fixed payments.

IRA Charitable Rollover — If you are 70½ or older, you can make a gift of up to \$100,000 from your IRA this year to help our cause.



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President, CHRISTUS Southeast Texas Foundation