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August 2014...E-News Letter



"WILD for PATCHES"

Gala

is right around the corner

Saturday, October 25th, 2014

When you participate in the gala you will be helping with the future growth & development of PATCHES.

There are children in our communities who need nursing care and we do not have any more room.

There are many ways you can join us in this mission.

Opportunities for
Sponsorship &
Underwriting

Table
Individual Tickets



A Big Thank You To Our Gala Sponsors



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We would also like to thank “Anonymous” for the generous donation.

PATCHES presents the
1st Annual
Wild for PATCHES Gala



Saturday October 25, 2014

7:00 - 8:00pm Reception
8:00 - 12:00am Dinner

Trump National Doral
Grand Ball Room
4400 NW 87th Ave, Doral



Honorees:

Bill Duquette, Mayor Cindy Lerner & Bob Levy

Event MC: Ron Magill

For information call: 305-242-8122
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Black Tie Optional

Individual Tickets \$200

Table of 10 \$1750



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A Special Visit From Merlin

We had a special little visitor earlier this month at the nursing center. His name is Merlin. He is 1 1/2 years old, 20 inches tall and almost full grown. He is a miniature horse. Ms. Ellen, his owner, tells us he may grow about another inch taller but that's all. He is so cute and so gentle. Merlin was escorted from room to room around the nursing center. The children were able to pet him, hug him and brush him all that they wanted. Everyone fell in love with him. Last year Ms. Ellen brought Pearl another one of her minis to PATCHES. Ms. Ellen enjoys bringing her miniature horses for visits to nursing homes and schools. Ellen Knight can be reached at: detknight49@gmail.com. Let her know that PATCHES gave you her email address.



Merlin
makes everyone smile

Thank you.....Homestead Mennonite Church

PATCHES would like to thank the Elders, staff, families and children for choosing the nursing center as their VBS mission this year. It was such a joy to participate in the evening VBS events as the children and families learned about God and also learned about PATCHES. You could see the excitement in the children each day as they added to the donations they collected for PATCHES. They had a true desire to help make a difference in the lives of children they didn't even know.



I am so proud of these young people... they are our future generation. Thank you for choosing PATCHES and for making a difference. We invite you to come for a tour. Give me a call. Your friend, Sharon



**Spread The Word....come and find out what our community offers “before you need help”
It’s Free....**

For information contact Tara Turner 786-261-3870 or tturner@chisouthfl.org



“Connecting the Dots” Community Resource Fair

Connecting the dots between awareness & access to quality healthcare and valuable community resources

**Phichol Williams
Community Center**

951 SW 4th St, Homestead, FL 33030
September 20, 2014 12 noon to 5 pm

Food, Prizes and Surprises!
Join us for Wall to Wall Exhibitors
with your best interest at heart

Free!



**Saturday, October 4th, 2014
Homestead Rock 'N Ribfest**

Harris Field

11:00 AM until 9:00 PM

Adults \$10

Under age 10 Free

**Contact Emily at PATCHES
for tickets 305-242-8122**

Great food, music & lots of fun.

To benefits four charities in our area.

**Good Hope, Swim For Jenny,
PATCHES & Open House Ministries**

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For information visit WWW.HOMESTEADRIBFEST.org or
Contact Larry Roth 305-979-8424

An Exciting Day

I was invited up to the beautiful Westin Diplomat in Hollywood on Friday, August 15th during the **Florida League of Cities Conference**. During a wonderful lunch time I saw many of our elected officials from our own hometown and those from around the state. I was invited because arrangements had been made for me to be interviewed by **Comcast Newsmakers** about PATCHES. I arrived early as instructed and the make-up man did his magic for TV. The entire Comcast Team was really wonderful. They were warm and friendly which made it easy to relax. The interview was taped so they could air it at a later date.

Here's the link if you would like to take a peek: <http://comcastnewsmakers.com/2014/08/22/lifeline/>

Thank you to those who made this interview possible.

PATCHES....where miracle happen



Top: L: Sharon Fields, Bob Levy, Cindy Lerner-Mayor of Pinecrest

Top- Camera crew Make-up man talking with Sharon



Toddler's making slime

Waddler's water fun indoors



It's too hot & wet outside so the children stay busy with activities inside.



Happenings in.....Ft. Pierce



Surprise...Christmas in August for the children at PATCHES in Ft. Pierce. Thank you Councilman Bowen and the city employees for making this special day happen.

School Days

Graduation Day ...is bitter sweet

Three of our children have gotten well enough to leave the nursing center and to start kindergarten. Our mission is to get them healthy—we are grateful their health has improved....we will miss them dearly.



A Big Thank You Dr. Solomon for your generous donation to the nursing center during your "Strike Out for PATCHES" program with the St. Lucie Mets.
Gail Steward—Administrator
On her right- Dr. Solomon



Queen Elsa and Princess Anna from Disney's movie **Frozen** made a special visit to PATCHES. The children joined in and everyone dressed in cos-



Thank you
Valerie Tulenko & Emily Ashburn
of Treasure Coast Princess Parties

Ways To Give

Automatic Giving—Electronic giving is a convenient way to give regularly and systematically. If you would like to give consistently by becoming an electronic giver at PATCHES. Please consider filling out the form on our website and returning it to our office. www.patchespec.org



We take Credit Cards for your donating convenience. You may stop by the center, or call to use the credit card feature or use PayPal on our website. www.patchespec.org

Donate By Mail: Make checks payable to PATCHES and mail to:

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When shopping on-line "you can help PATCHES without costing you a cent!"

Every time you shop at one of the over 1400 name-brand internet stores in the iGive.com Mall or GoodShop, we will receive a donation. The donation amount varies depending on the store and the amount of your purchase at no additional cost to you. Some of the stores include **Home Depot, Amazon, Apple, Dell Computers, Target, Macys, Penny's, Best Buy** and so many, many more to choose from. It's almost time to think about the **Holiday shopping opportunities**: *Please consider using iGive.com when shopping on-line and help PATCHES at the same time.*

The iGive Button is on the PATCHES website under the Tab called Ways To Give. When registering the iGive Button gets uploaded to your tool bar.

Thank you in advance for helping PATCHES



I started my holiday shopping on-line and helped PATCHES at the same time and it didn't cost an extra cent to help the nursing center.
That's a "win-win" situation!

We have thankful hearts because of you.....

Mr. & Mrs. Elenbaas, Jane Sheridan, Dr. Leah Snyder Kinnaird, Dever Antes, Miami-Dade County 4-H Association, Maranatha Ministries of Faith, Treasure Coast Lexus, St. Lucie Draft House, P.S. Shutt, Waste Pro, City of Port St. Lucie, Mr. & Mrs. Kostreba, and Peter W. Busch Family Foundation.

Thank you for Caring!

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Click Tab: News/Events: On the right side of that page are current and previous newsletters for your enjoyment.

Newsletter by Sharon Fields