



SPECIAL KIDS

the voice of young HSS patients

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ENRICHMENT PROGRAM

Fun
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Fun
for everyone!

The Enrichment Program has completed 2 sessions and is currently the talk of the town.

Children, staff and volunteers are experiencing wonderful and rewarding recreational activities with each other.

Activities include sewing, molding, jewelry making, cooking, music and more! To add to the fun each session ends with a pizza party!!

Everyone gets to take home all of their beautiful creations to show to their friends and family.

arts & crafts

"It is enlightening to see what these children can do with the projects presented to them. It exceeds your expectations".

Barbara Strauss, Volunteer

MAKING FRIENDS



"I am so happy to be part of this program. It feels good to be working. You can count on me to continue to be involved in this program".

Lorraine Johnson, Volunteer



"It was a rewarding experience to help provide the children with the opportunity to learn from me".

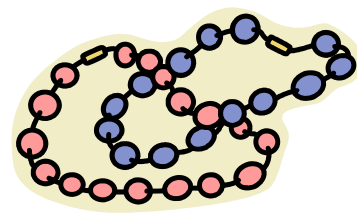
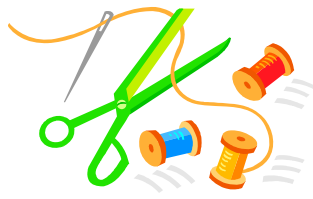
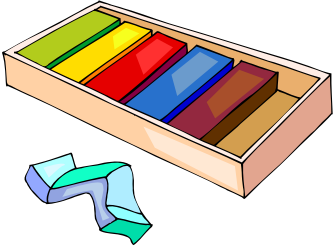
Lee Weber, Volunteer

We are having fun!



Volunteers working with children





LOOK AT WHAT WE MADE!

A DANCER'S STORY

My name is Gabrielle and I am 7 years old.

I have had arthritis since I was 2.

My doctor said I should stay active and that's when I started dancing.

Now I take Ballet, Tap, Jazz and hip Hop.

I was chosen this year for the Dance Company!!!!

I go for competitions.

My class won Gold for Jazz and Silver for Tap.

Since I worked hard, I won a trophy!

We are going to the Dance Nationals in Atlantic City in July.

When I dance, it feels like I'm on a cliff and the moon is shining on me.

Dancing is fun!!!



By Gabrielle Ayoub

COME JOIN THE FUN

THE ENRICHMENT PROGRAM

The Enrichment Program provides wonderful opportunities for HSS pediatric patients **ages 6 and older** to engage in rewarding recreational activities at HSS.

Volunteers along with the Child Life staff will offer exciting learning opportunities in music, sewing, cooking, knitting, and more!

Food and fun for everyone! If you plan to attend please call the **Pediatric Special Events Hotline in advance at 212 606-1959.**

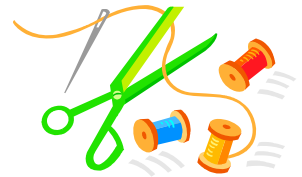
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Contact : Saleana Negron, MS

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Are you interested in becoming an email buddy with a member of the HSS Junior Committee? Junior Committee members are interested in learning about kids and their experiences at HSS. If you are interested, and have email please have your parent/guardian contact

Lorraine Montuori, LCSW at:

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ART CONTEST

Draw the hospital and you can be our next art contest winner. Prizes will be awarded. Submit your entries to: Saleana Negron, MS

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You can also email entries to: NegronS@HSS.edu or submit your drawing in person when you come to your doctor visit.

**Entry Deadline is October 2, 2006*



**Join Us For A
Halloween
Party**

Date: 10/27/06
 TIME: 3:30 p.m.
 RSVP: by 10/20/06

Illustration of a black ghost with white eyes and a white banner containing the event details. Below the banner are several glowing jack-o'-lanterns.



**SAVE THE
DATES**

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**ENRICHMENT PROGRAM
Meets
September 27th
&
November 21, 2006**



YOU ARE INVITED!

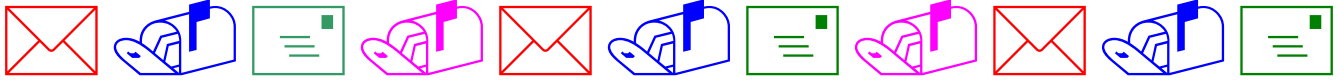
**ANNUAL FLORENCE AND HARVEY McCOY
CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY**
 (for pediatric patients, age 10 and under, and their families)

DATE: Friday, December 8, 2006 TIME: 3:30 - 5:00 pm

RSVP: by Friday, December 1, 2006 to 212.606.1959

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Illustration of a red background with a border of colorful stars and round cookies. At the bottom, there are gingerbread figures, a candy cane, a wreath, and a Santa Claus figure with a green sack and presents.



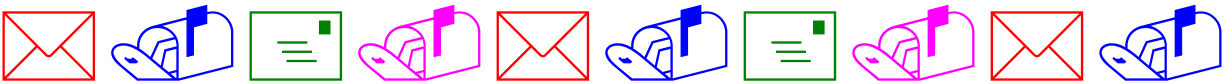
FEEDBACK - letters to the editors

As we expected, lots of people read the latest edition of *SPECIAL KIDS* and were truly amazed by our contributors' talents and creativity. We are certain that people will be talking about this edition as well.

Volume 20 of *SPECIAL KIDS* will be published in October 2006. If you would like to make a contribution to this next edition, please send or email (montuoril@hss.edu) them in by March 17, 2006 to:

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Please make sure that your stories, poems, interviews, drawings, and other great stuff is done on WHITE paper and NO BIGGER than 8 1/2" by 11". We look forward to publishing your masterpieces in future editions!



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