

KVH Chicago Holds Toy Drive to Benefit Young Cancer Patients

In the spirit of giving and spreading holiday cheer, employees at KVH's Tinley Park, IL office recently held a toy drive to benefit the [Pediatric Oncology Treasure Chest Foundation](#).

The toys from the drive will go to young cancer patients undergoing treatment. The goal of the Pediatric Oncology Treasure Chest Foundation is to reward children for their bravery for enduring painful yet necessary procedures, such as a spinal tap or bone marrow aspiration, to treat their cancer. The toys give the children something to look forward to and help take the focus away from the pain resulting from such procedures. In a letter of thanks, Jane Perchez from the Treasure Chest Foundation wrote, "Your donation helps make the dream of providing gifts to these children and teens a reality, and for that we are most grateful."

There are currently 37 cancer treatment centers and hospitals in 12 states nationwide with Treasure Chest programs. More than 6,900 children are comforted each month after undergoing a procedure to treat their cancer because of the Treasure Chest program.

Overall, 127 toys were collected at KVH, a testament to the generous spirit of the company's employees. Colleen Kisel, founder of the Treasure Chest Foundation, said, "Thank you from my heart for your enormous donation of toys at a most critical time. We were so low on toys and KVH Industries came in." Lynn Hughey, office manager and organizer of the toy drive, commented on what the toy drive has meant to the Treasure Chest Foundation, "[Colleen] called and thanked me, and I thought she was going to start crying when she saw all the toys we had collected." Lynn plans to make the toy drive an annual event based on its success this year and the support from KVH employees.



Lynn Hughey presents a representative of the Pediatric Oncology Treasure Chest Foundation with KVH Chicago's donation of 127 toys

Colleen Kisel
Founder and CEO



December 3, 2009

To the Wonderful Employees of KVH Industries and Lynn Hugley:

On behalf of the directors, staff and most of all our clients, the children and teens we serve, I want to thank you for your enormous **gift of toys** to the Pediatric Oncology Treasure Chest Foundation.

Sometimes the best treatment for childhood cancer comes from knowing that a toy, gift or a gift certificate awaits each child or teen after every painful procedure. Your donation helps make the dream of providing gifts to these children and teens a reality, and for that we are most grateful.

We are very blessed as your gift of toys allows us to support 6900 children and teens monthly undergoing treatment for cancer in thirty-seven Children's Cancer Treatment Centers nationwide including Hope Children's Hospital.

Again, we truly appreciate your giving to the children and teens who directly benefit from the Foundation's work. Your generosity is certain to put big smiles on the faces of young people currently faced with the challenge of battling cancer.

Sincerely and with gratitude,

Jane Perchez
Administrative Support

Thank you for your support
We really appreciate your support
more than these words can say



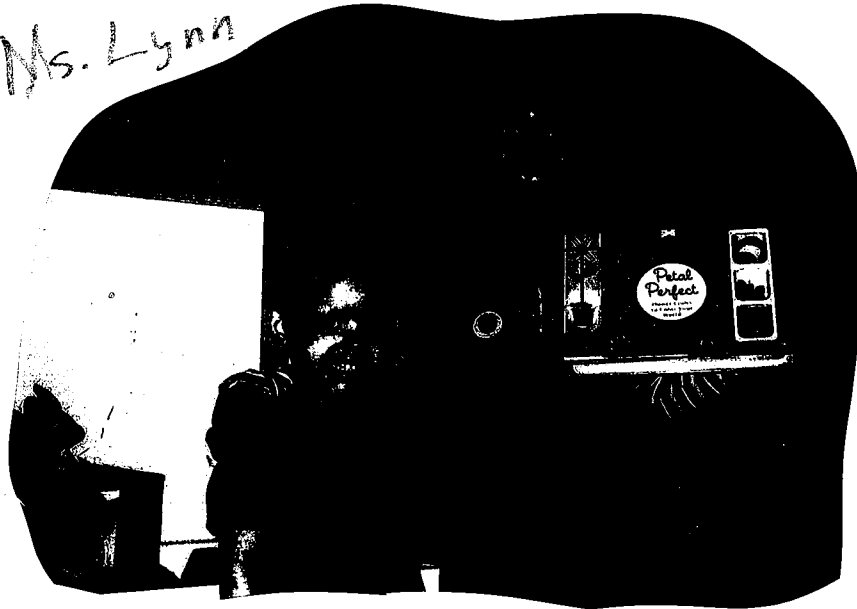
To the wonderful people at
KVH Industries
thank you for your most
generous gift of toys!



With Love,
The Children and Teens the
Pediatric Oncology
Treasure Chest Foundation serves.



Thanks
Ms. Lynn



Dear Lynn:

Thank you from my heart for your enormous donation of toys at a most critical time. We were so low on toys and KVH Industries came in.

Thank you also for joining our camp as a new donator. The employees at KVH are so generous.

Happy Holidays to you and your family and thanks for being the person behind the toy drive.

Sincerely,


Colleen Kisel

Founder



Colleen Kisel
Founder and CEO

October 5, 2009

To Whom it May Concern at KVH Chicago:

Imagine . . . what your life would be like if your child was diagnosed with cancer.

Imagine . . . the pain that he would feel undergoing seemingly endless procedures day after day at a hospital cancer clinic.

And now imagine that the only thing that got your child out of bed and to the hospital each time was the thought of getting a toy from a treasure chest once he got there.

Thanks to the Pediatric Oncology Treasure Chest Foundation, each month more than 6,800 children and teens receive a toy or gift certificate when they visit the hospital or pediatric oncology clinic for a painful procedure such as a spinal tap or bone marrow aspiration. These gifts serve as a welcome distraction from their pain and a reward for their bravery.

The Treasure Chest Foundation began twelve years ago and today there are 36 Hospitals including Hope Children's Hospital in Oak Lawn receiving monthly donations of toys and gift cards. Every day, kids battling cancer receive comfort through a gift from the Treasure Chest Foundation.

This year the challenges we face are substantially greater than those of the past. Now more than ever your support is needed to keep the treasure chest and cabinets full of toys. As you begin to make plans for this upcoming holiday season, we respectfully request your help.

Please consider, when planning your holiday activities:*Having a Toy Drive – ask employees to bring a new toy as “admittance” to your upcoming holiday party or luncheon

*Encourage competition between departments.

*Give incentives for donating a new toy – blue jeans day; free dessert in the lunchroom.

*Urge customers and suppliers, to host have a toy drive, too.

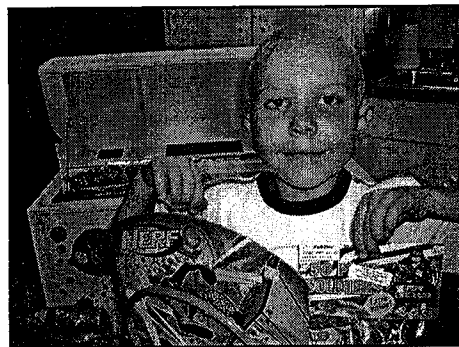
*You may find it more fun to collect money and set up a shopping day for new toys or make a much needed monetary donation.

The Treasure Chest Foundation is committed to assisting you by dropping off a toy collection barrel, creating promotional posters for your company bulletin boards and submitting press releases to the newspapers noting your gift. We will pick-up all donated toys too.

If you chooses to support the Treasure Chest Foundation THANK YOU!! Please email or call in your commitment. I can be reached at 708-633-TOYZ (8699) or potcfjperchez@sbcglobal.net

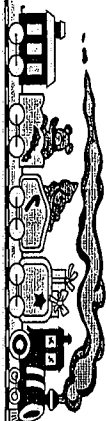
Sincerely and With Gratitude,

Jane Perchez
Administrative Support
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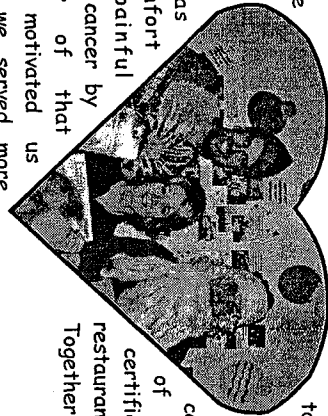
Can we count on you?

TOY DRIVES CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

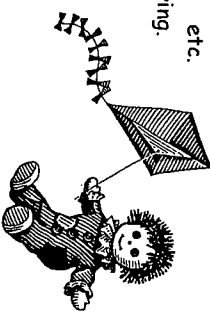


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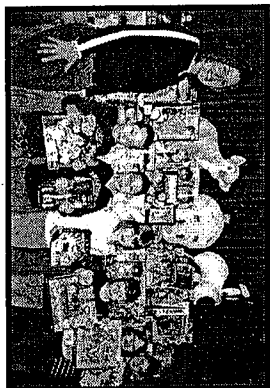
For the past twelve years the Pediatric Oncology Treasure Chest Foundation focused on "the promise." The promise on which our organization was established, to provide comfort and distraction from painful procedures to children fighting cancer by providing toys. The power of that promise has sustained and motivated us as an organization. Last year we served more than 6,600 children and teens monthly in 34 Children's Cancer Treatment Centers in the United States.



It truly takes the hard work of many people to provide toys to the children. It is exciting and encouraging and it simply would not be happening if not for our volunteers and generous supporters. Please consider hosting a toy drive or better yet, a gift certificate drive. We are in desperate need of gift certificates for teenagers. Ideas for gift certificates (\$5 to \$10 each) include: fast food restaurants, video stores, teen clothing stores, etc. Together we are providing smiles to kids that are suffering.



A special thanks to the 103 organizations that hosted toy drives in 2007-2008. Toy drives are a great way to help the Treasure Chest Foundation. Toys in all shapes, sizes and varieties are always needed.

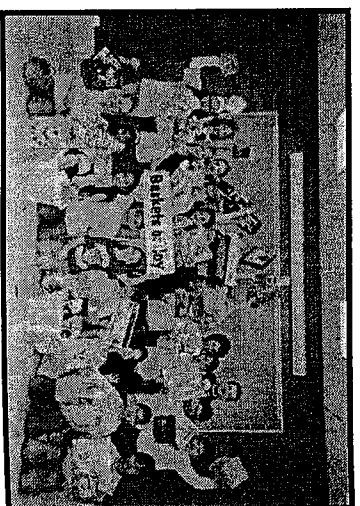


- Alan B. Shepard High School, Palos Heights
- American Sewing Guild, Bridgeview Group, Bridgeview
- American Sewing Guild, Tinley/Oland Group
- Andrew High School Gymnastics Team, Tinley Park
- Andrew High School, SADD Program, Tinley Park
- Anheuser-Busch, Denver, CO
- Argo-Summit-Bedford Park Women's Club, Summit
- Bear Necessities, Chicago
- Bremen High School, Midlothian
- Burbank Elementary School, Burbank
- Caribou Coffee, Tinley Park
- Carl Sandburg High School, Oland Park
- Central Middle School, Tinley Park
- Central Park School, Midlothian
- Chicagoand Entertainment Collectors Expo, Bridgeview
- Chicago Sports and Cycle, Midlothian
- Christa McAuliffe School, Tinley Park
- Citibank, Oland Park
- City of Crestwood Village Hall, Crestwood
- City of Oak Forest, Oak Forest
- Conradly Junior High School, Hickory Hills
- Crestwood Gladhatters, Crestwood
- Crete Elementary PTO, Crete
- Cub Scout Pack #436, Tinley Park
- Curves, Oak Forest
- Divine Providence Church, Westchester
- Dunley's on the Square, Chicago

- Frankfort School District 157-C, Frankfort
- Frank Pastorek Memorial, Homer Glen
- Fierke Education Center, Oak Forest
- First Savings Bank of Hegewisch, Tinley Park
- G and W Electric, Blue Island
- G. Kerstra School, Oak Forest
- Girl Scout Troop #56, New Lenox
- Girl Scout Troop #164, Tinley Park
- Grace United Church, Park Forest
- Griffith Laboratories, Alsip
- Gradzian Family Toy Drive, Chicago
- Guy Carpenter & Co., LLC, Chicago
- Harley Party 2007, Boulder, CO
- Halen Keller School, Tinley Park
- Hope Monnessori School, Tinley Park
- Illinois Foundation for Quality Healthcare, Oak Brook
- Ingalis Cancer Care, Tinley Park
- Jack Hillie Middle School, Oak Forest
- Jaguar Dealership, Tinley Park
- John A. Bannes School, Tinley Park
- Junior ROTC Lockport Township High School, Lockport
- Kiwanis Club, Tinley Park
- Kolmar School, Oak Lawn
- Liberty Jr. High School
- Lincoln Way School District
- Lincold Way Central High School
- Lincold Way East High School, Frankfort
- Lindsay & Lauren Dudek, Tinley Park
- Lago Vista, Lockport
- Ms. Laura Sikora Family, Elmhurst

- Lee R. Foster Elementary School, Oak Forest
- Lemon Tree Academy of Performing Arts, Naperville
- Magnetrol International, Downers Grove
- Marian Catholic Service Club, Chicago Heights
- Martino Junior High, New Lenox
- Mass Development Corp., Branford, CT
- Millennium Elementary School, Tinley Park
- Nathan Hale Middle School, Crestwood
- Nathan Hale Primary School, Crestwood
- Network Real Estate Group, Tinley Park
- New Lenox School District 122
- Oak Forest High School, Oak Forest
- Oak Forest Relay For Life
- Oak Forest Rotary Club, Oak Forest
- Oak Forest Senior Center, Oak Forest
- Oak Lawn Toastmasters Club
- Oland Park Toastmasters Club
- Patti Rose Community Toy Drive, Tinley Park
- P.J.'s Travel, Oland Park
- Prairie View Middle School, Tinley Park
- Queen of Peace, Burbank
- Remembering Cathy and Allison, Crestwood
- Ridge Early Childhood Center, Oak Forest
- Spencer Pointe, New Lenox
- Spherion Corporation, Itasca
- St. Christina School 7th grade parents, Chicago
- St. Francis of Assisi Church 5th, 7th and 8th graders Rel. Ed., Oland Park
- St. George School, Tinley Park
- St. James Cancer Center, Olympia Fields

- St. James Health and Wellness Institute, Playroom, Chicago Heights
- St. John Church, Mokena
- St. Louis DeMontfort, Oak Lawn
- St. Stephen (Deacon) Joe Stalago, Tinley Park
- Summit High School District, Summit
- Ms. Susan Grecco, Chicago
- Sward School, Oak Lawn
- Sybaquay Council Jr. Girl Scout Troop #1569, Bartlett
- Tinley Park Girl Scout Troop #164,
- Toy Con Toy Show, Bridgeview
- Toys for Tots, United States Marines, Chicago
- UPS Drivers, 710 ERL, Hodgkins
- Village of Monro, Monro
- Virgil I. Grissom Middle School, Tinley Park
- Walker Intermediate School, Tinley Park
- Willow Elementary School, Homewood
- Wrelding Middle School, St. Charles



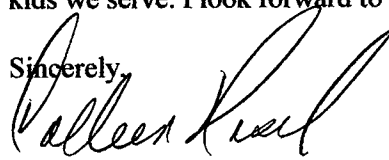
To Lynn:

Thank you for your willingness to host a holiday toy drive to benefit the Pediatric Oncology Treasure Chest Foundation, a grass roots community organization.

The P.O.T.C.F. is a non-for-profit organization that provides comfort and distraction from painful procedures to children and teens diagnosed with cancer by providing a toy, gift or gift certificate. Currently the program operates in thirty-two Children's Cancer Treatment Centers in the Nation including Hope Children's Hospital. We serve over 6800 children and teenagers every month fighting cancer. No where in the United States does such a program exist.

Thank you again for your support. I appreciate you very much and so will the kids we serve. I look forward to your call for a pick-up.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Colleen Kisel". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Colleen Kisel, Founder

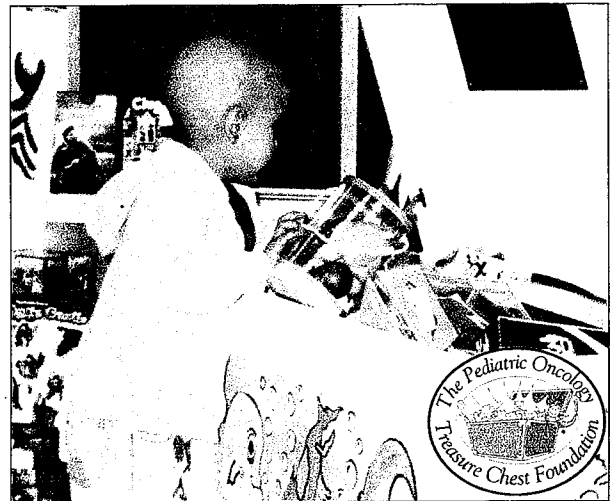
KVH Industries
HOLIDAY TOY DRIVE

TO BENEFIT THE TREASURE CHEST FOUNDATION

*Help Us, Put a **Smile** on the
Face of a Child Fighting Cancer*

Bring a new toy (no stuffed animals) during
the month of November and enter the KVH
raffle for the chance to win a \$50 gift card.

Toys may be dropped off at
Lynn Hughey's desk.



www.treasurechest.org