

The Rainbow-Ireland Report

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and the Dedicated Research Team Devoted to Fighting Cancer.*

Our Mission: To Heal. To Teach. To Discover.

'Rainbow Two' Receives Special Holiday Delivery

Thanks to the Zichi family many less fortunate Rainbow patients and families were able to enjoy the holidays just a little bit more and had good reason to celebrate the season.

On Friday, December 21st Laura and Tom Zichi, along with 7-year old daughter Emily Zichi, delivered a jam-packed U-haul trailer filled with presents and other items to benefit 'Rainbow Two.' Emily was diagnosed with leukemia last April and continues to return for treatment and evaluation at Rainbow Babies & Children's Hospital. The Zichi's formed a benefit named "Emily's Hopeful Holiday" in her honor.



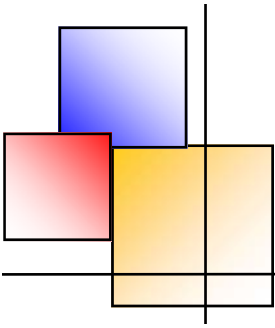
Laura Zichi began the project by sending a handful of e-mails to family and friends for support. The response was so strong that the Zichi's living room at home was filled with gift bags, blankets, books, gift cards, and toys.

"I knew it was getting bigger than planned when I started getting e-mails from people I didn't know and strangers came to the door to drop off donations," said Mrs. Zichi.

The delivery will be used to brighten our patient's holiday season, ranging in age from infants to teenagers.

"We had a hard year," said Emily's father. "But this project has made it the most special Christmas ever."

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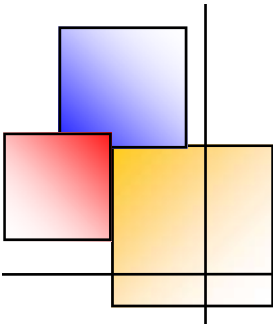
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'Rainbow Two' Receives Special Holiday Delivery (Continued)



Although gifts are no longer sought for "Emily's Hopeful Holiday", gift cards and checks made out to 'Laura Zichi' will be accepted at:

St. Joseph's School
Emily's Hopeful Holiday
175 St. Joseph Drive
Amherst, OH 44001



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Santa Visits Rainbow Babies & Children's Hospital

On Thursday, December 20th Santa Claus paid a special visit to approximately fifteen hem/onc patients and their siblings. Whether they were four years old or eighteen years old, it made little difference as Santa did not disappoint. One lucky recipient received an actual, full-size outdoor basketball hoop. The gifts were hand picked by Santa's helpers (several students) who currently attend Nordonias and Independence High Schools.

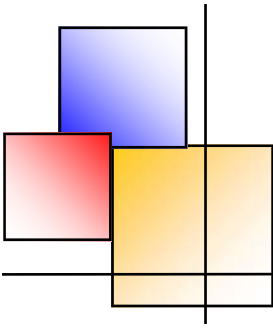
This is the eighteenth straight year Santa (Gary Kanaga) visited Rainbow. Mr. Kanaga is a teacher at Nordonias High School and wrestling coach at Ashland University. He and his wife (Stacy) have kindly given back Rainbow each and every year. Not only have they given their time and effort to our shared cause, but they continue to exceed expectations through the aptly named fund they founded, "Gifts From The Heart."

Gary's brother, Glenn, a cancer survivor was diagnosed with Hodgkin's Disease and treated at the Ireland Cancer Center in the late 80's and early 90's. He is currently in remission and lives in Euclid with his fiancé and son Colin.

Dr. John Letterio (Chief – Pediatric Hem/Onc Division) and colleagues were on hand to graciously accept a \$3,000 donation that will undoubtedly benefit the division greatly.

If you would like to contact Mr. Gary Kanaga for more information or donate to "Gifts From The Heart", you may do so by e-mailing: Gary.Kanaga@nordoniaschools.org

To see video of this event go to: <http://www.wkyc.com/> and search "Santa Makes a Stop at Rainbow"



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Pat Catan Foundation Donates \$50,000 to Cancer Research

Rainbow Babies & Children's Hospital, in partnership with Ireland Cancer Center at University Hospitals Case Medical Center is proud to announce The Pat Catan Family Foundation's generous \$50,000 donation to form Pat Catan's Family Fund for Research in Childhood Cancer.

The Pat Catan Foundation, chaired by Sharon Kilbane and daughter of Pat and Beatrice Catan, is a philanthropic effort that supports numerous causes in northeast Ohio and beyond. The Pat Catan Foundation was created in 1988 by Pat and Beatrice Catan for the benefit of all children.

"On behalf of The Pat Catan Family Foundation we are happy to announce this exciting new partnership," said Sharon Kilbane. "This is the beginning of what we hope is a long-term relationship with Rainbow Babies & Children's Hospitals that will allow for real advancements for such a worthy cause."

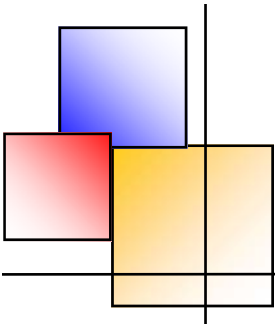
University Hospitals Rainbow Babies & Children's Hospitals has ranked best in the Midwest and number five in the country in *U.S. News & World Report's* first stand-alone "[America's Best Children's Hospitals](#)" issue which features a detailed ranking of the finest pediatric facilities in the United States.

"The Pat Catan Research Fund will directly benefit pediatric and adolescent cancer research," said Dr. John Letterio, Professor of Pediatrics, Case Western Reserve University / Chief, Division of Pediatric Hematology / Oncology Rainbow Babies and Children's Hospital.

"We feel very fortunate to humbly accept this gift from the Catan family. There is no question it will significantly impact our patients and their families in our everyday quest for a cure," said Dr. Letterio.

For more information on how to donate to Pat Catan's Family Fund for Research in Childhood Cancer please note the following.

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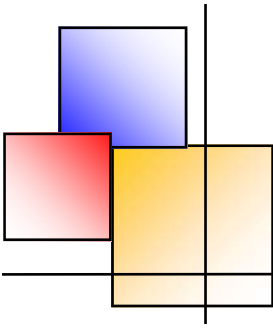
University Hospitals –
Rainbow Babies & Children's Hospitals
Institutional Relations & Development
P.O. Box 74947
Cleveland, Ohio 44101-9927

***Write "Pat Catan's Family Fund for Research in Childhood Cancer"
in the memo line of your check or money order.***

Or Please Visit Us Online:

<http://www.rainbowbabies.org/hemonc>

- Click on the "Giving" link in the upper right hand corner.
- Click on "Give Your Gift Online".
- Fill-in the appropriate information.
- Under "Designate my gift to", select "Other UHHS entity or UHC Center of Excellence."
In the space to the right type: "Pat Catan's Family Fund for Research in Childhood Cancer"



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2008 Home & Garden Show – Cleveland I-X Center

In related news, Rainbow's Hematology-Oncology Division will be partaking in and represented at the 2008 Home & Garden Show at Cleveland's I-X Center to be held between February 2-10, 2008. Pat Catan's Crafts Centers have made two tables available to the division where literature will be distributed and donations will be accepted to benefit pediatric cancer research.

There will be live demos and the opportunity to create various different items (i.e. necklaces, bracelets, etc.) with Pat Catan's products. The focus is on creativity and the theme for our division's tables will be "Beading Childhood Cancer."

If you wish to volunteer for this event please contact Sante Ghetti at sante.ghetti@UHhospitals.org. The show hours are as follows:

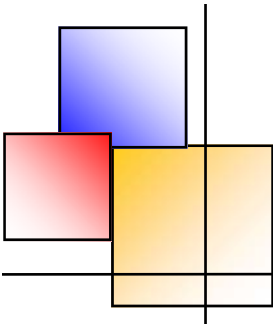
Saturday, February 2	9:00 AM – 10:00 PM
Sunday, February 3	10:00 AM – 6:00 PM
Monday, February 4 - Friday, February 8	11:00 AM – 9:00 PM
Saturday, February 9	9:00 AM – 10:00 PM
Sunday, February 10	10:00 AM – 6:00 PM

Sidney Salem Golding Fund: 'Tidings & Toys' Holiday Party

We want to express great appreciation to friends, family and supporters for taking time to attend the Sydney Salem Golding Fund holiday party on the Saturday, December 15. Attendees generously donated gifts for infants, toddlers, and pre-schoolers for a successful holiday toy drive.

A wonderful evening of holiday cheer and treats was shared with about 75 festive friends at The Old Angle Tavern in Ohio City. The Sidney Salem Golding Fund was able to collect over 200 new toys which will be delivered to Rainbow Babies & Children's Hospital for distribution to children spending their holidays in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit, Pediatric Intensive Care Unit and Children's Cancer Center.

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Many thanks to the Golding family for their overwhelming support.

If you would like to contribute, please make your check payable to:

Sydney Salem Golding Fund
c/o Rainbow Babies and Children's Hospital
Department of Development -- UC Stop 5062
11100 Euclid Avenue
Cleveland, Ohio 44106-5062

All donations to the Sydney Salem Golding Fund and Rainbow Babies & Children's Hospital (Federal Tax ID #34-6532528) are tax-deductible. You also will receive a receipt from Rainbow Babies and Children's Hospital acknowledging your donation.

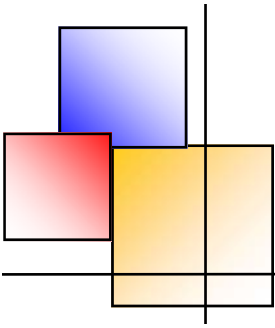
Hemophilia Treatment Center Addresses Annual Conference

Jan Martin R.N. and Steve Hopewell R.N., two of our very own nurses from University Hospital's Hemophilia Treatment Center, presented recently at the Corporate College – a division of Cuyahoga Community College. Their presentations were part of an annual conference titled "Current Challenges in Newborn and Maternal Health", sponsored by Mead Johnson Nutritional. The topic of discussion was Hemophilia and Thrombophilia during pregnancy and in the neonate.

The conference was attended by a large group of nurses, practitioners, and midwives from northeast Ohio area hospitals. Jan and Steve's presentation outlined potential diagnoses of clotting and bleeding disorders. They also discussed management and resources for these disorders in pregnancy and the pre-natal period.

The Hemophilia Treatment Center at University Hospitals – Rainbow Babies & Children's Hospital provides care for over 300 patients who have coagulation abnormalities.

To contact the Hemophilia Center for more information please call (216) 844-4888.



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Dr. Alex Huang Pioneers Technology in Study of Cancer & Immunity

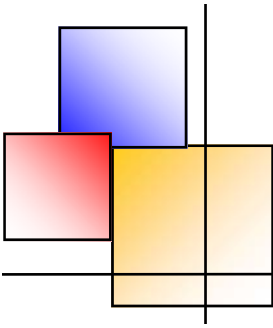
In researching disorders such as cancer and neuro degenerative diseases, immunologists mostly have had to observe static immune cells in laboratories – until now. Alex Huang, pediatric oncologist with the Department of Pediatrics at Case School of Medicine, is using advanced laser technology and computer software to capture 3-D, high definition movies of cell interaction in real life – and in real time.

Case Western Reserve is one of only a handful of Institutions worldwide conducting this type of research.

Alex Huang came to the university from the National Institutes of Health (NIH) where he received funding from the Cancer Research Institute (CRI) for postdoctoral training. In his first year at Case, he has received two grants totaling nearly half a million dollars to further his studies.

He has received the Cancer Research Institute Investigator Award of \$200,000 over four years, and the Dana Foundation recently awarded Huang \$200,000 in funding over three years for his research in multiple sclerosis.

Read more at: <http://blog.case.edu/case-news/2007/12/07/huang>



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OUR FIRST POLL!!!

Do you like the name of our new division newsletter (The Rainbow-Ireland Report)?

Yes or No

If not, what would you name it?

**Please submit your answers to Sante.Ghetti@UHhospitals.org
If your new name is chosen you will win a Starbucks coffee card.**

For the very latest please visit our website at:

<http://www.rainbowbabies.org/hemonc>

*If you have content you would like to share with the division regarding new employees,
contact information, center spotlight stories, pictures, events, and/or development
please submit it to: Sante Ghetti at Sante.Ghetti@UHhospitals.org*

As always, your insight and constructive feedback is welcome.