



The Heart Beat

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SHFC Apartments Filled With Young Families

For two young Inland Empire families, Steven's Hope is a home away from home. Twenty-two year old Natalie from the Hesperia area is staying in one apartment as she waits for her four month old daughter to be the recipient of a donor heart. In the other apartment, Upland resident Mona takes care of her 14 year-old daughter, Kayla, as she goes through yet another round of chemotherapy for cancer.



Brittany still waits for a heart.

For Natalie, this is the second time she has stayed with Steven's Hope. First, she stayed for a little over six weeks when Brittany was first expecting to receive a transplant. When her situation was delayed, she moved back to the Ronald

McDonald House for a month. Now, she is back at SHFC.

"It's got to be hard for her, a single mother, waiting so long for her baby to get a heart. She has been dealing with this situation since December," said Sandy Cappelli, who has been staying current on Brittany's status.



Natalie and Sandy at Apartment.

"Now, it looks like Brittany is near the top of the list."

Kayla, has been at the Hope House for about 6 weeks. Sandy explained, "She has a rare form of cancer and has just had a stem cell transplant. For all that she has been through, she is doing remarkably well. Her 15th birthday is in August and

she wanted a quincenera. We are helping coordinate it with the Debbie Chisolm Memorial Foundation to give her this gift."



Kayla, 14, plays around with her brother.

Rakisha, a 14 year-old resident from Ontario who had a liver transplant stayed



Rakisha (right) relaxes with her sisters and father Willie at Steven's Hope Apartment #2.

for six weeks with her parents at apartment #1. She is home now and doing well.

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Calendar of Events

2004

Lemon Festival	April 25-27
Golf Tourney	May 18
Concert Under the Stars	Oct 1-3
Ride for Hope II	October 23
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Quakes Kickoff	January 30
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Golf Tournament Shaping Up To Surpass Last Year

With one more month to go before the event, the Second Annual Steven's Hope Golf Tournament is already outpacing last year's event that raised over \$17,000. For those that have not yet sponsored or registered, there is still a small window of opportunity, but you'd better hurry.

The Golf Committee has been working since early November last year to organize this year's event. "We have a great committee," said Marilyn Gengler. "Having the experience from 2003 and getting started earlier has really made a difference." Thus far, sponsorships alone are totaling over \$40,000. This year Event Sponsors are Trilogy Golf Course, Howard Roberts Development and Tanamera Homes. "The committee has been very successful in getting more prizes, more sponsors and more players than last year. Tony had said that he thought we might get to \$30,000 in proceeds and it looks like he is going to be right! And did I mention we have great prizes???"

Sponsorships are a key ingredient in the success of the tournament that will be held on Tuesday, May 18 in Glen Ivy. "Our sponsors look like a 'who's who' of the new home industry," said Tony Cappelli. "We want to outdo last year. Our plans this year are to have two hole-in-one prizes: a Harley and a Hummer H2. There will be lots of prizes, good food, and a great course. Hopefully, this will result in a memorable event and fundraiser for us," said Tony Cappelli. "We are at over 100 golfers now. If we hit our numbers this year, we might be able to get another apartment to help more families."

Trilogy Golf Course is located just west of the 15 freeway about 8 miles south of the 91 in Glen Ivy. "It's a great course and a great venue for our event."

For information on playing or sponsoring, please contact Tony at SHFC at (909) 373-0678 or visit the website. Dinner only tickets are also available.

Lemon Festival Update

The Upland Lemon Festival is fast approaching and preparations have been in the works for quite some time. "We're as ready as we can be," says Sandy. "Thanks to the recent exposure in the local newspapers, we received numerous calls from groups and individuals that wanted to help us. It's amazing!!"

Volunteers will be staffing the double booth SHFC will have. There will be balloons, candy and crafts for children. Also available will be two sign up stations; one for the golf tournament and one for the Ride for Hope Motorcycle Drawing.

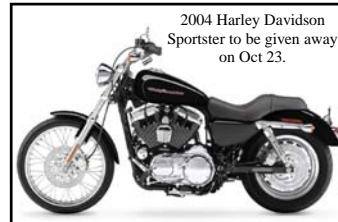
The Lemon Festival is in downtown Upland on the 23rd (5-9PM), 24th (11AM-9PM) and 25th (11-7). Admission is free. See you there!!

Ladies of Chrome and Leather Set to Ride

If at first it works, do it again.

That may not be the exact way the saying goes, but it works for Mary Worth and the Ladies of Chrome and Leather. The all-women motorcycle group has once again agreed to host the 2nd Annual Ride for Hope on National Make A Difference Day, October 23.

The ride is a Poker Run. Riders follow a specified route with stops along the way. At each stop, riders get a playing card and at the end of the ride, prizes are awarded for the best and worst hands. Lunch and entertainment is included in the \$20 entry fee per rider. But that isn't what has Mary so excited. It's a Harley.



2004 Harley Davidson Sportster to be given away on Oct 23.

From now until the event, tickets will be sold to help raise money for SHFC. Each ticket is \$5 (or 5 for \$20) and the winning ticket will get a new Harley Davidson Sportster Motorcycle!!! What a sweet deal. There are only 5,000 tickets. When they're gone, they're gone.

"We had a lot of fun last year," said Mary. We expect to have more riders, more sponsors, more fun. I'm looking forward to having someone win that motorcycle and helping Steven's Hope."

This year's sponsors thus far includes Inland Empire Sales & Marketing Council, Irwin Mortgage, J. D. Pierce Homes and Countrywide Home Loans.

Get on your bikes and RIDE!!!!

First Tea A Success, Volunteers Thanked

Saturday, April 20th turned out to be a beautiful day for an outdoor luncheon. The event, a Volunteer Tea, was hosted by Grace Vick and Donna Russo at Grace's home. Thirty new volunteers were invited to enjoy a food, fun and information. As the new "recruits" met and talked with Steven's Hope volunteer staff there was a lot of excitement about upcoming events. "I'm really looking forward to helping out with the Lemon Festival", said Krysten Peterson. Sandy and Tony Cappelli gave a short talk about the beginnings of Steven's Hope and its future. Volunteer Coordinator, Debbie Gallendar, spoke about how being a volunteer changed her life. Patty

Greeves explained "A Day of Hope" and several guests said they loved the idea. Grace spoke about the details of the individual committees and where help is needed. Current volunteers were recognized and thanked for their help and efforts. After lunch everyone mingled and chatted, looking over photo boards of previous events and signed up for committees. Stephanie Russo signed up herself and her boyfriend.

"I hope we can do this again", said Grace; "It's great having new people join our group."

Donna Russo agreed. "It was a lot of fun and it feels good to get involved."

SHFC First Payroll Deduction Donation

Steven's Hope is getting a little more help thanks to one supporter: Dave Snell, a long-time employee of the Gas Company. Dave came to know SHFC through his involvement with the Inland Empire Sales & Marketing Council.

"Dave and I were talking at an event and he said he wanted to help. A few days later he called for information," said Tony Cappelli. "The next thing we know he tells us his company approved Steven's Hope for Gas Company employees to make pre-tax payroll deductions."

Many employers allow pre-tax payroll deductions for eligible non-profit organizations. For the most part, the requirements are to provide the employer with the organization's tax ID number, IRS filing papers and contact information.

"Raising funds is a challenge. When someone does something like Dave did, it can really make an impact on our finances," Cappelli said "People like that are the backbone of Steven's Hope. We are honored so many like Dave believe in our cause."

SHFC TIDBITS

The Rancho Cucamonga Quakes will be hosting their annual kickoff banquet on January 30, 2005. This year, the proceeds will be presented to Steven's Hope. More info to followIgive.com has sent SHFC a check for proceeds of items purchased on line. The 500+ store shopping portal donates a portion of the sales to a charity selected by the purchaser. . . . The SHFC website update is still in progress. Can you believe the site is 100+ pages! . . . SHFC volunteer Mary Haddad has scheduled time for Grant Writing Training. Boy, will that be a help!! . . . Tony has been attending a Leadership Training Class hosted by the Fieldstone Foundation and says it has been a great learning experience. . . Day Of Hope is still going, and going, and going. . . Have you been hearing new voices lately? Say "Hello" to Rose and Lois, two of our newest volunteers helping out in the office every week. . . Tony and Sandy have been busy-speaking at Upland and Glendora Rotary and Upland Chamber of Commerce luncheon and more. If you would like them to speak to your group about SHFC, call to reserve a date!!!!

WANTED: One and a half year old Upland based non-profit that loves kids, and fun things like playing golf, riding motorcycles, & going to festivals, is looking to find land near Loma Linda University Children's Hospital to develop Steven's Hope House. Would prefer one acre zoned for multi-family housing.

Steven's Hope Adds Two New Board Members

At the March Board of Directors Meeting, a motion was made and passed to expand the current five-member Board by two members. The two new Directors are Dave Ross of First Mutual Mortgage and Grace Vick of Grace Vick Designs. Both live in Upland.

"We are very excited about the addition of these people to our Board," said



Grace Vick was involved with Steven's Hope since its inception. Dave Ross is an original member of the focus group that created the concept of Steven's Hope. Both are now directors.

Tony Cappelli, Chairman of the Board. "Collectively and individually they bring strengths to our Board that we need." The Board had been Tony and Sandy Cap-

PELLI, Pat Breen, Frank Williams, and Michelle Burgess.

"Grace has been an important factor in our organization from day one." Co-founder Sandy Cappelli said, "She has great insight on people, our organization and our finances. She has been an Officer for the Corporation and is our Treasurer."

Dave Ross was a bit of a different story. "We first approached Dave over a year ago. We had asked him to be a part of the Advisory Board and he did well for us," said Tony Cappelli. "He believed in what we were doing, and wanted to make sure he had the time to commit. Now, he is bringing his energy to our group. Having that new view on our organization is refreshing. These are great additions for Steven's Hope."

For now, the Board of Directors is set according to Sandy Cappelli. "We are interested in increasing the size, quality and involvement of our Advisory Board.

Our growth is driving our direction now and we feel it is important that we start grooming the right people to elevate to our Board. We've been blessed so far and hope that our success continues."

Golf Tourney Sponsors

Here is the list of our sponsors.

Tournament Sponsors: Howard Roberts Development, Trilogy Golf Course, Tanamera Homes, IndyMac Bank, Bank of the West, First Mutual Mortgage, National City Mortgage, D.R. Horton Homes, Century 21 Prestige, Countrywide Home Loans, First American Title Company, In & Out Burger, Miracle Financial, Orange Coast Title, Freemont Investment & Loan, Shea Homes, and Joseph Nicolas Homes.

Prize Sponsors: Candlelight Pavilion, Universal Studios, Six Flags Magic Mountain, Windy Ridge Cellars, Glen Ivy Hot Springs Spa, Doubletree Hotel-Ontario, Front Line Sales, Rancho Cucamonga Quakes, Galleano Winery, Bell Johnson Laser, Anaheim Angels, Mark Christopher Chevrolet and more!!!

Tournament and Prize Sponsorships are still available. Entry fee per player is \$175 and includes a box lunch and a ticket for the dinner with raffle prizes and auction items. !!!

Steven's Hope Need Your Help!!!

By now you have a pretty good idea of what Steven's Hope is about, what Steven's Hope does and why. You also know that for SHFC to be successful, it takes more than Tony & Sandy. It requires many volunteers spending many hours planning, calling and working as a team. It takes money. It has been great so far, but there is much to do and many families need the support Steven's Hope provides. That's why we need your help. And, there are many ways to help Steven's Hope.

- Volunteering to help on a committee or to help at the office. We are always planning an event or an outing or something to help a family. The more input and effort we get, the better the outcome. You get to meet new friends and it's fun!
- Shop: If you do any online shopping, go to igive.com. Registration is easy. Just use "SHFC" in your charity selection. Every time you log in and make a purchase, Steven's Hope earns money.
- Day of Hope: If you want to honor someone special with something special, get a "Day of Hope." Each \$50 received pays for 1 day's expenses for a family. You can remember a loved one's birthday, anniversary, graduation, or their memory.
- Make a donation. We made great progress in helping families because of your generous support. Call today to make a donation or establish a monthly, quarterly or annual giving program. We can work with your employer to set up a pre-tax giving program for you or to establish an electronic fund transfer.
- Sponsor our events or functions. This is a way to gain some exposure for your company within the community. It's also a way to show your employees or your clients that there is more to business than what happens between 8 and 5.

If you can contribute in any way, please call us at (909) 373-0678. Thank you.

1st Quarter Donors

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Howard Roberts Development	Anonymous

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To reduce the financial hardships which burden the families of seriously ill or injured children during the emotionally challenging time of a child's extended treatment and care while away from home.

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FOOOOOOOORE!!! Look out! Here comes the Golf Tournament!!!

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