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## "Building on a Dream" Opens Doors for Schneider Children's Hospital Expansion



For their generous support of the Schneider Children's Hospital expansion project, the Blumenfeld family received a commemorative gift. Accepting the gift are (left to right) Francie, Brad, Susan, Ed, Anna and David Blumenfeld.

n May 1, more than 900 guests gathered at Cipriani Wall Street for the "Building on a Dream" event, benefiting Schneider Children's Hospital (SCH) and hosted jointly by the North

Shore-LIJ Health System Foundation and the Children's Medical Fund of New York.

Thanks in part to a generous financial commitment from the Blumenfeld family, Michael J. Dowling, president and chief executive officer of the North Shore-LIJ Health System, announced to the audience that SCH has surpassed the \$40 million threshold necessary to break ground on a new inpatient tower. The four-story, 100,000square-foot facility will house the New York region's first and only stand-alone Pediatric Emergency Department, a Pediatric Intensive Care Unit, an imaging center, and 75 medical/surgical beds. Construction on the \$110 million project is scheduled to begin this fall.

As a small token of appreciation, the Blumenfelds – a family with a long history of passionate commitment to pediatric healthcare on Long Island - were presented with a specially designed crystal Tiffany gift. In his remarks, Ed Blumenfeld reminded the audience that although we have arrived at a very important milestone, there is still much work to be done to reach the goal of providing SCH with enough space and resources to accommodate every young patient in need of treatment. He asked everyone to think about making a personal commitment - a commitment ensuring that the children of our community and beyond will always have access to the best healthcare available. \*



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## Paying Tribute to an **Extraordinary** Leader

r. Philip Lanzkowsky, executive director and chief-of-staff at Schneider Children's Hospital (SCH), was honored at the "Building on a Dream" event for his years of dedication to SCH and to the field of pediatrics.

Dr. Lanzkowsky was one of the visionaries who fervently supported the building of a specialized children's hospital on Long Island long before such a facility existed. His passion for medicine, sensitivity to the unique needs of young patients and extraordinary drive all played an integral role in the 1983 founding of SCH and today continue to influence the hospital's success.



Dr. Philip Lanzkowsky, executive director and chief-of-staff at Schneider Children's Hospital (center), with his wife, Rhona (in gold), and their family.

In his remarks, Dr. Lanzkowsky emphasized his deep and longstanding belief in the importance of high-quality pediatric health-



care — a belief that has resonated throughout his inspirational career as a doctor, professor, leader and mentor. "Society is measured by the manner in which it cares for its children," he said. "Our children are our greatest and most vulnerable asset."

For his unrivaled professionalism and compassion, as well as for his outspoken support of SCH as it

Roy J. Zuckerberg, trustee, North Shore-LIJ Health System (left), holding the commemorative gift presented to Dr. Philip Lanzkowsky, executive director and chief-of-staff, Schneider Children's Hospital (right). continues to grow and evolve, Roy Zuckerberg, trustee, presented Dr. Lanzkowsky with a gift of recognition to commemorate the occasion. **\*** 

To learn more about how you can support Schneider Children's Hospital, contact Kevin Dwyer at **(516) 465-2569.** 



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The new look of SCH: This is a computer-generated rendering of the new inpatient tower at Schneider Children's Hospital (SCH). Built to accommodate 40,000 patient visits annually, SCH now has more than 160,000 visits per year. Rapid growth, innovation in pediatric health-care and physician leadership with an international reputation have led to an immediate need for SCH to expand in order to keep pace with the growing demand for its specialized services. Construction is slated to begin later this year on the facility.

## With heartfelt appreciation to the "Building on a Dream" sponsors

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# Bernard L. Martin Memorial Award Honorees

ecipients of the Bernard L. Martin Memorial Award were honored at the "Building on a Dream" event for their unwavering commitment to children's health. To commemorate their achievements, a plaque will hang at Schneider Children's Hospital in their honor.

We recognize with pride the previous recipients: Harvey J. Bernstein, David Blumenfeld, Edward Blumenfeld, Robert Dubofsky, Alan Goldberg, Norman Goodman, Robert R. Greenberg, Richard Horowitz, Jeffrey S. Jurick, Edward Kalikow, Clifford Lane, Alex Levy, Richard Mack, Michael Mann, Bruce Meltzer, James B. Penson, Arthur Pergament, Mitchell Rechler, Corey Ribotsky, Dennis Riese, Steven Schonfeld, Arthur Solomon, Marc Spector, Scott E. Spector, Perry Weitz and Steven Witkoff.

The Bernard L. Martin Memorial Award is given annually to a member of the Children's Medical Fund of New York (CMF) Men's Division who best exemplifies commitment to children's healthcare. Bernard L. Martin



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(1920–1980) was a founding board member of CMF and an associate member of the Board of Trustees of LIJ Medical Center. As one of the earliest organizers of Schneider Children's Hospital, he served as a source of great strength to the organization, and his commitment to the cause inspired others to follow his example. **\*** 

#### We gratefully recognize the efforts of the "Building on a Dream" Dinner Committee:

- David Blumenfeld, chairman
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#### WORKING TOGETHER FOR CHILDREN'S HEALTHCARE

Thirty-seven years ago, a group of Long Islanders foresaw the need for a children's hospital on Long Island and banded together to ensure that their vision would become a reality. These passionate and driven community members soon founded the Children's Medical Fund of New York (CMF), a not-for-profit organization that advocated tirelessly and raised the funds necessary to realize the dream of a dedicated medical facility for children. Thanks to the perseverance and unwavering determination of CMF and the LIJ Board, combined with the extraordinary generosity of Helen and Irving Schneider and the Schneider family, Schneider Children's Hospital (SCH) finally opened its doors in 1983.

Today the combined efforts of CMF and the North Shore-LIJ Health System Foundation have raised millions of dollars to support the care of seriously ill children at SCH.

# "Building on a Dream" Scrapbook of Gratitude



Musician Elvis Costello (center), who performed during the evening, with the auction winners of an autographed guitar.

Howard Simon and Sean Simon enjoying the evening.





(Left to right) Randi and Dennis Riese; Dr. Philip Lanzkowsky, executive director and chief-of-staff, Schneider Children's Hospital, and the evening's honoree; and Michael J. Dowling, president and chief executive officer, North Shore-LIJ Health System.



*Everybody Loves Raymond* star Ray Romano (left), who headlined the benefit, with Barbara and Michael Perna.

(Left to right) Ray and Lauren Edwards with Lisa and Michael Epstein.



(Left to right) David and Elayna Kaplan with Ruth and Bernie Madoff.



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## Wise Words from Friends of SCH



"It was so refreshing to spend such an elegant and dynamic evening with people who care as much about the well-being of our region's children as I do. Everyone I met, everyone I spoke to, expressed such passion and excitement about Schneider's upcoming expansion project. There seemed to be a deep understanding of just how much the New York metropolitan region its children and adults alike — will benefit from the building of a new inpatient tower for the hospital." — *Micbael Perna* 

"The evening was a tremendous success, far beyond expectations. It raised awareness within the community that a world-class children's hospital is in our own backyard. Hopefully the 'Building on a Dream' event is the beginning of a special relationship between Schneider, the NSLIJ Health System and the Manhasset community." — *George Malbame* 

"We care deeply about our children and about all children. Therefore it is so important to us that we have such an extraordinary children's hospital near our home — because one never knows when illness or injury may strike." — *Curt and Marisa Kramer* 

#### SAVE THE DATE

*Tuesday, October 9, 2007* North Shore-LIJ Health System Tenth Anniversary Ball Waldorf Astoria, Manhattan For information, call **(516) 465-2546.** 



Kevin Dwyer, senior vice president, North Shore-LIJ Health System Foundation (left), thanks Father Tom Hartman of The God Squad for his inspiring words of hope during the "Building on a Dream" event. "My family, and every family that is so passionately involved with the HUGS Fund on Long Island, finds it so important that Schneider Children's Hospital be able to grow and develop in order to provide the highest possible level of care and compassion to our youngest patients — now and for every generation to come." — Halah Damaghi



"From the time I was elected a trustee of the health system, my primary interest has been Schneider Children's Hospital. I was naturally drawn to the excellence of the medical staff and their dedication to and compassion toward ill children, as well as to the passionate vision of Dr. Lanzkowsky in his unyielding quest to make Schneider one of the preeminent children's hospitals in the country. What is so compelling is that this goal can be achieved through the building of the new inpatient tower." — Robert Chasanoff



"I believe that Schneider Children's Hospital is an invaluable asset. Having a state-of-the-art children's hospital right here on Long Island, in our own community, ensures that our children are in the best possible hands."

- Anthony Bonomo



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