

Press Release

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Santa's Wood Shop a Hit at Festival of Trees

For the first time, CRBS sponsored a holiday tree at Mary Bridge Children's Hospital and Health Center's largest fundraiser, the Festival of Trees. Thanks to the CRBS Board and the CRBS management team along with many other sponsors, we were able to procure all of the decorations and presents needed to have a truly outstanding presence. The tree was auctioned on Friday night, December 3 and raised several thousand dollars for Mary Bridge Children's Hospital.



*Charlie's Adirondack Loveseat with
Sue Hansen's exquisite pillows.*

Why participate in this event? There are Several Reasons.

It increased our community presence! We associated ourselves with the medical community through a major charity event. We were live on Seattle Live, a Seattle TV production. Our name was displayed in the Gala Program and on other signage.

We supported [Mary Bridge Children's Hospital](#), one of our primary hospitals and made connections in order to work with them in the future.



The completed project one day prior to the Gala/Auction.

Our theme, Santa's Wood Shop, was primarily an assortment of handmade items. Charlie made a beautiful Adirondack loveseat, two standing planter baskets and two smaller planter baskets. Sue Hansen hand-made five gorgeous satin pillows for the loveseat. Emily Seaholm (a past employee) created a one-of-a-kind Santa display. Maureen and Chris procured an array of handmade toys, two sleds and several antiques from friends and family. Abby, Sherill, Kim R., Cari, Kat and Kelley found wooden ornaments, ribbon, presents, in kind gift certificates, wrapping paper, fabric, boxes, fire retardant, extension cords, and lights to decorate the tree.

Sponsors

Cascade Regional Blood Services Management Staff and Board of Directors; Shillito & Giske; The Martin Firm; Dave's Toy Box; Ms. Emily Seaholm; The Enzian Hotel in Leavenworth, Kaye Smith Printing; Johnson's Candies; Brown & Haley; Key Antiques, Porter Davis Antiques, Mr. Ted Morgan, Dwyer, Pemberton & Coulson, Bryne Specialty Gases; Ms. Frances Carlson; Mr. Bob Moawad; Watson's Greenhouse and Nursery; the Emergency Food Network.

Workers

Cascade Regional Blood Services team who made custom items or purchased and donated items: Charlie Drummond, Kelley Caldwell, Cari Dixon, Abby Fonderwhite, Susan Hansen, Maureen McCarthy, Sherill Richards, Kim Rushing, Emily Seaholm (past employee), Kathleen Wingers and many friends and family members.