



Prime Years Special Edition

# Shrine Bowl of the Carolinas

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you all to the 69th Annual Shrine Bowl Game of the Carolinas. Prime Years Magazine has assisted us in producing this 8 page booklet to help everyone understand the reason for all the excitement surrounding this game.

The annual Shrine Bowl game is the nation's oldest and most prestigious high school football all-star game in America and is being held in Gibbs Stadium at Wofford College in Spartanburg, S.C. for the 2nd straight year on December 17, 2005. The Shrine Bowl coaches have selected the top players from the Carolinas to showcase their talents. Many of our alumni like Ryan Sims of the Kansas Chiefs and Steve Davis of the Carolina Panthers have gone on to have great NFL careers.

Each year the Shrine Centers, Amran, Hejaz, Jamil, Omar and Sudan present a check for the money that they have raised during the year at half-time of the Shrine Bowl game. This money goes to Shriner Hospitals for Children. Please take a few moments to read through this piece and consider supporting this great event.

Thank you,  
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# Shriners Children's Hospital in Greenville

## Healthcare at its best

BY KIM ATCHLEY

In hushed voices, we've told our children and grandchildren not to stare as another child walks by with an awkward gait. But go ahead and look - say hello. You just might make the difference in a child's life, if you're willing to share this story.

Stories of success are the specialty of the Shriners Children's Hospital in Greenville. Behind them is the story of medicine at its best.

Parents bring their children for care and find their worst fears put to rest.

Children come for healing and receive hope.

Doctors come to have the freedom to follow their instincts and training, instead of a rigid list of medical protocols established by insurance companies.

It sounds ideal.

In fact, it is an ideal that the Shriners have been striving to maintain since they established the first Shriners Hospital for Children in Louisiana in 1922. They give the best in specialized care to a child with no cost to the family.

Now 20 hospitals are located in the United States with an additional hospital each in Canada and Mexico. They provide care for children with orthopaedic or burn related conditions. The hospital in Greenville, SC has been helping children rise above orthopaedic problems to lead full and active lives for 78 years. The 50 bed hospital utilized the latest in orthopaedic technology to serve a patient base spanning six states.

The focused nature of care given combined with the wide geographical draw of patients creates a unique medical environment at the hospital. Conditions that a community based orthopaedic specialist sees perhaps only a few times during the course of a lifetime of practice are commonplace at the Shriners hospitals.

Without having to follow guidelines set by insurance companies that apply to diagnoses, not the individual patient's needs, doctors can complete their mission.

"We're able to do the right thing at the right time here. We don't have to worry about someone else telling us that a child has to leave here 5 days after having surgery when they need to be here 12," explained Deborah Williams, director of public relations. "We have a 'whatever it takes' philosophy."

But that doesn't mean that children stay any longer than necessary. In fact, with all that can be accomplished on site, the average hospital stay is only about five days. Services have been streamlined and brought to a single location. Rather than having to visit numerous different doctors in many locations to gather the information needed for making care plan

decisions, everything is handled in-house. If doctors decide an x-ray is needed, it's done down the hall the same day, not handled through another scheduling office that only has an opening a week away.

With many of the patients and their family members traveling to Greenville for treatment, that streamlining of services gets families back to their homes and normal lives as soon as possible.

But still there are challenges the Shriners Children's Hospital faces every day in an effort to continue meeting the needs of its patients while maintaining its idealistic yet attainable standards.

### Perceptions of Free Care

Care given at the Shriners Children's Hospital is free. Initially the hospitals were set up as a way for children of indigent parents to receive free medical care. But about ten years ago that legally changed to apply to any patient and family regardless of finances. The issue goes back to the Shriners' dedication to the individual. It's now often the case that even the deductibles and co-pays required for specialized care are enough to rob an average family of their savings. Now those issues are eliminated for all patients. Any stigma associated with receiving free care is replaced by the knowledge of getting the best care.

"It's a simple thing. If we can treat that child and help make daily life better, we do it.

Because we do this, a lot of people have assumed we have a lot of money and that couldn't be farther from the truth. Medical expenses are rising everywhere and we really have to be innovative in looking to how we will maintain these standards in the future," said Williams.

The Shriners Children's Hospitals are one of the very few healthcare philanthropies in the United States and they receive no state or federal funding.

### Team Approach

It's difficult to maintain a team game plan when some of the players are hundreds of miles away. That's why the specialists come to a central location to serve their patients. If a patient with spinal bifida is having urological issues to deal with, he or she doesn't have to travel home to take care of one issue and come back for another. It's all done in-house. By the time a patient is ready to go home, the team has worked out the best way to integrate the child and family back into the support system in place in their home community. Parents are part of the decision making team and easing their other concerns

so that they can focus on that role is part of the job of the Shriners team. They've thought of everything from hotel style rooms right in the hospital that can be used by parents if a child is in surgery and post-surgical care, to providing transportation to and from the hospital, no matter the distance. It's in this aspect that local Shriners often serve as Roadrunners. They pick up families in Shriners owned vans and volunteer their time and energy as drivers. There's even a Roadrunner room at the hospital where those volunteers can sleep until they're ready to take the patient and family home.

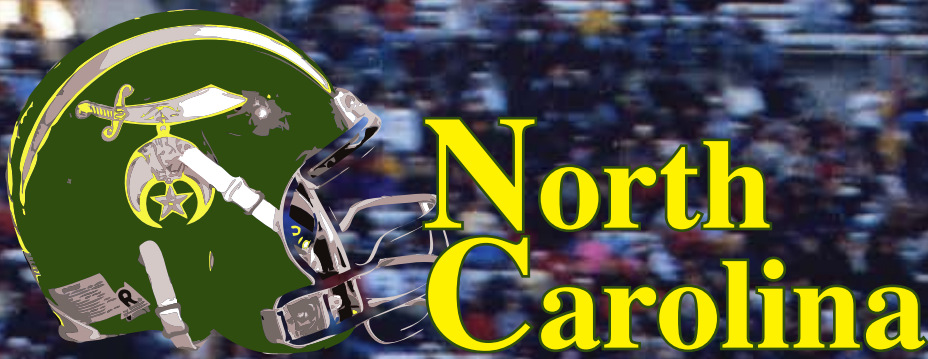
### Stepping Stones

From 80 - 100 patients are seen daily at the Shriners Hospital in Greenville and they range from single day clinic patients to extended stay surgical patients. For infants and small children, developmental milestones are used as goals for patient care. When older children and teens are treated, the cosmetic effects of treatments are evaluated to accommodate each patient's level of social development needs as well as physical needs. Prosthetic limbs can be made with different finishes according to the patient's preference. Braces can be embellished with colorful designs. Pediatric hip patients are looked at not only for corrective measure for current issues, but to avoid commonly related arthritic tendencies in early adulthood. Though treatment is offered to children, it is given with a view to the future life and goals of each individual. Many conditions treated at the hospital require follow up as development continues. Early intervention helps build the foundation for a continuum of care that helps move a child into adulthood, but at whatever level of care a child enters the hospital the goal is comfort. "We want this to be a place they want to come back to," said volunteer coordinator Kimberly Williams. She works with volunteers who keep comfort details handled such as working with pet therapy, reading with patients, and even sewing favorite clothes so that they fit over new prosthetic devices.

### Technology

Utilizing the most advanced motion analysis equipment, doctors can assess a variety of issues that determine the course of treatment for each patient. Having the Motion Analysis Lab (one of only 80 in the United States) assess a child's movement can give just the extra information to decide for or against surgery for a variety of conditions. The latest tools used to make braces (orthotics) and artificial limbs (prosthetics) are employed to match the needs of the patient's lifestyle. With the latest technology runners can still run; children can still play, even when dealing with challenging orthopaedic conditions.

*This story will continue in our magazine in January 2006. Log onto our site [www.primeyearsmagazine.com](http://www.primeyearsmagazine.com). Next months article by Kim Atchley is Shriners Children's Hospital in Greenville - making a difference.*



# North Carolina

## NORTH CAROLINA PLAYERS TO WATCH



**Brandon Spikes**

A four-year starter, Spikes posted 98 tackles including three sacks, seven interceptions, and forced five fumbles from his linebacker position. As a freshman, Spikes manned the defensive end position, but moved to linebacker before his sophomore season.

**Coach's Comments:** "He's got the intangibles," explained Coach Roy Kirby. "He's got the nose for the ball. He just knows where things are going. He sees it one time and you come back and try to do it again against him he's going to intercept it. And he's a big time hitter."

**Age: 18      Height : 6-3      Position: LB**



**Carl Johnson**

Massive offensive lineman who dominated players starting as a sophomore.

**Coach's Comments:** "The kid runs like a running back," Southern coach Gordon Walters said. "He's just got a great future ahead of him."

**Age: 18      Height : 6-6      Position: T**



**Deunta Williams**

Tremendous body control and jumping ability, able to cover ground quickly

**Age: 18      Height : 6-3      Position: OLB**

Player Information Provided By [www.scout.com](http://www.scout.com)

## NORTH CAROLINA ROSTER

Name	Age	Ht	Wt	High School	Position	No
Drew Adams	17	5-10	185	David W. Butler	OLB	42
Josh Adams	17	5-11	175	Cary	RB	22
Pierre Andrews	18	6-3	275	Independence	G	76
Kevin Atkins	17	6-1	210	Southern Durham	QB	12
Josh Baker	18	6-0	195	T. C. Roberson	OLB	50
Rico Bell	17	5-11	188	Zebulon Vance	FS	15
Tavares Brown	17	6-2	257	Richmond Senior	DT	73
Crezdon Butler	18	6-1	180	Asheville	WR	82
Ricardo Crawford	18	6-1	300	West Columbus	DT	72
Chris Dalton	17	6-2	163	West Iredell	WR	83
Hutch Eckerson	17	6-6	270	Lumberton	T	74
Patrick Fitzgerald	17	6-3	243	Tuscola	FB	34
Nathan Franklin	18	6-0	170	John T. Hoggard	PUN/PK	1
Alex Frye	17	6-2	190	Jack Britt	S	14
Cortez Gilbert	17	6-1	179	C. B. Aycock	SS	19
Dennis Godfrey	17	6-3	245	Lee Senior	TE	80
Quantres Grant	17	5-10	215	A. L. Brown	LB	64
Scott Gunn	17	6-3	260	Walter M Williams	G	65
Chris Hairston	17	6-6	290	Carver	T	66
Michael Ingersoll	17	6-5	260	David W. Butler	TE	81
Nate Irving	17	6-3	218	Wallace-Rose Hill	ILB	61
Joshua Johnson	18	6-3	190	Avery County	WR	89
Mychael Johnson	17	5-10	170	Jack Britt	OB	99
Carl Johnson	18	6-6	345	Southern Durham	T	63
Tavorris Jolly	18	6-0	190	Shelby	DB	3
Antwon Lyons	17	5-10	260	Parkland	C	52
Thurman McDonald	17	6-6	320	E. E. Smith	T	75
Raeshon McNeil	18	6-0	175	Davie	C	4
Antoinne McNeill	17	6-0	175	East Carteret	OB	37
Aleric Mullins	18	6-3	292	East Wake	DT	70
Hakeem Nicks	18	6-2	197	Independence	WR	84
Marquel Pittman	18	6-3	180	Purnell Swett	S	25
Morgan Randall	18	6-6	255	J. H. Rose	DT	79
Brandon Spikes	18	6-3	230	Crest	LB	54
Alex Spisak	17	6-2	250	Zebulon Vance	C	71
Wes Steinman	18	6-2	195	John T. Hoggard	OLB	55
Devven Sutton	16	6-1	233	Northeastern	LB	60
Ryan Taylor	18	6-4	215	Mount Tabor	WR	6
O. C. Wardlow	17	6-1	185	Mount Tabor	QB	2
Johnny White	17	6-0	195	Asheville	RB	23
Norman Whitley	18	5-9	183	Richmond Senior	RB	24
Deunta Williams	18	6-3	205	White Oak	OLB	38
Adrian Williams	17	5-9	230	Seventy -First	NG	44
Matthew Woodlief	17	5-11	235	Brandys	LB	46

### 2005 SHRINE BOWL NORTH CAROLINA COACHES

Position	Name	High School	City	State
Head Coach	Bennie McMurray	E. E. Waddell	Charlotte	NC
Assistant Coach	Deangelo L. Bell	Parkland	Winston-Salem	NC
Assistant Coach	Tim Bennett	Roanoke Rapids	Roanoke Rapids,	NC
Assistant Coach	Milton A. Butts, Jr.	E. E. Smith	Fayetteville,	NC
Assistant Coach	Kenny Ford	Charles D. Owen	Black Mountain,	NC
Assistant Coach	Mike Houston	T. C. Roberson	Asheville	NC
Assistant Coach	Donnie Kiefer	East Carteret	Beaufort	NC
Assistant Coach	Wally Burke	Mount Tabor	Winston-Salem	NC
Admin. Assistant	John Grady	E. E. Smith	Winston-Salem,	NC

## SOUTH CAROLINA ROSTER

Name	Age	Ht	Wt	High School	Position	No
Garrett Anderson	17	6-4	280	Dutch Fork	OL	66
Jayson Ayers	17	6-4	235	Marlboro Conty	DE	99
Brian Bradford	17	5-9	170	Marlboro Conty	CB	15
Mauricus Brown	17	6-1	174	Westside	WR	22
Dominque Brown	18	6-1	181	Newberry	CB	21
Roddell Carter	18	6-4	190	Wando	WR	85
Donkay Degraffenreid	18	5-10	185	Rock Hill	LB	64
Chris Donaldson	17	6-3	260	Westside	DT	73
Stan Doolittle	18	6-3	185	Ninety Six	QB	5
Armanti Edwards	17	6-1	180	Greenwood	QB	6
Foxy Foxworth	18	6-3	240	Wando	TE	80
Darius Gaithers	17	6-1	198	Fairfield Central	CB	14
Racheed Gause	17	5-11	225	Conway	RB	23
Clifton Geathers	17	6-7	270	Carver's Bay	DT	65
Steven Goulet	17	3-3	180	Dutch Fork	WR	12
Keith Graham	17	6-3	190	West Ashley	WR	82
Sedric Griffin	17	5-10	220	Fairfield Central	LB	37
Matt Holmes	17	6-2	300	Strom Thurmond	OL	79
Brett Irvin	17	6-1	255	Gaffney	OL	55
Richard Jackson	18	5-11	185	Riverside	P/PK	90
Jake Johnson	17	6-5	340	Hartsville	OL	77
Otis Key	17	6-3	275	Strom Thurmond	OL	75
Josh Koumas	17	6-0	265	North Central	NT	50
Taj Lesane	17	6-2	193	Carolina Forest	FS	7
Chris Massey	18	5-11	196	Cheraw	RB	9
James McLamore	18	6-1	280	Irmo	NT	67
Jamal Medlin	17	6-6	295	Orangeburg-Wilkinson	OL	76
Prince Miller	17	5-10	185	James F Byrnes	CB	20
David Moore	18	5-10	185	Broome	WR	2
Adam Patterson	17	6-3	260	Richland Northeast	DT	70
Rodney Paulk	17	6-0	202	Richland Northeast	LB	53
Nick Prochak	18	6-4	205	Spartanburg	FS	24
Matt Quinn	17	6-5	195	James F Byrnes	WR	81
Chandler Rearden	17	6-3	245	Greenwood	OL	61
Robert Reeder	17	6-1	195	Dorman	SS	43
Ricky Sapp	19	6-5	220	Bamberg-Ehrhardt	DE	74
Josh Simpkins	17	6-1	180	Greenville	WR	84
Stanley Taylor	17	5-5	150	Columbia	RB	10
Kevin Thompson	18	5-10	198	Spring Valley	LB	52
Dekoda Watson	17	6-3	210	South Aiken	DE	91
Julius Wilkerson	17	6-3	205	Gaffney	LB	38
David Williams	17	6-3	230	White Knoll	DT	71
Alex Wolfe	17	6-4	235	Conway	OL	54
Duvall Young	17	6-2	290	D. W. Daniel	OL	72

### 2005 SHRINE BOWL SOUTH CAROLINA COACHES

Position	Name	High School	City	State
Head Coach	John Paul Abercrombie	Mauldin	Mauldin	SC
Assistant Coach	Bobby Bentley	James F. Byrnes	Duncan	SC
Assistant Coach	Ron Blackmon	North Central	Kershaw	SC
Assistant Coach	Dr. Dean Boyd	Marlboro County	Bennetsville	SC
Assistant Coach	Doc Davis	Carolina Forest	Myrtle Beach	SC
Assistant Coach	Mike Doolittle	Ninety Six	Ninety Six	SC
Assistant Coach	Doug Hinson	Green Sea Floyds	Green Sea	SC
Assistant Coach	David Reese	James Island	Charleston	SC

# South Carolina



## SOUTH CAROLINA PLAYERS TO WATCH

Named All-State as an offensive lineman after his junior year, and added 100 tackles with 4 sacks on the defensive side of the ball. Geathers has a family history of players making it in the NFL. Brother Robert played at Georgia and is a defensive end with the Cincinnati Bengals. His father, Robert Geathers Sr., played for six seasons with the Buffalo Bills and his uncle, Jumpy Geathers, is a former NFL pass-rushing star who played for the New Orleans Saints, Washington Redskins, Atlanta Falcons and Denver Broncos



**Clifton Geathers**

**Scouting Report:** Huge player with a frame only to get bigger. Looks small under 300 pounds, moves quickly, and dominates players his size. Has some trouble with smaller players having to bend to their level, but potential with Geathers is unlimited

Playing running back, wide receiver, and cornerback for three-time state champions, Miller had five interceptions and three punt returns for touchdowns as a junior.



**Prince Miller**

**Miller:** "I am good at jamming the receivers at the line. There are not too many that can run away from me. I also go up to get the ball well. I understand the game because I look at a lot of film. But I want to work on getting better on coverage. I do it well now, but you can always get better."

**Scouting Report:** Fantastic at jumping and reading routes, great hips at reacting to the ball, and strong at the line to knock off timing.

As a junior, Patterson made 61 tackles, with seven for a loss, six sacks, and two forced fumbles.



**Adam Patterson**

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# Team Spartanburg

## Welcomes Shrine Bowl Back

BY JULES BRYANT

Spartanburg is gearing up to welcome the Shrine Bowl of the Carolinas back to town for a second year. A full slate of activities have been planned for December 15-17, culminating on Saturday, December 17, with the 1 p.m. kickoff of the 69th annual playing of the prestigious high school all-star football game in Gibbs Stadium at Wofford College.

Kicking off the weekend's activities is the players awards banquet on Thursday, December 15, featuring University of South Carolina football coach Steve Spurrier as the speaker. On Friday, December 16, the Spartanburg Touchdown/Tipoff Club will host the Shrine Bowl players and coaches at a luncheon at the Marriott. Clemson University football coach Tommy Bowden, Wofford coach Mike Ayers and Spurrier will address the players, coaches and fans. Immediately following the luncheon, a press conference for players and coaches will be held. A new activity has been added to this year's lineup of Shrine Bowl festivities.

The Shrine Bowl Fan Fest, a community celebration to honor and recognize the players and coaches from both North Carolina and South Carolina, will be held Friday, December 15, from 4 to 8 p.m. at Barnet Park.

Activities will begin with a punt, pass and kick contest at Barnet Park and cheerleading competition on the Barnet Park stage. Food vendors, clowns, face painting, balloon animals and Santa Claus will add to the festive environment. Also included will be high school bands, and high school and college mascots. Following the introduction of the teams and coaches at 7:30 p.m., the evening will culminate in a fireworks display.

The premiere event leading up the kick off, the Shrine Bowl Parade, will begin Saturday, December 17, at 10 a.m. Bands, along with both walking and motorized Shrine units, and the Shrine Bowl King and Queen will combine to make it a pageant full of color and sound. The parade route down Church Street from Kennedy Street will end at the stadium.

Partnering with the Shrine Bowl of the Carolinas on these events is Team Spartanburg, the sports council of the Spartanburg Convention & Visitors Bureau and their corporate partners. The mission of Team Spartanburg is to promote Spartanburg as a destination for sporting events. Team Spartanburg assists with numerous sporting events throughout the year including the Carolina Panthers Training Camp, National Junior College Half Marathon and the upcoming World Goalball Championships in June 2006.



The mission is accomplished by hosting events that create a positive economic impact for the community. Last year's game, pumped over one million dollars into the Spartanburg economy. "With the added activities for the 2005 game, it will likely entice additional visitors and encourage them to stay the weekend" says Convention & Visitors Bureau Executive Director Jules Bryant. "We are interested in showcasing our beautiful community and giving visitors a reason to come back again."

Team Spartanburg's economic impact committee surveys game attendees, local hotels and area restaurants to determine the impact of the game. Economic impact is measured by the amount of out of town dollars that are spent in the community for a specific event. Steve Brown, Chairman of Team Spartanburg says, "With the Shrine Bowl banquet on Thursday night this year and the added Fan Fest at Barnet Park on Friday, we anticipate more overnight visitors for the 2005 Shrine Bowl, thus increasing

the amount of money spent in the community as a direct result of the Shrine Bowl".

The support of the Spartanburg business community is vital for Team Spartanburg to accomplish this enormous task. Team Spartanburg corporate partners include: Spartanburg Coca-Cola, JM Smith Corporation, Wachovia, City of Spartanburg, Herald-Journal/Celebrate Community, Radisson Hotel & Suites, Spartanburg Regional Healthcare System, Verizon Wireless, Wofford College, Ogletree Deakins, ShowcaseMarketing, Shred First, Spartanburg Marriott at Renaissance Park, Spartanburg Methodist College, University of South Carolina Upstate

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# Shriners Hospital

## a place of healing for the Williams family

BY JAMES WILLIAMS

**O**n this life's journey there are many markers. Some of those markers are clear, practical examples of life lessons, some are mysterious and opaque. Others are just fun, exciting, lighthearted warm spots. Rarely are all of these markers found in one life event all of this rolled into one. In 1968 I was born with bi-lateral clubbed feet. After being evaluated by several orthopedic physicians, it was suggested that I be taken to Shriners Hospital in Greenville, SC. This began a 13 year relationship with a place that shaped my life in amazing ways. Clubbed foot is a congenital defect that affects one out of every 1000 births and is less prominent in girls than boys.

Because my case was so severe, orthopedic surgeons in Charlotte and Columbia were consulted for opinions. I had a couple of surgical procedures before the age of six months and because there was very little progress I was finally referred to Shriners Hospital. Through this decision I entered into one of the most open, caring environments I have ever experienced. Because of some very difficult personal situations in my life, the doctors and staff were like my family. I attended school there and for the first time I began to make better grades and get a strong grasp on basic academic skills. My life was completely changed because of my connection to this place of healing.

Over the next several years I had a total of 12 surgical procedures on my feet. With that came years of therapy and learning to walk again after each operation. Shriners made all of that possible. One procedure in the 1970's including casting, braces and therapy would have been \$6,000 or more. This would have been impossible for my family. Most of my early years were spent without health insurance and Shriners has never charged a patient for any service. Even if a patient has health insurance, it is not billed. This is amazing on the surface but with the approval of 35,128 new patient applications in 2005, Shriners Hospitals had an active patient roster at year-end of 194,251 children. Since the first Shriners Hospital opened in Shreveport, La., in 1922, there have been approximately:

- 9,419,130 X-rays taken
- 7,112,840 outpatient & outreach clinic visits
- 1,254,854 braces and prostheses applied
- 740,945 operations performed
- 16,410,800 physical therapy treatments.

The Shriners Hospitals for Children, in 2005 has increased its spending for children by \$100,000 every 24 hours. The organization will spend \$1.7 million dollars every 24 hours, or \$19 per second, to continue to give expert medical care to children. The overall budget increased by \$29 million, as indicative of both an awareness of the cost of health care, and Shriners' con-

tinuing concern for children. The 22 Shriners Hospitals in the U.S., Canada and Mexico have a total budget of \$625 million for 2005. Of that amount, \$552 million is designated for the operating budget, which includes patient care, teaching, administrative expenses, depreciation and the daily expenses for all the Shriners Hospitals; \$28 million has been earmarked for the more than 125 research projects currently in process. Since Shriners Hospitals began a formal research program nearly 40 years ago, more than \$450 million has been invested in research efforts that have improved the lives of children around the world. Another \$45 million of the budget is designated for buildings and equipment expenditures.



Shriners Hospitals for Children is a fully qualified 501(C)3 charitable organization under IRS regulations. Donations are tax-deductible. Charitable contributions work hard at Shriners Hospitals. Less than 5 percent of Shriners Hospitals' annual operating budget is used for administrative and fund-raising costs, and Shriners Hospitals are ranked at the very top among "charities that watch their pennies best." They presently treat approximately 187,328 patients (35,133 admitted into their hospitals last year). The funds for the totally debt free hospitals are obtained from gifts, bequests, income from the endowment fund, hospital fund-raising events, and the annual hospital assessment paid by every Shriner. The statistics are quite impressive but the way the "world's greatest philanthropy" touches individual lives is astounding.

I always felt as if I was the only patient in the hospital during my stays. Shriners Hospital in Greenville was then located on Pleasantburg Drive. It has since been relocated.

That building holds many memories of the physical and spiritual care given to so many. For many years Shriners was known to provide only indigent care. However, now most pediatric burn and orthopedic cases are immediately referred to the closest Shriners Hospital because of the state of the art care that is given. The last procedure I had was in 1982 and was then told the doctors could do no more. I had never returned to Shriners until another life altering event occurred in 1995. I am a United Methodist pastor and was serving a church in Central Kentucky when my son, John was born. We were informed immediately upon his birth that he had a minor clubbed foot. We did not think twice about who we would consult. At four days old, John was evaluated by Shriners Hospital in Lexington, Kentucky and underwent one surgical procedure at 10 months. He is now an extremely active 10 year old and just finished his first year of football!

Every day, Shriners Hospitals are doing miraculous work, whether treating a child severely burned by a house fire or a child born with acute limb deformities. Shriners is bettering the lives of children—affecting many life journeys around the world—and is doing all of this privately without help from the government or insurance system. Now that's truly great, life changing philanthropy.

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(burn care)  
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950 West Faris Road  
Greenville, SC 29605-4277  
864-271-3444

**Honolulu Hospital**  
1310 Punahou St.  
Honolulu, HI 96826-1099  
808-941-4466

**Houston Hospital**  
6977 Main St.  
Houston, TX 77030-3701  
713-797-1616

**Intermountain Hospital**  
Fairfax Road at Virginia St.  
Salt Lake City, UT 84103  
801-536-3500

**Lexington Hospital**  
1900 Richmond Rd.  
Lexington, KY 40502  
859-266-2101



# Shriners Hospitals FOR Children

## Admission Information

**Orthopedic Hospitals:** Children from infancy to their 18th birthday with orthopaedic or burn problems may be eligible for treatment at a Shriners Hospital if there is a reasonable possibility that treatment would benefit the child. Shriners Hospitals for Children admit children regardless of race, religion or relationship to a Shriner. There is never a charge to the patient or family for any of the medical care or services provided at a Shriners Hospital. Application forms for admission to a Shriners Hospital can be obtained from any Shrine Temple or Shrine Club; by writing to Shriners Hospitals, P.O. Box 31356, Tampa, FL 33631; or by calling the Shriners Hospitals for Children toll-free referral line at 1-800-237-5055. (In Canada, call 1-800-361-7256.) Completed application forms should be returned to the nearest Shriners Hospital.

**Burn Hospitals** The sooner a burned child reaches a Shriners Hospitals specializing in burn care, the better his chances of recovery. In an emergency, the referring physician treating a burned child should telephone the chief of staff at the nearest burn Shriners Hospitals and indicate that he has a patient needing emergency medical care. Transportation of the patient is the responsibility of the patient's family, but many Shrine Temples offer transportation assistance. Non-emergency admission for burn care at a Shriners Hospital is dependent on the medical needs of the patient and on the availability of beds. Shriners Hospitals are open to children, up to their 18th birthday, regardless of race, religion or relationship to a Shriner.

**Application forms for non-emergency admissions for burn care can be obtained from any Shrine Temple or Shrine Club; by writing to Shriners Hospitals, P.O. Box 31356, Tampa, FL 33631; or by calling the Shriners Hospitals for Children patient referral line at 1-800-237-5055. (In Canada, call 1-800-361-7256.)**

**Los Angeles Hospital**  
3160 Geneva St.  
Los Angeles, CA 90020  
213-388-3151

**Mexico City Hospital**  
Suchil No. 152, Col. El Rosario  
Delg. Coyoacan, 04380 Mexico,  
D.F., Mexico  
011-525-618-1120

**Northern California Hospital**  
(includes orthopaedic,  
burn and spinal cord injury  
care)  
2425 Stockton Blvd.  
Sacramento, CA 95817  
916-453-2000

**Philadelphia Hospital**  
(inc. spinal cord injury care)  
3551 N. Broad St.  
Philadelphia, PA 19140  
215-430-4000

**Portland Hospital**  
3101 S.W. Sam Jackson Park Rd.  
Portland, OR 97201-3095  
503-241-5090

**St. Louis Hospital**  
2001 S. Lindbergh Blvd.  
St. Louis, MO 63131-3597  
314-432-3600

**Shreveport Hospital**  
3100 Samford Ave.  
Shreveport, LA 71103  
318-222-5704

**Spokane Hospital**  
911 W. Fifth Ave.  
Spokane, WA 99204-2901  
509-455-7844

**Springfield Hospital**  
516 Carew St.  
Springfield, MA 01104  
413-787-2000

**Tampa Hospital**  
12502 North Pine Dr.  
Tampa, FL 33612-9499  
813-972-2250

**Twin Cities Hospital**  
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Minneapolis, MN 55414  
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