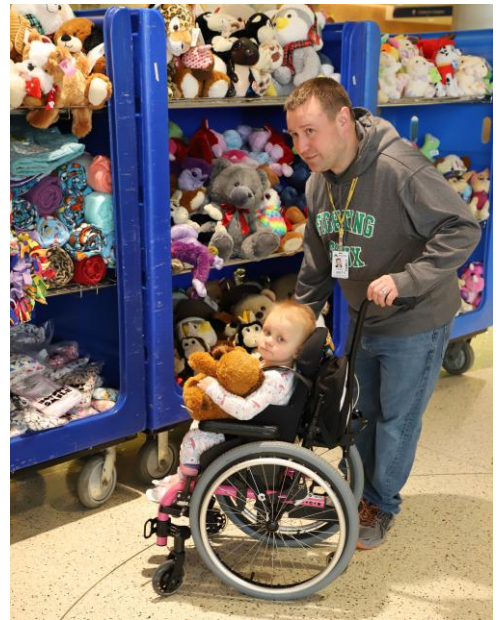




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It is time again to prepare to bring joy to children at the University of Minnesota Masonic Children's Hospital and the Children of the Shriner's clinic in Minnesota. This has been a special project for Newport Masonic Lodge for several years, and we need your help to make it another successful year.

The Masonic Santa project began in 2005 when Jeff Elwell, an 18 year old Mason and Leukemia patient at the University of Minnesota Masonic Children's Hospital asked his Dad, "Santa Mike Elwell", to help bring gifts to the children on the oncology ward. Santa Mike, too, died of complications of cancer in 2013, and his Family, with the support of Newport Masonic Lodge 118, Queen Esther Chapter 26 of the Order of the Eastern Star and MANY friends, have continued the project. We receive donations of toys and money from many individuals and organizations each year, and are once again looking for support for this project

In early December we go shopping for toys and gifts, and then in the middle of the month several truckloads of toys and elves arrive at the Children's Hospital to deliver gifts to the patients, and their little brothers and sisters who spend much time there as well. We have recently extended our donations to include the Shrine Children's Clinic as well. These kids are greatly in need of the love and cheer we bring to them that day.

We hope that you will support us this year with a donation. Donations received by November 15th will be eligible for a request for a match from Minnesota Masonic Charities, making your gift even more powerful.

You may contact Project Co-coordinator Bob Bay for further information. 651 459-6620

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