

North Devon Hospice



W. Bro. Ian Kingsbury, one of the new Assistant Provincial Grand Masters designate, visited the North Devon Hospice recently to present Ali Hunt, the Head of Fundraising with a cheque for £1,863 from The Grand Charity. The Hospice has received great support from Freemasonry in Devonshire and this donation from the Grand Charity will certainly be put to good use. Ali Hunt later said "Sincere thanks for all the good work that you do. It was a great pleasure to meet Ian and his wife and on behalf of all the patients and their families who will be supported because of your generosity we offer our sincere thanks".

The Grand Superintendent Presents 2012 Festival Cheque

On the 7th November 2009, at the annual meeting of the Provincial Grand Chapter, the Most Excellent Grand Superintendent, E. Comp Chris Pengelly, presented the Provincial Grand Master with a cheque for £5,000 on behalf of all Holy Royal Arch Masons in Devon. This money was raised by the 55 Chapters in the Province and will kick-start the appeal as it strives toward the 3 million pound target.



Registered Charity No. 1003314

At Children's Hospice South West we help and support children and their families who are living with life-limiting or life-threatening conditions and we are the only organisation in the South West to provide vital hospice care to these families in a hospice environment. Some families come to us for palliative care, some for emergency care and any for planned respite and a rare opportunity for a break away. But there's more to it than that. We provide a loving and caring place for every member of the families who stay with us. A place where everyone can begin to forget their worries for a while, be a family again and find expert help and support in facing an uncertain future.

Our services are free to the families who need us because we believe that nothing should get in the way of very sick children receiving the very best care. So, with little government funding, we rely on the generosity of our supporters to deliver our promise to 'make the most of short and precious lives'.

Children's Hospice South West has two purpose-built hospices in the South West. Little Bridge House in North Devon and Charlton Farm in North Somerset. A third special home from home for life-limited children in Cornwall and Plymouth, is due to open in 2011 called Little Harbour.

To find out more please visit www.chsw.org.uk or call 01271 325270

THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR SUPPORT

Note From The Editor

One of the pleasures of being Editor of the Devonshire Mason is reading all of the letters advising me of the charitable and provincial activities Devonshire Brethren are involved in. One of the disappointments is not being able to print them all or in detail. My apologies, but please keep them coming.

In this 2010 Devonshire Mason we have combined Provincial business reports with Lodge news. I hope both provide an interesting and memorable read. Better still, be proactive and be part of a Masonic news item for 2011!

Let us not forget that 'charity starts at home'. A small, practical act of community kindness does not necessarily require a financial gift. 6,000 Devonshire Masons giving an extra 15 minutes of helping time between now and next year's Devonshire Mason issue is equivalent to 187.5 x 8hr working days or 7 months hands on charity activity. Apply the same 15 minutes approach to the 3 R's – Recruitment, Retention, Retrieval and Devonshire Masonry will be humming! As the front cover implies – Masonry. It's in your hands.

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