

Spinoza Speaks...

Spinoza's "buddy bear project"™

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FUNDRAISING HELPERS!

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Left: Spinoza, Poppy Bear™, and Stymie the Skunk™ Hand Puppets.
Above: Spinoza's "buddy bear project" Lapel Pin (Actual pin size shown)

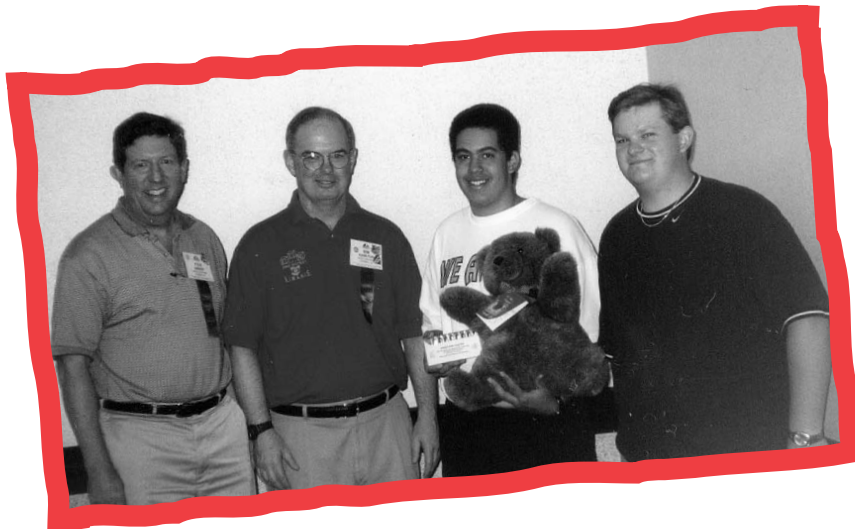
Spinoza®...the Bear Who Speaks from the Heart™ has been a trusted companion and a source of joy and comfort to thousands of children who suffer from profound crises in their lives. Organizations who sponsor children through the project have come up with many innovative ideas on how to raise funds to provide this special gift.

We would like to introduce some ideas that we've created to help organizations with their ongoing fundraising efforts. You may have had a chance to see our NEW Spinoza Hand Puppet. Poppy Bear and Stymie the Skunk hand puppets are new this fall and are creating quite a stir! Each high quality puppet is approximately 10 inches tall and can also be used as a cuddly stuffed animal. What a great gift idea for any child! You can sell, raffle or auction them off at your events, and during the holidays to families in your community. What child wouldn't love to snuggle up to these little creatures?

We offer the hand puppets at a greatly reduced price when you use the funds to sponsor the full-size talking Spinoza Bear with his special messages for children in your community. Some people have also expressed interest in providing the puppets to their local police, ambulance or fire department to be gifted to children when a smaller bear is more appropriate. We also offer these at a special price. All other uses are at our regular price.

Also, we have a NEW "buddy bear project" lapel pin available. This multi-colored, cloisonné pin is approximately 1 1/4" X 1" in size. Pass these out to members of your club or community who help you in your efforts to raise funds to sponsor a child in your area.

Fundraising can be fun, informative and a great opportunity to meet others who share the same desire to bring comfort to children in need. Please call 1-800-CUB-BEAR for ordering and pricing information.



Steve Brinker and Bob Hamilton of the Cheviot-Westwood Kiwanis in Ohio present Andrew Fair and Michael Staver of the Columbine High School Key Club with a Spinoza bear at the International Kiwanis Convention in Denver, CO.

When Tragedy Calls

"Love is that special something that we all need but there are those in special circumstances who REALLY need an extra boost. Spinoza is designed to listen and talk, to hug and be hugged by children of all ages. Spinoza is a friend, a confidant and provides the intangible of unconditional love.

Spinoza is a 17" Bear with wide spread arms and a tape player discretely tucked inside. He comes with a library

of nine cassettes that are professionally designed to provide caring, comfort and self-esteem for the critically ill child, the physically or emotionally scared child or simply the child in need. There are songs and stories that provide a message and advice. In addition, parents or loved ones can record a personal message (on a separate tape recorder) that can be heard when they can't physically be present.

The Kiwanis Club of Cheviot Westwood first heard about Spinoza through Bear Ambassador Maggie Moshell in 1996. A member of our club, Hans Hafer has nurtured our Spinoza efforts and our club has now purchased 93 Bears for distribution all over the world. At the Denver Convention, 7 Bears were presented to members of the Columbine High School Key Club for distribution to those most in need following the tragedy at their school. 9 Bears were sent to Jonesboro, AR, in May of 1998, and other Bears have been given to hospitals, social service organizations, families or any place we hear of a need. Many times we are not permitted to know the name of the child but the positive feedback from this project is overwhelming. We have received letters from children, parents, hospital staff and social workers describing the positive effect of Spinoza. Spinoza is a friend, a comforter and a confidant."

* Written by Bob Hamilton, article appeared in the Buckeye Bulletin, Ohio Kiwanis District Newsletter.

Total Number of Sponsorships as of October '99

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|-------------------------------------|------|
| American Legion Family..... | 7188 |
| Lions & Lioness..... | 3517 |
| VFW Posts & Ladies Auxiliaries..... | 2005 |
| Foundations & Corporations..... | 1488 |
| Kiwanis..... | 1265 |
| Jaycees..... | 466 |
| Individuals..... | 454 |
| Knight of Columbus..... | 234 |
| Eagles..... | 60 |
| Moose..... | 46 |
| Elks..... | 46 |
| Other..... | 418 |

A Families Delight

"I wanted to take this opportunity to say thank you once again for taking on the Schwab Family as part of your own. Just recently we received our first Spinoza Bear & I can honestly tell you that this little friend has made a huge difference in the life of one of our patients!

I brought Spinoza in at the end of the child's therapy session & as soon as I took him out of the box she started screaming with delight! This is a child who has no expressive language but was able to show her excitement in her face & her screams of glee. Her two year old brother was playing in an adjoining room & as soon as I put on one of the Spinoza tapes he came running in to see what was going on. Even mom could not stop saying thank you & how grateful they were. When I gave the bear to Mom to show her how to operate him she just kept hugging him & saying how cute he was. Mom also had wanted to make a deal between the two kids because they both fell in love with Spinoza & the little girl who Spinoza was intended for, got him back once in the car... The scene as this family left our hospital was almost straight out of a movie. Spinoza, almost as big as the little boy, was still talking, & mom was pushing her daughter as they all left the hospital happy with their new friend!

Again, I want to thank you for making this little girl so happy & giving her the opportunity to make such a special friend like Spinoza. This has truly made a difference in her life & I am grateful beyond words to be part of something so wonderful!"

Sincerely,
Geanine Pecora, Child Life Specialist
Schwab Rehabilitation Hospital
Chicago, IL

A Partial List of Over 1200 Health Care Facilities!

For additional names in your area call 1-800-CUB-BEAR

Arizona

Children To Children Tucson
Yavapai County Health Dept. Cottonwood
University Medical Center Tucson

Arkansas

Arkansas Children's Hospital Little Rock

California

Harbor-UCLA Medical Center Torrance
Candlelighters of Monterey Seaside
Inland AIDS Project Riverside
UC Davis Medical Center Sacramento

Colorado

Presbyterian/St. Luke's Medical Ctr Denver

Florida

Children's Medical Services Dist 10 Ft. Lauderdale
Nemours Children's Clinic Orlando
Community Home Services, Inc. Naples
Interim Health Care Gainesville & Ft. Myers
KITES-Kids In Distress Sebring
Miami Children's Hospital Miami

Georgia

Care South Albany
Hospice Atlanta Atlanta
First American Home Care Atlanta
Hospice of Houston Warner Robbins
Memorial Children's Hospital Savannah

Idaho

Southwest District Health Dept. Caldwell

Illinois

Visiting Nurse Assoc., Fox Valley Aurora
Loyola University Medical Center Maywood
Swedish American Health System Rockford
Children's Memorial Medical Center Chicago
Trinity Medical Center Moline
Wyler Children's Hospital Chicago
Lutheran General Hospital Park Ridge
Cook County Children's Hospital Chicago

Indiana

Olisten Kimberly Quality Care Muncie
Pediatric Nursing Specialist Indianapolis
Wabash Vern on Manor Wabash

Iowa

Mercy Hospital Medical Center Des Moines
Genesis Medical Center Davenport
North Iowa Mercy Health Center Mason City

Kansas

Ellsworth County Hospital Ellsworth
Via Christi Medical Center, Wichita
St. Francis Campus

Kentucky

Shriner's Hosp for Crippled Children Lexington
Rural Home Health Services Maysville
Madison Pediatrics Richmond

Louisiana

Regional Medical Ctr for Children New Orleans

Maryland

Johns Hopkins Children's Center Baltimore
Southern MD Home Health Services Clinton
U of MD Hospital for Children Baltimore

Massachusetts

Boston City Hospital Boston

Michigan

Nurses Unlimited Grand Rapids
Blodgett Memorial Medical Center Grand Rapids
Hurley Medical Center Flint
Ionia County Health Department Ionia
Marquette Gen'l Hospital Marquette
Children's Hospital of Michigan Detroit

Minnesota

Fairview University Health Care For Children Minneapolis
St. Cloud Hospital (Home Care) St. Cloud
Shriner's Hospital Minneapolis
Brainerd Medical Center Brainerd
Cottonwood-Jackson Community Health Services Jackson

Mississippi

U of MS Medical Center Jackson

Missouri

St. Louis Children's Hospital St. Louis
Staff Builders Home Health Care St. Louis
St. Johns Regional Health Center Springfield

Montana

Partners In Home Health Care, Inc. Missoula
Rosebud County Public Health Forsyth
St. Vincent Hospital & Health Center Billings

Nebraska

Children's Memorial Hospital Omaha

Nevada

Horizon Hospice Elko
University Medical Center Las Vegas

New Hampshire

Elliot Hospital Manchester

New Jersey

Children's Hospital of New Jersey Newark

New Mexico

Carie Tingley Children's Hospital Albuquerque
Presbyterian Hospital Albuquerque
U of New Mexico Pediatric Oncology Albuquerque

New York

The Children's Hospital of Buffalo Buffalo
Aurora Home Care, Inc. Cheektowaga
St. Vincent's Hospital & Medical Ctr New York

North Carolina

Brenner Children's Hospital at Winston-Salem
NC Baptist Hospital
Interim Health Care Charlotte & Raleigh

North Dakota

Medcenter One Bismarck

Ohio

Children's Medical Ctr of NW Ohio Toledo
Children's Hospital Columbus
Tod Children's Hospital Youngstown
Celina Area Visiting Nurses Celina
Children's Hosp Home Health Care Cincinnati
Children's Homecare Services, Columbus
Children's Hospice
Medical College of Ohio Hospital Toledo

Oklahoma

St. Mary's Hospital Enid
Children's Hospital of Oklahoma Oklahoma City
Hillcrest Medical Center Tulsa

Oregon

Emanuel Hospital & Health Care Portland

Pennsylvania

Lutheran Home Care Services, Inc. Chambersburg
Allegheny General Hospital Pittsburgh

South Carolina

Children's Hosp of Greenville Mem'l Greenville

South Dakota

McKenna Hospital-Children's Ctr Sioux Falls
Black Hills Pediatric & Neonatology Rapid City

Tennessee

East Tennessee Children's Hospital Knoxville

Texas

U of TX MD Anderson Cancer Ctr Houston
SW Texas Methodist Hospital San Antonio
Baptist Hospital of SW Texas Beaumont
Center for Children-Med City Dallas Dallas
Crown of Texas Hospice Amarillo
Cook Children's Hospital Fort Worth

Utah

Utah Valley Regional Medical Ctr Provo

Vermont

Fletcher Allen Health Care, Med Ctr Burlington

Virginia

St. Mary's Hospital Richmond
Children's Hosp of King's Daughters Norfolk
UVA Children's Medical Center Charlottesville
Kluger Children's Rehab Center

Washington

Children's Hospital & Medical Ctr Seattle
Deaconess Medical Center Spokane

Wisconsin

St. Mary's Hospital Rhinelander
U of WI Madison Children's Hosp Madison
St. Mary's Hospital Milwaukee

New This Year - Achiever's Program

This new program allows more children to receive Spinoza in less time, at a lower cost to the sponsors. Clubs participating in the Achiever's Program will administer the program in their community as well as initiate and maintain relations with facilities who care for children in crisis. With a commitment to sponsor at least 20 children in one service year you will receive an even greater discount than the already significant discount offered through Spinoza's "buddy bear project." Orders may be placed for a minimum of 4 bears at a time. The bears will be shipped in quantity to one location at a time. They may then be distributed by the organization. If you are interested in receiving a "Starter Kit" for the Achiever's Program, please call 1-800-CUB-BEAR (1-800-282-2327) and ask for your state Child/Sponsor Coordinator.

Congratulations Sponsors!

We are happy to introduce our new recognition program. Below are organizations that have reached the levels designated in the program.

"Ambassador" Level

Sponsorship of 5 children in a service year

American Legion

Post 110 - Port Charlotte, FL
Post 159 - Venice, FL
Post 35 - Mt Dora, FL
Post 723 - Garnavillo, IA
Past Commander's Club - Allen Park, MI
Post 409 - Belleville, MI
Post 142 - Waverly, OH
Post 566 - Akron, OH
Post 91 - Olmstead Falls, OH
Post 23 - Milwaukee, WI
Post 416 - Greenfield, WI

American Legion Auxiliary

Unit 22 - San Diego, CA
Unit 1 - Denver, CO
Unit 176 - Fairfield, IL
Unit 82 - Ft Wayne, IN
Unit 203 - Bellevue, KY
Unit 51 - Bastrop, LA
Unit 138 - Spencer, IA
Unit 156 - Waltham, MA
Unit 373 - Baldwinville, MA
Unit 135 - Sabbatus, ME
Unit 197 - Westbrook, ME
Unit 39 - Norridgewock, ME
Unit 141 - Howell, MI
Unit 44 - Marquette, MI
Unit 251 - Plymouth, MN
Unit 1700 - Endicott, NY
Unit 109 - Camphill, PA
Unit 232 - Amberson, PA
Unit 791 - Doner, PA
Unit 17 - Lugoff, SC
White House Methodist Women for
American Legion Auxiliary - Lugoff, SC
Unit 575 - Lubbock, TX
Unit 25 - Newport News, VA
Unit 115 - Benton City, WA
Unit 10 - Wausau, WI
Unit 67 - Lake Mills, WI
Unit 6 - Cheyenne, WY

Lions

South Beloit - South Beloit, IL
Evergreen Sunset - Huma, LA
Saginaw - Saginaw, TX
Mt Vernon Lioness - Alexandria, VA
Granite Falls - Granite Falls, WA
Spokane Southeast - Spokane, WA

Kiwanis

St Petersburg - FL Division
Iona, McGregor - Ft Myers, FL
Elgin Golden K - Elgin, IL
Hickory Hills - Palos Hills, IL
Park Ridge North - Mt Prospect, IL
Streator - Streator, IL
Appleton Fox - Appleton, WI

Other

Hospice of Central Georgia - Macon, GA
MD Chapter Telephone Pioneers,
Cockeysville, MD

"Bronze Ambassador" Level

Sponsorship of 10 children in a service year

American Legion

Post 48 - Oxnard, CA
Post 82 - Fort Wayne, IN
Queens County - Queens, NY
Post 343 - Euclid, OH
Post 3 - Cleveland, OK

American Legion Auxiliary

Unit 262 - Rancho Cucamonga, CA
Unit 330 - Leesburg, FL
Unit 258 - Jonesboro, GA
Unit 133 - Breaux Bridge, LA
Southern District - Edgewater, MD
Unit 32 - Wayne, MI
Unit 409 - Southgate, MI
Unit 465 - Minong, WI

Kiwanis

Central Orlando - Orlando, FL
West Palm Beach - West Palm Beach, FL

VFW Ladies Auxiliary

Ladies Auxiliary 7721 - Naples, FL

VFW

Post 844 - Williamsport, PA

Other

Telephone Pioneers Central MD -
Sykesville, MD

"Silver Ambassador" Level

Sponsorship of 25 children in a service year

American Legion Auxiliary

Unit 68 - Pittsfield, MA

Other

Maggie Moschell - Cincinnati, OH
Hawthorne High School - Hawthorne, NJ

"Gold Ambassador" Level

Sponsorship of 50 children in a service year

American Legion Auxiliary

Unit 53 - Sanford, FL

Kiwanis

Cheviot Westwood - Cleaves, OH

Other

Children's Hospital - Seattle, WA



Joanne Smith of American Legion Aux Unit 53 in Sanford, FL poses with Spinoza as she's awarded the plaque for her unit sponsoring 50 children in the service year 98-99.

Our First Gold Ambassador!

To date over 17,000 children who are suffering from a profound crisis have received a gift of love and comfort, their very own Spinoza bear, from organizations that care enough to give unconditionally! We would like to extend our thanks to all of those who have touched the hearts of these special children. With this in mind we would like to introduce Spinoza's "buddy bear project" Recognition Award Program! This program is to acknowledge all the hard work of participating organizations.

Below are listed the different levels of the program and what each level is awarded.

- Ambassador - 5 children/service year
- Red certificate with cover
- Bronze Ambassador - 10 children/serv yr
- Bronze certificate with cover
- Lapel pin
- Silver Ambassador - 25 children/serv yr
- Framed silver certificate
- Lapel pin
- Gold Ambassador - 50 children/serv yr
- Plaque
- Lapel pin
- Press release to organization's Nat'l or Int'l magazine at the time this level is reached

All organizations that reach each of these levels will be mentioned in a quarterly press release to their organization's magazine as well as being published in our newsletter and on our website.

We would like to recognize our first "Gold Ambassador" for the service year of 1998-1999, American Legion Auxiliary Unit 53 in Sanford, FL. The efforts of this unit were headed up by Joanne Smith who is now the Department Children & Youth Chairman for the American Legion Auxiliary Department of Florida. Unit 53 has been an avid sponsor of children on our waiting list as well as those they hear about on their local news.

The children of Florida have a special friend in Joanne Smith and Unit 53. We congratulate Joanne and her unit and everyone involved in reaching their goal!

PLEASE CUT ALONG DOTTED LINE

SPINOZA® Sponsor Form

Please see reverse side for a complete explanation of options



- YES!** We will sponsor (#) _____ child(ren) anywhere in our state.
- YES!** We will sponsor (#) _____ child(ren) at one of the participating health care facilities. Please see the enclosed list of participating facilities in this information packet.
Name of Facility _____
- YES!** We will sponsor (#) _____ child(ren) that we have chosen. We will locate the child. Please provide the following information if it is known.
Child's first name _____ Age _____ Diagnosis _____ Hospital _____ City _____ State _____
- YES!** We will sponsor (#) _____ child(ren) from within our area as soon the "buddy bear project" staff identifies a child from their list. (Please identify the cities and/or counties that are within your area.)
1) _____ 2) _____ 3) _____
4) _____ 5) _____ 6) _____
- YES!** We will purchase (#) _____ Spinoza Bears for a health care facility to keep and the bear will not go to a specific child. (The cost is \$160.50, our regular price) MN residents please add \$9.75 for MN state sales tax.

Sponsor Information

Organization _____
 Leader/Title _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 () _____
 Phone #: Day _____
 () _____
 Night _____

Ship To: If different from left

Organization _____
 Leader/Title _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 () _____
 Phone #: Day _____
 () _____
 Night _____

Method of Payment

The cost per child is \$135.50 which covers the cost of a Spinoza Bear and his complete collection of nine tapes and includes shipping. (MN residents please add \$8.13 for MN state sales tax.)

The cost to provide a child with Spinoza, his complete collection of nine tapes and The Legend of Spinoza storybook is \$152.00. (MN residents please add \$9.10 for MN state sales tax.)

If you are purchasing Spinoza for a health care facility to use, and the bear is not going to a specific child, the cost is \$160.50. (MN residents please add \$9.75 for MN state sales tax.)

* All prices are for shipping within the continental US only. For shipping prices outside the continental US, please call 1-800-282-2327 or 651-644-7251.

Please send the sponsor form and payment to Spinoza's "buddy bear project", 1876 Minnehaha Avenue West, St. Paul, MN 55104-1029. If you are using a credit card, you may fax the information to 651-644-7252.

- Check/Money Order (payable to Spinoza's "buddy bear project")
- American Express (15 digits)
- VISA (16 digits)
- Mastercard (16 digits)

Card# _____
 Exp. Date _____
 Signature _____

If at all possible, we would like to deliver Spinoza to the child we are sponsoring. (If this is comfortable for the child/family, we will send Spinoza to you for delivery.) We understand that if, due to the family's request this is not possible, the child we are sponsoring will receive a personalized gift card identifying our organization and we will be notified who our little "buddy" is.

(We cannot guarantee you will be able to deliver Spinoza to the child.)

For more information call 1-800-CUB-BEAR

The Guide to Filling Out Your Sponsor Form

- Option 1:** We will sponsor (#) _____ child(ren) anywhere in our state. Spinoza's "buddy bear project" will choose a child from the state you specify in the sponsor information section and send Spinoza to the contact person at the hospital for delivery to the child. You will be informed who your "buddy" is in a thank you card from the "buddy bear project" staff.
- Option 2:** We will sponsor (#) _____ child(ren) at one of the participating health care facilities. Please see the enclosed list of participating facilities. Please fill in a name you have chosen from the enclosed list of participating health care facilities. For additional names call 1-800-CUB-BEAR. Spinoza's "buddy bear project" will choose a child from the health care facility you specified and send Spinoza to the hospital for delivery. You will be informed who your "buddy" is in a thank you card from the "buddy bear project" staff.
- Option 3:** We will sponsor (#) _____ child(ren) that we have chosen. We will locate the child. If you know of a child in your community whom you wish to sponsor, please provide us with the requested information (if known). This allows us to cross check our database of waiting and sponsored children so a child is not sponsored more than once. Please make delivery arrangements with the child's parents or caregivers and complete the SHIP TO address if different from yours.
- Option 4:** We will sponsor (#) _____ child(ren) from within our area as soon as the "buddy bear project" staff identifies one from their list. Please list the cities/counties from which you are willing to sponsor a child. Spinoza's "buddy bear project" staff will choose a child on their waiting list from one of the cities/counties and send Spinoza to the contact person at the health care facility for delivery to the child. You will be informed who your "buddy" is in a thank you card from the "buddy bear project" staff.
- Option 5:** We will purchase (#) _____ Spinoza Bear(s) for a health care facility to keep and the bear will not go to a specific child. Spinoza's "buddy bear project" staff will send Spinoza to the hospital you specify and will notify them that he is for their use. If you would like to deliver Spinoza to the hospital, please fill in the SHIP TO section and Spinoza will be sent to the address you specify. (Please see the reverse side for cost.)



Hats Off to Our Ambassadors!

Featuring Mike Irving
Scales of Justice Lions Club

With each newsletter, we feel it is important to reserve an area to recognize our ambassadors who have done an outstanding job. For those of you who are not familiar with ambassadors and what they do, an ambassador is someone who generously volunteers their time to give presentations regarding Spinoza's "buddy bear project"™ to various civic organizations and individuals across their state. Spread out across the country, in cities, suburbs, and small towns... they carry on where we leave off! Taking the bear and his collection of cassette tapes wherever they go, ambassadors offer information on the project, the kids, and of course provide lots of bear hugs!

This time we would like to "Take Our Hats Off" to Mike Irving who is from the Scales of Justice Lions Clubs, in San Jose, California. Mike has been a member of the Lions for thirty-two years, is a trustee of the Lions Eye Foundation and was honored as Lion of the year for service year 1998-1999 in District 4C-6.

Through Mike's efforts, District 4C-6 has made Spinoza's "buddy bear project" a sanctioned project. Mike has made presentations to clubs that are eighty miles away in order to get his point across that these children are in need and the Lions can help. "No Lions club in District 4C-6 has turned me down," says Mike, "We are going to keep it going!" It is this kind of dedication that has helped Multiple District 4 sponsor 114 children!

Mike is the kind of guy you can call and ask to do a presentation to a Kiwanis club even though he is a Lion...it makes no difference to him who he is talking to about the project. He knows that Spinoza will help these kids and that is the bottom line with Mike.

Thank you Mike and the Lions for all your dedication and love for these special children!



"His smile and his laugh melt the hearts of everyone who has a chance to meet him." Says Bradlee's mom. Visit Bradlee on his own website at: <http://www.geocities.com/EnchantedForest/Creek/7910/>

A Statement of Love

This letter is a statement of love. Bradlee has spent most of his 3 years in and out of hospitals. He has immune problems that are complicated by an unknown genetic disease. For Bradlee, life has been hard but to look at him you would never know it. His smile and his laugh melt the hearts of everyone who has a chance to get to know him. Frequent hospital stays, long days and even longer nights have taken their toll on Bradlee. When you spend most of your time with doctors, nurses and mom of course, it's okay, but not having any one to relate to is hard. One long day, amidst another long hospital stay, a call came into the pediatric floor asking if the nurses knew of anyone that could use a friend. Right away the nurses thought of Bradlee. We were not aware of this and we went on about our normal hospital routine. One day at our home, we received a call from the nurses that Bradlee had some one that wanted to see him and get to know him. Not knowing what was happening we agreed to come to the pediatric unit at the hospital. To our amazement when we arrived there sat a bear, a big bear, almost bigger than

Bradlee. He was so delighted. It was love at first site. That was about two months ago and still to this day Bradlee and his bear go everywhere together. He talks to him and sings with him. Bradlee gets infusions every three weeks and his bear accompanies him. They play, sleep and go everywhere together. His bear's tapes soothe him when he does not feel good and lifts him off to sleep when he is in pain. I, as Bradlee's mom, want to thank not only the nurses for thinking of Bradlee but the people who sponsored Bradlee and purchased the bear for him. Most of all, I would like to thank the people and employees of The Spinoza Company. What you are producing is not just a stuffed bear, it's a friend, a companion, someone to share their ups and downs with. This bear has brightened Bradlee's life and made him feel special, and because of that I am grateful and could not ever begin to express my gratitude enough. My hope is that every child who gets the chance to receive their own true friend has as much success and love that Bradlee has received from his.

Yours Truly & God Bless
Bradlee's Mom



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Send To:



Pictured above at the American Legion National Convention in Anaheim, CA is (L to R): Kristen Bogati, Jr Auxiliary Unit 641, PA, Gigi Manno, District 22 President, Dept. of CA, Spinoza, Betty Robaszekiewicz, President, Dept. of OH, Sheila Gallaway, Children & Youth Chairman, Dept. of AZ, Amanda Nowaczewski, Jr Auxiliary Unit 641, PA.

Summer Festivities

This summer we had the opportunity to attend several Nat'l and Int'l conventions for many of the organizations we work with. It was wonderful meeting so many of the people we talk to on a regular basis! Thank you for all of the stories you shared and for your continued support of Spinoza's "buddy bear project." We look forward to seeing you again next year.

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- Don't forget to visit our Web Site!! You can reach us on the world wide web to learn more about Spinoza and Spinoza's "buddy bear project." Website: www.spinozabear.com, e-mail: spinoza@spinozabear.com

- If you know of a health care facility or agency in your area that works with children who are critically, chronically or terminally ill or children suffering from a profound crisis and would like us to contact them, please call us at 1-800-CUB-BEAR (1-800-282-2327).

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