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SickKids Gift Planning Newsletter

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Allan Beattie: A Big Heart for SickKids

As a small town boy from Copper Cliff, Ontario, Allan Beattie never dreamed he would play such an important role in the future of child health care.



After graduating from Osgoode Hall and establishing a career in law, he gave his attention to a vast array of philanthropic and volunteer endeavours. SickKids was among his most important. “He was always a big thinker,” recalls Elizabeth, one of his four daughters and a member of

the Women’s Auxiliary at the Hospital. “Growing up, we would watch the SickKids telethon as a family and he always encouraged others to get involved in their community and do whatever they could.”

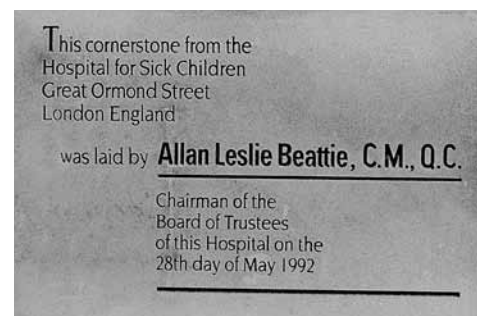
The importance of having a Hospital like SickKids became clear to Allan.

But Allan’s connection to the Hospital was a very personal one. His nephew was treated for cancer at SickKids and Allan would frequently come to the Hospital and read at his bedside. Despite the care that he received, his nephew passed away just a few days before his fifth birthday. It was during this period that the importance of having a hospital like SickKids became clear to Allan.

In 1974, Allan began what became more than 23 years of dedicated volunteer service to the Hospital and Foundation. He was a member of the Board for both organizations, including five-year terms as Board Chair of each. Through his significant and committed involvement, he helped guide and strengthen the link between research discoveries and patient recoveries – advances which he saw first-hand in his lifetime.

Allan, who passed away in 2010 at the age of 84, wanted to recognize the importance of the Hospital and contributed to The Research & Learning Tower and the Hospital’s highest priority needs through a meaningful gift in his will.

“This gift is a true reflection of our father’s belief in SickKids,” says Elizabeth. “He wanted to make sure the Hospital could continue its life-saving work and hopefully inspire others to make a change in their community. Dad wouldn’t have wanted it any other way.”



One of the highlights of his time with SickKids was laying the cornerstone for the new Atrium addition in 1992, which is now the heart of the Hospital.



The Healy family - Devin, Cynthia, Cameron, Monica, Danielle and Mark

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Thinking Outside of the Box

The Healy family’s life changed forever on December 6, 1997. On the cool Saturday morning, their bubbly three-year-old daughter, Monica, fell off a Christmas parade float and was rushed to The Hospital for Sick Children.

What began as a fun-filled day quickly turned to near tragedy. Although Monica would eventually recover from her injuries, the experience gave the Healy family new perspective on the importance of having a world-class hospital so close to home. It was the beginning of an incredible philanthropic relationship with SickKids Foundation.

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WHAT DOES SICKKIDS MEAN TO YOU?

We often meet donors who want to leave a gift on behalf of a family member or friend who spent time at SickKids. We also meet families with no connection at all, who simply want to give back to their community. We’d love to hear what SickKids means to you. Please send us your story to gift.planning@sickkidsfoundation.com or by mail to Gift & Estate Planning, 525 University Ave, 14th Floor, Toronto, Ontario M5G 2L3

“We wanted to make a lasting impact on the future of SickKids,” says Mark Healy, Monica’s father. “You don’t need a lot of money to leave a significant gift. Sometimes you just need to think outside of the box.”

“Knowing that I’m changing the lives of children is pretty cool,” says Monica, now 17.

Thinking outside of the box is exactly what the Healy family did. All four children – Monica, Danielle, Cameron and Devin – have decided to give \$2 a day toward their own life insurance policy in support of SickKids Foundation. Each policy is worth \$250,000, bringing the total contribution to \$1 million.

When planning charitable donations, life insurance policies are often overlooked. But for the Healy family, the choice was easy. By regularly contributing to their life insurance policies, the Healy children have the



opportunity to watch their gift grow while learning the importance of making a positive impact on their community. They are learning first-hand how one person can truly make a difference in the lives of the next generation.

“Knowing that I’m changing the lives of children is pretty cool,” says Monica, now 17. “Giving up \$2 a day isn’t hard either – one less trip to Starbucks.”

“The best part about this is that anyone can do it. Any family has this within their reach,” adds Mark. “My children and I encourage more families to think outside the box and find ways to make a meaningful difference in their community today.”

THE 60 SECOND BEQUEST™

Think making a bequest is too difficult? There’s a quick and easy way to become an everyday philanthropist – in one minute. There is no cost and no lawyers involved. By utilizing either your Registered Retirement Savings Plan (RRSP) or your Registered Retirement Income Fund (RRIF), you can complete the one minute bequest in three easy steps.

STEP ONE: Request an RRSP/RRIF Change of Multiple Beneficiary Designation form from your plan administrator.

STEP TWO: Complete the form with your charity of choice as one of the beneficiaries.

STEP THREE: Return the form to your plan administrator.

Keith Thomson, Managing Director, Stonegate Private Counsel, is a recognized financial educator who has gained a national reputation for his motivational presentations and his creative philanthropic planning techniques.

INCOME TAX REDUCTION AND ESTATE TAX ELIMINATION: A Presentation by Keith Thomson

Learn the value of estate planning and how it can help you save on taxes.

Thursday January 19, 2012
from 6:30 - 8 p.m.
in the SickKids Atrium

Please contact Denise Fernandes to reserve your spot.

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Investing in the Future of Research

When Denise joined our team earlier this summer, it was a great opportunity for the three of us to tour The Hospital for Sick Children, see all the action and learn about the latest advances in child health.



The highlight of our tour was viewing the construction of our new Research & Learning Tower from the Hospital's eighth floor. From our vantage point, it became so clear how research, learning and care are connected at SickKids – physically via halls and walkways and intellectually through the translation of scientific discoveries into recoveries at the bedside.

The Tower is more than bricks and concrete. It represents the future and will serve as the catalyst of an international revolution in paediatric medical research that will directly improve the well-being of children. It will create the platform for earlier diagnosis, new therapies and better prevention. The Tower will be an exceptional facility for new ideas to grow, for partnerships to evolve and for science to flourish.

For us, the Tower has an additional meaning. It is symbolic of the value of investing in the future and how meaningful gifts in your will or life insurance are to nurturing innovative possibilities that can transform children's health.

We invite you to speak with us if you are considering including SickKids in your will. We would also be pleased to take you on a tour of the Hospital so you can see the difference that your support can make.

Together We Will.

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BEQUEST INFORMATION

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Do your estate plans include SickKids Foundation? Let us know! If you plan to make a bequest, the name you should include in your will is:

"The Hospital for Sick Children Foundation"

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ABOUT THE COVER PHOTO

Claire, 3, shows off her fashionable purple glasses to Dr. Agnes Wong in the Ophthalmology Clinic at SickKids.