HOSPITAL HAPPENINGS

TAKE YOUR CHILD TO WORK DAY



Volunteers from American Medical Response gave an ambulance demonstration to the children who participated in this year's Take Your Child to Work Day. This year's event was the most successful ever with over 180 children registered, ranging from fourth grade through high school. Children participated in a number of activities that were offered by departments and employees throughout the Hospital. Saint Francis has offered this event for the past 15 years.

Photo by Joe Driscoll

CHECK PRESENTATION



The Women's Auxiliary recently presented a check to the Department of Nursing for \$170,000. The funds will purchase and maintain communication devices for use on the inpatient nursing units. The hands-free, wireless communication tools provide many advantages including improved patient comfort by decreased noise due to over head pages; quicker response time to patients' needs; and patients will be able to contact their nurse directly. L-R: Rebecca Burke, Senior Vice President, Patient and Clinical Services, Chief Nursing Officer; Barbara Colli, President, Auxiliary; Pam Manor, Director, Nursing Informatics; and Diane Mulholland, Executive Director, Medicine Service Line.

MEDICAL MISSION TO BOLIVIA



A Saint Francis International Medical Missions team comprised of 31 volunteers, led by Ibrahim Daoud, M.D., recently traveled to San Carlos, Bolivia, a town of 30,000 people. While there, the volunteers performed 60 major operations, which included eight emergency surgeries and four appendectomies. They also examined about 150 patients during their trip.

Photo courtesy of Ibrahim Daoud, M.D.

OPENING THEIR DOORS



Curtis D. Robinson (center), Founder of The Curtis D. Robinson Men's Health Institute, welcomed guests to the dedication of The Center for Health Equity and The Curtis D. Robinson Men's Health Institute. The Center for Health Equity is dedicated to reducing healthcare disparities and developing cultural competencies at Saint Francis. The Curtis D. Robinson Men's Health Institute is a partnership between Saint Francis and Hartford-area, faith-based organizations aimed at providing free services to the uninsured and the underinsured, with a focus on patient education, early diagnosis and appropriate treatment for men at risk of prostate cancer. Left: Dr. Marcus M. McKinney, L.P.C., Vice President of Community Health Equity and Health Policy. Right: Hank Waltmire, M.Div., Director.