



# Heart to Heart



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## “Big Wig” Visits Forsyth Family Room

On Thursday, April 17, the Forsyth Family Room received a visit from a special guest: Ronald McDonald himself! Ronald stopped in to admire the beautiful new Family Room and to thank volunteers and staff alike for their wonderful service to the families of babies in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) at Forsyth Medical Center. Family Room guests were delighted to meet our special visitor. Family Room volunteers (left to right) Mary Lou Fitzgerald, Julia Shively, and Joan Golden commemorated the visit by having their picture taken with Ronald. Pictured below are Ronald and the NICU nurses.



## Thank you for your help with *Sport a Shirt!*

Our 2008 *Sport a Shirt, Share a Night* campaign was again a great success thanks to all your help! Our Winston Salem Ronald McDonald House sold 6,522 shirts and so far has received almost \$17,000 in donations and matching gifts. At this point last year, we reported 6,390 shirts sold and over \$10,000 in donations, so we are very excited our numbers are up! We could not have accomplished this without the wonderful support of volunteers. We are very grateful to our House, Family Assistance and Family Room volunteers who generously gave their time to fold shirts, work at booths and gather orders. Thank you!



RMH Pet Therapy Dog, Windy



Ronald shows off his *Sport a Shirt*



Family Room Volunteer, Angela Simpson, and her mother on SAS Pick Up Day

## WE NEED YOUR HELP RECRUITING BINGO VOLUNTEERS



If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a Bingo volunteer one (or more) Monday night(s) per month from 5:30-6:30 p.m. at the House, please contact Chacy at [ChacyS@rmhwinstonsalem.org](mailto:ChacyS@rmhwinstonsalem.org) or **723.0228 x20**. We are in great need of new Bingo volunteers and would appreciate your help.

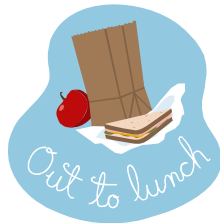
Anyone who is *not* already a Family Support Program volunteer must:

- be at least 21 years-old
- complete a volunteer interview and application packet
- allow a background check
- complete a 3-hour training to learn more about RMH, our policies and procedures, and effective communication tools in helping our families.

**THANKS FOR YOUR HELP IN RECRUITING  
NEW VOLUNTEERS FOR BINGO!**

### May Lunch Bunch

The next Volunteer Lunch Bunch will be Wednesday, May 14 at 12:30 p.m. at the House. All active House, FAP, and Family Room volunteers are invited. Tuna and club subs will be provided. Please respond by calling Judy at 723-0228 x39 and let her know if you prefer a tuna or club sub. We look forward to seeing you. ☺



### Brenner Children's Hospital Family Room Recognition

Brenner Children's Hospital Advisory Board honored the Ronald McDonald House Family Room's success at their April 29, 2008 meeting. Board members recognized recent Family Room Volunteers of the Year in attendance: Shirley Adams, Andrea Brett, Penni Bradshaw, and Jo Ann Helms. Judy Sangimino received a framed print from the Board as an expression of their appreciation of the dedication shown by all the volunteers who keep the Family Room open to comfort families of pediatric patients. *Thanks to all our volunteers for your continued service to those in need!*



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