The Winner Arrives

It must have been a sight to behold, as this young boy traveled on I-25 in the back of a pickup truck to arrive at Craig Hospital on February 22. Award-winning, world-renowned sculptor, Glenna Goodacre, donated The Winner to Craig. Her work is included in countless public, private, municipal and museum collections across America and around the world. She is famous for the Vietnam Women’s Memorial in Washington D.C., along with the Irish Memorial in Philadelphia which includes 35 life-sized figures, and the Sacagawea dollar coin. Glenna will be the first living artist to have her work displayed in the Smithsonian Institute.

Glenna was a patient at Craig following a traumatic-brain injury. She received the Christopher and Dana Reeve-Inspiration Award in 2010, and graciously donated Three Ballerinas and Determination for the live auction at PUSH.

There will be a public unveiling of The Winner, as soon as he is situated in his new home. Stay tuned for details of his future!
I Am Craig.
On behalf of the Craig Hospital Foundation, we are pleased to send you our first Craig Hospital Foundation Annual Report. One of the unique and outstanding attributes of Craig is our commitment to family. We go to great lengths to include the family of our patients in the healing and rehabilitation process. We provide housing for family members to stay on-site and we include the family in all aspects of the patient’s care. The staff at Craig are also a family …including many who have worked together for 15 or more years. The patients, their families and the family of Craig staff work together to insure the best outcomes possible for those recovering from a spinal cord or traumatic brain injury.

Within the pages of this Annual Report, we have tried to share some of the family spirit that exists at Craig. We hope this gives you insight into what a difference your support makes. Contributions from individuals, businesses, foundations and organizations help our patients to be as independent as possible after leaving Craig.

We know you have many opportunities to contribute in your community, and we appreciate that you have chosen to invest in Craig Hospital. We need your support to continue as a top ten rehabilitation hospital in the country. As we look toward a second century of service helping others, it is more important than ever to have a strong Craig.

As this is our first Annual Report, please let us know what you think and share any suggestions you have for us. We are fortunate to have you as a champion of Craig Hospital!

Sincerely,

Mary Konrad Feller
Executive Director
Craig Hospital Foundation

We know you have many opportunities to contribute in your community, and we appreciate that you have chosen to invest in Craig Hospital.
For over 50 years Craig Hospital has been a beacon of hope for more than 27,000 people who have been affected by a catastrophic spinal cord or traumatic brain injury. Today Craig continues to set the standard for rehabilitation care for these serious injuries.

Our reputation can be measured by many factors: remarkable patient satisfaction scores; being rated as a Top Ten rehabilitation hospital by *U.S. News and World Report* for 22 consecutive years; patient referrals from all 50 states, and several foreign countries; and *Magnet* designation for our outstanding nursing care.

However, the primary measure of success for us at Craig is directly tied to the outcomes of our graduates and their abilities to return to home, work or school. Our patients’ percentages of functional and productive outcomes post-injury far exceed national averages.

The foundation of our success is derived directly from our outstanding committed and compassionate staff and physician partners. As I say everyday---they are simply the best. Our staff, physicians, and volunteers all work together to create a very special healing environment that contributes to exemplary patient and family experiences, and resulting lifetime relationships.

Craig is also blessed to have wonderful support from so many people in Colorado and around the country. In the current health care environment no one ever thinks that a catastrophic injury could happen to them, or someone they love. As a result, adequate benefit coverage and reimbursement for rehabilitation care is rarely present for our patients and their families.

Your donations to the Craig Hospital Foundation have been critical. They help support patients and families in getting vital equipment and making necessary home modifications for the most optimal independence. Your contributions also help fund patient education and programs not covered by health insurance.

This report is our way of saying thank you to those who have so generously reached out to make a positive impact on someone’s life, post injury, and to also invite others to invest in making a lasting and significant difference. Craig Hospital truly makes a difference in people’s lives and we invite you to be a part of this remarkable place.

Thank you for your donations and interest in Craig Hospital. It is through your support that we are making this great place even better for those who will come through our doors in the future.

With warmest regards,

Mike Fordyce
President & CEO
Craig Hospital
Celebrating a Different Kind of Family

Walking up the hill from the Craig Hospital parking garage on the afternoon after Thanksgiving, I noticed something out of place. The welcoming aroma of roast turkey wafting down Clarkson Street. I felt like Wylie Coyote following the vapor to the ultimate source that had caught my senses.

They beckoned me in. “Have you eaten? You’re welcome to join us!” One patient proudly stated, “I walked today!! I walked today!! On the parallel bars, but I walked!”

I ended up at the Digby Friendship Center in the Family Housing Building at Craig Hospital. Through the window, I saw an assortment of people – a variety of ethnic backgrounds and ages…some in wheelchairs, some in power chairs, and one in the proverbial “turtle-shell” brace.

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It was a different sort of Thanksgiving celebration... a different type of family gathering: unrelated families bonded by something stronger...a common connection of traumatic injury. No one planned to be there, no one would have chosen to be there. But in a single moment in time, all of their lives had changed in dramatic ways. A motor vehicle accident, an unexpected motorcycle acceleration, an all-terrain vehicle accident, a steering wheel that detached unexpectedly, an IED explosion in Afghanistan, a case of meningitis...a variety of situations all leading to the same point in time. A new life. A different way of doing things. And a connection formed at Craig Hospital.

There were ex-husbands, future husbands, blended families, and extended families. They originated from Kansas, Texas, West Virginia, Colorado, North Dakota and Oklahoma. But the intent was the same for all. A Thanksgiving, with too much food, not enough room, kids running around and spilling things...a place where you are comfortable enough to take off your shoes or lay down on the couch.

This eclectic family met at Craig under a variety of circumstances. They bonded mostly during the physical therapy sessions of their loved ones. According to Johné Green, the coordinator of the Thanksgiving event:

“Coming to Craig was a leap of faith. It was hard to think, hard to make a decision—any decision, hard to know what to do.

But then we got to Craig Hospital. They truly care about your loved one. It’s not simply a job for Craig staff; it’s a calling. We developed such confidence in the staff that we were finally able to sleep again. And that is truly a gift...a precious gift to finally have this peace of mind. You learn from Craig that it’s a new normal, you accept a new life, and it’s okay. It’s going to be okay.”
Craig Hospital has remarkable staff longevity, so it’s very significant when a staff member decides to retire. Our best wishes to recent retirees for their dedication, commitment, and the difference they’ve made in thousands of lives for those patients and families affected by traumatic injury.

Barb Page
Former Executive Director of the Foundation who was an official employee for 12 years. Prior to that Barb served on the Board and volunteered.

George Richardson
a 26-year employee
Director of Outpatient Follow-up Services.

Joe Gomez
40 years of service,
Director of Therapeutic Recreation.

Our patients become a very real part of our own lives – they reflect our own vulnerabilities, strengths and courage. They become family.
When someone is impacted by a spinal cord or traumatic brain injury, the entire family is injured. Because of this, Craig is committed to providing 30 days of housing for the patient’s family at no cost. This is possible because of many generous donors. One of those, Dana Raimondi, shares her story.

Dana’s husband, Richard Raimondi came to Craig in 1996 after a serious roll-over motor vehicle accident. He was able to be discharged to home after a year and a day at Craig, while still on a ventilator. After Richard passed away, Dana and their two daughters, Christina and Melanie, wanted to remember Richard in a lasting way that would help others in need of the Craig Experience. Their substantial contribution to the Family Housing facility is their way of honoring Richard Raimondi and thanking the wonderful Craig staff who helped their dream to bring Richard home come true.

Dana remains heavily involved with Craig. She is on the Foundation Board of Directors, attends events and continues her generosity to Craig.

“I want to cry when I see these patients and families. They’re going through the same thing Rick and I did. If what I’ve been able to do gives them comfort, it has been well worth the effort. I fully, with 100% of my heart, credit Craig programs and staff for making all that I’ve been able to do possible.”

Craig recently received a letter from a patient’s father that demonstrates how important the family housing facility is to Craig patients and their families.

“I see many people stop and read about Richard and it is obvious it affects their hearts as it does mine and other staff.”
- Rod Piel, Craig Patient and Family Housing Apartment Manager
Dear Raimondi Family,

I spent 24 years in the Army and am not generally emotional, but tears of gratitude fill my eyes each time I pass the photo of Richard in the lobby of the Craig Hospital Patient and Family Housing building. I wanted you to know that.

Words cannot express the thanks I feel for the chance you are providing for me to be with my daughter during her recovery from a traumatic brain injury. I am thankful to be able to be so close to our daughter during her rehabilitation. When I look at Richard’s portrait he seems to smile at me and say, “I understand.”

I stopped to read of Richard’s struggle to be there for Melanie’s graduation and for Jordynn’s birth and felt even more compelled to write you. I wanted your family and the Raimondi Foundation Board members to hear from one more among the thousands blessed by your generosity. What a fitting legacy to Richard’s courage and commitment to champion the value of family unity.

This family housing arrangement memorializes Richard’s “daddy-daughter” bond for me in a very personal way. You’ve made it possible for me to be with my daughter when she needs me. I know your family understands what that means without further explanation.

Thank you from the depths of my soul.

Sincerely,

Roger Harvey
Vital equipment required after catastrophic injury may not be covered under a standard insurance policy, or a patient may not have insurance. These costs can be financially devastating. The Craig Hospital Foundation assists in getting patients the equipment they need, so they can be as independent as possible.

**Example Costs:**

**Wheelchairs:**
- $5,000

**Titanium Wheelchair:**
- $6,000

**Sip and puff power recliner wheelchair:**
- $28,000-$32,000

24-hour RN care for vent and trach patients ranges from:
- $40,000 to $56,000 per month,
- depending in which state the patient resides.

That equates up to $672,000 per year.

**Shower Commode Chair:**
- $3,000

**Electric Lift:**
- $2,500

**Electric Hospital Bed:**
- $2,000, or up to $14,000 for a specialty mattress

**Environmental Control Units (ECU)**
- $500 - $16,000

Disposable Medical Supplies can cost thousands of dollars per month depending on the equipment required – such as catheter or ventilator supplies.

Technology and Recreation are an integral part of the rehabilitation process:

Sip-n-puff technology which has been used to power wheelchairs has been integrated into fishing poles. The Sip & Puff rod is designed for high quads. The rod has two functions: sip to cast and puff to retrieve. The rod can be mounted on a sip & puff controlled wheelchair allowing the user to direct the cast by positioning the chair to point the rod. This technology is available in hunting rifles as well.
I Am Craig.
Thank You to Our 2010 Donors

Who Supports the Craig Foundation?

- Alumni: 19%
- Alumni Family Members: 6%
- Individuals: 4%
- Organizations: 17%
- Foundations: 47%
- Corporations: 7%

How Were Gifts Used?

- Patient Assistance: 3%
- Capital: 17%
- Hospital Programs: 23%
- Research: 16%
- Unrestricted Operations: 45%
Thank You to Our 2010 Donors

Every donation is appreciated. Because of space considerations we have listed donations of $500 or more for the calendar year of 2010. A complete listing of our donors can be found on our website at: www.craighospital.org/foundation

Nancy Gwilliam – New York
Alumni Family Member

“In supporting Craig through giving, I’m honoring Allan’s memory. I am also saying thank you in the only way I know how to all the staff who saw us through those eight grueling months. Allan’s accident surely made me question my faith in God. But being at Craig gave me new faith in people. In the abstract I knew that people like those at Craig existed. You read about them in magazines and newspapers and hear about them in the news. But I had no personal experience with the selflessness, caring and dedication that greeted us when we arrived at Craig. I can’t begin to tell you the profound effect this group of people had on Allan’s and my life. Their behavior changed how I see the world. I thank God that in the midst of all the stress and uncertainty we had the support of everyone at Craig.”

“Giving to Craig has been a way to express my gratitude, and to support a one-of-a-kind facility.”

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Sue Smith - Kansas  
Alumni Family Member

Floyd Smith came to Craig with a spinal cord injury in 1984 following an airplane crash. Although, unfortunately, he passed away in August 2005 from cancer, “he was a very independent person - THANKS to Craig Hospital,” remarks his wife, Sue Smith.

The Floyd D. Smith Fund at Craig Hospital helps provide financial assistance for recreation equipment and special needs to “enable individuals to get back out into the “real” world that God has given to us and to help these special people to once again enjoy their love of hunting and fishing,” says Sue.

“There are no words to explain the “good” feelings I have when I hear from a Craig patient presenting their desire for assistance from the Floyd Smith Fund.”

“The Fund has made me feel so very proud and happy when I know it is helping someone to be able to do these things once again. Floyd was a very caring person and he wanted to help show the new patients what he had learned from Craig’s Recreation Department and from his own experiences. Craig Hospital’s staff was our family for many years. I still travel to Denver to visit the friends we made there and plan to continue to do so. There are no words to explain the “good” feelings I have when I hear from a Craig patient presenting their desire for assistance from the Floyd Smith Fund.”
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and Mrs. Susan Blake-Smith
Ms. Carol Spaulding

Tom Isaac - Colorado
Craig Alumnus

“I contribute to the Adventure Program, because I experienced first-hand the difference it made in my life. I want to get the word out about this program so others will be inspired to give. These adventure trips challenge you in ways you never dreamed possible, resulting, above all, in increased self-confidence. The only limits we have are the limits we put on ourselves. Somebody who’s disabled can do anything they put their minds to.” According to Carol Huserik, Therapeutic Recreation Specialist, “The Adventure Program gives opportunities to patients, to pursue what they thought was unattainable, or what they perceived to be impossible. Tom now focuses on living life to its fullest, rather than his disability. And from my perspective, he’s just Tom, not Tom with a disability. He is an avid skier and scuba diver and is active in his community.” Tom established the Adventure Program Scholarship Fund.
“The only limits we have are the limits we put on ourselves. Somebody who’s disabled can do anything they put their minds to.”

Leslie Nelson - California
Craig Alumna

“I was a rebellious teenager in 1983 when I was 16. A car accident resulted in both a spinal cord and traumatic brain injury. I continue to donate to Craig Hospital 28 years later, because Craig’s healthcare approach encompasses the whole person, not just the injured components of the body. They taught me how to continue on and live my life. I now have two children – one in 3rd grade and one in 5th. I have a fulfilling life and a rewarding career as a teacher.”
Caring for Colorado

The mission of the Caring for Colorado Foundation is to promote and serve the health care needs of the people of Colorado. The Caring for Colorado Foundation was created to achieve a vision that ensures the people of Colorado are the healthiest in the nation. It is their intention that grants to organizations will result in measurable and visible improvements in the health of individuals and communities.

Craig Hospital has been the fortunate recipient of grants from the Caring for Colorado Foundation.

“Craig Hospital’s Spinal Cord Injury Nurse Advice Line (NAL) has improved access to expert staff for an extremely high-risk population. The statewide reach of Craig’s NAL is especially important for patients, health care providers and caregivers in rural Colorado where access to specialized medical care is unavailable. The Foundation is pleased to have provided the start-up funding for this important resource,” said Caring for Colorado President and CEO Chris Wiant.

Staying healthy is work for anyone, yet for people living with a spinal cord injury (SCI), this task is much more complex. Calls come from family members and health care providers who need expert advice from Craig’s specialized staff. The award-winning nurse advice line is staffed with nurses licensed in all 50 states.

The Craig Hospital Nurse Advice Line operates from 9:00 am - 4:00 pm MST on Monday through Friday. If you or someone you know needs non-emergent advice, call 1-800-247-0257.
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Burg Simpson “PITCHES IN” For Craig

Burg Simpson Eldredge Hersh & Jardine, P.C., kept the ball rolling for contributions to Craig. In the spring, they announced “Hits for Craig 2010.” Every time the Colorado Rockies hit a home run, the attorneys at Burg Simpson made a donation to Craig. In the fall, the program was continued with a donation to Craig for each touchdown made by the Denver Broncos and the CU Buffs. Peter Burg remarked, “I have been involved in many cases involving spinal cord and brain injuries. I have seen first-hand the devastating effects these injuries can have on people.”

Peter also coordinated and financed the production of several commercials and a spot on Colorado and Company with Mike Fordyce, President and CEO of Craig that educated the community about Craig Hospital and encouraged the public to donate.

Peter’s firm was also an Anniversary sponsor of the PUSH event in March.

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Kroenke Sports Enterprise (KSE)

One of KSE’s primary focuses has been the Colorado community and civic causes. More than $15.5 million in contributions have been made to Colorado charities through Kroenke Sports Charities and the Denver Nuggets and Colorado Avalanche Community Funds. However, there’s another side of Kroenke Sports that isn’t seen in the headlines, and that’s the personal investment by staff—the giving of themselves. Planned and unexpected personal visits by Avalanche, Nuggets, Mammoth and Rapids team members, the Nuggets Dancers, and Rocky provide a welcome respite from rigorous and demanding rehabilitation schedules.

Sydney, had received a gift of tickets to a Denver Nuggets game. She’d never attended a game and had been looking forward to it for weeks. Unfortunately, she was in a serious motor vehicle accident and was unable to attend the game due to her catastrophic injuries. She was devastated, not only because of her injuries, but because she’d missed the game. Her mother was equally as devastated for her daughter, and mentioned it to Laura Magnusson, Craig’s tutor for high school students. One call to Doug Fulton at Kroenke, resulted in a signed Carmelo Anthony jersey the very next day, premium seats and a chance to watch the Nuggets warm up prior to the game as soon as Sydney was physically able to attend.
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Lieutenant Jared Rowlison, Arapahoe County Sheriff’s Office, Public Safety Bureau Patrol Services

“When we were deciding as a class on an organization or cause to support, Craig Hospital was nominated along with a number of other very worthy people and causes. We...ultimately chose Craig, particularly the fund that directly benefits law enforcement officers and their families. Many, if not all of us, have thought someday, heaven forbid, someone we work with, care about, or perhaps someone in this very class might need the amazing care Craig Hospital provides. It is an organization that has regularly shown they are truly committed to those who have been injured while serving and protecting the community.”

Chris Chappell, Craig Hospital Graduate Relations Coordinator accepting a check from Lieutenant Rowlison.
I Am Craig.
Frank Craig Society Members

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The Frank Craig Society includes individuals who have made plans in their wills or estates to leave a legacy to Craig Hospital. These gifts make a significant difference in the future of Craig creating a lasting legacy for the donor, while helping assure the most independent future for those we serve. We thank all of our members—those who have advised us of their plans as well as those who have elected to remain anonymous. For more information about planned giving, and resulting tax savings to your estate, contact Carolyn Wollard at cswollard@craighospital.org, 303-789-8208.

Carl Dick - Colorado
Friend of Craig Hospital

Carl Dick became involved with Craig Hospital out of his incredible respect for Diane Van Deren, ultra athlete and her Miles for a Mission program for Craig. “I came to visit and know Craig Hospital, and it has enriched my life to be able to work with others and see people, truly caring about other people, and making a difference in their lives. One of the first things I noticed was everyone’s smiles and the inspirational quotes all over the hospital. My favorite quote is from Scott Hamilton, “The only major obstacle you can’t overcome is a bad attitude.”’’

More information about Miles for a Mission can be found at www.craighospital.org/foundation

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Sid Durham – Michigan Alumni Family Member

Sid’s wife was a patient at Craig. He remembers being on the last flight from Michigan to DIA during a Denver blizzard. When he got to the hospital to see his wife, he learned that Craig had sent vehicles out to transport the nursing staff to the hospital. “Even though staff knew they could be there for days, they were upbeat, and made the best of it with fun and laughter. The staff and environment was always so inspiring to us—there were even messages on the ceiling for those in bed that offered hope. One of my favorite memories during that blizzard was that the New Foundland Club of Denver brought in their dogs to visit the patients. We’d been missing our dogs, KC and Bubbah, who also happened to be Newfoundlands.”

Sid remarks, “Craig allows no patient to wallow in despondency. It is an oasis in a desert of despair.” Because of his experience at Craig, Sid Durham has included Craig in his estate plans. “To anyone thinking about making an estate gift to Craig—do it now. Set it up now. Craig meant so much to my wife, and so it does to me.”
Nearly 1,000 people attended the Craig Hospital PUSH event, chaired by John and Martha Gart, on March 3, 2011 at the Downtown Denver Sheraton Hotel. It was an evening filled with emotion, inspiration, laughter and tears.

Thank you to PCL Construction, the presenting sponsor, and RE/MAX, the silent auction sponsor. Our Anniversary sponsors included Ameristar, Burg Simpson Eldredge Hersh Jardine, The Gart Companies, Peters Mair Wilcox, PC, and the Seiden and Bartling Families.

Congratulations to Don Digby, the recipient of the Christopher and Dana Reeve Inspiration Award.

Mark your calendars for PUSH 2012 to be held on March 2 at the Denver Downtown Sheraton Hotel.

Our sincere thanks to everyone who contributed resulting in nearly $1 million raised for patient assistance, programs of excellence and research.
We recently launched a video entitled, I Am Craig, which profiles patients undergoing rehabilitation after catastrophic spinal cord or traumatic brain injury at Craig Hospital.

The film depicts the challenges and triumphs experienced from both the patient and the family perspective. This film was highlighted at the 2010 PUSH event, and has just recently been released on the Craig Website, YouTube, Facebook and our Blog. “Chapters” of I Am Craig will be released with more in-depth profiles of the successes of our graduates, including the story about the West Texas pianist, Doug Smith. Stay tuned.

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