



## Fund receives grant from Phillies; 2009 marks fifth anniversary for special cause

### Phillies Charities awards Andrew Farrell Spirit of Courage Fund with special gift just in time for the holidays

The newly crowned world champs of baseball honored the Andrew Farrell Spirit of Courage Fund as part of their 2008 Holiday Giving Party, which awarded over \$275,000 to multiple area charities and non-profit organizations, including a \$5,000 grant to the Fund.

Co-President Craig Mullen accepted the check on behalf of the Spirit of Courage Fund at an event held in the Diamond Club at Citizens Bank Park on Dec. 10, 2008. Phillies dignitaries at the event included president David Montgomery, pitcher Ryan Madson, alumni Garry Maddox and Dickie Noles as well as other members of the Phillies executive staff.

### New Year brings new look to AndrewFarrell.org website

Supporters of the Spirit of Courage Fund will notice an updated look to the AndrewFarrell.org website. The makeover to the site includes a new color scheme and a variety of menu options, dedicated links to the Fund's two annual events and new user-friendly options. Photos, videos and more will be available on the site in the coming months. Special thank you to Erick Wiener who designed the site!

### Andrew Farrell Spirit of Courage Fund teams up with the Youth Advisory Council at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia

Since 2006 funds raised by the Spirit of Courage Fund have directly aided the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP). From monetary donations to surprising young patients at CHOP with gifts during the holidays, the bond between the Fund and CHOP has become a solid one. And in 2009, the partnership will expand to support one very worthy CHOP venture.

Founded in 1999, the Youth Advisory Council (YAC) is a group of young adult patients and siblings (ages 12-18 years old) who use their personal experience to better hospital life for patients and their families. Through targeted projects as well as consultations with doctors, staff members, and families, the YAC offers insight on improving operations at CHOP. YAC members, selected by hospital staff and fellow patients, are youths who have had extensive inpatient or outpatient experience.

The Fund looks forward to supporting the work of the Youth Advisory Council and the goals set forth by this special group.

### Batter up! Fourth annual homerun derby to be held May 16, 2009

Get ready to mark your new 2009 calendars! The fourth annual homerun derby is just around the corner in May. This fun day on the ball field at George Washington High School produces big numbers both in contributions and homeruns, and is a real "can't miss" event. Stay tuned for more information to be announced soon!

### Five years in the making

The new year marks the fifth anniversary of the Andrew Farrell Spirit of Courage Fund. We thank all of our supporters who have helped to make this one of the most successful local charities that supports a great cause in the name of our favorite teammate Andrew Farrell. We've come a long way since we dreamt up the idea of having an event to honor our fallen teammate and it's through the support of so many friends and family that we can see Andrew's dreams fulfilled.

Best wishes in the New Year from all of us with the Andrew Farrell Spirit of Courage Fund!

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