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### Support Our Supporters

In appreciation to those businesses and local owners who have supported us, Hopes Haven launched the "Support Our Supporters" web page. We encourage you to visit and help drive business to those who are contributing in our community.

Visit our supporters [here](#)

## Because a smile is good medicine

May is already upon us, so we wanted to take a moment to update our extended Hopes Haven family on all that 2013 has delivered and what's on the landscape ahead.



As you know, Hopes Haven strives to enrich the life experiences of children facing serious illness or injury. Our programs include special events and VIP events for kids in treatment as well as financial assistance for their families. We hope to see you out at one of our upcoming events!

## Co-Ed Softball Fundraiser in July

### Strike Out Leukemia Tournament

We are proud to announce that the 3rd annual Strike out Leukemia co-ed softball tournament is now open for registration!

**Saturday, July 27th**  
Mission Oaks Park, Camarillo

18 teams within two divisions will square off for an afternoon of friendly competition and fanfare. The event includes a family fun zone, fresh food and a blood and bone marrow drive. So stop in and show your support! It's a an afternoon for everyone to enjoy. We look forward to seeing you at the field!



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## Families We've Helped

*Some of the families we have been able to help because of our amazing supporters.*

### Male, Age 3, Leukemia

This young man has had a very difficult road. He is in need of a BMT but several rounds of chemo have still not been successful in getting the leukemia under control.

### Female, Age 6, Leukemia

This sweet girl has been traveling a rough road. She has a younger brother. Family can use gift cards.

### Female, Age 15, Rhabdomyosarcoma

Patient lives with grandma. Family has had a difficult time since diagnosis emotionally, physically, mentally and financially.

### Female, Age 8, Leukemia

Father is sole provider. Car broke down. Only vehicle for work & doctors appointment. Need assistance with car repair bill.

### Female, Age 6, Leukemia

Has been battling leukemia for two years. 4 siblings. Long road still ahead.

### Female, Age 17, Leukemia

After beating ALL through treatment and a BMT, she has relapsed with AML. She was given her diagnosis on Christmas Day. Both parents are field workers.

### Female, Age 19, Sickle Cell

This young woman was diagnosed with SCD at birth.

Learn more or register [here](#)

## VIP Kids Event USC Baseball Experience

A tour of The Hall of Fame, locker room access, field passes and priority seating were all a part of a great afternoon graciously hosted by USC Baseball. One of our lucky kids, Mikey Fortini, was even chosen to throw out the first pitch! For a strike of course! A big thanks to the USC Athletic Department for making this an experience the kids and families won't soon forget.

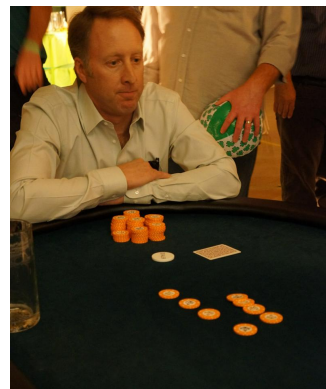


Check out photos from the event [here](#)

## St. Patty Poker Tournament 1st Annual Hopes Haven Charity Benefit

Bets, beats, beers and, heck yeah, oversized leprechauns!!! The First Annual Hopes Haven St. Patty Poker Tournament had it all!

We would like to thank all of the supporters who came out for this inaugural event and made the evening both competitive and carefree. We'd also like to express our gratitude to Mark Scheu for donating the event space. And oh, by the way, congratulations on winning the tournament Mark!



You can take a look at our photo albums [here](#)

## Ways to Help

Wanna lend a hand to Hopes Haven, but not sure

She has worked hard in spite of her disease to live life as normally as possible, but reoccurring pain crises make it challenging.

how? There are several ways that you can help!

**Volunteers:** We're always looking for volunteers for our events! Next up, our Strike Out Leukemia Softball Tournament in July. Let us know if you can help out on gameday!

**Gift Cards:** Gift cards are among our ongoing and critical need for the family giving program. Gas, grocery, Target and Walmart gift cards of any denomination are always welcome.

**Word of Mouth:** If you like what Hopes Haven is about, tell someone! Spreading the word about who we are and what we do is very important to us, so if you haven't yet joined us on [Facebook](#), that is an easy way to help get our mission out into the community.



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