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WDBR CARES FOR KIDS RADIOTHON WILL AIR NOVEMBER 17 AND 18 TO BENEFIT CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

SPRINGFIELD – The sixth annual WDBR Cares for Kids Radiothon presented by CEFCU will air for 26 hours on 103.7 WDBR on November 17 and 18, 2011. The radiothon raises funds and awareness for Children's Miracle Network (CMN) at St. John's Children's Hospital. In the past five years, supporters of the WDBR Cares for Kids Radiothon have raised almost \$500,000 for St. John's Children's Hospital, a proud member of Children's Miracle Network Hospitals.

The WDBR Cares for Kids Radiothon will air both days from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. The station will broadcast live from the lobby of the Carol Jo Vecchie Women and Children's Center, located at 800 E. Carpenter St., Springfield, IL.

New this year is the WDBR Miracle Kids Team Challenge - four "Miracle Kids" with one goal.....to raise one thousand dollars each. Check out the kid's stories at <http://wdb.com/CMN-Team-Challenge/11353292> to make a pledge in honor of their teams, or call (217) 544-KIDS to donate.

Radio personalities Dave Daniels and Dina Michaels are hosting the Radiothon and will talk to families whose children have overcome significant medical challenges as a result of the advanced technology and services available at St. John's Children's Hospital. They will also visit with doctors and staff of St. John's Children's Hospital who will talk about the hospital and how the funds raised by Children's Miracle Network help improve the lives of children in Central Illinois. Representatives from local businesses that have raised funds for Children's Miracle Network will also be interviewed.

The public is invited to attend. Children's Miracle Network t-shirts and other merchandise will be available for purchase in the lobby of the Carol Jo Vecchie Center. For additional information about Children's Miracle Network, please contact Dawn Kuhn, CMN Program Coordinator, at (217) 544-KIDS (5437) or visit www.st-johns.org/cm/2011Radiothon.aspx.

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About St. John's Children's Hospital: St. John's Children's Hospital meets the health care needs of children and their families in central and southern Illinois through the provision of high quality, coordinated care of children with acute and chronic conditions with inpatient, ambulatory, and community-based programs. Through partnership with Southern Illinois University School of Medicine, St. John's Children's Hospital is a unified voice for pediatric health care and philanthropy, volunteerism, child welfare, education, and pediatric program development.

About Children's Miracle Network: Children's Miracle Network raises money for children's programs, equipment, services and research at St. John's Children's Hospital in partnership with SIU School of Medicine. 100% of the funds raised by Children's Miracle Network stay local to support the pediatric programs for the 50,000 children treated each year at St. John's Children's Hospital.

2011 CHILDREN'S MIRACLE NETWORK RADIOTHON BROADCAST TIMES

Thursday, November 17	Miracle Families	Hometown
6:30	Daniel Seales	Springfield
7:30 AM	Austin Wickenhauser	Springfield
8:30 AM	Sam Holt	Springfield
9:30 AM	Annette Ater (Travis's Thiel's Mom)	Springfield
10:30 AM	Everett Rees	Lincoln
11:30 AM	Caden Fenderson	Springfield
1:30 PM	Grace Vaughn	Pana
2:30 PM	Gennah Sue-Ellyn Schwalb	Beardstown
3:30 PM	Keemari Jackson	Springfield
4:30 PM	Brandon McIlroy	Springfield
5:30 PM	Jordan Oakes	Springfield
6:30 PM	Lydia Hannah	Chatham
Friday, November 18	Miracle Families	Hometown
7:30 AM	Nick Brahler	New Berlin
10:30 AM	Addison Gould	Mt. Zion
11:30 AM	Jordan Planitz	Waverly
12:30 PM	Vanessa Little	Springfield
1:30 PM	Emmalee Kelly	Springfield
2:30 PM	Larissa Workman	Nebo
3:30 PM	Brianna Vlach	Rochester
4:30 PM	Madelyn and Maddux Wydell	Mt. Prospect
5:30 PM	Nathan Stuckey	Lincoln
6:30 PM	Kaitlyn Paslay	Decatur