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Family and Friends Celebrate Betty and Frank Stein at SHC - Chicago



Forty-four guests, family and friends of the late Betty Mae and Frank Stein, gathered for a celebratory memorial luncheon at SHC -Chicago recently. The Steins had left through their estate plans an additional gift of \$324,457, which, added to a gift of \$250,000 in 2006, brought their lifetime giving to \$574,457. We shared lunch and memories of the Steins in a lighthearted setting that would have pleased Betty and Frank immensely.

Frank's brother Glenn recalled visits Betty and Frank often made to their home on Sunday afternoons. Upon their arrival in the driveway, all the kids in the neighborhood would gather around the trunk of Frank's car, for they knew it was full of gifts he would bring them every time they visited.

Glenn paid tribute to both Frank's and Betty's parents, who gave each a heritage of thoughtful, kind giving, which Betty and Frank made the guiding principle of their many years together.

Another friend recalled Betty's babysitting their young children during vacation trips. Frank would come over on weekends and take the kids on an outing where their parents might never take them--like to the dog-racing track in Wisconsin. He taught them the intricacies of winning at the dog track. The Steins' dear friend and executor of their estate, Mike Warchol, told of the 72 people and organizations the Steins remembered through their will. "You

seldom see such wide-ranging generosity," he said.

And then we gathered around the Philanthropic Society Wall with members of the Board of Governors, where in 2006, Betty and Frank had placed a plaque for their first gift (right). Brother Glenn replaced that plaque with a new, silver plaque, representing their more than halfmillion-dollar gift to children and our hospital (below). The Steins dedicated their gift to the memory of Glenn's son, their nephew, Dr. Randall Guy Stein, DDS. It was a touching moment, cherished by all and warmly applauded.





Board member Matt Thomann and Chairman Mark Berillo. Gertrude and Glenn stand with daughters Renee Benefiel and Amy Ruble, in memory of Frank and Betty.



