

DONOR PROFILE

Board member, business leader and loyal donor Linda K. Berdine has distinguished herself as a staunch supporter of The Children's Inn. Since joining The Inn's Board of Directors four years ago, Linda has set a high standard of personal giving and insightful governance. Within a year of joining the board, Linda initiated and headed The Inn's Corporate Council, recruiting new members from the corporate community to cultivate support for The Inn.



Linda, an award-winning business executive, brings to The Inn formidable corporate enterprise experience. In 2005, her company, G&B Solutions Inc., a Virginia-based information technology and management-consulting firm, was ranked the sixth fastest growing company in the Washington, D.C. region by the Washington Business Journal. In 2007, Linda not only made generous contributions to The Inn, she also inspired business partners to get involved as well. She has extended a welcome to leaders within the Latino community, banking community, and the technology industry. Linda's ardent leadership has boosted much support for The Inn.

As an officer on the Board of Directors for the Bethesda Chapter of AFCEA (Armed Forces, Communications and Electronics Association), Linda established an enormously successful gala to benefit The Inn. The "Night for the Children" event celebrated its 11th anniversary this year, contributing more than \$3 million over the years to benefit seriously ill children and families at The Inn.

Linda didn't stop there. Last year, still serving on the Advisory Board for AFCEA, she worked with this group to launch a new decade of dedication to The Inn, creating the AFCEA Bethesda Endowment. This endowment will ensure a lasting gift to The Inn, sustaining our important mission for many years to come. On a personal level, Linda's foundation donated \$110,000 to build a multi-use outdoor Sport Court at The Inn, which gives our residents a chance to relieve stress and unwind after a day of rigorous treatment at the NIH Clinical Center.

"Every time a family picks up a tennis racket or a volleyball on the Sport Court, we will think of Linda and her overwhelming support of The Inn," said Kathy L. Russell, CEO of The Inn. "Her commitment to create an even-more comfortable place like home humbles us all."