

## FIWT 2021-2022 COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT

*“No Child Should Die in the Dawn of Life....”*



Hello Everyone!

Our wonderful President, Sue Finke has chosen St. Jude's Children Hospital as her chosen Community Service Project.

We are going to have several fund-raising contests throughout this next year with the first one beginning on November 1, 2021 and will end on January 31, 2022.

Okay here goes...your first Eazy-Peezy Challenge!!!!



**COLLECT ALL QUARTERS!** How easy is that? Have your members collect quarters at their office and then bring to the monthly meeting for a total count. Each local can even do something extra and decorate their quarter jar and take a picture of it and tag me on Facebook with your monthly count. I want to see those jars of quarters! Make it interesting...make it fun....make it a friendly competition so that we can all make this fund-raiser a great success!!! Who knows...there might be a little present from me to present to your local for a little drawing! But you gotta bring those quarters and share and tag me! Then after I see all the tags, that local will get put in my magic hat and I will draw at the end of each month! FUN! FUN! FUN! 😊

There is a tally sheet to send to me at the end of the Sue's year as President. Oh and there is a prize to the local who raises the most money! You can email to me, Susan Meissner at [susantynner1965@aol.com](mailto:susantynner1965@aol.com). But don't worry, you will definitely be hearing from me throughout the year!

Collect those quarters in a frenzy for this first quarter and get ready for the challenge of the next "quarter" (pardon me for a little humor!!) **READY ! SET! GO!**



As a young man, [Danny Thomas](#) had a simple goal: to entertain people and be successful enough at it to provide for his wife and family. But work wasn't easy to come by.

As he and his family struggled, his despair grew. He wondered if he should give up on his dreams of acting or find a steady job. He turned to St. Jude Thaddeus, the patron saint of hopeless causes. "Show me my way in life," he vowed to the saint one night in a Detroit church, "and I will build you a shrine."

That prayer to St. Jude marked a pivotal moment in his life. Soon after, he began finding work, eventually becoming one of the biggest stars of radio, film and television in his day.

And as one of the world's biggest celebrities, Danny used his fame to fulfill his vow to St. Jude Thaddeus and to change the lives of thousands of children and families.

By 1955 Danny and a group of Memphis businessmen he'd rallied to build the hospital decided it should be more than a general children's hospital. At the time, the survival rate for childhood cancers was 20%, and for those with acute lymphoblastic leukemia (ALL) — the most common form of childhood cancer — only 4% of children would live. They believed that St. Jude could help these families with nowhere else to turn. St. Jude would become a unique research institution where the world's best doctors and scientists would work together to cure childhood cancer, sickle cell and other deadly diseases.

And for families with children battling these diseases, Danny wanted to remove the burden of treatment costs so they were free to focus on their child.

The idea of his shrine to St. Jude set, Danny and his supporters focused on raising the funds to build and maintain it.

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital opened its doors on February 4, 1962, based on Danny's dream that "no child should die in the dawn of life". Since then, incredible strides in childhood cancer research have been made. Improvements of survival rate of childhood cancer from 20% to 80% and with a virtual death sentence in 1962, now has a survival rate of 84 percent!

Still today, families will never receive a bill from St. Jude for treatment, travel, housing or food because all they should worry about is helping their child live.

Danny Thomas passed away in 1991, but his legacy continues with endurance and a commitment to saving the lives of children everywhere. St. Jude won't stop until no child dies from cancer.



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<b>LOCAL ASSOCIATION:</b>		
<b>NOVEMBER</b>		
<b>DECEMBER</b>		
<b>JANUARY</b>		
<b>Quarter 1 Total</b>		
<b>FEBRUARY</b>		
<b>MARCH</b>		
<b>APRIL</b>		
<b>MAY</b>		
<b>Quarter 2 Total</b>		
<b>JUNE</b>		
<b>JULY</b>		
<b>AUGUST</b>		
<b>Quarter 3 Total</b>		
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>		
<b>Final Challenge Total</b>		
<b>GRAND TOTAL COLLECTED 2021/2022</b>		