



## Shriners Hospitals And Our Lives

### Reaching For Their Dreams



**HELPING CHILDREN AT NO CHARGE**—In the Shreveport Shriners Hospital school room, Jacob, 7, a cerebral palsy patient, shows his teacher, Kim Creggan, how well he has learned to count by using numbers placed on his fingers.

(NAPSA)—After almost 80 years of caring for children, the Shriners Hospital for Children in Shreveport, La., continues to provide specialized health care to thousands of children. A dedicated staff provides the means, the compassion and motivation—to help children at no charge.

But through all the care and dedication that the children receive, there is one thing that begins within themselves—their dreams. All they require to reach these dreams are the treatment and care to make them able; the encouragement from caregivers, friends and family; support from the Shriners; and the determination that is in their own spirit. The Shreveport Shriners Hospital

has proven over and over again that dreams really do come true.

For more information on Shriners' network of 22 hospitals that provide medical care and services totally free of charge to children with orthopaedic problems, burns and spinal cord injuries, write to: Shriners International Headquarters, Public Relations Dept., 2900 Rocky Point Dr., Tampa, FL 33607, or visit the Web site at [www.shrinershq.org](http://www.shrinershq.org). Treatment is provided to children under age 18 without regard to race, religion or relationship to a Shriner.

If you know a child Shriners can help, call 1-800-237-5055 in the United States, or 1-800-361-7256 in Canada.