

Irish medium donates thousands to Crumlin hospital

THE renowned Irish medium, Tom Colton has donated €2,400 that he raised from supporters and clients following a recent national tour and Halloween fundraiser to Crumlin children's hospital.

The Southside hospital was chosen as Tom's official charity after his daughter Katie was admitted there with meningitis in 2007.

With the help of the staff she has made a full recovery and this was Tom's way of saying thank you to the hospital.

He also had collection boxes at all his events and his fans gave very generously.

"The Crumlin children's hospital has had a close place in my heart ever since my daughter Katie was rushed there with meningitis in 2007," he said. "Thankfully, because of the quick reaction and hard work of the medical staff at the hospital, after spending a week in hospital that Katie made a full recovery. Thank you to everyone who contributed to make this significant donation possible."

Gerry Cully, the community fundraising manager at the Children's Medical Research Foundation, the fundraising arm at the Crumlin hospital, added: "The hospital is finding it tough during the recession and desperately needs donations for much needed resources and equip-

ments. I would like to thank Tom Colton and his supporters for their generosity. It is very much appreciated and we will use it for one of the many important projects currently underway at the hospital."

Tom's fundraising for Crumlin children's hospital does not stop here as he has launched a campaign for newly reformed non-smokers, especially those who have given up following a New Year's resolution, to donate the cost of a packet of cigarettes to the hospital.

Tom is also undertaking a 10-day trek through the rainforests of Brazil in October to raise money for the hospital. He is hoping to raise €10,000.

Donations for both the cigarette campaign and Brazil trek can be made through www.tomcolton.com and by clicking on the Crumlin children's hospital page.

Tom would like to thank the following sponsors for their help in making the Halloween With Spirit charity event possible: The Dublin People, The Fresh Creative, Irish Web Developers, Armada Hotel and Absolute Limousines.



● Tom Colton and Gerry Cully at the cheque presentation for Crumlin children's hospital.