

SEVEN HILLS DEDICATION

Friday October 13, 2006

Seven Hills of Groton dedicated their West Wing in which the Massachusetts Knights of Columbus was a major benefactor.

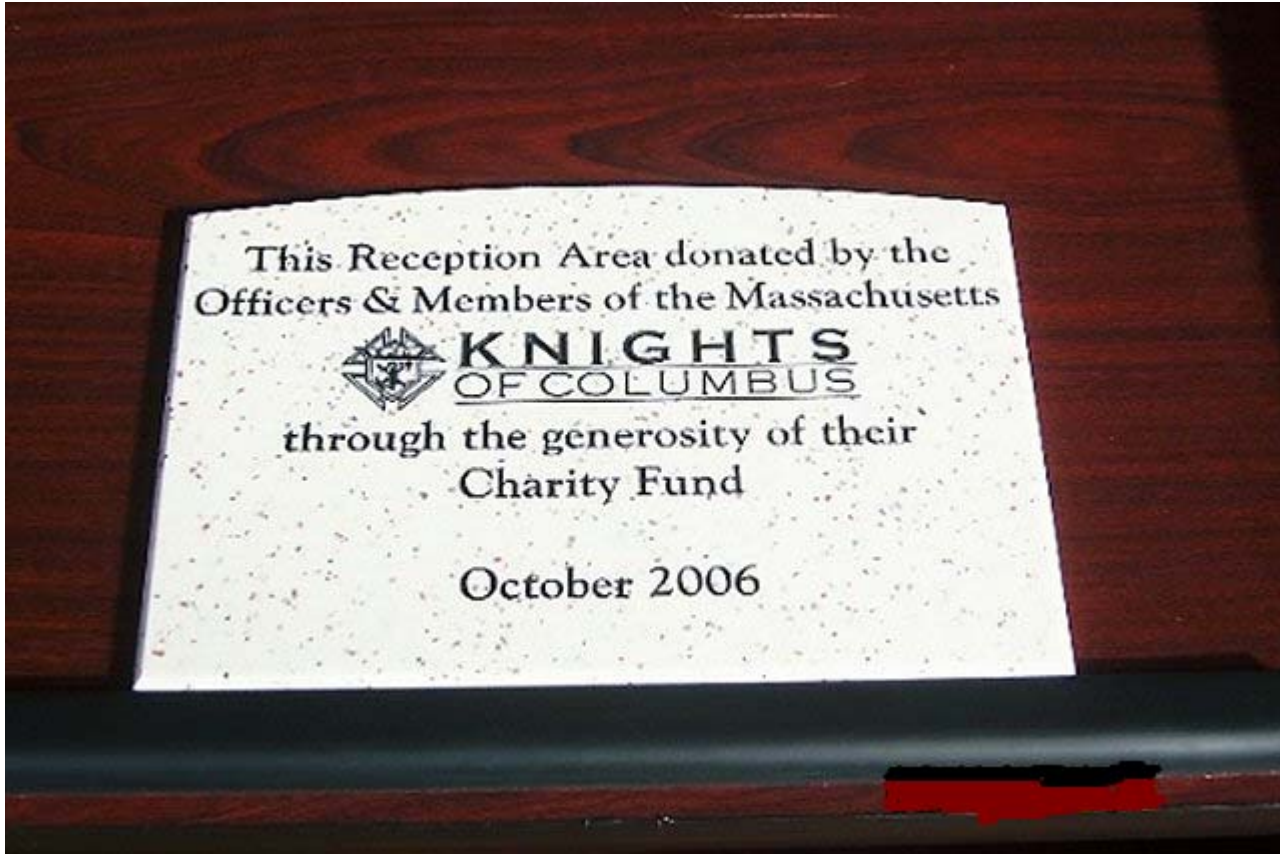
October 2006, Groton, MA: On Friday, October 13, 2006 **Seven Hills Foundation** dedicated the grand opening of the West Wing of its **Seven Hills at Groton**—Pediatric Skilled Nursing Community. This event represents a major milestone for families in the Commonwealth whose children have profound disabilities and who have been unable to locate beds within existing aging facilities. With the completion of Phase One of this \$13 million renovation and expansion project, **Seven Hills Foundation** will be able to accommodate not only families seeking long-term care, but those seeking respite care as well. This facility is one of the finest in the nation with the inclusion of the latest state-of-the-art technology, equipment, and residential amenities for 83 children and young adults who are profoundly developmentally delayed and have complex medical needs. **Seven Hills at Groton** is one of only a few facilities nationally that has been modernized and can accommodate children with the combined medical complexity of respirators, ventilators, and gastrointestinal feeding tubes. Of the children who live at Groton, 50 percent have congenital birth defects, 30 percent have a post infection issue (meningitis, undetected infections) and 20 percent are post trauma (falls from bicycles, drownings).

The West Wing at **Seven Hills at Groton** adds 22,000 square feet of large, brightly decorated rooms and corridors providing an alternative to more institutional-style nursing homes. By the completion of the two-phase project, 48 new beds will have been created to eliminate the overcrowded conditions in the original facility which hasn't been updated in decades.





State Secretary Bill Donovan addresses dedication gathering acknowledging Knights of Columbus' donation.



Plaque to be placed in Reception Area stating the donation by Knights of Columbus' through the generosity of their Charity Fund.



State Advocate Peter Healy displays plaque presented to the Knights of Columbus.