

## NEWS FROM YOUR ELKS MAJOR PROJECT . . .

### **Grateful parents send their thanks to Joan Adam, Pediatric Vision Screener:**

Our four year old son has had a complete physical each year. The pediatrician had tested his eye sight to be 20/30 in August of 2002. So when we received your form stating that J.T.'s eye sight was 20/50 in his left eye we made an appointment for his vision to be tested further.

It turns out he has a lazy eye and needs to wear glasses all the time. We will be visiting his eye doctor regularly to monitor his progress. We appreciate the work the Elks of California and Hawaii are doing in this area. We are ever so grateful for your findings as his condition is irreversible after age 9/10.

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### **A Grateful mother writes to Barbara Huey, Regional Manager, North/Hawaii:**

Thank you and the Elks organization so much for providing speech therapy to my four-year-old son, Jordan. Speech therapy is very expensive, but we would have tried to find the funds to get him the help he needed because early intervention is so critical. Luckily, he received better quality care than he would have gotten at any price through your program.

Mrs. Charlene Robles {Speech-Language Pathologist} has been working with him since the beginning of this year, until the end of July when he starts kindergarten. Mrs. Robles has a wonderful, patient, up-beat manner with children and Jordan has such fun with her that he doesn't even realize he's working.

It has also been very beneficial for my husband and I to attend the sessions as Mrs. Robles has been educating us on what Jordan's difficulties are and how we can help him. It has greatly lessened all of our frustrations.

Please continue your good work. This program is a blessing to parents and children in Hawaii.



**A coin a day so they can walk, talk, see and play!**