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SECOND MEDAL OF COURAGE PRESENTATION --

The second Priory Medal of Courage presentation was made today, Saturday, 7 December 2013 to Master Ty Edward Crowninshield of Covington, Louisiana. The occasion was his Eighth Birthday Celebration and his 5th year of being cancer free. Early on Ty suffered from retinoblastoma, a cancer of the eye which wasn't diagnosed until very late and by the time it was addressed Ty nearly lost his life. One more week's delay and he would have been terminal. His story appeared recently on Fox 8 TV News. See the news clip at: <http://www.fox8live.com/story/24087802/6-year-old-abita-springs-boy-sees-things-differently-after-being-cancer-free-for-5-years> .

Chvse. Cheryl Egan is a friend of Ty's mom, Mrs. Sandra Crowninshield, which is how we came by the story earlier this week. There was no time to notify the priory membership of the presentation as it took all we could do to arrange it for today.

Participants were Past Priors Chev. Ray Egan and Chev. Russ Copping, ably assisted by Chev. Blake Coleman traveling all the way from Gulfport (and who also assisted in the first medal presentation at our October 12 C&I.)

It was a very cold, very gray day and there were no worries about overheating in the chain maille and tunics today! But, the chilly weather was worth braving to make the presentation.



Any Priory member knowing of a child who is battling severe or life threatening illness please advise the Prior or Chev. Russ to arrange a medal presentation. We will still be organizing hospital visits to children at Children's Hospital or indeed, any local hospital who has children in the same circumstances.

Fraternally yours,
Non Nobis Domine,

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