



# University Health System

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## **Christmas comes about a month late for one S.A. Baby**

*“Children are the hope of the world.” - José Martí*

**He or she isn't even born yet, but January 28 will be an exciting “birth” day for one lucky San Antonio baby.** As they do every year, members of the Cultural Center will come to University Hospital to honor a baby born on the birth date of Cuban leader José Martí. This event is part of a program called, “Hope for the World.”

Before the communist takeover of Cuba, it was customary to celebrate the birthday of José Martí, Cuba's “Father of Independence,” who was born January 28, 1853. Organizations throughout Cuba presented babies born on Jose Martí Day with a *Canastilla Martiana* (a complete layette).

The tradition lives on at University Hospital. The baby born January 28, determined to be most in-need, will receive the *Canastilla Martiana* - including crib, play pen, car seat, bouncy seat, toys, bottles, diapers, clothing and more. All other babies born that day will each receive a small gift.

The Cuban Cultural Center of San Antonio also takes this time each year to express its deepest gratitude to the city of San Antonio for the warm welcome it has always given to Cubans.

**What: Presentation of “everything for baby” to one child born at University Hospital on José Martí's birthday**

**Who: New parents with their baby, being showered with gifts  
Members of the Cuban Cultural Center of San Antonio**

**When: Monday, January 28 at 1:00 p.m.**

**Where: University Hospital - 4502 Medical Drive  
(Meet in Corporate Communications, first floor)**