



I wish to go to Atlantis

Ilijah
Onondaga County
Cancer

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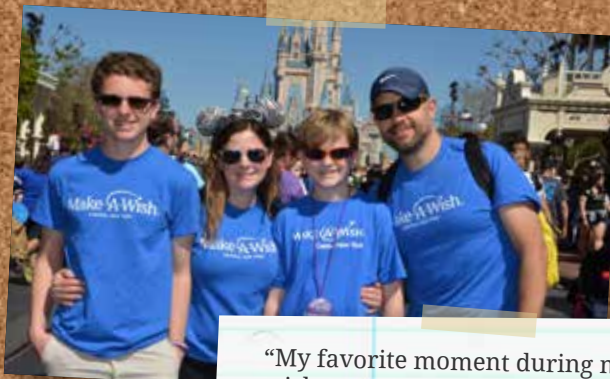
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Wish Voices



"My favorite moment during my wish was my private wand ceremony at Harry Potter World in Universal Studios. I have learned that good memories can help you through bad times. I want people to know that a wish isn't just a one-time thing, it stays with them for life."

Wish kid Noah Satterlee



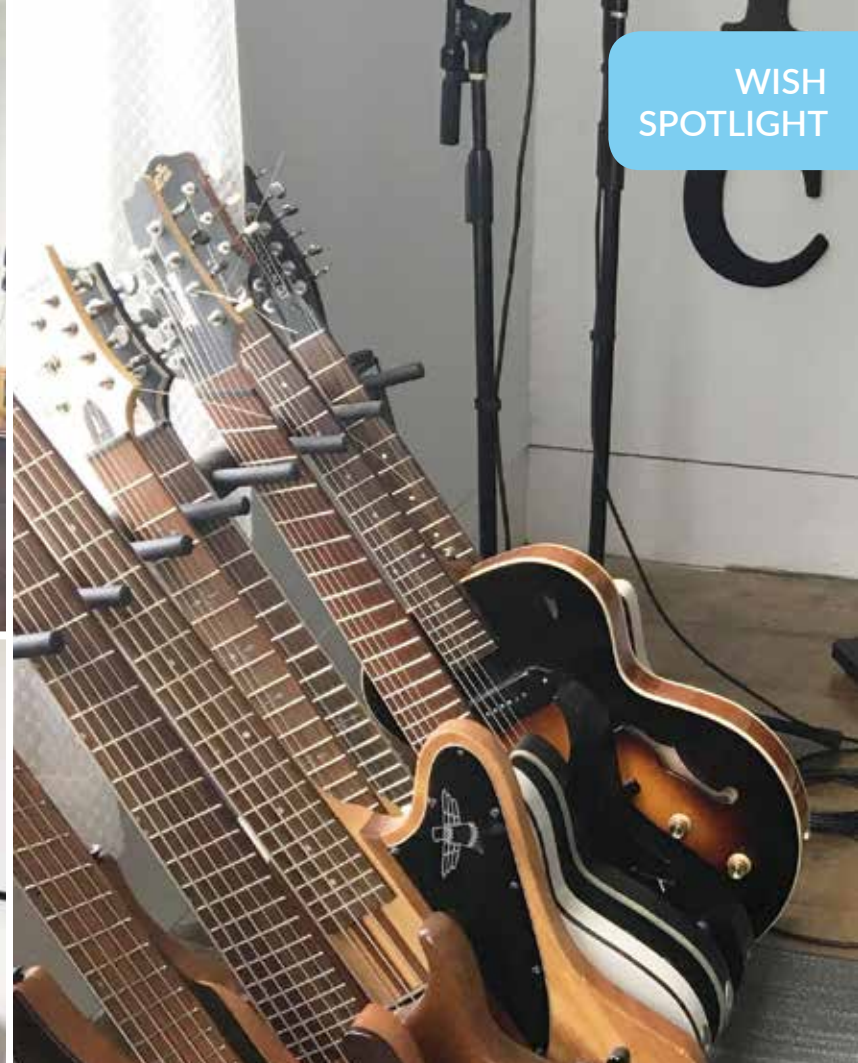
"Make-A-Wish's mission is simply amazing and the impact on these children is indescribable. When Evan was having a sad day or feeling sick or scared and there was little we could do to see his smile, we were able to remind him he could make any wish he wanted. Just for a moment he was able to focus on something other than needles, medicine and germs. We appreciate Make-A-Wish for everything. Thank you!"

Katie Andrews, Stepmom to wish kid Evan (wish to go to Atlantis)



"Thank you so much for everything you have done for our family. I will be forever grateful!"

Carrie Failing, Mom of wish kid Anna



Recording A Wish

Seventeen-year-old Jake has overcome many obstacles since being diagnosed with a severe gastrointestinal disorder. But the Chenango County teen hasn't let these bumps in the road slow him down. One of the things that has helped him through tough times is his passion for Jazz music. He enjoys playing the electric guitar and upright bass, but his instrument of choice? The double bass.

Jake was accepted to the Interlochen Center for the Arts, one of the most prestigious fine arts boarding schools in the country. Unfortunately, Jake's health challenges sidelined his dreams of attending Interlochen. But Jake refused to give up on music.

Jake wanted to take his music to the next level. When Make-A-Wish® Central New York presented the opportunity for a wish, Jake asked for his own personal recording studio. We transformed an ordinary room in his home into a recording paradise filled with high-end amps, monitors, audio equipment, and new guitars. Now Jake is able to practice and record his music from the comfort of his own home.

Special thanks to the following individuals and sponsors for making Jake's wish come true: Guitar Center (Johnson City), Green Family Foundation, and Paula Boghosian.

2019 SUGARMAN LAW FIRM WISH BALL



Life-changing wishes were in the spotlight Sept. 21st during our 2019 Sugarman Law Firm Wish Ball. Wish kid Nikki Bronner, who received a wish in 1992, served as guest speaker alongside wish mom Brenda Haggett, whose son Zach passed away earlier this year. The pair conveyed the long-term impact their wish experiences have had on them and their families.

The evening's highlights included recognition of Corporate Honoree Tarson Pools and Spas, Individual Honorees Trish and Sal Papparone, and Cindy Award Honoree Robin Tarson, as well as a touching reveal of Make-A-Wish Central New York's 2020 Wish Calendar. The evening's entertainment was provided by local band, "Loose Gravel."

We extend our sincere gratitude to all who made this year's Wish Ball a reality, including Honorary Co-Chairs Deb and Pat Rao, and sponsors Sugarman Law Firm, Bankers Healthcare Group, BNY Mellon, Carrols Corporation, Carrier Corporation, Golisano Children's Hospital Pediatrics Department, Northwestern Mutual, Print Solutions Plus, and TTM Technologies.

Make-A-Wish Selected as Beneficiary of 15th Annual SPM Charity Sports Auction



Make-A-Wish Central New York has been chosen as beneficiary of the 15th Annual Sport Management (SPM) Club at Syracuse University Charity Auction – an event that could potentially generate over \$40,000 for local wishes! This year's event takes place **Saturday, Nov. 16th** in the backcourt of the S.U. vs. Seattle University men's basketball game at the Dome. **Doors open at 5:00 PM.** More than 500 auction items will be on hand, from sports memorabilia to jewelry, kids items to electronics – there will be something of interest for everyone! Start your holiday shopping with us. Support the Orange and make wishes come true!

For details, visit sucharitysportsauction.com.
See you at the Dome!

MAKING WISHES COME TRUE!

Make-A-Wish® Central New York is dedicated to creating life-changing wishes for children with critical illnesses. The following wishes were granted during our last business quarter. Not all wishes granted in this time frame are represented here.

**Please note: Make-A-Wish eligibility requirements mandate children be between the ages of 2 ½ and 18 and have a critical illness to qualify for a wish. Any ages listed as 18 or over is an indication that an individual was deemed eligible prior to age 18 and has been waiting for a wish, either due to illness or other complications.*



ARIA, 7 - Onondaga County
Leukemia
I wish for a playhouse
Wish Granters: Alison Stedman,
Jodi Bellinger, and Steve Morgan



ILIJAH, 19* - Onondaga County
Cancer
I wish to go to Atlantis
Wish Granters: Dorothy Morse and
Melissa MacMillan



DYLAN, 9 - Oneida County
Congenital Heart Disease
I wish to go to Walt Disney World®
Resort
Wish Granters: Lynn Moretz,
Barb Galvin, and Susan Nackley Mojave



DYLAN, 10 - Oswego County
Cystic Fibrosis
I wish to go to Walt Disney World®
Resort
Wish Granters: Connie Jacobs and
Sandy Stickler



STANLEY, 15 - Oneida County
Genetic Disorder
I wish to ride ATVs through the
Arizona desert
Wish Granters: Susan Nackley Mojave,
Ken Dining, and Lynn Moretz



JASMINE, 19* - Onondaga County
Lymphoma
I wish to have a bedroom makeover
Wish Granters: Brittany O'Malley and Deb Angarano



SAVANNAH, 8 - Onondaga County
Cancer
I wish to go to Walt Disney World® Resort
Wish Granters: Megan Taggart and Brittany O'Malley



RORI, 5 - Onondaga County
Cystic Fibrosis
I wish to go to Walt Disney World® Resort
Wish Granters: Terry Baum and Sabrina Robinson



CORA, 18* - Jefferson County
Nervous System Disorder
I wish to have my own swimming pool
Wish Granters: Kelli Bell and Laura Oram



EMRAN, 8 - Broome County
Leukemia
I wish to go to Walt Disney World® Resort
Wish Granters: Make-A-Wish Central New York Staff



KAILIK, 9 - Broome County
Heart Condition
I wish to go to Walt Disney World® Resort
Wish Granters: Dorothy Beylo and Debbie Kason



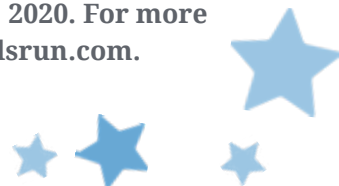
1000 Islands Charity Poker Run *raises \$60,000 for wishes!*



The third annual 1000 Islands Charity Poker Run took place in July on the scenic St. Lawrence River in Clayton, NY. The boating event attracted more than 100 participants from around the country and raised more than \$120,000 for local charities, including \$60,000 for Make-A-Wish Central New York!

The 1000 Islands Charity Poker Run Corp. is a 501c3 nonprofit organization dedicated to the charitable needs and economic development of the Thousand Islands Region. With the support of devoted volunteers and generous sponsors, their mission is to provide an exciting event in a safe environment to promote the region and raise money and awareness for local charities.

The event returns July 17-19, 2020. For more information, visit 1000islandsrun.com.



VOLUNTEERS OF THE MONTH

Congratulations to our volunteers of the month who have gone above and beyond in their support of our chapter!



MAY: Tim Monaco

As an "airport greeter," Tim frequently rises at the crack of dawn, way before he's due at his engineering job at O'Brien & Gere. His purpose: to meet wish families embarking on or returning from their once-in-a-lifetime wish trips! Thanks for helping our families navigate the sometimes unfamiliar airport hallways, Tim. We – and they – are grateful!



JUNE: Nelcorp Make-A-Wish Open Committee

The committee worked hard throughout the year to stage an amazing event. In spite of inclement weather, golfers turned out and the committee surpassed its fundraising goal. Net raised: \$35,500! Congrats to Chairs Mary Ann and Paul Egan and Committee Members Dorothy Beylo, Michelle Cornwell, Barb Jackowski, Marissa Mach, Terri Mach, Andrew Norton, Brenda Simms, and Karen Witbeck. We are grateful for you all!



JULY: Sue Morison

Two years ago, volunteer photographer Sue Morison offered her services. Since then, her work has become an integral part of our Wish Calendar and an important addition to our event coverage. Thank you for your time and talent, Sue!

DONATE YOUR TIME TO MAKE
WISHES COME TRUE

WE HAVE OPENINGS FOR
EVENT AND FUNDRAISING
VOLUNTEERS!

Each year, Make-A-Wish Central New York implements five special events, including the Make-A-Wish Open in Baldwinsville, the Nelcorp Make-A-Wish Open in Johnson City, Walk on the Wild Side in Chittenango, the Sugarman Law Firm Wish Ball in Syracuse, and the Ms. Orange Fan Luncheon in Syracuse. Collectively, these internal events raise over \$300,000 annually in support of local wishes. Our success is directly linked to stellar volunteer committees, who handle everything from soliciting items for basket raffles to event logistics. Committee volunteers are creative, committed, flexible and willing to do what it takes to get the work done. They also have big hearts and a passion for our mission!

If this sounds like you, please join us!

Contact Make-A-Wish Central New York Volunteer & Community Outreach Manager Katie Aiello at kaiello@cny.wish.org or 315-475-WISH (9474).

Reach out and find out how you can help make wishes come true!



Thank You to our community partners!



John Lloyd Golf Tournament

The 6th Annual John Lloyd Make-A-Wish Golf Tournament, held in June in honor of wish kid John Lloyd, enjoyed another successful year. The tournament took place once again at Twin Ponds Golf and Country Club in New York Mills and this year gathered 148 golfers. Total raised for wishes: \$17,000. Thank you to the Lloyd family for keeping the tradition going!

FabFit for Wishes

Wish mom Lorianne Quig and the members of her local exercise group held a FabFit fundraiser this summer that raised \$525 in support of local wishes! Thank you, ladies!



Cars, Wishes & Exelon

Oswego residents Derrick Falcetti and Derek Breitbeck coordinated a car show in Oswego to raise funds for Make-A-Wish Central New York. Not only was their event successful - \$8,600 raised - the longtime friends appealed to their employer, Exelon, for an additional donation of \$5,000. We're already anticipating next year's event!



Ice Cream for Breakfast

Special thanks to wish kid Noah and family and Penguin Ice Cream & Snack Bar for their annual "Ice Cream for Breakfast" fundraiser, which this year raised more than \$4,000 for local wishes!





Disney Collection Donation

Longtime volunteer and former board member Bob Davidson was ready to part with his Disney collectibles. Who better than to share the collection (valued at \$10,000+) with than Make-A-Wish Central New York? Thank you, Bob!



Volleyball for Wishes

Wish kid Matt Zabycz, 22, has wanted to pay it forward since receiving his wish to go to Walt Disney World® Resort in 2010. Matt recently grabbed some friends and headed to Trapper's in East Syracuse, where they staged a volleyball fundraiser. The event raised \$2,321! Thank you, Matt!



STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Student Fundraising: Making Wishes Come True

The Kids for Wish Kids® and Wishmakers on Campus® programs are for students in grades K through 12 and college who want to raise awareness about and funds for wishes. We thank the following students and schools for working this past quarter to make wishes come true!

1. Chance & Parker Birthday Donation

Every year for at least the past six years, Chance and Parker celebrate their birthdays with family and friends. But instead of accepting presents, these generous guys donate their birthday money to Make-A-Wish Central New York! This year they donated over \$100! Thank you for keeping the tradition going!

2. Stage Notes

Make-A-Wish Central New York wish-granting volunteer Vicki Devlin serves on the board of directors at "Stage Notes Performance With A Purpose," a high school-aged theatrical group with a passion for community service. Each year, the group donates some of their show profits to the community and this year they chose to donate \$1,000 to our chapter! Thank you all!

3. Lemonade Stand for Wishes

Wish kid Kyla and her brothers, Killian and Karston, held a summer lemonade stand for wishes in their neighborhood. This dynamic trio, thanks to help from mom Melissa, raised \$220 for wishes! Great job, guys!

4. Cookies for Wish Families

For the second year in a row, Girl Scouts from Chittenango Troop 20297 donated boxes of cookies to our wish kids and families. They didn't last long! Thanks to these scouts and their generous customers for sharing these tasty treats with our families!



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One Wish at a Time

We create life-changing wishes for children with critical illnesses. With more than 150 wishes in process, we need your support now more than ever. Help us create magical, **once-in-a-lifetime wishes** for kids facing daunting life experiences!

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