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Greater Trenton Dart League



Dear Members of the Greater Trenton Dart League,

On behalf of Make-A-Wish® New Jersey, I would like to thank you once again for your generous contribution through the *11th Annual Darts for Dreams Dart-a-thon*. This year your efforts have totaled \$50,000.00, and have funded Jonathan's wish to go on a Caribbean cruise, Natyana's wish to go to the Walt Disney World® Resort, Catherine's wish to go to the Walt Disney World® Resort, Sophia's wish to go to set of *The Walking Dead*, and Honorise's wish to go to Island Dolphin Care Camp. It is my honor to tell you a little more their wishes:

Jonathan is a thirteen-year-old boy from Mercer County. Like many other boys his age, he loves Will Smith, *Minecraft*, chess, and cheetos. His favorite color is red and he loves animals, especially dogs, turtles, and lizzards. Jonathan loves to play soccer, the piano, and the trumpet in his spare time. However, unlike most kids his age, Jonathan has a hematologic disorder. When our volunteers visited Jonathan and asked him that one magical question, "If you could have one wish, what would it be?" Jonathan wished to go on a Caribbean cruise so that he and his family could spend quality time together and that he could eat some nice, juicy crab! This summer, Jonathan's wish was granted when he and his family were whisked away on a Royal Caribbean cruiseliner and were able to visit exotic islands, enjoy a special stateroom, and participate in all of the activities on-board ths ship!

Natyana is a seventeen-year-old girl from Mercer County who has been diagnosed with a hematologic disorder. Her favorite movie is *White Chicks*, and she loves Beyonce, Tyler Perry, ice cream, and burgers. In her free time, Natyana enjoys cheerleading, going to the park and reading, and playing *Wii*. When our volunteers visited Natyana and asked her that one magical question, "If you could have one wish, what would it be?" Natyana wished to go to the Walt Disney World® Resort! Natyana wants to see the Minions because they make her laugh and she has never been to a theme park before and wants to go on the roller coasters, meet the princesses, and get dressed up!



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This summer, Natyana's wish was granted when she and her family were whisked away to Orlando, Florida where they will stay at Give Kids the World Village - a special area near Disney, reserved specifically for wish children. While staying there, our wish children are treated like VIPS to amenities such as 24-hour ice cream service, character meet-and-greets, having characters read them bedtime stories, as well as being able to jump to the front of every line at all of the Disney parks with a special button! Our wish children also have the opportunity to visit Universal Studios and Sea World, where their VIP treatment continues!

Catherine is a twelve-year-old girl from Mercer County. Like many other girls her age, she loves Carrie Underwood, Carly Lloyd, *Pitch Perfect*, and popcorn. Her favorite color is purple and she loves math and sharks. In her spare time, Catherine loves to play soccer and do cartwheels outside. However, unlike most kids her age, Catherine has cystic fibrosis. When Make-A-Wish volunteers visited with Catherine and her family, they asked her that magical question, "If you could have one wish, what would it be?" Catherine wished to go to the Walt Disney World® Resort because she has never been there before and wants to meet the princesses and villains, go to Cinderella's Castle, ride the Mine Train! This fall, Catherine's wish was granted when she and her family were whisked away to Orlando, Florida where they will stay at Give Kids the World Village - a special area near Disney, reserved specifically for wish children. While staying there, our wish children are treated like VIPS to amenities such as 24-hour ice cream service, character meet-and-greets, having characters read them bedtime stories, as well as being able to jump to the front of every line at all of the Disney parks with a special button! Our wish children also have the opportunity to visit Universal Studios and Sea World, where their VIP treatment continues!

Sophia is a sixteen-year-old girl from Mercer County. She loves Jack Nicholson, Jimmy Hendrix, and *The Shining*. Her favorite color is teal, she loves sloths, and, in her spare time, Sophia loves to read. However, unlike most kids her age, Sophia has been diagnosed with a brain tumor. When our volunteers asked Sophia that one magical question, "If you could have one wish, what would it be?" Sophia wished to go to the set of *The Walking Dead* because it's her dream! She wants to meet the cast and shake their hands, see the makeup application, and learn everything about the sets and prosthetics. Sophia's wish came true this fall when she and her family were whisked away to Georgia, where *The Walking Dead* is filmed. During her wish, Sophia got to spend time with cast, take pictures with them and have her posters autographed. She even got to be a VIP on set when they did filming and got to see the set come to life, and be the special guest of Greg Nicotero's at Nic & Norma's Restaurant.



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Honorise is a ten-year-old girl from Mercer County. Like many other girls her age, she loves Barney, Elmo, cats and pretzels. In her spare time, Honorise loves watching Barney, Elmo, and reading her favorite book about cats. However, unlike most kids her age, Honorise has a genetic disorder. When Make-A-Wish volunteers visited with Honorise and her family, they asked her that magical question, “If you could have one wish, what would it be?” Honorise wished to go to Island Dolphin Care Camp! This fall, Honorise’s wish was granted for her birthday when she and her family were whisked away to Key Largo, Florida. Island Dolphin Care Camp is a special place that provides dolphin therapy for children with special needs or have life-threatening medical condition. While there, Honorise got to swim with the dolphins each day and have fun in various water activities! Additionally, Honorise and her family were also able to participate in the Theater of the Sea and go on a glass bottom boat tour!

Your generous support gave Jonathan, Natyana, Catherine, Sophia, and Honorise the opportunity to create memories with their families that they will cherish forever. Once again, thank you for helping us restore hope, strength and joy to the lives of wish children and for *sharing the power of a wish®!*

With warm wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Emily Schonberg". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Emily Schonberg
Manager of External Events

