



August 1, 2018

Mr. Gary Yourman  
Darts for Dreams



Dear Mr. Yourman:

Thank you for your support of Make-A-Wish® New Jersey through the *Darts for Dreams Event*. Your 2018 efforts totaled \$59,000 and have funded Jazaille’s wish to go to Walt Disney World® Resort, Kinsley’s wish to go to Walt Disney World® Resort, Christian’s wish to go on a shopping spree, Katherine’s wish to go to Paris, and Kevin’s wish to go to Hawaii. It is my honor to tell you more about them and their wishes:

*Jazaille is a five-year-old girl from Mercer County. Like most girls her age, she enjoys reading books and stories about princesses, playing Candyland with her family, and watching her favorite television show “Doc McStuffins.” Her favorite color is pink. Her favorite foods are French fries, homemade chocolate chip cookies, and sweet candies. However, unlike most children her age, Jazaille has been diagnosed with a genetic disorder. When our wish granting team visited with Jazaille and her family, and asked her that magical question, “If you could have one wish, what would it be?” Jazaille wished to go to “the most magical place on Earth” because she wants to see all of her favorite princesses!*

*Kinsley is a four-year-old girl from Mercer County. She loves reading books about farm animals and listening and dancing to the song “Elmo’s Got the Moves.” Her favorite color is red. Her favorite foods are mashed potatoes and her mom’s homemade soup. Kinsley, unlike most children her age, has been diagnosed with a genetic disorder. When our wish granting team visited with Kinsley and her family, and asked her that magical question, “If you could have one wish, what would it be?” Kinsley is non-speaking, so her family expressed on her behalf that she would enjoy going to Disney World. Her family further explained that Kinsley’s face lights up every time she sees Mickey, Minnie, and the princesses.*

*This summer, Jazaille and Kinsley and their families will embark on their special adventure to sunny Orlando, Florida. When our families arrive at Give Kids the World— a special village near Disney reserved specifically for our wish children, they quickly begin to realize that this place is like no other. All requests are granted with no limitations — “Yes, you can have ice-cream any time of the day! Yes, wheelchairs are allowed in the pool!” During the day, the family will visit the Disney parks, Universal Studios, and Sea World with a special VIP park pass granting them access to jump to the front of every line! In the evening, they return to a village filled with themed parties, events, and surprises – just for them! This overall experience allows our wish children and families to capture the magic of being a child again and being able to see beyond the reality of their illness and treatments.*



*Christian is a three-year-old boy from Mercer County. He enjoys playing with his toy cars and trucks, listening to his favorite song "Wheels on the Bus," and playing with his baby sister. He loves going to his grandparent's house so much that every time he visits, he jumps up and down with joy! However, unlike most children his age, Christian has been diagnosed with a gastrointestinal disorder. When our wish granting team visited with Christian and his family, and asked him that magical question, "If you could have one wish, what would it be?" Christian is non-speaking, so his family expressed on his behalf that he would enjoy a shopping spree. They further explained that because Christian loves playing with toys, this experience would allow him to purchase more toys.*

*Recently, Christian's wish came true when he was treated to a shopping spree at the Freehold Mall. He received VIP treatment with a limo ride and enjoyed a delicious lunch at one of his favorite restaurants. He had the best time shopping and eating with his family!*

*Katherine is a seventeen-year-old teen from Mercer County. She loves to do yoga, listening to her favorite artist Adele, and cheer on her favorite football team, the Philadelphia Eagles. She is an avid reader and enjoys learning about American history, especially compared to her other classes. One of her most beloved books is "The Help" written by Kathryn Stockett. She prefers Italian food over any other cuisine, her favorite dish is anything with gluten free pasta. However, unlike most teens her age, she has been diagnosed with a gastrointestinal disorder. When our wish granting team visited with Katherine and her family, and asked her that magical question, "If you could have one wish, what would it be?" Katherine wished to go to Paris because she has always admired the French culture and would like to see the Eiffel Tower.*

*This summer, Katherine's wish came true when she and her family travelled to Paris, France. During their adventure, Katherine saw the Eiffel Tower, the Louvre Museum, shopped the French boutiques, and ate all of the delicious foods that France has to offer. Katherine and her family also had a special tour planned of Monet's Garden.*

*Kevin is a thirteen-year-old boy from Mercer County. Kevin loves to read, play hockey with his friends, and watch his favorite television show "The Office." His favorite genre to read is Sci-Fi and his favorite movie is "Star Wars." He loves spicy foods – jalapeno chips are his favorite. Kevin, unlike most children his age, has been diagnosed with cancer. When our wish granting team visited with Kevin and his family, and asked him that magical question, "If you could have one wish, what would it be?" Kevin wished to go to Hawaii because of its tropical weather and beautiful beaches. Kevin also hopes this wish experience will help him keep his mind off of his upcoming treatments.*

*This summer, Kevin's wish will come true when he and his family will be whisked away to the magnificent island of Oahu. While there, they will be able to experience hiking, surfing, snorkeling, seeing waterfalls, rainforests, and wildlife. Kevin is excited to embark on his Hawaiian adventure and embrace the Hawaiian culture.*

*Jazaille, Kinsley, Christian, Katherine, and Kevin and their families will never forget these memorable wish experiences made possible by your generosity.*

Your support has allowed Make-A-Wish New Jersey to take another step towards our vision of creating life-changing wishes for every eligible child in the Garden State.

Once again, thank you for helping us to transform lives, one wish at a time!

Sincerely,

*Tess Badenhausen*

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Manager of External Events

