



Wishful THINKING

Did You Know...

♥ A Special Wish Foundation, Inc. has been granting the wishes of children with life-threatening disorders since 1982.

♥ A Special Wish Foundation, Inc. is the third-largest wish granting organization in the U.S. and the largest one incorporated in Ohio.

♥ 80 percent of all of our wish children request a trip to Disney World as their Special Wish.

♥ A Special Wish Foundation, Inc. is the only major wish-granting foundation in the U.S. which grants wishes to qualifying infants/children/adolescents from birth through 20 years.

♥ 95 percent of the individuals who work for A Special Wish Foundation, Inc. are volunteers.

♥ Donations to A Special Wish Foundation, Inc. are tax deductible to the extent allowed by I.R.S.



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Corbin thinks his new friend is Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious!



Annika gets a check-up from Doc McStuffins!



Madison was so excited to swim with the dolphins!



Ayden is ready to meet Mickey



Daniel and his family pose for a picture with Toby Keith

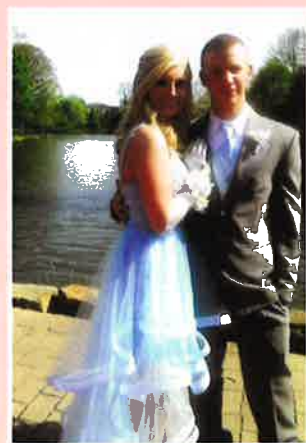
Special Highlight

Emilee was a seventeen-year-old high school senior who enjoyed hanging out with friends, swimming, and shopping. Then the unexpected happened, at the age of sixteen, she was diagnosed with Stage 4 Metastatic Breast Cancer. At seventeen, you don't dream about hospitals and chemotherapy, you dream about graduation . . . and prom.

When approached about a "special" wish, all Emilee wanted was a blonde wig, made from real human hair, which could be styled for her senior prom. This was a "rush" wish since Emilee's prom was just six weeks away!

Looks Unlimited was wonderful in rushing the wig order and getting it to Emilee in time to have it styled for her senior prom. They even styled it for her that day! Emilee wore a light blue dress, which matched her eyes, and her wig was her favorite accessory! She was beautiful!

Unfortunately, Emilee lost her battle to cancer. But that prom night was one of the best days in her young life, and a night that her mother, Sara, will never forget.



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SPECIAL EVENTS...

The Superior Group Celebrates over a Decade of Giving. . .

The Superior Group takes pride in the work they do, and they care about the community that they do it in. Giving back has always been a fundamental part of how their business operates. They strive to make an impact in the community whenever they can.

For the past ten years, The Superior Group has organized an annual golf outing and other events to benefit A Special Wish, one of their primary partners in Central Ohio, and their team has helped raise nearly \$267,000 for the Foundation.

The Superior Group's "Swing for Wishes" golf outing began in 2005, when one family wanted to "give back." Son, Brian, thought a golf outing would not only be fun, but would raise funds. Daughter, Alicia, named it "Swing for Wishes", and the event has continued to grow each year since!

Over the years, their generosity has sponsored numerous wishes, including sixteen-year-old Tahjana's shopping spree, three-year-old Tiffany's bedroom set, and seven-year-old Madison's swimming with the dolphins. The most popular wish, of a Disney World trip, was granted to five-year-old Madison, as well as three-year-old, Ayden, and numerous others.

Thank you, Superior Group, for eleven years of "giving back" to A Special Wish Foundation!



Brian Stewart, President of the Superior Group, with Corbin and Mom



The Edward W. Stewart Memorial sponsoring wishes since 1999...

Once again, A Special Wish Foundation was the recipient of the proceeds from the annual Edward W. Stewart Memorial Golf Outing held in June. This year marked their 16th year and we are so very grateful for their continued support of our Foundation and the very "special" children we serve!

This event was established by brothers, Scott and Ed Stewart, along with their families, to honor the humanitarian legacy of their late father and long-time donor of A Special Wish, Edward, Sr. To date, the Stewart Memorial has generated over \$70,000 for the Foundation and the wishes of 17 children have been granted.

This year's recipient, 10 year-old Jackson, has always been a HUGE fan of Spiderman for as long as his mom can remember. He has every Spiderman movie ever made and has them all memorized. At this year's Stewart Memorial

event, he even received a surprise visit from his Superhero and was excited beyond words! Jackson's wish is to visit the Marvel Theme Park at Disney World so he can see his favorite character, "Spidey". He and his family will be doing that in the upcoming weeks and unbeknownst to Jackson, he will actually be meeting Spidey for a personal one-on-one visit!

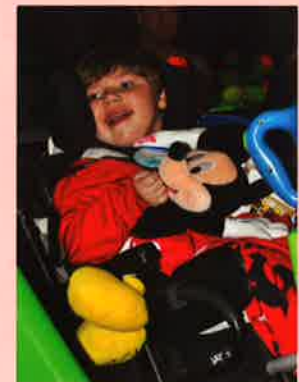
WE GET LETTERS...



Truitt, his brother and sister are mesmerized by Cinderella's Castle

We think about Truitt's wish trip every single day. I still cry when I look at the pictures!!! We will never be able to thank you, and everyone at "A Special Wish" for what it did for our entire family. We love you guys! Hugs!

Love,
Lauren S.



Truitt takes Mickey along for a ride!

SPECIAL THANKS...

The following events raised almost \$65,000 for A Special Wish Foundation this past year! We could not continue to grant the wishes of these very "special" children without the continued support of the wonderful people who help to make these events happen!

- 16th Annual Ed Stewart Sr. Memorial Golf Outing
- 11th Annual The Superior Group "Swing for Wishes" Golf Outing
- 5th Annual A-Tec Upholstery Cars in the Park Event
- 8th Annual Columbus Auto Resale Cruise and Ride Car Show

Thanks to several others for their continued support and extreme generosity in helping grant the wishes of our very "special" children...

MJW Graphics, Printing and Promotions
Royal Electric Corporation
Kings' Pizza

American Legion/VFW/Amvets
GETDOT
Online Computer Library Center

The Chaddock Group
Dill's Greenhouse
Columbus Young Professionals

And of course . . . our wonderful Volunteers!

We would like to welcome two new chapters to the Special Wish family . . . Toledo and Cleveland!

How you can get involved/help:

- Volunteer your time
- Donate products/services (in-kind)
- Donate financially (cash, check, credit card)