

# Exclusive Wish Family Newsletter

## ISSUE 1

We are very excited to introduce our very first Wish Family Newsletter exclusive to wish families!

## WHAT'S HAPPENING?

Thanks to our great community partners, we often receive tickets to attend sport events and shows.

Given that these are often given to us in short notice, we will continue to post these opportunities on our Wish Family Facebook page. If you do not have Facebook and would like us to keep you in mind for our next ticket draws please inform us via email.

## Upcoming events for KIDS and FAMILY



### Showing of the movie "Playing with Fire"

Wish child Anne-Marie has a walking role in this movie!

Film will be released in theatres on November 8, 2019.



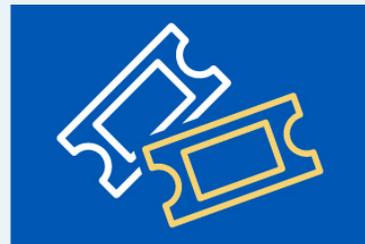
### Glow Christmas

December 5 – January 4

EY Centre (4899 Uplands Rd, Ottawa, ON)

For more information, visit the [event website](#).

*At Glow, there's something for everyone!*



### Planning to go to the museum this month?

We have 2 complimentary family passes. Send us [an email](#) if interested.

## Upcoming events for ADULTS



### Taste of the Holidays

November 30, 2019,  
6:30 pm

Brookstreet Hotel

For more information,  
visit the [event page](#).

### WINTERGLAM

December 1, 2019,  
7:00 pm

AllSaints Event Space (10  
Blackburn Avenue)

For more information,  
visit the [event website](#).

## WISH IT FORWARD

Did you hear about our new *Wish It Forward* program?

Visit [makeawisheo.ca/wishitforward](http://makeawisheo.ca/wishitforward) to learn more about different ways you can take part in *Wishing It Forward*.

### Wish It Forward November News & Updates



#### Wish It Forward Participant

Wish mom Nicole is very talented in making beautiful balloon arches and all proceeds will go towards our mission.

Visit her [participant page](#) on our website for more information.

#### Volunteer Hours

Looking to complete volunteer hours for school? Send us [an email](#) and we will keep you informed of volunteer opportunities.

#### Retirement Home Visits

Looking for wish children and families to spend one hour sharing the *Power of a Wish* and your wish story at a retirement home in your community.

For more information, send us [an email](#).

- Carleton Place  
Monday Dec 16

- Kanata Sunday Dec 8 1:00pm
- Orleans Monday Dec 16 2:00pm
- Orleans Monday Dec 2 10:15am
- Ottawa Monday Dec 9 10:00am
- Ottawa Friday Dec 6 10:30am

High school volunteer hours can be signed.



### Wish for Change

Party Mart donated 40 beautiful wish banks. Looking for individuals to take a bank and get it filled with change (donations) this Season of Wishes to help us grant more wishes. Send us [an email](#) if interested.



### Wishful Baking

Like to bake? Planning a holiday exchange or bake sale? Visit our [Wishful Baking web page](#) to learn more about our Wishful Baking campaign.

## WISHFULLY INSPIRING

Wish twins Sophie and Bridget had their wish to go on an African Safari come true! They sent us a note about the impact the wish experience had on them.

"It gave us something to look forward to. On bad days we'd focus on the possibilities of what our wish could be until it was revealed. Then once we knew our wish, on bad days we would spend our time making packing lists, and looking up photos. Since the diagnosis we felt like nothing had been going our way and we were constantly disappointed and felt cursed. This wish



finally made us feel lucky and that we finally had good coming our way.”

**SOPHIE**

"After our diagnosis it felt like we didn't have anything exciting happening in our lives, or to look forward to, but with the wish we did have something exciting happening. And then to be able to have that experience with our whole family right before Sophie and I left for university make it that much more special."

**BRIDGET**

## We would like to wish Bon Voyage to all our wish children travelling in November!

Mac is going to the San Diego Zoo!

Gabriel is going to meet his favourite superheroes at Disney World!

Leah is going to meet her favourite movie characters at Disney World!

Peyton is going to visit the princess at Disney World!

Max is going to ride the big train at Disney World!

## ONE BIG HAPPY WISH FAMILY!

Even if your child hasn't received their wish yet or received it 10 years ago... you are and will always be a part of the Make-A-Wish family.

We encourage you to join us on our [Wish Family Facebook page](#).



### Have something you want to share with us? Please do so!

We would LOVE to hear from you! Please reach out via email at [ontariochapter@makeawish.ca](mailto:ontariochapter@makeawish.ca) to share with us your news, accomplishments, pictures, crafts, ideas, etc.

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