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**J. CHRISTOPHER'S AND REVEILLE CAFÉ JOIN TOGETHER TO GRANT WISHES FOR FIVE MAKE-A-WISH CHILDREN IN GEORGIA AND TENNESSEE**

**ATLANTA (May 22, 2014)** – In March and April of 2014, with the support of its compassionate employees and customers, J. Christopher's and Reveille Café joined forces to raise more than \$47,000, granting wishes for five Make-a-Wish® children living in Georgia and Tennessee with life-threatening conditions. For the past four years, the J. Christopher's restaurant group has raised funds to grant 12 terminally ill children's wishes, and this year Reveille Café, J. Christopher's sister restaurant, also owned and operated by Jeff McCann, aided in the charge to give back to the community.

In 2013, Jeff McCann, co-owner of J. Christopher's, received the "Power of a Wish" Award from Make-A-Wish Georgia for granting wishes for 12 children who are facing life-threatening conditions - with this year's wishes added, it brings the total count up to 17 wishes.

Meet the Five Make-a-Wish children whose wishes were granted:

**Andrea, age 3**, has a hematologic disorder and her wish was to go to Disney World – he was most excited about meeting Mickey and Minnie, & Minnie, Peter Pan and Tinkerbell, Pluto and Goofy.

**Bryce, age 4**, has a Wilm's tumor and he also wished to go to Disney World and had the best time meeting Mickey Mouse, flying on an airplane to get there and all the fun rides at the park.

**Elijah, age 8**, has a serious respiratory condition and he too wished to go to Disney World, which he thought was absolutely awesome.

**Spencer, age 13**, has medulloblastoma – a highly malignant primary brain tumor – and his wish was to go to Hawaii to see Pearl Harbor – he loves history – and he thoroughly enjoyed visiting the beach.

**Callie, age 17**, has a serious renal condition and her wish was to go on a South African Safari.

*“When I grow up, I want to be a biomedical researcher and find cures for all kinds of diseases. I hope to get to travel a lot for my work all over the world. Words can’t describe how thankful and blessed I feel for getting to have this Safari experience!”*

“I know I’ve said this before but it bears repeating, there really is no greater joy than to put a smile on a child’s face,” said McCann. “Knowing the joy that Andrea, Bryce, Elijah, Spencer and Callie experienced during their wish trips with their families is a testament to the incredible generosity of our staff, Reveille Café’s staff and all of our guests.”

“We are truly inspired by the incredible generosity that J. Christopher’s and Reveille Café’s staff and its customers have shown our five wish kids,” said Erica Ross, director of development, National Partners and Community Events for Make-A-Wish Georgia. “We rely on the community’s support to help us deliver on our mission of bringing joy into the lives of children living with life-threatening conditions, and organizations like J. Christopher’s and Reveille Cafe help us to live out our mission each-and-every day.”

J. Christopher’s and Reveille Café are proud supporters of the local community, holding numerous fundraising drives throughout the year. And to further reinforce its civic support, military, fire and police personnel receive 50 percent off of their meal when they show their Military ID.

Visit [www.jchristophers.com](http://www.jchristophers.com) and [www.reveillecafe.com](http://www.reveillecafe.com) for a list of locations, menu items, events and the latest news.

### **About Make-A-Wish Georgia**

Founded in 1995, Make-A-Wish Georgia grants the wishes of children with life-threatening medical conditions to enrich the human experience with hope, strength and joy. To date, the Georgia chapter has granted over 6,000 wishes to local children. According to a 2011 study of wish impact, most health professionals surveyed say that a wish-come-true can affect a child’s health outcomes. Kids say that wishes give them renewed strength to fight their illness, and their parents say these experiences strengthen the entire family.

The impact that a wish has on a child serves as inspiration for J. Christopher's to continue to grant wishes that change the lives of the wish children in our communities. To learn more about getting involved with Make-A-Wish, please visit [www.georgia.wish.org](http://www.georgia.wish.org).

### **About J. Christopher's**

In 1996, Jay McCann and Chris Brogdon hatched a new idea for a different restaurant concept: a neighborhood daytime breakfast and lunch eatery featuring traditional house-made favorites, healthy choices, and creative menu options in a comfortable, friendly atmosphere. This tall order was filled when the first J. Christopher's restaurant opened in Marietta, GA in January 1997. J. Christopher's has been expanding ever since, with 22 restaurants now in operation, satisfying millions of taste buds every day.

Currently J. Christopher's operates restaurants throughout the greater Atlanta area, Athens Macon and Savannah, as well as in Tennessee. We continually look for locations that will expand us into new neighborhoods throughout Atlanta and the southeast. Visit our website, [www.jchristophers.com](http://www.jchristophers.com), to find a location, and Like us on Facebook, [www.facebook.com/JChristophersRestaurant](http://www.facebook.com/JChristophersRestaurant).

### **About Reveille Cafe**

Atlanta-based Reveille Café is a wake-up call for the taste buds. Based on the experience of waking up to the smell of cooking bacon and sitting down to a hearty breakfast with family, Reveille's menu offers traditional and specialty breakfast, brunch and lunch menu items, and its friendly atmosphere makes it the perfect place to gather, relax and dine with friends, family and colleagues. Currently Reveille operates two restaurants located in Acworth and Marietta. Visit our website, [www.reveillecafe.com](http://www.reveillecafe.com), to find a location, and Like us on [Facebook](#).

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