



WISHING WIRE

Monthly bite-sized E-newsletter

This Month's Highlight

Chairman's New Year Message

5 January 2010

Dear Friends,

The year-end week from 25 December to 1 January is always filled with all kinds of emotions for me, ..winding down from the toils and cares of the year, the warmth and love of Christmas, intermingled with the hope and joys of a New Year. Looking back at the year that has passed, with its myriad of worries and anxieties, I am amazed at how much Make-A-Wish in Singapore has grown despite the economic and social turmoil. Our target of more than 100 wishes was reached, more volunteers have come forward, and more donors gave us more funds than ever before!

Clearly, our mission of bringing joy to unfortunate children with life-threatening medical conditions by making their wishes come true, resonates well with people in Singapore. I am proud of the selfless, tireless work and contributions of our board members, our CEO and her team, and all our volunteers. Their hearts beat with one accord and the singular purpose of brightening lives with the message of joy, hope and strength.

This year, on April 29th, we will be celebrating World Wish Day together with all our Make-A-Wish affiliates around the world, signifying the 30th anniversary of the very first wish granted in 1980. The message of hope and joy is truly universal. As we move into 2010, our sincerest wish for you and for children all over the world, is for good health, happiness and success in the New Year. .

All the Best!

Keith Goh,
Board Chair



The MAWF office is moving to:



116 Middle Road #09-02 ICB Enterprise House S(188972)

(with effect from 15 Jan 2010)

Our telephone no. will remain the same at 6334 9474



Wish News

WISHES... Granted in 2009: 106 / Granted to date: 491

Yik Dong is 13, has Acute Myeloid Leukaemia, wished to have an electric guitar

Yik Dong is 13 year old easy-going and humorous boy who knows exactly what he wants – An electric guitar and to learn to play it well so that he can entertain everyone. Hard Rock Cafe was the chosen venue for the wish party for this pop music and live band fan. There were many colourful helium-filled balloons to create a fun and festive atmosphere and Magician Mr Bottle added magic and drama to the party with his performance. Yik Dong and his guests were well entertained. The fun didn't stop as sumptuous dinner meals were served.

At the grand finale, Yik Dong's father presented him with THE Electric Guitar. Yik Dong took to the stage to play it and posed happily for photos. Everyone, including his family was so happy to see Yik Dong having so much joy!.

♥ Wish granters : Fiona Teo, Jean Tan, Ivan Tan



Events

**Wish Families Christmas Party
23 Dec 2009, Suntec Ballroom**

The Wish Family Christmas Party was a phenomenal event, bringing lots of smiles to over 800 wish children and their families. All made possible by the generosity and support of over 200 volunteers, sponsors and supporters. Thank you so much for helping us bring Christmas joy to all our wish children and their families.

- ♥ Main Sponsor : Celton
- ♥ F&B and Venue Sponsor : Suntec Singapore
- ♥ Christmas gifts : SAP
- ♥ Main Sponsor Chairman : Dr Frank Cintamani

Other contributors :

- ♥ Ang Mo Kio Police Division
- ♥ Beaumont Publishing
- ♥ Deutsche Bank
- ♥ Diageo
- ♥ Firdaus Mohd Abdullah & Friends
- ♥ Joseph Asogan & Friends
- ♥ Mark Adams & Family
- ♥ Mark Lee
- ♥ Michelle Tay
- ♥ Ministry of Manpower
- ♥ Mr Baey Yam Keng
- ♥ Purple Image
- ♥ Singapore Police Force Band
- ♥ Sphyntrix & F2DM Cheerleaders & Dancers
- ♥ Susan Olij & Friends
- ♥ Symantec
- ♥ Temasek Holdings
- ♥ TRACOM

UPCOMING EVENTS

In conjunction with World Wish Day, we will be having our 1st Make-A-Wish® Flag Day. We would like to invite you to join us as Flag Day ambassadors to raise funds for the Foundation. Our aim is to be able to help grant 2,010 magical wishes around the world for children with life-threatening medical conditions in the month of April.

Event: Make-A-Wish Foundation Flag Day 2010

Date: Saturday, 13 March 2010

Time: (first shift) 8.30am-2.00pm, (second shift) 1.00pm-6.30pm, (full day) 8.30am-6.30pm

Venue: Islandwide

Here are the other ways in which you can support us:

- Sponsoring metal tin cans/bags, merchandise and/or other operating costs
- Outright cash gift donation
- Internal donation drive
- CSR Program (groups of volunteers for event)

Interested to volunteer for any of the above? Please contact Dionne at dionne@makeawish.org.sg / 6334 9474 for more details or to sign up.

Make-A-Wish in the News

Christmas Gift from Dad - Joseph Asogan

» [The Strait Times, 25 Dec 2009 B1](#)

Interview with Make-A-Wish's CEO, Ms Debbie Seah

» [ICON Magazine, P170-171](#)

Volunteer Opportunities:

1. Office Admin e.g. Data entry, filing, mailing, inventory checking (1 -3 hours per week during office

hours)

2. Experienced photographers to capture the magic that takes place at Wishes (ad-hoc, usually on weekends)

3. Editors for wish videos (ad-hoc projects)

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Note: "Wishing Wire" complements our Newsletter - "Wishing Well". If you would like a copy of our newsletter or wish to notify us of any change in address, contact no, email address or if you don't wish to receive further emails from us, please email Hwee Keng at hweekeng@makeawish.org.sg. Thank you.

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