



*Providing bicycles and other wheeled toys to children with life threatening illnesses.*

## *The Pedaler*

**JUNE 2018**

*“The three grand essentials to happiness in this life are something to do, something to love and something to hope for.”* **Joseph Addison**

Hello and happy summer to you all! Yes, it finally arrived. We hope you are enjoying it!!

Let's get down to business.....

**Michael**, age 6 of New Haven, CT, received a 20" red Mongoose Raid Freestyle bike and a Schwinn Thrasher orange flame helmet. 9 year old **Evie** is definitely enjoying her 20" Nuvo Adult folding trike. In Fairlawn, VA **Anthony**, age 3 was SO excited to receive his John Deere battery operated Gator Green ride on. He was so excited that when his mom asked if he was happy, he couldn't keep his knees still!

In Meridian, CT 17 month old **Mikael** has a new Lil Lightning McQueen Power Wheels with a 3D Cars Flamehawk helmet. **Lena**, age 5 in Moultrie, GA, loves her 16" purple Royal Baby Honey bike and wearing her Raskullz Zebra Mohawk helmet.

I was finally able to connect with someone at **St. Jude's Hospital** in Tennessee. We sent them 5 wagons for use in the hospital. Also, one of the houses where children stay following chemo and other treatments needed bikes for the kids. We sent 6 bikes (24" & 26") for the 14 & 15 year olds. They were very happy to receive them!

If you know of a child age 15 or younger with a life threatening illness, please let them know about us!!

*"There are no miracles for those that have no faith in them."*

***Proverb***

Big News! We will have a NEW website very soon!! Kris is working on it and we think you will like it!

### **EMILY'S RIDE**

This year we received \$5166.00 from Emily's Ride!! It was a great day and it was so good to see all those people there for the memory/poker run. Thank you SO much to Kelly & Tim Suddarth. Also, thanks to Kat Ridell for donating \$200.00 from her 50/50 winnings. Thank you, too, to all the volunteers who help Kelly with all the details. We raffled off a "Biker Billy Basket". It had an autographed picture and autographed cookbook from Biker Billy, Moonshine, an apron and a set of chef's knives.

### **CLARK SCHOOL- HARBORCREEK**

The proceeds from Clark Elementary School's bike-a-thon were donated to Cody's Wheels Of Hope. We received a donation of \$630.00. Thank you to them for their generosity!

### **NEW PEOPLE**

CWOH is fortunate to have 2 new board members. Susan Lapping is co-owner and CFO of Harley Davidson of Erie and Leslie Mitchell is with the Millcreek police department and she and her husband are the founders of Lucy's First Step. Welcome to our organization!

People sometimes ask who our board members and officers are. Here is a list of them

President - Cindy Filson

Vice President - Rich Filson

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President - Kristoffer Filson

3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President - Michael Henderson

Secretary - Traci Reed

Event Coordinator - Debra Henderson

Members-at-large - Lisa Scalzitti, Julie Filson, Joe Salorino, Susan Lapping, Gail Woodruff, Scott Woodruff, Leslie Mitchell

If you are interested in becoming a regular member/volunteer for Cody's Wheels Of Hope please contact Cindy at 814 460-8228 or email me at [cindy@cwoh.org](mailto:cindy@cwoh.org). It is ALL volunteer - NO ONE is paid. If you would like to donate some time and a little work we can use you. You would need to attend probably only 1-3 meetings a year. Also, you would need to learn our story and our mission - which is very simple! It is a labor of love!



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*“Though no one can go back and make a brand new start, anyone can start from now and make a brand new ending.”*

**Carl Bard**

### **SHIRTS**

We are in the process of getting sponsors for our new shirts. We will have some new colors and also offer women’s style tees along with the regular ones.

### **BOSCOV’S**

On Tuesday, October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018, Boscov’s Department Store will have their “Friends Helping Friends” sale. If you purchase a pass from a participating non profit, such as Cody’s Wheels Of Hope, you will be entered for drawings at the store. Also, most items will be 25% off (some things slightly less) the whole day. The passes are \$5.00 each and CWOH gets to keep the whole thing. If you want passes, please let me know! Most of our board members also have them available. Mid October - just in time to start Christmas shopping??!!!!?

### **CHARITY BIKE NIGHT**

On May 29<sup>th</sup> Scooters Lounge held its weekly charity bike night which benefitted CWOH, and was actually a part of Emily’s Ride the following Saturday. Thank you to Mary Plonski for her time and the donation!

### **MUSTANG CAR SHOW**

Sunday August 5<sup>th</sup> is the 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Mustang Round-up Car Show. If you know anyone with a Mustang, let them know! It will be held at Bob Ferrando Ford Lincoln in Girard, PA. Registration is 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM and voting is from 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM. Trophies will be awarded at 3:00 PM. There will be a DJ, 50/50, Auction and more! We have 50/50 tickets if you would like to get some - just notify me or any board member. CWOH will be beneficiary of the proceeds. If you like Mustangs, or car shows in general, come out and see us there. We will have a table set up, so stop by and see us.

*“We must learn to live as brothers or perish together as fools.”*

**Martin Luther King, Jr.**

### **BIG BASH FOR BIKES 2018**

Saturday, October 13<sup>th</sup> is the date for this year's Big Bash for Bikes. This is our 7<sup>th</sup> year! It will be held at St. Francis Usher's Club in McKean, PA from 5:00 -10:00 PM. Admission is \$10.00 donation per person. This includes the dice game participation (with money for top 3 scores) and food and beer/pop. Other drinks will be available at the club's prices. Something new this year - you will get a ticket when you come in and pay the admittance. The stub will go into a jar for a drawing every hour for 5 hours and you will have a chance to win \$50.00! Tickets will be available before the event. Please watch for details. We have our 50/50, a blanket auction, raffle, door prizes, tip boards and more. Music will be by DJ Ray Meyers and Acoustic Ear Candy. If you need a table reserved for a group, let me know. Our Raffle this year has 3 prizes once again. 1<sup>st</sup> prize is a 55" Insignia TV with Roku, 2<sup>nd</sup> prize is a folding bistro set (table and 2 chairs), portable fire pit with carrying case, a cordless bug zapper and a 10' lighted side umbrella with USB. Just pack up the stuff and take it with you to picnics, parties, camping, etc. 3<sup>rd</sup> prize is a Thinkware F800 Dash Cam. We have all these tickets available now. The 50/50s are \$1.00 donation each, the raffle tickets are \$3.00 each or 4/\$10.00 and the admittance tickets are \$10.00. If you would like any before the event please let me know. Please join us for a good time and good music. Lots to do!!!!

### **FROM THE SEAT:**



This is Vera. She needed a folding wagon to be able to go places with her family. They went to a parade and she said she felt like a queen, waving while being pulled in her new wheels!



This is Anthony - a very happy boy!

# BIG BASH FOR BIKES 2018

Benefits

## CODY'S WHEELS OF HOPE

(We provide new bicycles and other wheeled toys to children with life threatening illnesses.)

Erie's FIRST indoor "dice walk"

Saturday, October 13, 2018 from 5:00 PM – 10:00 PM  
St. Francis Usher's Club – McKean, PA

Admission - \$10.00/person and includes:  
Dice participation, food, beverages and a chance to win  
\$50.00 each hour for 5 hours!!

Also, music by **Acoustic Ear Candy** and **DJ Ray Meyers!!**  
50/50, fantastic American Auction, door prizes, raffles and  
more!

For more info call **Cindy at 814 460-8228** or email at **cindy@cwoh.org**

Come for a great time and help us to  
brighten the lives of hopeful children!



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**Thank you all for your support and help. If you have ideas for the newsletter, ideas for fundraisers (or would possibly want to sponsor a fundraising event) or need more information from us, please notify us. We cannot do this alone, and your help is very much appreciated!**

The **ONLY** requirements for receiving a bike/wheeled toy from CWOH is that the child be 15 years old or younger and have a life threatening illness.

It is our wish to reach many more eligible children. However, until we can be assured of a steady flow of donations we are hesitant to contact sources that can help us reach the children. If you would care to make a monthly or quarterly pledge to Cody's Wheels Of Hope, please contact Cindy – (cindy@cwoh.org or (814) 460-8228). All donations are tax deductible.

**If you do not wish to receive these newsletters, or any other mailings, from Cody's Wheels Of Hope, please notify us and we will remove your name from our mailing list. (We NEVER buy, sell or trade names with any other entities)**

**Thank you all so much. See you again in a few months with lots of news!**

**Cindy, Rich, Kristoffer & Julie Filson**