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First Annual Butterfly Dreams Golf Outing & Evening Benefit- A Huge Success!

On April 29th 2011, we had our First annual Benefit For Ashtyn Montali at the Clearview Golf course in Queens, N.Y. 57 golfers spent the mostly sun drenched day on the course and 150 people attended the evening event. Thanks to your online donations , ticket purchases for the event and raffle ticket purchases at the door, we were able to raise over \$23,000 for Ashtyn and the Montali Family.

The love that was felt on this day was overwhelming to say the least. People came from as far as Florida to attend and there were reunions of friends that hadn't seen each other in as many as twenty years.

The Asian Auction featured prize baskets including sports memorabilia, gift certificates to local businesses tickets to Broadway and sporting events as well as a weekend golf trip to Hilton Head, South Carolina.

Congratulations to Chris Evans who won the door prize of a week at a home in Antigua A big thank you goes out to Phil Mallor for donating that stay. When he walked into the event, upon hearing that there were auctions etc. he immediately offered his vacation home to be won by someone at the event. We all thank you Phil. The Grand prize was a 5 day/4 night trip for two



Ashtyn & The Butterfly Dreams Team

to Aruba, hotel and airfare included, and was won by Jesse Kruczowy. Hope you have a great time Jesse. We thank all of the businesses that donated merchandise and services for the event, as well as those that attended.

Thanks to All of You!!

Thanks to all of those that donated and supported Ashtyn and this event. The Montali family has immediate needs that will be covered completely by the funds raised.

Due to the need for a more accessible home for Ashtyn, Adam and Leslie are in the process of having a

house built in Florida.

\$7,000 will be used to pay for home modifications necessary to make the house as accessible as possible.

\$6,000 will be used to pay for Ashtyn's school tuition at Abi's Place.

\$3,000 will be used to pay for special-

ized Adeli Suite Therapy which is not covered by benefits.

\$2,000 will be used to purchase a new bed for Ashtyn

\$6,000 will be used to purchase the specialized wheelchair for Ashtyn that will make mobilization and transport for her a much easier task.

Ashtyn's Story

Ashtyn Brooke Montali is a seven year old second grader who loves to ride horses, be in the pool, dance and listen to music. Birthdays are celebrated every year with themed parties and she is surrounded, like many of us, by loved ones who adore her. With a smile that lights up every room she's in, she is a beautiful child and to know her is to love her. The first two years of Ashy's life included tests, MRI's, and ongoing therapy, which were followed by a diagnosis of Cerebral Palsy Spastic Quadriplegic. Combined with various illnesses ranging from Scoliosis to Microcephaly that had

formed, were sure to prove that Ashtyn's life would not be that of a typical child. She would never be independent and would require 24 hour care forever. Ashtyn has had several surgeries to her eyes, stomach, hips, tendons and just about every other part of her body, as well as bracing for her arms, legs, and spine, but she continues on. Ashtyn bravely goes through each of her days and moves forward in her life, teaching all of us to not sweat the small stuff. Sharing her strength with her family and motivating all that know her to simply be better people. After raising Ashtyn by

themselves, with no outside assistance since she was born, an idea was spawned by Brian Yankelevitz, to create a benefit for Ashtyn and raise money to assist Adam and Leslie in providing her with the things that she needs. A committee was formed and we are happy to say that April 29th was the first of many events to come! Moving forward you will see a calendar of events from us that we are hoping will include at least four annual events that will benefit Ashtyn as well as other families and organizations that are in need of assistance.



Abi's Place is the learning center that Ashtyn attends, read more about this great place below.

Abi's Place is a family-oriented, 501(c)3 non-profit school in Coral Springs, Florida for children with moderate to severe developmental disabilities. We use a functional life skills curriculum to teach our children to express themselves, interact with others, explore their environment, and perform daily living skills. Our school creates a smaller world for exceptional children in order to prepare them for the bigger world ahead.

Upon entry into our program, each child is thoroughly evaluated to identify his strengths and areas of need. This evaluation, along with the parents' desires for their child, helps us to write a Personalized Education Plan (PEP) that contains uniquely-tailored annual goals. Each child is then assigned to a teacher who we feel will best meet his/her needs. One hour each of individualized physical, occupational, and speech-language therapy is provided to our children weekly.

Our school is a fun, energetic place that will embrace your child and your family. Our functional life skills curriculum is based on monthly themes. This allows us to keep learning interesting by introducing new vocabulary, activities, and music each month. The daily schedule, however, remains the same to provide our children with the consistency that allows them to thrive. We use research-based strategies to teach our children, including positive behavioral modification techniques. Our team of professionals collaborates on a daily basis to provide your child with the best possible educational and therapeutic services.



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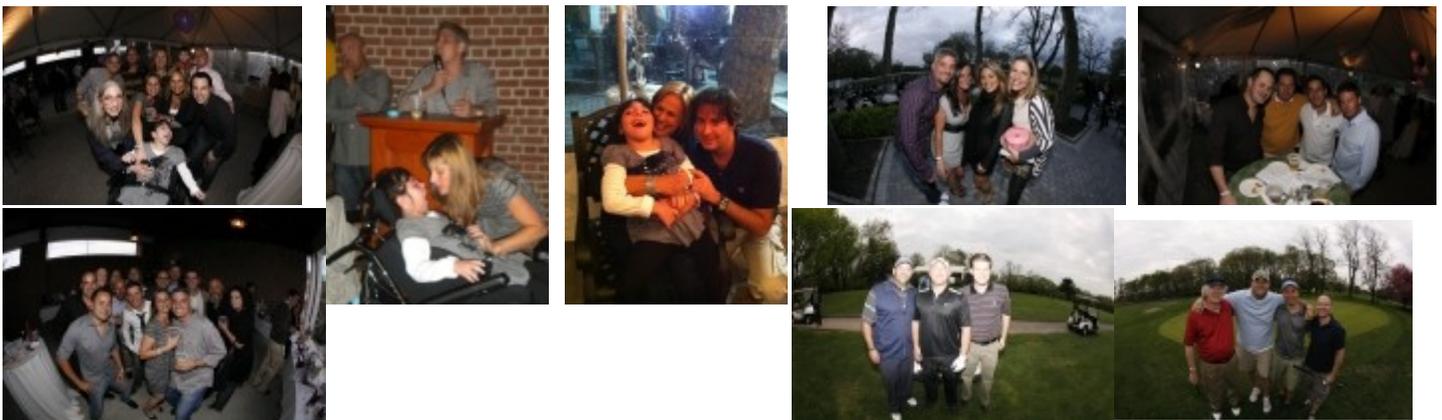
The Butterfly Dreams Committee would like to thank Phyllis A. Kohut and Tzell Travel for Sponsoring this event. Phyllis is Ashtyn's Aunt and upon hearing that an event was being created for Ashtyn, she immediately offered to sponsor the event. The sponsorship truly turned what was going to be a simple gathering of old friends for a good cause, into the event that it was. Filled with prizes, food

and beverage, promotional materials and gift bags for all. The level of appreciation that each of us on the Committee feel for Phyllis and Tzell travel cannot be measured. They truly were the first ingredient necessary in making Ashtyn's Butterfly Dream come true. Most or all of us on the team have known Phyllis for as long as we have known Leslie, and she has always been a caring and kind as they

come. As amazing as this gesture by her and Tzell Travel was, it was not out of character for Phyllis, she is a great woman and loved by all of us. Thanks Phyllis!!!!

"Charity and personal force are the only investments worth anything"
 -Walt Whitman

Pictures from The Event



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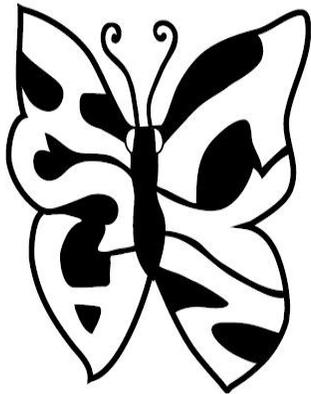
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The Butterfly Dreams Foundation was formed in August of 2010. Brian Yankelevitz, had suggested an idea to hold an event to assist Ashtyn and The Montali family. This idea blossomed into the creation of an event planning committee and has brought us to where we are today.

Butterfly Dreams is a fund raising organization whose goal and purpose is to provide The Montali family and other families that are struggling with the day to day needs that those diagnosed with Spastic Quadriplegia and their families are faced with.

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