

# WISH NEWS



## I WISH TO GO TO ATLANTIS!!!

As Seth's sophomore year of high school came to a close last June, and kids his age were preparing for vacations and relaxation in the summer sun, Seth was preparing for a different experience. Seth had been diagnosed with a life-threatening medical condition and would have to spend his entire summer in and out of the hospital. However, Seth met those difficult months with strength and bravery. He kept a big smile and strong mind as he faced challenging obstacles. Seth, with an abundant amount of hope, strength and joy running through his body despite his struggles, could not be more deserving of a wish come true.

When the Make-A-Wish-Foundation® of Connecticut asked Seth what his one true wish would be, he was well prepared for the question. Having missed out on an entire summer, aware that the upcoming academic year would only bring on a new wave of difficulties, Seth decided it was important to him that he and his mother take a vacation from the stresses of the real world.

Seth wished to go to the Atlantis Resort in the Bahamas, where he enjoyed incredible waterslides and pools beyond his wildest imagination! Seth also had the opportunity to dine at renowned restaurants owned and operated by some of the finest chefs in the world, not to mention the phenomenal adventure of swimming with stingrays! But most importantly, Seth was able to just be a kid. He was able to spend time with his mom, who stood by his side throughout his toughest moments. Their escape to paradise at the Atlantis Resort gave them both a chance to relax and enjoy being a family.

*"I just couldn't wait any longer to let you know what a great time we had and to thank you, Make-A-Wish, and all the people who make these trips happen. We will always remember this. Thank you!!!!"*

*-Seth's Mom*

*Seth had a very special birthday while he was vacationing in Atlantis. On the night of his birthday, Seth and his mom went to the Mesa Grill restaurant, owned by celebrity chef Bobby Flay.*

*One of the things Seth missed most during his treatments was being able to enjoy great food, so this was a birthday to remember!*



*Seth at the Mesa Grill*



Join the Make-A-Wish Foundation® of Connecticut  
as we celebrate our heroes and the chapter's 25th Anniversary at the



# Hero Parade

SATURDAY, MAY 14, 2011

JENNINGS BEACH, FAIRFIELD, CONNECTICUT

9:30 A.M. TO 2:00 P.M.

Enjoy a feel-good day of fun and family with a three-mile walk through the streets of beautiful Fairfield, Connecticut. Cheer on our Wish Kids as they ride in a police car or fire truck in the Hero Parade then join us at a Beach Party with lunch, music, kids entertainment and fun for the whole family!  
**Sign up to walk today at [wishct.kintera.org/walk11](http://wishct.kintera.org/walk11)!**

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## HELP MAKE WISHES COME TRUE!!!

Did you know that you can become a Wish Granting Volunteer and help make wishes come true for Connecticut kids?

Becoming a Wish Granting Volunteer is easy and lets you be a part of the magical adventure a child takes as they decide what their one true wish will be.

Wish Granters visit with the child and their family to help them through the wish process. Once the child determines what his or her wish will be, the Wish Granters work with dedication and excitement to ensure that the entire wish experience is nothing short of magical.

You can join us as a Wish Granting Volunteer and begin your training as soon as today!

Visit [ct.wish.org](http://ct.wish.org) and click on "Ways To Help" to learn more!

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