



Cancer.....“The number one disease killer of America’s children.”

A small group of like-minded individuals have come together to take a proactive role in bringing joy to children who are experiencing the physical and heart-wrenching trauma of cancer and other life-threatening diseases. Understanding the little joys that are taken away, the large sums of medical fees that are incurred and the daily fears that must be overcome, providing “**A Day at the Beach**” for a group of children with cancer and other life-threatening diseases will mean more to them than you could possibly understand.

On **Saturday August 5, 2006**, (rain date Sunday August 6, 2006) we will be hosting “A Day at the Beach” event, in conjunction with the *Ronald McDonald House of Manhattan and Long Island*, and will be serving approximately 20 to 25 children with cancer or other life-threatening diseases in addition to their families. This fun-filled day will include the following activities:

- Private Beach with Tent and Long Island Sound Access/View
- Barbeque
- Clown
- Musician - Acoustic Guitarist
- Magician
- Lai's
- Large Beach Balls
- Goodie Bags
- Ice Cream Truck
- Toys
- Story Telling
- Cotton Candy Machine
- Snow Cone Machine
- Popcorn Machine
- Face Painting

The name of our not-for-profit 501c3 organization is A Day for Dreams which was founded with the purpose of bringing fun to kids with cancer and other life-threatening diseases and to help raise childhood cancer awareness, a fund formed under the Jacob Shank Foundation founded by Susan McKay-Bohner.

WE NEED YOUR HELP! We are raising money to bring the event to fruition and need to raise approximately \$5500. Donations will be used strictly for the event with no administrative fees as all labor and service are donated. *We are requesting a financial donation from you, for this event.* All donations are tax deductible!

Rick Riccardi, who is sponsoring the event at his Bayville Beach House, will be handling the event coordination and arrangements.



We would really appreciate your help and would like to thank you in advance for your consideration and support in our effort to help bring joy to these children and to raise childhood cancer awareness. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at the contact information listed below.

We thank you in advance,

Rick Riccardi, Susan McKay-Bohner & Jennifer Love
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...thanks to all who are helping to bring joy to these children

Some facts from the *National Cancer Institute, the American Cancer Society and Candlelighters Childhood Cancer Foundation:*

- Cancer remains the number one disease killer of America's children between the ages of one and 14 years – more than Cystic Fibrosis, Muscular Dystrophy, Asthma and AIDS combined.
- Each school day, 46 children are diagnosed with cancer.
- One in 330 children will develop cancer by age 20.
- Every year, approximately 12,400 children and teens under the age of 20 are diagnosed with cancer in the U.S., and approximately 2,300 die.
- About one third of all childhood cancers are leukemia's. Childhood Leukemia has increased by more than 15% over the past 20 years.
- Around a quarter of all childhood cancers are brain and spinal tumors.
- Although the 5 year survival rate is steadily increasing, one quarter of children will die 5 years from the time of diagnosis.

**PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:
A Day for Dreams Fund - 431 Bayville Avenue, Bayville, NY 11709**

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Any and all excess donations will be donated to the Jacob Shank Foundation and both Ronald McDonald Houses