

# “Wreaths For NOAH”

Please join us in a fund raising project, “Wreaths For NOAH.” This will be a demonstration of Naval Academy families pulling together supporting one of our own- The Thyberg family (Daniel ‘12/6) and their younger son, Noah’s second chance for life.

**What:** Noah is an 11-year old boy from Clarksville, Maryland. His brother Daniel is a 3/C Midshipman in 6th company. Noah was the lacrosse goalie on a local travel lacrosse team. Noah became ill this summer with a bad case of the flu. After failing to fully recover from the virus, his family discovered his heart was not functioning properly. His heart continued to weaken and it was determined that the only way for him to lead a healthy full life would be via a heart transplant. Noah had his heart transplant on September 4<sup>th</sup> at the Johns Hopkins Children’s Center.

**Why:** Raise funds to help Thyberg family to cover out of pocket cost of anti-rejection medication for Noah (these cost are **approximately \$2-3,000 monthly.**)

**How:** Buy your Christmas Wreaths from [AmericanWreath.com](http://AmericanWreath.com) (10% of proceeds will be donated to Noah’s fund) **At Checkout please make sure to enter coupon code: NAPC09**

**When:** **Now thru Nov 8, 2009** (wreaths delivered Nov 24 thru Dec 18)

American Wreath will donate 10% of all their sales to this cause. We will send a check to COTA (Children’s Organ Transplant Association)

If you wish to help this cause directly, you can simply mail your **tax deductible** donation. Make your check payable to COTA (**Please write Noah Thyberg in memo field**). Mail check to:

Naval Academy Parents & Sponsors Club of Maryland  
PO Box 411  
Annapolis, MD 21404-0411

**Will you help? We thank you for your support.**

## A Heart FOR Noah FOUNDATION

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Noah is an 11 year old boy from Clarksville, Maryland (River Hill). He recently finished Clarksville Elementary School and was looking forward to beginning 6<sup>th</sup> Grade at Clarksville Middle School. He is a very social, smart, engaging and athletic boy. His family is well respected and they have made a lot of friends in the community. They are actively involved in their church and their oldest son is currently at the Naval Academy.

Noah was enjoying his summer with his parents, older sister, two older brothers and friends. Noah was the lacrosse goalie on the Howard County travel lacrosse team this spring as well as the goalie on the Rock summer travel team. Noah became ill this summer with a bad case of the flu. After failing to fully recover from the virus, his family discovered his heart was not functioning properly. The family was hopeful Noah's heart would rebound toward a full recovery. His heart continued to weaken even with excellent medical care and it was determined that the only way for him to lead a healthy full life would be via **a heart transplant**. The wait could have been long, but he was fortunate to find a matching donor in only a few weeks. Noah **had his heart transplant on September 4<sup>th</sup> at the Johns Hopkins Children's Center**. Please pray for his health and spirit as he recovers.

It is a difficult to believe that the flu could make anyone so young and healthy so sick. Fortunately, the heart transplant recovery rates, especially at Johns Hopkins Children's Center, are phenomenal. He is in good spirits and looks great. **The costs for his medical care are high. As a Naval Academy community, we are trying to come together to assist the family in any way that we can and this is where your help comes in....**