

BOYS HOPE GIRLS HOPE OF CALIFORNIA

6th ANNUAL CASINO NIGHT

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A Story of Hope

Dear Friend of Boys Hope Girls Hope,

On June 2, 2004, I became a Second Lieutenant in the United States Air Force. In September 2006, I received my wings at Randolph Air Force Base near San Antonio. But, in truth, I really received my wings in the summer of 1995 — that's when I moved into Boys Hope — a group home for boys like me. Boys that needed some structure, discipline and, most importantly, a guide to lead us through the rigors of educational system and help us direct our focus on the future.

The day I became a Second Lieutenant was amazing. Members of my squadron were there — we were all cheering each other on and in the audience were the people who had believed in me all along — my uncle, two teachers who traveled from California to Texas to celebrate with me...and, of course, many of my friends from Boys Hope Girls Hope — a whole group of them. I have never felt so proud.

In 2008, I married my wonderful wife, Amanda, at the United States Air Force Academy. We recently purchased our first house where we live with our three dogs. I am currently stationed at McConnell Air Force Base in Wichita, Kansas, and have served my country through several deployments.

I'm looking forward to a long career in the Air Force. But I also realize I am one of the lucky ones — I am actually living my dream of flying jet planes. When I was an adolescent, nobody, including myself, would have believed this was possible.

There were problems in my family and I found myself in a teen shelter when I was just 14. I convinced myself that life was hopeless. No matter what I did, I'd just end up in trouble.

My first break arrived when a middle-school teacher learned about my situation. She, along with the shelter counselor, made a few calls...including a call that ended up changing the course of my life. It was to Boys Hope Girls Hope. I was welcomed into the Boys Hope group home.

At first, it was tough. I wasn't used to rules. I had a strict study schedule. And everybody expected a lot from me. I'll admit there were times when I wished I had never heard of Boys Hope Girls Hope.

Yet, looking back, much as I may have resented all these new rules, I was grateful. I had people looking out for me, providing me with opportunities I never dreamed possible. Eventually, I buckled down and started earning decent grades. More amazingly, I ended up being accepted into the United State Air Force Academy Preparatory School! Maybe all those board members and house parents were right — maybe I was capable, even gifted!

The rest is history. From prep school, I entered the Air Force Academy. Military training is demanding and exhausting. I majored in general science and joined the wrestling team. I even played a little football, but I kept my eye on my goal—to fly planes! Only half of our class would qualify to fly planes. I needed to be focused. The first discipline I learned in the Boys Hope home was further engrained in me at the Academy.

Today, I fly those planes.

I visit Boys Hope Girls Hope whenever I can. The kids at the two homes will always be my little brothers and sisters. I love meeting the new kids, who often ask my advice and want to know what it was like for me when I was a Boys Hope scholar. Here's what I tell them:

Don't ever, ever give up. Sure, it's hard to be away from home and yes, the rules are hard to follow. Sometimes you may even think all this work just isn't worth it. But if you set goals for yourself, and go after those goals, you can achieve anything.

The folks at Boys Hope Girls Hope are there for you. Use their help and recognize that they believe in you even if you don't always believe in yourself! Take advantage of all they offer: education, sports, summer camps and say thank you every once in awhile. Boys Hope Girls Hope changed my life. It will change yours too. ♠



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SAT. MARCH 14 2020

6:30 – 10:00PM

NEWPORT HARBOR YACHT CLUB

720 W BAY AVE
NEWPORT BEACH | CA | 92661

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The Casino Night Fundraiser benefits Boys Hope Girls Hope of Southern California, which provides housing and educational scholarship opportunities for children-in-need.

The California Department of Education has identified 26,064 homeless students in Orange County in the 2015 school year. These include children who live with other families out of economic necessity, children in shelters, children in hotels or motels, and, of course, children who are literally on the street. This same population of children often experience additional hardship and detriments: persistent economic disadvantage, abuse, neglect, chronic parental illness, disability or death, and abandonment. Chronic poverty lends itself to food insecurity, mental health issues, substance abuse, and either committing or being a victim of crime. Regular transitions in living arrangements usually leads to time spent outside the classroom which hinders their educational attainment, which in turn can affect their ability to be gainfully employed. Children and families can get stuck in this loop for generations. But, we can help kids break that cycle by making sure they have homes and educational opportunities!

Boys Hope Girls Hope provides safe, stable homes, all basic needs, a college preparatory education, and collegiate scholarships to these youths in need. The goal of the program is to not only care for children who need a providing home, but to help them become self-sufficient in adulthood by achieving a college degree.

With an education our youth are able to find gainful employment and live self-sufficiently in careers of their choosing. You can read about one of those particular stories on the back which details Will Watson's journey to becoming an Air Force Pilot.

YOU can help with this work by sponsoring our 6th Annual Casino Night! Whether by paying for a cost of the event or bringing people to participate, your support enables our mission of helping academically capable and motivated children-in-need reach their full potential by providing homes, opportunities, and education through college.

Thank you for your consideration!

Sponsorship Opportunities

FLUSH \$1,000

- 10 tickets
- \$150 in casino cash per person
- Recognition at event

FULL HOUSE \$2,500

- 10 tickets
- Table seating
- \$150 in casino cash per person
- Recognition at event

THE KING \$5,000

- 15 Tickets
- 1 Preferred table seating
- \$200 in casino cash per person
- Recognition at event

THE ACE \$10,000

- 15 tickets
- 2 Prime tables
- \$250 in casino cash per person
- Recognition at event

HARBOR CRUISE \$15,000

- Includes a cruise around the Newport Harbor prior to the event for 20 people, 20 tickets to the event, 2 prime tables and \$250 in casino cash per person.

Underwriting Opportunities

VENUE \$15,000

- Cover the cost of renting the Newport Harbor Yacht Club
- Event recognition and tickets available as requested

CASINO GAMES \$7,500

- Cover the cost of renting casino games from Black Tie Events
- Event recognition and tickets available as requested

FOOD & DRINK \$10,000

- Donate food and drink or cover the cost to feed event attendees
- Event recognition and tickets available as requested

Tickets & Poker Opportunities

INDIVIDUAL TICKET \$100

- \$100 in casino cash

POKER TOURNAMENT

- \$50 at the door
- Seating is limited!