



2012 LANCASTER HEART BALL

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Dear _____,

I am writing you to tell you a very heartfelt story of a young man from Manheim Township. He was born with a hole in his heart. It was called a Ventricular Heart Defect which is a form of a Congenital Heart Disease, unfortunately very common in unborn babies.

The American Heart Association spent around \$8.1 million dollars last year on pediatric research. Research that, if this young man was born today, the hole in his heart would have been repaired before his birth date.

We have been very fortunate that he is now a grown man, graduated from Franklin & Marshall College as the captain of the football team, and now has his first job.

I have made it my mission to help the American Heart Association raise funds through their 2012 Lancaster Heart Ball. This money will continue to help children like this one and so many others, survive heart diseases beyond their control. This money will also help continue research of so many other heart diseases, educate our community on how to prevent it from happening later in life, and continue to save lives right here in Lancaster County through CPR and AED trainings.

I need your help. Your donation will not only help us raise funds, but we have a sponsor, John Byler, who has agreed to **match** that donation if we raise \$10,000. This is incredibly generous! We truly need you now more than ever.

If you'd like to attend the 2012 Lancaster Heart Ball, please indicate this on the enclosed form. There, you will meet the Franklin & Marshall Graduate who survived heart surgery as an infant, and is an inspiration to us all.

Thank you in advance for your support!

Sincerely,

Greg and Carol Lefever