

### Card-Receiving Child Becomes Card-Making Volunteer



Mackenzie Tannhauser first became involved with Cards for Hospitalized Kids (CFHK) when she received cards during her stay at Children's Memorial Hospital (now Lurie Children's Hospital) in Chicago. After a successful heart transplant, Tannhauser now volunteers her time to make cards for other hospitalized kids.

"I was so touched by the card and autographed photos I received while in the hospital waiting for my heart transplant, that I decided to get involved and volunteer my time making cards for other hospitalized kids," Tannhauser said. "I enjoy giving back to the organization that brought me so much joy and strength during a time when I really needed it."

Mackenzie makes cards at the Des Plaines Public Library teen card-making event.

**We want to hear from YOU!**  
Tweet us at @crds4hosptlkids and explain why you care about CFHK.  
We will feature your responses in our next newsletter!

### Volunteer Spotlight: 2012 Olympic Athletes

Three of our volunteers will be competing at the 2012 Summer Olympics in London! Thank you for finding time in your busy training schedules to help CFHK further our mission of spreading joy, hope, and magic to ill children. Congratulations and best of luck!

#### Jonathan Horton

2008 Olympic silver medalist on high bar, 2010 Worlds all-around bronze medalist and a two-time U.S. National All-Around Champion.

#### Danell Leyva

2011 U.S. national all-around gold medalist and the 2011 world champion on the parallel bars.

#### Aly Raisman

2011 world team champion in gymnastics and a three-time world medalist.



Kaylee, a young girl who battles a rapid-aging disease called Progeria, smiles with cards and an autographed photo of **Aly Raisman**.

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Meet Izzy, the July Kid of the Month!

Izzy is a strong, brave girl as she faces her every day struggles with Lupus, a chronic illness that causes her to experience pain, fatigue and many other symptoms. She has to undergo regular tests and procedures to manage her illness.

Despite all the challenges she faces, Izzy lives her life to the fullest. She attends school and uses drawing to help cope with her illness. Receiving cards from CFHK always makes Izzy's day!

Izzy perseveres through all the challenges that come her way, proving herself a true hero. We are proud to recognize her as our Kid of the Month this July!

## Get Involved!

It takes minutes to make a card, but each card has a long-lasting impact on a child. With your help, we can send joy, hope, and magic to hospitalized kids across the country! All you have to do is send in your creative, handmade cards, and CFHK will take care of the rest. Every card is unique, just like each individual child who receives one. Through CFHK, you can share a smile with a child who needs it.

Please mail your cards to:

**cardsforhospitalizedkids**

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