



26th Annual YMCA Whiskey Row Marathon

Dear Friends and Neighbors:

I recently returned from ERA's International Business Conference in Las Vegas where I was able to present a check to The Muscular Dystrophy Association for over \$5200 to country singer, Billy Gilman, on behalf of Mattie Stepanik who is a 13 year old boy with a form of Muscular Dystrophy called dysautonomic mitochondrial myopathy. I raised this money with the community's help running the 2003 Whiskey Row Marathon. And I am going to run again this year to support Mattie. Mattie has lived a life of hardship that one would not wish upon any one, **YET** he maintains an esprit de corps and enthusiasm that inspires every person he touches.

Mattie has inspired **ME** again as well! I made a commitment to run 26.2 miles in one of the most challenging marathons in the U.S. to raise money for Mattie and the other kids that have M.D. I was not going to run this very tough course that climbs from 5280' to 7000' (twice!!), but after visiting the kids at Summer Camp last year, I decided that my hardship will be minor compared the challenges these kids face bravely **EVERY** day.



Our goal is to raise at least \$10,000 for the Muscular Dystrophy Association and we would greatly appreciate your support. If you can help in any way, please complete Sponsor Form on the back of this letter and send in your tax-deductible contribution.

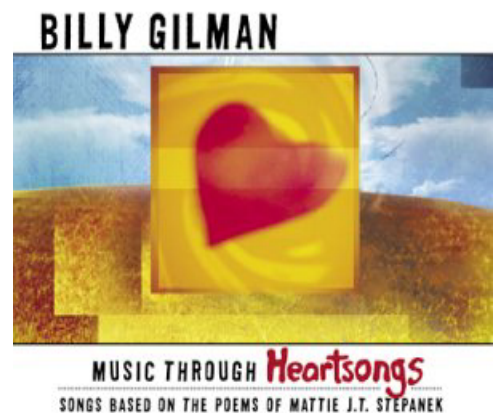
On behalf of the true champion, Mattie Stepanek, I thank you in advance for your generosity and support.

Let's make a difference together,

A blue ink signature of Patrick Schutte.

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P.S. Billy Gilman has just released a CD called, *Music Through Heartsongs*, which are songs based on the poems of Mattie. If you donate at least \$52.40 (\$2/mile), I will send you one of these heartwarming CDs. Thank you.



For More Information, see: www.RunnersForMDAKids.org



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Sponsor Form

Yes! I'd like to contribute to The Muscular Dystrophy Association in support of Mattie and all the other kids with MD.

Please complete this form and return it to me with your contribution.

Make checks payable to: **The Muscular Dystrophy Association.**

Your contribution is 100% tax deductible.

(Company matching contributions are greatly appreciated too!)

- _____ \$26.20 "OK, you got me for \$1 per mile."
- _____ \$52.40 "What the hey, good cause, \$2 per mile."
- _____ \$100.00 "A bet I can't pass up—Patrick will do it again!"
- _____ \$200.00 "You Go!"
- _____ \$500.00 The number of miles I'll run to train for the race!
- _____ Other " _____ " (you fill in the blanks)



Mail to: Support for Mattie, 1958 Pine Tree Drive, Prescott, AZ 86303

MDA will mail you a receipt for your donation. Please fill in where you want it mailed:

Name:

Company:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Thank you again for your moral and monetary support!

Together, we are helping to find a cure!



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