

Pledges and Comments January 2008



Lexi Davenport
01/31/2008
I accept Mariah's Challenge!

Jordan Flynn
01/31/2008
I love you Mariah and we all miss you. I accept your challenge and will never drink and drive or even drink underage. I promise.

Saidee Johnston
01/31/2008
I accept Mariah's Challenge!

Jessica Stratton
01/31/2008
I have never drank and i will definately never drive drunk. I accept the challenge.

Alex Thatcher
01/30/2008
I accept Mariah's Challenge! Mariah~ everyone loves and misses you so much. You were the most amazing girl! You will forever be in my heart!

jerett lafromboise
01/30/2008
im glad to say i will never drink and drive and that i am going to do this challenge

the White family
01/30/2008
sorry for your loss.

Kasandra Cossette-Stenson
01/30/2008
I didn't know Mariah that well but from what I can tell she must have been a great person because of the loving friends and family she had.

Shawna Stepp
01/30/2008
Proud to help whenever and where ever I can. Proud to accept the challenge and work with the community to make a change.

gina evans
01/30/2008
Hi to all. I look forward to how far we can take this. I accept the Challenge.
Also, keep looking for updates on the Butte 100 Endurance Mountain Bike Race. - August 9th is the date for the 2nd Annual. I am getting interest from all over the US. Web-site soon.
Proceeds to benefit Mariah's Challenge.

Cheryl duToit
01/30/2008
What a wonderful idea. Let me know if there is anything I can do to help. Also, I would love to discuss the problems with the MIP system and the teen drinking problems with someone who might be able to make some changes in the system. Both of my older daughters got caught drinking and were fined for MIPs. I don't mean to be rude, but the program is a joke and the kids that get them just brag about them. The punishment does not affect the kids drinking behavior at all. Believe me, I know this to be a fact having witnessed in my own children. The only thing it does is punish the parents who have to come up with the fine. Please feel free to contact me. We need to start a movement in this town to give teens something else to do than drink for entertainment. At present, they have nothing and that is our biggest problem. The other is how easy it is to get the alcohol - my daughter told me she used to be able to go to the gas station on the corner of Harrison and Dewey - not Town Pump but Thriftway, and she was little. They obviously would rather make the sale than stop kids from drinking. Please call me - I will do anything I can. Thanks!

Lori Verrall
01/29/2008
I accept Mariah's Challenge

Mike Palagi
01/29/2008

Jeremy Hoscheid
01/29/2008

I accept Mariah's Challenge!

Brittni Hubbard
01/29/2008
I hope everyone accepts this great challenge and realizes how many lives are ruined by such things!

Sarah Ueland
01/28/2008
Having learned my lesson and losing my best friend 2 years ago from a drinking and driving accident, I accept Mariah's Challenge and would be more than happy to help this challenge in any way possible.

Cindy Stubbs
01/28/2008
I met Mariah's family on that fateful day on October 28. I pray that no one would ever have to go through losing their beautiful child to the stupid act of drunk driving again. Thank you for this website, for the initiative to spread Mariah's Challenge to hopefully prevent other deaths and once again for your generous gift of saving other's lives through organ donation. God Bless you all.

Darian Pettersen
01/28/2008

This is a tragedy and it NEVER needs to be repeated! I accept Mariah's challenge and I will try everything I can to tell people I know to accept it also! R.I.P. & we miss you Mariah.

Jeff, Ali & Brady Weedon
01/28/2008

What a beautiful tribute to Mariah~our thoughts & prayers are with you guys always. God Bless.

Lou Raisler
01/28/2008

I pledge to support Mariah's Challenge by talking to my two stepdaughters about drinking and driving and accepting the challenge for myself. I truly believe my two stepdaughter's do not drink and I'm so proud of them for that. One of our family's neatest memories is the fun in the pool at Fairmont Hot Springs. The girls spent some time there with the McCarthy girls and had so much fun and giggles.

Diana Clark
01/28/2008

I am the CEO of LifeCenter Northwest Organ Donation Network. We are each precious and loved people and your loss is more than I can imagine. Your challenge and the scholarship is a more than a generous offer and statement for your family, Mariah and your community. We each need to do whatever is humanly possible to ensure that others never have to endure the loss you have experienced due to the carelessness of another. Mariah and what she would have contributed to life is also gone. Having said this, her legacy does live on and will forever touch others you may never come to know. I hope you can find some comfort as you move through time and the remainder of your lives as a family. Thank you for ALL you have done and on behalf of others.

Jamie Rubino
01/28/2008

Doug and Debbie Conway
01/28/2008

We accept Mariah's Challenge and want to help in every way possible. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Kelcie Cassidy
01/27/2008

I would like to let the McCarthy family know that they are in my thoughts and prayers. I went to daycare with Mariah and she was a wonderful person. I think this is a great website and I accept Mariah's Challenge.

Shannon Dwyer
01/27/2008

I accept Mariah's Challenge!!!

kathleen deleganes
01/27/2008

Leo McCarthy
01/27/2008

We are so thankful for those who have posted and accepted the Challenge. Your courageous acceptance and action will have far reaching positive results. Stay tuned, many things are happening in the background and will soon come out to continue helping getting Mariah's message, challenge and wish out. We can and will do great stuff together.

Take care,
Leo, Janice, Jenna

Kayla Sessions
01/26/2008

first off, i accept Mariah's challenge, im not going to do stupid stuff with alcohol!! i couldn't stand to hurt my family or anyone else's!!!
i wish i could send a message to Mariah, but i'll send it to her family instead. i wish no one had to get hurt to prove a point that's needed to be proved for years!! no person's life should be taken by alcohol in their prime. it's sick and wrong for the families to have to grieve for the lost. im sooooooooooooo sorry you had to go through this. just know.....we're ALL backing ya'!!!!!!!!!!

XOXOXOXOXO

Dave Knight
01/26/2008

Dear McCarthy Family.

As your newspaper carrier, I pray for you everyday when I deliver your newspaper.

You have taken on a very important and difficult task. You are going against the acceptable cultural behaviour of Montanans.

My hope is that if this effort can save one life, then it is well worth the effort.

I was living in Augusta, MT, when a high school senior died from drag racing and having a high blood alcohol level. That was 6 weeks prior to graduation so the community had to go through the grief twice. A local SADD group was started and kids were committed to learn from this tragedy. Well, as human nature is, as time went on the lessons were forgotten and folks went back top their old ways. So it is important to make as much progress as possible as soon as possible before the feelings are forgotten.

I did think and pray for you all over the Christmas holiday having to spent it without your wonderful daughter.

Don't give up the fight and be discouraged. We who don't drink or drink responsibly, are behind you. God bless!

Britt Dickman
01/26/2008

I accept Mariah's challenge! i miss her so much..and i dont everEVER want to see hear or experience that everEVER again! i hope everyone accepts it too!
i love u mariah!

Mairissa Peoples
01/25/2008

I'm sorry it has taken so long for me to officially accept Mariah's challenge. I was honored when asked to record a radio spot promoting this great cause. Mariah was truly a very special girl to her family and to everyone she came in contact with. I have so many unforgettable memories of Jenna, Mariah, Quinn, and I making up silly games, watching movies, and dressing up for hours. These days usually ended in tears because of our mean parents making us separate after a day or two without being apart. The McCarthy family will always have a special place in my heart. I believe I have a very special angel with me as I fight cancer and that is very comforting for me.

The Caprara's Kriss, Cassie, Keaton, Kaedon, Cassidy,
And Kiley
01/25/2008

Leo and family, you are a great inspiration for parents and their family's. Thank you!!!!

Tim Tracy
01/25/2008

If the people who are orchestrating the upcoming events concerning Mariah's Challenge need help with anything, please email me.

danny thatcher
01/25/2008

i just wanted to say i accept Mariah's challenge she was a very fun person to be around and liked to have a fun time. We were with her during the whole day and it was fun. I remember sitting on the curb and this guy sitting looking out his window and we all we like what's his problem. I just wanted to say i enjoyed hanging out with Mariah she is a special person

Dave Dunmire
01/24/2008

Carey Tierney
01/24/2008

Having lost a friend to drinking and driving two years ago I was angry to see that still no lessons have been learned. I accept Mariah's Challenge to not drink and drive and will encourage others to do the same. My deepest sympathy goes out to all of those involved.

Kaileigh Shutey
01/24/2008

My name is Kaileigh I am 10 years old and a 4th grader at Whittier. I promise never to drink and drive, do drugs or smoke. I accept Mariah's Challenge.

Joe Michaud
01/24/2008

Touching!!!! Keep up the great work!!

Jenna Shaw
01/24/2008

Rochelle Farrow
01/24/2008

Jaison Carriger
01/23/2008

Kelley Rauch
01/23/2008

Susan Giovanini
01/23/2008

I accept Mariah's Challenge. I teach the local DUI class in Butte and am trying to do all I can to prevent future drunk driving accidents. If there is anything I can do or people would like to add to the class, please let me know and I will be glad to do a "public service announcements" or such. My heart goes out to the McCarthy family, as Mariah was a great friend to my son, who he dearly misses. Susan

Kerrie Heard
01/23/2008

I accept Mariah's Challenge! Such an amazing thing from such an awful tragedy. Please know you are in my thoughts and prayers and I promise to do all I can to help the youth of Butte accept the challenge. I also pledge to help in anyway to change the attitude in our adults that it is an acceptable thing to do. We have an amazing community that pulls together and works hard for each other. Butte We Can Do This!

Sue & Pat Burt
01/23/2008

Teaching your children about the effects of drinking begins at home. How many parents go to sporting events with their children and if they win they have a few drinks to show they are happy and if they lose they have a few because they need cheering up. Let's be responsible parents and show our children that you don't need alcohol to get through happy times or sad times; you just need your loved ones with you. What a great challenge for all of Butte to rise to!!

Ben Rauch
01/23/2008

Eddie Zimpel
01/23/2008

Matt Stepan
01/23/2008

I accept Mariah's challenge

Kalie Schwartzenberger
01/22/2008

Mariah is one of my best friends. She would be so proud to see what has come out of such a horrible thing. This lesson had to be learned I just wish it could have been learned in a different way. One of the ways I will keep her close to my heart is by accepting Mariah's challenge. I accept Mariah's Challenge. My guardian angel :]

jennifer & mike pollard
01/22/2008

Jennifer Liva
01/21/2008

polly bartoletti
01/21/2008

I have never drank and i never felt the need to, i don't need to drink to have fun or be cool. Especially sicne oct. 28th i still never have or never will feel the need to drink it doesnt slove anything. Drinking underage shouldnt be an issue, and drinking and driving is the worst thing to do. I definetly agree this should not ever happen to anyone ever again, this lesson should not have happened this way! She is watching over us. Drinking and driving should come to a stop! I promise i will never drink underage,or drink and drive!

Jordan Richards
01/21/2008

Mariah was the best friend a person could ever have. she was also an amazing vollyball player!!! I know how sad i was when I found out that i had lost a wonderful friend. No one should ever feel this way. I accept Mariah's Challenge. Lets stop drinking and driving!!!

doug conway
01/21/2008

As a law enforcement officer for the Butte-Silver Bow LED, I accept the responsibility to do my part to enforce underage drinking laws and DUI enforcement laws.

steve honer
01/20/2008

I am 100% behind this challenge and I will do my part to support this in every way.

J.F.Kilmer
01/20/2008

WE are about to move mountains.

Angie Morris
01/19/2008

I accept Mariah's Challenge.

Keagan
01/19/2008

I accept Mariah's challenge.

Bill Foley
01/19/2008

I accept Mariah's Challenge, and I will work hard the rest of my life to help others do the same.

Kaitlyn McGrath
01/19/2008

Mariah was such a sweet and caring person, and she touched so many lives, in so many different ways. I love Mariah and miss her so much, but i know she is in a better place now. I, Kaitlyn McGrath, accept Mariah's challenge to never drink, let alone drink and drive. Mariah you will always be in my heart.

Maria Woodrow
01/19/2008

i really hope that this program that was made in honor of my cousin will be spread around the world.

i am really glad that their is a site that i can talk to people that are feeling grief for what happened to my cousin.

Brianna DeWitt
01/18/2008

Mariah will always be remembered...she was a beautiful, smart, funny young girl and this accident has had a great impact on me. I promise to stick with this challenge!

Kay North
01/18/2008

I accept Maiah's Challenge!!! Forever, not just today!

Eileen Joyce
01/18/2008

I will not drink or drink and drive. It has affected many people and shown us what the consequences could be & i think we all agree it should come to a stop. I accept Mariah's Challenge.

cody sletten
01/18/2008

I will never drink under the age. I also will not drink and drive at the same time. I accept Mariah's Challenge

Michael Le Fever
01/18/2008

I accept this challenge. I promise that i will not drink under age or ever drink while driving. Im very sorry about this accident.It was very unfortunate.

Keegan McCarthy
01/18/2008

I accept Mariah's Challenge, drinking and driving is something we have to not tolerate in this town of Butte.

Mikayla Lewis
01/18/2008

I accept the challange and promise to never do drugs and drink and drive or drink under age. I will choose wisely with all the choices I will face in my life.

Caitlin Yelenich
01/18/2008

i accept Mariah's challenge and swear to never underage drink or drive under the influence

Dominique
01/18/2008

I promise that i'll be a great mentor for my little brother,and i swear on life that i'll absolutley never do drugs or drink. if i fail may the hands of my life take me away.

lauren estabrook
01/18/2008

Mariah has touched many people and many people more than others but to mariah i make the promise i will not drink and drive or drink under age. i accept the challenge!

Jorie Tash
01/18/2008
I accept the challenge to never drink underage, and if I'm overage and I know I'll be drinking I will designate a driver.

mac anderson
01/18/2008
I will never drink underage and i will never drink and drive. I accept Mariah's Challenge.

Megan
01/18/2008
I promise to be the role model for my younger sister and cousins. I swear I'll never drink or do drugs in my lifetime, and if I do may I be struck by lightning.

Kacie McKeon
01/18/2008
I accept Mariah's challenge. I will not drink at all, let alone drink & drive.

Natalie Reget
01/18/2008
I accept the challenge to make driving safer for everyone and to lower the amount of kids who die because of drunk driving accidents.

Jake Simkins
01/18/2008
We won't drink and drive or drink under age.

Harley Davidson
01/18/2008
I accept this challenge. This unfortunate accident has changed many peoples lives. I will not drink under age.

L.T. Stillwagon
01/18/2008
Drinking and driving is something that has effected alot of this town. I accept Mariah's Challenge.

kayleigh
01/18/2008
I will not drink and drive. Even though how 'cool' it is. I will accept the challenge.

megan
01/18/2008

Rachel Hogan & Kelsey Alley
01/18/2008
Mariah was an amazing person we will always remember her and her beautiful smile and will never forget her. WE ACCEPT MARIAH'S CHALLENGE!

Kathy Beatty
01/18/2008
Tom, Kathy & Johnna's thoughts & prayers go out to Jenna & her wonderful family

Libby Clay
01/18/2008

This is such a sad tragedy i hope i will never drink under age. I'm sorry to all of her loved ones and friends. I hope she is resting in peace.

Jaci Hanley
01/17/2008
I accept Mariah's Challenge

Sam Rogers
01/17/2008
My thoughts and prayers go to the McCarthy family!!

Shannon Goodell
01/17/2008
Mariah was a great friend. She was a great friend to me. Mariah and I Have been friends since 1st grade. In elemenrty school we went over to each others houses every weekend. It was great we went to the movies, went for walks, played dolls, we did everything together. We always said hi to each other in the halls ways. Mariah was a great person.

Andrea
01/17/2008
I Andrea Megan V. will not do drugs, or drive drunk ever. I promise to you Mariah. If I ever come close to it.. Help me?

Andrea
01/17/2008
This is completely terrible. How some people could be so careless as to get drunk then go drving where they could threaten, and will threaten, peoples lives. Mariah although I do not know you, I am sorry. And if your listening to my prayers up in heaven I hope you know that im praying for you now! Im turning fourteen soon and I cannot imagine losing my life.

Dayle Janhunen
01/17/2008
I keep Mariah's picture in the dash of my car so that if for some reason I ever think about driving after I have been drinking I will think twice when I see her picture.

Dayle Janhunen
01/17/2008

Dale.johnso
01/17/2008

I commit to not doing drugs ever. When i am at the legal age i will not drink then drive and i will be a positive role model for children and other adults.

Connor Schulte
01/17/2008
I Connor Schule will not do drugs or drink and drive EVER!!

Patrick Kenney
01/17/2008
I Patrick Kenney,son,friend,person promise not to drink until the appropriate age.

Medeiros Babb
01/17/2008

I promise to not drink and drive, or drive underage for Mariah's sake. I will do this in memory of her.

Shelby Paffhausen
01/17/2008

I promise to not drink and drive. I will set a good example for my little brothers by not using alcohol and not drinking and driving.

kevin.mcgeever
01/17/2008

i promise to not do drugs, or drink and drive.

Tanner Robison
01/17/2008

I will not drink alcohol and I will help my friends not to drink also.

bryan prendergast
01/17/2008

I promise not to drink or drive when I am under the influence.

Tully Nelson
01/17/2008

I will never drink and drive or do drugs.

Brant Mak Ahlborn
01/17/2008

I will only drink when of age and will be responsible, and will never take drugs.

Tyce Doherty
01/17/2008

I Promise to never ever drink and drive, or drink under the age! I will never do drugs, or smoke, or do tobacco. Good Luck To You, and your family members. R.I.P Mariah

Forrest Kultgen
01/17/2008

I, Forrest Kultgen, promise to never use drugs, alcohol, etc.

Tyler Trudnowski
01/17/2008

I, Tyler Trudnowski, agree to do Mariah's Challenge.

Jacob Heard
01/17/2008

I commit to Mariah's Challenge by not drinking until legal age. When I'm of legal age I will not drink and drive.

Kale Guldseth
01/17/2008

I will not do drugs and alcohol. I want to join Mariah's challenge so I can get that extra scholarship and stay out of trouble.

Tryston Frey
01/17/2008

I Tryston Frey will not do drugs ever. I will not drink under age until the legal age.

Nicholi (Nici) Rosencrans
01/17/2008

I will commit myself to your challenge because I have seen what under age drinking, irresponsible drinking, tobacco, and even drugs can do to a person, and I don't want to be a part of those kinds of people.

Jessica Smith
01/17/2008

I will NOT drink and drive, do drugs or break my promises with my mom that I will not smoke.

Sean Burt
01/17/2008

I will stay away from drinking until I am at the legal age to do so.

erin antonioli
01/17/2008

I promise not to drink until the reasonable age and when I am the reasonable age I will drink responsibly. I will also not do drugs or spit tobacco.

boomer peters
01/17/2008

my promise to accept Mariah's Challenge is to never ever drink, do drugs, or smoke. i will also behave in a public activity i will also not get in any fights. it will hurt someone and you can get into a lot of trouble. that is all my promises and i don't want to break them. good luck McCarthy family!!!

Connor McGree
01/17/2008

I Connor McGree promise to be a good son, student, brother, cousin, friend, nephew, and person. I accept the challenge.

Paige N P
01/17/2008

I promise to not drink until legal & not to do any drugs.

Cassidy McGree
01/17/2008

promise that I will not drink or do drugs for my self as a daughter, sister, cousin, niece, and friend.

Courtney Thomas
01/17/2008

I agree to go throughout my life without drugs, or alcohol.

Alexis Monaco
01/17/2008

Northey Tretheway
01/17/2008

I accept Mariah's challenge to never drink or drive at all!!!!!! I remember Mariah very well, we went to daycare together and she was so very nice. It is very bad to do drugs. There is no reason of God's green Earth that drunk driving should occur. Mariah was a special person and i will remember her forever and will see her again later.

jordyn hansen
01/17/2008

i accept to take Mariah's challenge because i never want to have to deal with somebody's death. i promise to never drink and drive, or to take drugs. i will be a role model for others, and help others.

Richard Smith
01/17/2008

I completely go against drugs so I accept Mariah's challenge.

joey joyce
01/17/2008

i accept mariahs challenge. i will not drink and drive at the same time. i will not drink until im the respectable age.

Julia Johnson
01/17/2008

I accept this challenge. I promise to never drink and drive or take drugs.

Riane Hysell
01/17/2008

As a student, sister, daughter, niece, and cousin, I accept Mariah's Challenge to never drink and drive or to do drugs.

brady tippet
01/17/2008

I promise never to drink and drive and never to do drugs I am praying for you.

Jim Joyce
01/17/2008

Hello after I read Mariahs story I know that I will never drink and drive. I will probally never drink because I know how it will hurt me and the people around me. I would never want to take drugs and ruin my life. I am a 7th grader from Butte Central and I accept Mariah's Challenge. When you drink and drive you don't just hurt yourself. You hurt your family, your friends, and everyone around you

Cullen Sehulster
01/17/2008

I accept Mariah's challenge. I will not drink or do drugs.

Kenny Gulick
01/17/2008

I accept Mariah's challenge to not drink until i am old enough , and to never ever do drugs. i also accept this

challenge, because my dad was almost killed by a drunk driver in a car crash.

Riley McNabb
01/17/2008

As a brother, son, grandson, and nephew I accept Mariah's Challenge and promise that I will not drink under age, and i will never drink and drive. I also promise that I will never do drugs, or any other bad substances.

Kolten LaMiaux
01/17/2008

I accept Mariah's challenge to not do drugs or drink and drive at all. I will not drink until I'm 21

Emmett McCarthy
01/17/2008

I will accept Mariahs challenge. I will not drink alcohol until i am the legal age. I will drink responsibly. I will not drink and drive.

Tess Kenison
01/17/2008

I accept Mariah's challenge because i will never drink under age or drink and drive and I will never do drugs.

annie ossello
01/17/2008

i except this challenge. I promise to not drink under age and I promise not to ever do drugs.

Kelly Johnston
01/17/2008

I accept mariahs challenge because i dont want anything to happen like this again . Im not going to drink or do drugs or even think about it .

tyler facincani
01/17/2008

I accept mariah's challenge and i promise i will not drink and drive and i will never do drugs and im praying for you you will feel better

shailyn lafleur
01/17/2008

i accept mariah's challenge to not try drinking or drugs

taylor marthaller
01/17/2008

I accept this challenge because i will never do drugs, i will not drink and drive. i promise to be a role model for others!

hannah stajcar
01/17/2008

I except the challenge. I promise not to drink under age and I promise never to do drugs.

Jack Gallagher
01/17/2008

I accept Mariah's challange and I promise I will not drink alcohol when I am underage and never do drugs.

Desiree` Dunbar
01/17/2008

I accept Mariah's Challenge by not doing drugs or drinking alcohol.

Abby Ritter
01/17/2008

I accept this challenge because I promise that I will never drink under age or ever do any drugs.

Lura Cass
01/17/2008

I have always thought that because I have Alex (my son who was born with Down syndrome), my life would be spared from underage drinking and drug use. I could not have been more wrong! I have friends with children without disabilities, I have classrooms full of bright, healthy, students with great potential, I have four nephews, and soon, I will have two step-sons. My life is full of young people I care very much about, therefore my life can be greatly affected by these things! Thank you, McCarthy family, for issuing this challenge in Mariah's name. Through your thoughtfulness, countless young lives will be positively impacted. I accept the challenge to be a positive role model for the children of Butte!

William C
01/17/2008

I have decided not to do drugs and definitely not get drunk.

PJ Dobb
01/17/2008

I accept the challenge to not use drugs, to not drink and drive, and to not drink under age.

Kurri Orizotti
01/17/2008

I accept Mariah's Challenge because this is such a great thing. It is so amazing that out of this tragedy came such an amazing program. Drinking and driving is so horrible. Now that this has happened in our home town people should realize that driving under the influence can have such a horrible outcome that people should understand not to do it by now, although people still don't. Hopefully Mariah's Challenge should help the youth of Butte to not drink under age.

Madison Sterns
01/17/2008

I accept the challenge! I will not drink under age. I will never do any type of drugs.

marie erickson
01/17/2008

I think that this is an amazing and moving way to get kids to not do any kinds of drugs, more importantly drinking and driving. I am extremely sorry for your loss and our hearts go out to you. I accept the challenge of not drinking.

Ian DeMoney
01/17/2008

Dear McCarthys I appreciate what you are doing for our community. I accept the challenge

angela piazzola
01/17/2008

I accept Mariah's challenge and to never drink and drive

Zach Kasperick
01/17/2008

I think this is a good thing that you are doing. I will not drink under age. I will accept the challenge.

Taylor Holter
01/17/2008

This is a great idea to get the teens of Butte to not drink and do drugs. It was a horrible thing that happened to Mariah and it's sad that it takes something this horrible to get us to realize that we shouldn't drink and drive. I am accepting this challenge, and this is a great thing for people to be doing. I am very sorry for the loss of Mariah.

ashley martin
01/17/2008

I think it is great that Mariah's family is doing this. I promise to never drink and drive.

Colin Hollow
01/17/2008

I will not drink under age and I will not do drugs. I think it is a good thing what you are doing.

Kevin Burt
01/17/2008

I accept this challenge and I think that this is a really great cause to get teens and adults to not drink and drive. I think that this challenge will show kids the danger of drinking and driving and it will help make Butte a better place.

Andrew Helming
01/17/2008

Dear McCarthys

Thank you for setting up this challenge to help raise awareness about drinking and driving. I accept the challenge.

carlee norbeck
01/17/2008

I think this is a great thing for young kids to do and I accept the challenge to not drink while I am in high school.

Brigitte McGeever
01/17/2008

Mariah's challenge is an amazing way to show what is wrong with drinking and driving, I also think it is amazing that Mariah's family is taking a horrible fate and helping people by showing what is wrong with drinking and driving. I accept the challenge.

katie hogart
01/17/2008

My name is Katie Hogart and I accept the challenge. I will not drink until I am of age and I will not drive when I am of age. I will never do drugs!! Thank you for giving Butte teens this opportunity.

Derek Ralph
01/17/2008

I derek pledge to not drink and drive. I pledge to not drink until I am 21.

Hannah Kline
01/17/2008

I accept Mariah's challenge. No family should have to go through what your family has gone through, therefore to help save my life and others I accept the challenge.

Aleesha LaBreche
01/17/2008

I Aleesha will not drink until I am the age of 21. I will also never do drugs. I really like this challenge and I hope every one accepts this. Cause I know knowbody would want to hurt anyone by doing such a harm and especially not a girl like Mariah

Kalten
01/17/2008

I pledge to not drink at all.

Danika Neumann
01/17/2008

I accept the Mariah's Challenge and I will not drink until the legal age!

Abigail Wheeler
01/17/2008

I promise never to drink underage and I promise never to drink and drive.

Fitzy
01/17/2008

Im sorry what happened. I do accept your challenge to not do drugs at all. I wont drink until Im the legal age. When I drink if I do I wont drive after I drink.

Josh Merrick
01/17/2008

I promise I wont drink alcoholic beverages under the age of 21. when im the age of 21 i will not drink and drive. I will also not do drugs in my life.

Mariah Cooney
01/17/2008

I accept Mariah's Challenge. She is deeply missed in Butte and made a difference in our community.

toon bolton
01/17/2008

i accept the challenge to never drink and drive. i also will not drink until im at the legal age to drink.

Mackenzie Callahan
01/17/2008

I promise not to drink until I am of age. I also promise not to do drugs or drink and drive.

Robbie Pendleton
01/17/2008

I promise to not do drugs. I won't drink until the appropriate age.

Frank Joyce
01/17/2008

I will not drink alcohol until I reach the age of 21 years old.

Shalleen Davis
01/17/2008

I never want to hurt anyone because of drinking or drugs. Especially no one like Mariah. So, I pledge to not do drugs, not to drink until I come of age, and drink responsibly when I come of age. I am accepting this challenge, and I pray no one will ever have to suffer because of me for drinking or doing drugs.

Mollie McIntyre
01/17/2008

I Mollie pledge to not drink until I am the age, but I will never drive while drinking!

Shannon McLaughlin
01/17/2008

I promise not to drink alcohol until I am old enough. I also promise not to do drugs.

noah loomis
01/17/2008

I pledge not to drink until the legal age and to never do drugs.

Kathryn Steffes
01/17/2008

I promise not to ever drink and drive. I promise not to drink underage.

jack staples
01/17/2008

I Jack Staples pledge to never drink until I'm twenty one years old.

Connor Sheffield
01/17/2008

I will not drink until I am legal and will not drink and drive

Adam Stone
01/17/2008

I pledge to never do drugs and not drink until the appropriate age.

kathry
01/17/2008

Sarah
01/16/2008

i am proud to except Mariahs Challenge! No one deserves to go through what her friends and family went through but mainly what her and her two friends went through!

Brynne Kambich
01/16/2008

I accept Mariah's Challenge. She is missed deeply by everyone in Butte. She has made a huge difference in the community of Butte and i bet she would like to have seen what difference she has made. Leo, Janice,and Jenna,you are all in my prayers everyday.

Kathy
01/16/2008

I think this is a great idea to keep kids from drinking. Our prayers our with you in this difficult time. Mariah will be watching over all of us. She will be our guardian angel.

Polly
01/16/2008

she was a wonderful person with a beautiful smile and a beautiful heart. I am close friends with valarie kilmer and when i heard about the accident i took it really hard, now i want to do everything i can to help the kilmer family and the mccarthy family, a friend told me about this website, i have never drank and i never plan to, i am taking mariahs challengee i want to help her make a difference in the world, as i see she made a huge difference to her family and friends. thank you, Caitlin Webb
01/16/2008

I accept Mariah's Challenge! This was a horrible tragedy that never should have happened. I think that this is a great idea to change the drinking culture of Butte. Mariah was a wonderful girl, who is hopefully in a better place. I will never forget her!

MIKE AND LORI MCELVAIN
01/16/2008

Kelli Bush
01/16/2008

I was the CT tech that tried to help Mariah on the night that she was killed, You have my 100 % support!!!!

Mary North-Abbott
01/15/2008
I accept Mariah's Challenge.

Jula Anderson
01/15/2008

I accept Mariah's Challenge. I am so very grateful for this community the wonderful people in it. I am also very grateful to look through the many pages of the people of this community accpeting this challenge. It will only make for a better Butte. Best Wishes to everyone and let's have a safe new year. jula

Bridgett Fahnestock
01/15/2008

Marie Regan
01/15/2008

Alysha Jeffery
01/15/2008

Claudine Micone
01/15/2008

Kaitlyn Okrusch
01/14/2008

Mariah holds a place in my heart that is never going to leave. She was my best friend, and I cherish every moment spent with her. This lessen about not drinking a driving should have been learned, but not this way. Thank you for making this challenge for everyone to accept. Leo, Janice, and Jenna know that I love you and you are always in my thoughts and prayers. I Accept Mariah's Challenge

Brittaney Arnold
01/14/2008

My condolences go out to everyone involved in the accident and the families hurt by the poor choices made that night. I accept Mariah's challenge and pledge to stay drug/alcohol free for the rest of my High School career.

Ashley Mrkich
01/14/2008
i accept Mariah's challenge not to drink

Bernie & Don Lewis
01/14/2008

Brodie Arnold
01/14/2008
I ACCEPT MARIAH'S CALLENGE!!!!

Jenson Manning
01/14/2008
Sorry

Anita Cassady
01/13/2008

I am a senior at Butte High. I do accept Mariah's challenge and would like to have the under age drinking to stop before someone else gets hurt or even killed.

Amanda Duran
01/13/2008
I ACCEPT MARIAH'S CHALLENGE!!

courtne beckman
01/13/2008
i accept mariahs challenge!!!! stop people who will drive drunk!!!!

Allison Lean
01/13/2008
mariah was a great person i had science with her and she was always soo happy!!

Russ Robertson
01/13/2008
we will always miss u mariah.

Sally Dwyer
01/12/2008

KABRI EMERSON
01/12/2008
ILL ALWAYS MISS YOU AND LOVE YOU
LOVE KABRI

Kerry Powers
01/12/2008
I accept Mariah's Challenge! Your family's strength is amazing and I am so proud to live in a community with so much love and support for one another.

Quinn Dennehy
01/12/2008

Jaimee Paffhausen
01/11/2008
Mariah was one of the greatest and nicest girls I have ever met in my life...I wish I could of said my last good-bye to you...I accept Mariah's Challenge.

Valarie Kilmer
01/11/2008
I will always miss Mariah Very Very much, but i know that she is all of our Guardian Angel.. she was the nicest friend, and she really has made a difference in my life. i accept mariah's challenge...

sidney rae mclaughlin
01/11/2008
dear leo, janice and jenna
i just want you to know your all my heros because you are so brave and strong.
i accept mariah's challenge. i won't let myself or anyone in my family drink and drive. i know that i will definatly not drink underage EVER and thats a promise.

Tom Cronnelly
01/11/2008
Mariah's Challenge is making a difference in Butte. I can honestly say that since hearing of the loss of Mariah, she, her family and the next generation of kids are in my thoughts daily. We owe it to her to continue to drive the changes needed so this never happens again. I am committed to the cause and accept Mariah's Challenge. Please call on me to help in any capacity.

Heather Thatcher
01/11/2008
I accept Mariah's Challenge .. i dont really know her well but i know her family and friends and what i hear shes an amazing girl.hope one day i will meet her

Antonia McCarthy Witt
01/11/2008
I accept Mariah's Challenge!

Nacyshla
01/11/2008
I accept Mariah's Challenge and I vow to keep, not only myself, but also my friends and family, from drinking and driving.

Debbie and Dan Heaney
01/11/2008
We accept Mariah's Challenge. We promise to educate our children in the importance of NOT DRINKING and DRIVING or Doing DRUGS by being good rol emodels. We promise to love,listen to and respect our children daily.

Andy Ritter
01/11/2008

Taylure Marie Svejkovsky
01/11/2008
I pledge my support of the Mariah challenge by never allowing my friends or family to drink and drive. I pledge not to drink or do drugs. I pledge to keep the memories I have of Mariah deep in my heart. Now and FOREVER !!!!!!!

Sherry Spear
01/11/2008
I am so sorry for your loss. Thank you, from the mother of three daughters for being strong enough to think of others during this diffucult time.

Hannah
01/10/2008
I am Marias friend and I was with her well she was crying and I saw her bracelet at practice and decide to go to this website.

Ed Rademacher, Jr.
01/10/2008

Bernie Phelps
01/10/2008
What a great idea!

Maggie Fogerty
01/09/2008
God bless the family of Mariah and may all of you find peace in this wonderful gift you are giving the community of Butte. It is sad that a horrible accident had to occur for this change in the culture to happen. I support you and this challenge 100%. I will do anything I can to help educate everyone young through old about the dangers of drinking and drugs.

Mary Jo Stosich
01/09/2008

Casey Konen
01/08/2008

Shera Konen
01/08/2008

Leo, Janice and Jenna

You are in our thoughts on a daily basis. Your strength throughout such an unthinkable tragedy has been admirable. I gladly accept Mariah's Challenge in honor of your beautiful daughter.

Amber S.
01/08/2008

Michele Shea and Family
01/07/2008

I ACCEPT MARIAH'S CHALLENGE!!! I have been deeply affected by this tragedy and pledge to do whatever is asked of me to help this family and community heal. We owe it to our children to set a good example. Our children model their behavior after ours. (Including our cavalier attitude about alcohol) We must change for their sake. Do not drink in front of your kids. If you do, get a driver...even after having just one drink. Teach the kids the responsible way to behave like an adult. Don't continue the irresponsible attitude in Butte about drinking. This tragedy should never happen again as it should not have happened in the first place. We pray for the family everyday. We also pray for Valarie and Kaitlyn and their families. Those two young ladies need our support so much to grieve their best friend and to heal their torn open hearts. We love you all. A message to everyone reading these wonderful thoughts and messages...please, please, do not stand on the sidelines and wish you could do something. DO SOMETHING! Every little bit helps to encourage our children to make healthy decisions. Do not let this happen again. Teach your children, teach their friends, teach anyone who will listen the concept of Mariah's Challenge. We, as a community, owe it to Mariah's memory, to Valarie and Kaitlyn, and to ourselves and our own children to make the change start here! Step up! Do the right thing!
God Bless!

Leo
01/07/2008

We thank everyone for their kind words and their courage to accept Mariah's Challenge. You honor Mariah and us and most importantly, you honor yourself and your loved ones.
Stay tuned, more to come.
Leo, Janice and Jenna

Jonathan Richards
01/07/2008
I accept Mariah's challenge.

Jessi Peretti
01/06/2008
having a friend from my high school graduating class pass away two summers ago, I know all too well of the horrible effects of drinking and driving. I accept Mariah's challenge I feel that this is an excellent start at changing the Butte community and the attitudes towards underage drinking and drinking in general.

Taylor Williams
01/05/2008

Kara McGeever
01/05/2008
I think this is a wonderful project. A terrible tragedy happened that shouldn't have, and we need to do something about drinking and driving. I accept Mariah's challenge.
I am thinking of the McCarthy family.

Jason Johnston
01/03/2008
i accept the Challenge. Also i would like to add she was a great person and i will stay MIP free for her i accept Mariah`s Challenge

Cindy stergar
01/03/2008
I accept Mariah's challenge

Michele W
01/03/2008
Please accept my deepest sympathy on your loss of Mariah. I gladly accept the challenge.

Coreen Hash
01/03/2008
I accept Mariah's Challenge and will raise my daughter to appreciate life as Mariah did and to accept the challenge as well.

Aj Acuna
01/03/2008

Kiley Miller
01/03/2008
i accept Mariah's challenge

Nathaniel Loomis
01/03/2008
I accept Mairiah's Challenge and will remain MIP free.

Danny Thatcher
01/03/2008
i accept Mariah's challenge

Greg Noctor
01/03/2008
I accept mariah's challenge
She was funny and nice and didnt deserve what happend to her she will be in my memory's

Chelsea Bennett
01/02/2008
I promise to never drink underage because of what has happened to a friend. I would feel terrible if I had something to do with a person who was close to somebody who died. I have thought about Mariah a lot since that night. I will never forget her and she will stay in my heart.

Carolyn Trudnowski

01/02/2008

Our K-8 school system accepts Mariah's Challenge and is having a fundraiser on January 18th. Our thoughts and prayers are with you on a daily basis. God Bless You!

Cicily Webb

01/01/2008

Mariah meant so much to me. Her opinion of me meant even more. If she seemed annoyed with me I would do everything i could to make it better. If what i was doing was making her laugh, i would keep doing it to make her smile. I love Mariah and i miss her more and more everyday. None of this is fair at all for anyone. But i suppose she's in a better place now. I accept Mariah and I encourage everyone I know to accept it also. I just hope that when all of our friends die we'll get to get together in heaven.

Ashley Woy

01/01/2008

Morgan Barnett

01/01/2008

Mariah was a great impact on our community. I'm with everyone else in accepting Mariah's Challenge. Many of us have known Mariah on many different levels. No matter what level you knew her you are entitled to grieve for her. Grieve for her in what ever way comforts you. It was hard to say goodbye but in the end she is in a wonderful place now. "Heaven" You are greatly missed Mariah and always will be. We all love you so much..

Mary Sullivan

01/01/2008

this is a very good thing. it encourages young people not to drink and drive and not to do drugs.