

Pledges and Comments November / December 2008



Crystal Powers
12/24/2008

I think this wonderful. I have two sons age 11 and 10 and have talked to them about the importance of not drinking at all. Any time we see Mariah's picture I remind them of how beautiful she was and that her life was taken short because of drinking and driving.

Veva Larson
12/24/2008

I accept Mariahs challenge and encourage other parents in the Big Hole Valley to do the same.

Josh McConnaha
12/23/2008

I will miss you mariah you were the coolest person

Jared Bonney
12/21/2008

i accept mariah's challenge :)

DJ hancock
12/19/2008

i will never drink and drive

Ronda Welnel
12/17/2008

I will gladly accept Mariah's Challenge with pride and fully support all efforts to prevent underage drinking, impaired driving and to hold those accountable for providing alcohol to underage age youth as well as over serving those already intoxicated. My heart goes out to Mariahs family for their horrible loss and to all families affected by alcohol abuse.

shaye clark
12/17/2008

I just realized from looking at pictures that Mariah went to the child zone daycare with me she looked very sweet in those pictures I remeber her being very helpful and kind.

Kalene
12/16/2008

I knew Mariah from Legendary Lodge and she was the only reason I made it through that camp. Every time I got homesick, I would just go hang out with her. She was the coolest, most loving person and she touched my heart. In school I am doing a powerpoint on the song "I'll Walk" and it is in honor of my dear friend Mariah. I miss her with all my heart. I accept Mariah's Challenge!

Kalene

Andrew McElroy
12/16/2008

all my prayers and love to the McCarthy Family.

Unknown
12/15/2008

It's sad to see that it takes a young persons life for someone to do something about it. Like this website.

Tisha
12/13/2008

I accept mariahs challenge

Emily Dean
12/11/2008

you are the most amazing family, and jenna you are the strongest girl i've ever met. i know mariah is so proud of all you have done.

Davin Gerrard
12/10/2008

you guys are so faithful! i just signed up today! :]] stay strong

jennifer perez
12/10/2008

My name is Jennifer and I live in butte. I have a 14 year old daughter to and my heart broke for these young girls. I don't know what I'd do if I lost my daughter to a drunk driver. I accept mariah's challenge. And I will never let anyone I see drinking get behind the wheel of a car. God bless you guys.

Mary (Sullivan) Weber
12/01/2008

I would like to have an event for the Kids in Pocatello, ID. I will find out what I need to do here and then I will contact you. I grew up in Butte and my neice went to school with Mariah and I remember how much this upset her. What an awesome way to honor her!

Mikala Schumacher
11/26/2008

Amber Bartlett
11/25/2008

my cousin luis was just killed by a drunk driver on 11/19/2008. here is one of the articles. we need to find away to stop drinking and driving all together. <http://www.news10.net/news/local/story.aspx?storyid=50949> ty and if thier is anything i can do to help please let me know. god bless.

Mark and Laurie Galetti
11/24/2008

kacie
11/22/2008

hi my name is kaci and i accept mariah's challenge foreva i want to pledge because i just lost my best friend because of a drunk driver

Anna Fizer
11/19/2008
hey i accept mariah's challenge!!!!!! i hav a shirt that proves it!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Vel Shaver
11/18/2008
I would like to join Mariah's challenge. I am Lincoln County's prevention specialist and would like to speak with you personally but am not able to find a contact number. I have been working with the Montana Community Change Project in Libby, Montana and we would love to have Leo come to speak for us at a Law Enforcement banquet in December if this would be at all possible. I can be reached at 293-7731 ext or 295-4037.
Thank you,
Vel Shaver-Prevention Specialist
Flathead Valley Chemical Dependency Clinic
Libby, MT 59923

daniel inge
11/18/2008
hello. my name is daniel inge and i'm a 29 year old mechanic living with my fiancée, codi, and our son tristan, in douglas, wy. just recently, aug. 30, 2008, my fiancée's oldest son, brenton micheal mccullar, was killed in a speed boat/jetski crash on alcova lake in wyoming. he was only 11 years old with a bright future and his whole life ahead of him. there are charges pending, an ongoing investigation, and we are in the process of a wrongful death suit, but there is a strong possibility of intoxication being involved. i would like to offer condolences to your family, for my family too knows the incomprehensible sadness such a loss causes. i would also like to commend you on mariah's challenge and what you are trying to accomplish so that other parents may not have to suffer through the same tragedy that our two families are incurring. good luck and our prayers are with you.

Diana Gilbert
11/17/2008

Michelle Byett
11/16/2008
I accept Mariah's Challenge, and will do my bit to spread the message through my home in Australia. Thank you for this website. It is truly touching. I was in Butte at the time Mariah's untimely passing happened. I will endeavour to spread the message worldwide, where sadly it too is needed. God bless. Love and peace to all, Michelle

Corey Clark
11/15/2008

Cindee McKee
11/15/2008
ACCEPTS MARIAH'S CHALLENGE

Taylor Redfern
11/15/2008
ACCEPTS MARIAH'S CHALLENGE

Rikki Yount
11/15/2008
ACCEPTS MARIAH'S CHALLENGE

Kellie Despain
11/15/2008
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Marisa McKee
11/15/2008
ACCEPTS MARIAH'S CHALLENGE

Andi Lambert
11/15/2008
ACCEPTS MARIAH'S CHALLENGE

Syd McKee
11/15/2008
ACCEPTS MARIAH'S CHALLENGE

Cjerie Bilodeau
11/13/2008
we at Stageline Pizza believe in this challenge and want to challenge the youth of Anaconda

John Amtmann
11/12/2008
I accept Mariah's Challenge. Thank you.

Kelly Amtmann
11/12/2008
I accept Mariah's challenge. Thank you.

Hannah Amtmann
11/12/2008
I ACCEPT MARIAH'S CHALLENGE!

Devin Amtmann
11/12/2008
I accept Mariah's Challenge.

Aidan Amtmann
11/12/2008
I love Mariah's Challenge. I accept Mariah's Challenge.

Josee
11/11/2008
hello i heard about your story... its really sad. I attend the kick off in Dillon!!!but i want you all to know that i accept Mariah's Challenge

Chelsy Romano
11/11/2008
My name is Chelsy. I was attending Butte high when the accident happened. Mariah was in my math class. i attended the funeral and i accept Mariah's Challenge.

Molly Sprunger
11/10/2008
i accept mariah's challenge!

Sara Sprunger
11/10/2008
i accept Mariah's challenge

Charlee Hahnkamp
11/09/2008

Sarina Eckman
11/09/2008
I absolutely accept Mariah's Challenge!

Malorie Hildreth
11/09/2008

Allie and Kaitlin
11/09/2008
Mariah,
You have inspired us so much by your story we would like to spread this message to everyone. we want to keep Montana safe and the world. we all miss you and luv you !!!! luv Kaitlin and Allie

Noelle Sullivan
11/08/2008
All love and hope to the family.

Kelly Falcon
11/07/2008

Mariah is a very BEAUTIFUL girl and the same thing happend to my aunt. and yes your going to go through hard times but just remember they will always be watching over you! so keep your head held high. and dont let no one put you down.

Brett Nance
11/07/2008
<http://www.myspace.com/hunternance>, I live in Basin Montana and my son Hunter(now 20) recorded a song when he was 15 yrs old in Nashville. The song is called "If Only". The song was written by a friend of ours that is a song writer in Nashville.It is a song from a young person to young people and stressing the need to recognize potential problems among their peers. We are hoping to recut this song this year and attach ourselves to a worthy cause. If this interest you please feel free to contact me,we would like to help where we can. Thanks, Brett Nance 465-6534

Josh Hansen
11/07/2008
God has a plan for every one of us but not everything that happens in this world is according to his plan. That is the power God's love, even the most tragic of events that God never attended God uses to change a community, a nation, and even a world. God bless

Stephanie Wagner
11/07/2008
I wish there were words enough to say that would ease the pain that this family and community feels. I was in Butte that night and I only wish that somehow I could have stopped it. I cannot even imagine how hard it was and still is. I admire you all for turning this terrible event into something so good. Soon every person in the nation will recognize that beautiful 14 year old's face and remember what "Mariah's Challenge" stands for. I never want to be responsible for taking another's life and hurting so many hearts, so I take Mariah's

Challenge and stand by it gladly. Thank you for visiting my school, UMW, last night and sharing it with us all.

Stacy Ann Adams
11/07/2008
I heard Leo McCarthy and two of the other dads talk to night at the University of Montana Western which I attend. I wanted to say that this is very inspirational and very good information that needs to be heard by all teens and adults. I also wanted to say that Leo McCarthy, Officer Jimm Kilmer, and other father that they have alot of courage and strength from God to go forth with the Mariah's Challenge.
God Bless

Judy Kearns
11/06/2008
May God bless and keep you all close to His heart. Thank you for creating a blessing from tragedy.

Kerianne Richardson
11/06/2008
Leo, thank you for coming to our school today in Dillon. I want you to know how sorry I am for you, your family, and all of Mariah's friends. All of your words, songs, advice, questions and suggestions helped me to remember what is important to me. I PROMISE TO NEVER DRINK AND DRIVE.

Allison
11/06/2008
I gladly accept Mariah's challenge!

Victorya Marquez
11/06/2008
OMG Mariah's story has inspired my FCCLA chapter and i to take the challenge to a new level in my home town of Dillon!

Ember Henderson
11/06/2008
I do accept Mariah's Challenge. I live in Dillon and heard about everything that happened. No one should ever have to lose a child.

Becky Kirkland
11/06/2008

vicci
11/06/2008
this is so sadd.

Chantel Colton
11/06/2008

Luke Renfree
11/06/2008
I pledge to be alcohol free throughout my high school years and will use common sense around alcohol

Rebecca McGinley
11/06/2008
i accept Mariah's challenge!!

Rebecca McGinley
11/06/2008

hello i really feel for this story because it touched a lot of our hearts at bchs and i would like to say thank you and i give you the most respect for how this has happened and how you are dealing with. so again thank you so much it really touched my heart=]

Sydney Fromm
11/06/2008

My school just got the speech about what happened. i cried through the whole thing. the whole ordeal is just so sad.

courtney rolando
11/06/2008

I ACCEPT MARIAHS CHALLENGE DO YOU???????????????

Melissa
11/06/2008

I feel so bad for anyone who has lost a family member. i just had mariahs father at my school today and i was one of the few that was crying. it makes us think how good it is to be alive.

Megan Washburn
11/06/2008

courtney rolando
11/06/2008

I ACCEPT MARIAHS CHALLENGE DO U?????????????????

Shannon Tiegs
11/06/2008
God Bless you all.

Nicole Mcclung
11/06/2008

I accept Mariah's challenge. Your family is still in my prayers. You are such incredible people to turn such sadness into hope. I know Mariah's story has touched many lives and probably saved many lives too! God Bless,

Taylor Templin
11/05/2008

I accept Mariahs challenge!! do you!?!?!?

brooke bailey
11/05/2008

I ACCEPT MARIAHS CHALLENGE

courtney rolando
11/05/2008

i believe in mariahs challenge. i will accept it to not drink and drive but not only that but dont drink at all.

Tiffeny and Derek Wright
11/05/2008

We praying for your family each and every day. We also put flowers over by Mariah.

Keanne Lambertson
11/04/2008

Thank you so much for turning this catastrophe into a symbol against drunk driving and Mariah a martyr against underage drinking.

Alyssa Downey
11/03/2008

I ACCEPT MARIAH'S CHALLENGE!

britni Tenold
11/03/2008

I haven't taken a sip of anything my whole life.

alice beranek
11/02/2008

i,m 76 yrs old and i accept mariahs challenge

katie hazel
11/02/2008

i accept mariahs challenge,and i am against underaged drinking.

Danielle Lloyd
11/01/2008

I have had two MIP's in the past and have recently just been hit by a drunk driver and now this has all hit me. That i accept Mariahs Challenge.