

# Miracle for Matthew FUNDRAISER

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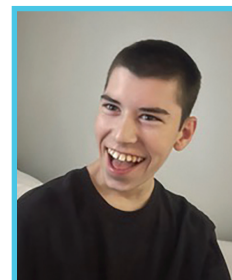
## 14th Annual Golf Tournament Fundraiser for Matthew

Sunday, October 15, 2023 • Timacuan Golf Club, Lake Mary, Florida • 407-321-0010

### MATTHEW'S STORY

**Matthew Walker** is the son of Jonathan & Cynthia Walker of Heathrow, Florida. Matthew will be 18 years old in September. He is one of three children, Morgan 20 and Adam 15 years old. On behalf of the Walker Family, it is their hopes and wishes that you, your family, loved ones and friends are all doing well.

Matthew is one of approximately 40 known males in the world born with a rare neuronal migration disorder of the brain called Subcortical Band Heterotopia. This disorder is one in which the white and grey matter of the brain are disorganized causing the communication pathways of the brain to be challenged, therefore causing significant impairment in his physical and cognitive abilities. Secondary to Matthew's neurological disorder in recent years, he was diagnosed with a rare form of epilepsy known as Lennox Gastaut Syndrome causing life threatening seizures. Matthew is unable to walk or talk and is dependent upon his family and professionals to complete his activities of daily living. The ketogenic diet and medications are administered to Matthew through a feeding tube continuously throughout the day for nutrition and for the control of several different types of seizures. The corpus callosotomy brain surgery Matthew underwent several years ago continues to show successful results.



Matthew continues make great progress in overcoming many hurdles. At the beginning of the new year Matthew's neurologist had prescribed a new medication for seizure control. Shortly after he visited the hospital for a routine interventional radiology procedure. Days later he was diagnosed with a bacterial infection and Covid again. As a result he experienced an increase in seizure activity and fatigue. Despite many evaluations and tests, it was next to impossible to identify the root cause and treat it accordingly. Matthew eventually overcame these adversities and is doing much better. He has done well with the new seizure medicine and has reduced his medication regimen. Matthew will soon be replacing his tube feed ketogenic diet for nutrition and seizure control with an alternative. It has been known that the long term use of the ketogenic diet has serious side effects. These transitions have the potential to be additional hurdles for Matthew but promise healthy outcomes. Once he is able physical and speech therapy are ready to resume to help Matthew reach his ultimate potential. In September Matthew will celebrate his 18th Birthday and officially will become an adult. Guardianship proceedings are underway.

Over the past few years Matthew has grown into an amazing young man, despite his many challenges. This fall Matthew will be entering into the 11th grade at Seminole High School supported by the Exceptional Student Services of Seminole County, Florida. Seminole County School's Hospital Home Bound Services will continue to be available for home visits two days per week one hour per visit. The past couple of years these sessions have been conducted via Zoom video conferencing with his teach. Plans are to transition to face to face instruction at Matthew's home.

The Annual Golf Tournament Fundraiser was created to assist financially for the care, special facilities, and medical attention that Matthew's ongoing disabilities require. The event format this year will be similar to the last couple of years. A boxed lunch will be provided for all attending golfers. Raffle and auction item activities will be ongoing before and during the tournament. Matthew's big day will conclude with a brief award ceremony and a big congratulations to the 14th Annual Miracle for Matthew Golf Tournament winning foursome.

### Last year's golf tournament fundraiser was a great success! Special thank you to the following and all who participated for giving their hearts out to Matthew:

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Russie Weidl, Watson Realty	Debby Taboh Photography	Florida Pediatric Associates /	Tomasino's Pizzeria	Lake Mary Pediatric Dentistry
Mom's Club of Heathrow	Park Jewelers	Eye Physicians of Central Florida	Central Florida Therapy	Marshall Insurance Group
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Timacuan Golf Club	Friendly Confines Restaurant	Cato Environmental Services	Pristine Nails & Spa	Crews Ink
Erica Karlinsky, PhD	Papa Joe's Pizza	Liam Fitzpatrick's	Nothing Bundt Cakes	Sanford Carpet & Flooring
Heathrow Country Club	Duffy's Sports Grill	Dexters Restaurant	The de Arcos Family	RH Plumbing
AmStar Cinemas	Giovanni's Italian Restaurant	Heathrow / Legacy Summer Golf Camp with Jeff Jones	Collaborative Wealth	
			Orlando Solar Bears	

*Please consider coming out to meet Matthew, play some golf, have fun and help make Matthew's big day and days to come!*

*See tournament registration information on other side.*

# TOURNAMENT REGISTRATION AND INFORMATION

- ★ Registration will begin at 12:00 PM with Shot Gun Start at 1:00 PM.
- ★ Range balls will be provided at no charge for warm up.
- ★ Mulligans, Raffle Tickets and Auction item donations can be made at the time of registration. The raffle winning names will be drawn after the start of the tournament and the winners will receive their raffle item during play.
- ★ Scramble/Best Ball Format - Contests include: Low Gross Team Score, Longest Drive and Closest to the Pin on all par 3's.
- ★ A boxed lunch will be provided for all attending Golfers.
- ★ Sponsorships are available which include hole sponsor signage, event representation and recognition. For more information on becoming a Sponsor or registering for the tournament contact Jonathan Walker at 407-970-1975 or [jwalker1445@cfl.rr.com](mailto:jwalker1445@cfl.rr.com).

## Sponsorship Participation:

☐ Yes ☐ No

Name of Sponsor and Contact Information: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Team Captain's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Golfer #1's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Golfer # 2's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Golfer #3's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Golfer # 4's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

# PAYMENT INFORMATION

## GOLD SPONSOR

Includes Foursome, Boxed Lunch for four,  
Hole Sponsor Signage and Event Recognition — \$800

## SILVER SPONSOR

Includes Two Golfers, Boxed Lunch for two,  
Hole Sponsor Signage and Event Recognition — \$475

## HOLE SPONSOR

Includes Hole Sponsor Signage and Event  
Recognition — \$250

## GOLF AND BOXED LUNCH

Individual — \$125.00

TOTAL AMOUNT: \_\_\_\_\_

Please make check payable to: Matthew Sloan Walker 2018 Supplemental Needs Trust.

Payment can also be made by credit card by visiting [www.miracle4matthew.com](http://www.miracle4matthew.com) and clicking on the Donate tab.

Return this form and payment to:

Miracle for Matthew, Attn: Jonathan Walker, 1218 Chantry Place, Heathrow, Florida 32746

Please RSVP by Saturday, October 7, 2023 to

Jonathan Walker — [jwalker1445@cfl.rr.com](mailto:jwalker1445@cfl.rr.com) or 407-970-1975

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