



MIDDLETON POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Brad Keil - Chief of Police

MEDIA RELEASE

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Battle of the Badges

Charity Softball Event

Middleton Fire Department vs Police (EMS)

August 4th 2012, 9:30AM – Noon

Firefighter's Memorial Park, Diamond #3
3201 Pleasant View Rd, Middleton

- ✦ Gentleman's bet; losing Chief has to clean other's squad
- ✦ Fire trucks on display; rides for those age 8 and up
- ✦ Police Department & Ambulance vehicles on display
- ✦ Police Department giving away Milwaukee Brewer cards

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BATTLE OF THE BADGES

In February 2012, James Helmuth, 9 years old at the time, was diagnosed with a very rare and aggressive cancer, Adrenal Cortical Carcinoma (ACC), after experiencing chest pains following a basketball accident. At his insistence, Dad took him in for an x-ray that revealed metastatic cancer nodules in his lungs from a large adrenal tumor.

In days UW Hospital Surgeons had removed the primary tumor, one of his kidneys and had charted out a detailed plan for long-term healing. Only 400 cases of ACC are diagnosed in the US each year; extremely few are found in the diseases' early stages — and few medical experts can successfully treat this rare and difficult disease.

So far, James' treatment has involved surgery and a planned total of 10 months of chemotherapy. Additionally, he may have lung surgery to completely remove all remaining cancer. In the long-term, James will have to manage the loss of his adrenal glands and the need for daily chemotherapy medicines for an indefinite amount of time. Mom and Dad have contingency plans to travel to the MD Anderson Clinic in Texas or the National Institutes of Health, if needed, to seek expert consultations to help ensure that James is forever cured.

James loves to watch and play basketball and football and he loves karate and swimming. James has many friends including a special place in his heart for Bella, Buddy, and Sparkle - the family dog and two cats. James loves his big brother Jack and puts up with his silly Mom, Lisa, and Dad, Jeff. James enjoys a full and happy life in Middleton Wisconsin.

Proceeds from this event will benefit the James Helmuth Benefit Fund & [Badger Children's Cancer Network](#).

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