

## Milwaukee Brewer's Pitcher Helps Fan Reach Donation Goal for Rescued Dolphins

Young fan of Clearwater Marine Aquarium delivers donation for dolphins Winter and Hope's new home

Clearwater, FL (Oct. 29, 2018) – 12-year-old Jordan Young from Hartland, Wisconsin raised \$1,000 for Clearwater Marine Aquarium, home of Winter and Hope the rescued dolphins featured in the movies *Dolphin Tale* and *Dolphin Tale 2*. Young achieved this through hard work and help from a professional baseball player in her home State. On Mon., Oct. 29 Jordan visited CMA to deliver her donation and see Winter and Hope, the rescued dolphins who she loves and supports.

As a longtime supporter of CMA, Jordan decided she wanted to help with the aquarium's expansion. The expansion in progress will triple the habitat space for the 3 rescued dolphins and allow CMA to rescue, rehabilitate and release more marine life. She began doing yard work in her neighborhood to raise money for Winter and Hope's new home. Little did she know when she began that she would receive some big help from a new friend.

This summer, Jordan, a huge baseball fan, caught Milwaukee Brewer's pitcher, Brent Suter's first ever Major League Baseball home run ball at Miller Park. Suter requested to have the ball back as a special remembrance. Jordan agreed if she could hand deliver it to him and take a photo. Suter went above and beyond with her request and gave Jordan signed memorabilia and thoughtful attention. The two formed a friendship that resulted in Suter speaking to her class at school, bonding over their passion for the environment, and him helping her fulfill her donation goal to CMA. Suter's donation helped Jordan reach her goal of \$1,000 for Winter and Hope's new home. A gift that will land her special recognition in the new building of the aquarium.

On Monday, Oct. 29, 2018 Jordan Young handed her donation to CEO David Yates, and spent time with Winter and Hope the rescued dolphins who she is supporting.

## **Media Details:**

- When: Monday, Oct. 29, 2018.
- Where: Clearwater Marine Aquarium: 249 Windward Passage, Clearwater, FL 33767
- Click here to download photos and video.

Media interested in attending or receiving video/photos, contact Julia Anderson: <u>Janderson@cmaquarium.org</u> or 727.686.3499.

## **About Clearwater Marine Aquarium:**

Clearwater Marine Aquarium (CMA) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit working marine rescue center dedicated to inspiring the human spirit through leadership in education, research, rescue, rehabilitation and release. CMA is home to rescued dolphins, sea turtles, river otters, stingrays, nurse sharks and more. Winter the dolphin's story of survival, after an injury that caused her to lose her tail, has impacted millions of people around the world. A major motion picture, *Dolphin Tale*, highlighted her life story in 2011. The sequel, *Dolphin Tale 2*, was released in September 2014 and features the incredible story of Hope, a young resident dolphin of CMA. The mission and potential to change people's lives differentiates Clearwater Marine Aquarium from any other aquarium in the world.

WE BELIEVE in preserving our environment while inspiring the human spirit through leadership in the rescue, rehabilitation, and release of marine life, environmental education, research and conservation.