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Bowling Benefit for Kali Grace McKellips

Crystal, MN – A fun, family friendly benefit will be held to help raise funds in honor of 9 month old Kali McKellips, who recently received a double lung transplant.

A no-tap bowling fundraiser will take place on Sunday, May 20, 2007 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Doyle's Bowling and Lounge at 5000 West Broadway Avenue, Minneapolis, MN. Cost to participate is \$25 per bowler or \$100 per lane, which includes 3 games of bowling and shoe rental. Walk-ins will be welcome, but it is preferred that bowlers register ahead of time on www.kali-rocks.com. Bowlers are encouraged to additional solicit pledges, as prizes will be given to the bowler who raises the most in donations. Prizes will also be awarded to high series and high and low scoring bowlers in various age categories. Bumper bowling will be available for children and tee-shirt and bracelets commemorating Kali, will be available for purchase.

Kali Grace McKellips was born extremely premature at 24 weeks, weighing a mere 1 ½ pounds. Since birth, Kali has remained hospitalized and heavily medicated at Minneapolis Children's hospital, on ventilation and oxygen, but her undeveloped lungs continued to cause health problems. Recently, Kali was transferred to Texas Children's Hospital and put on a donor list for a set of new lungs. Within several weeks, a donor was found and on Tuesday, April 17, 2007, 9 month-old Kali Grace underwent a risky, yet successful, double lung transplant. With many days of healing ahead, Kali and her parents remain in Texas, hundreds of miles away from home.

In hopes to help compensate for medical costs that aren't covered by insurance, Kali's bowling benefit has been planned. Future benefits are also in the works for this summer and include a golf tournament, silent auction and dinner.

Those interested in participating in this event, finding out information about future Kali Grace benefits or reading about Kali's miraculous 9 months of life, are encouraged to visit www.kali-rocks.com.

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