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JUST TRYAN IT COMPLETES SECOND ANNUAL TRIATHLON RACE IN CHAPEL HILL WITHOUT A DRY EYE IN THE CROWD, DONATES MORE THAN \$90,000 TO AREA HOSPITALS

(Bethesda, MD, Monday, May 22, 2017) - Ryan Darby was diagnosed with acute lymphoblastic leukemia in December of 2009. During treatment, it was tough, his body took a toll. He got headaches, pain in his knees and pain in his back. During that time, he received so much love and support from family and friends. That support inspired his loved ones to start a foundation, and JUST TRYAN IT was born. In the last eight years has transpired into a movement.

A second annual Chapel Hill race took place the morning of Sunday, May 21 at Chapel Hill Country Club. There were 266 racers completing three different courses, and brother/sister team Maddie and William set the course on fire with their remarkable race: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pXahJMIKN5w&feature=youtu.be>. One or our Stars, Lindsay gave an inspiring speech at the opening ceremonies: <http://justtryanit.com/story/lindsay-home-chapel-hill/>. Also of note this year, students from Montessori Community School raced in honor of schoolmate, Hudson, and students from Trinity School raced in memory of friend, Weston.

More than \$90,000 in proceeds from the event will support families in treatment for pediatric cancer in the Triangle area. And, Ryan Darby continues to thrive. Last year, at age 12, Ryan was named the National Youth Ambassador to Hyundai Hope on Wheels Foundation.

JUST TRYAN IT, Inc. is a non-profit foundation supporting families fighting childhood cancer. JUST TRYAN IT seeks to positively impact the lives of families whose children have been diagnosed with cancer by providing them with financial assistance. We strive to instill the importance of philanthropy and service, promote wellness, and inspire tomorrow's leaders to make a difference in their communities. Founded in Bethesda, MD, JUST TRYAN IT has expanded to host races in North Carolina, Virginia and Maryland. To find out more, visit <http://justtryanit.org>.

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