Special birthday party for Diego Hernandez on Saturday June 1, 2019 at the Waynesboro Moose lodge #1309

Diego Hernandez turned 13 on Saturday with the help of the members and staff of Waynesboro lodge #1309. Diego has a medical condition called craniosynostosis that affects skull and brain growth. Since he had a stroke at age 9, he has had 6 surgeries to try and add a few more years to his life. His condition is now terminal and no more surgeries can be done. Diego's idol is John Cena who earlier in the week surprised Diego with a visit to his home loaded with WWE gifts and toys, action figures and hats, wrist bands and belts. Then on Saturday, he had a big birthday party at the lodge. Food and drinks were generously donated by Kroger’s, Peck's barbeque, Firehouse Subs and Subway. A huge WWE themed cake was donated by the Moose legion and the Waynesboro lodge members and staff provided their time to make sure Diego’s day was a special one. A bouncy house was also donated for the day by a local individual. The lodge was decorated in WWE party deco and videos of John Cena played on the tv during the party. There was even a donated WWE piñata filled with candy that the children enjoyed!

All in all with the Waynesboro lodge and local businesses, Diego’s week couldn't have been better. All of the gifts from John Cena were on display at the lodge during the party.

Diego and his Family

Lodge members listed from left to right: Charlie Mcthenia (trustee), Debbie Smith (member and bar tender), Deborah Slusher (member and kitchen manager) , Linda Carver (member), Larry Armentrout (inner guard), Rob Harbinson (Governor), Joyce Helmick (member and kitchen employee), and Diego.