Dear Center for,

Have you ever had a big dream or a big goal that you wanted to achieve? Was it in grade school, where doing well in a tough subject could bring a better grade? Maybe it was asking that special someone "Will you marry me?" Perhaps it was a job or career goal or an athletic or fitness goal.

Peter Foster has a big dream, and I am honored to share his story with you through the Christian Record Annual Day of Giving.

This year's Day of Giving is **Saturday, April 11**. It's a time to help Christian Record continue to inspire dreams and goals in the lives of people who are blind or visually impaired. It's also a special day to reach out and befriend people who are blind in your community.

My hope is that Peter's story inspires you to dream big as well as partner with Christian Record.

Dream Big!

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CRSB Annual Day of Giving Website: Videos, Article, Tips and More!

The Christian Record Annual Day of Giving has an official website, filled with helpful information for your neighborhood, church, or service club.

- Videos: English and Spanish
- Tips: How to befriend a person who is blind or visually impaired
- Behind the scenes content
- More information about Peter Foster, the star of the Day of Giving video
- Direct link to the CRSB online gift catalog

Visit www.CRSBday.org to learn more.

Peter’s Big Dream

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However, none of this is real. It's a simulation. This patient and surgery procedure are part of a computerized training program. Peter Foster isn't a CRNA - not yet, anyway. Becoming a CRNA is a big dream for Peter.

Read more from Outlook Magazine.

What is Christian Record?
Christian Record Services for the Blind (CRSB) offers materials, programs, and friendship to children and adults who are blind or visually impaired.

The following services are provided free to all qualified individuals:

- Magazines and resources in braille, large print, and audio
- Audio lending library
- Bible school
- National Camps for Blind Children (NCBC)
- inSight4Vets digital players

To learn more about Christian Record and to request information about enrolling in services, click [here](#).

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The 23-year-old was selected by Christian Record Services for the Blind (CRSB) to star in the Annual Day of Giving project video (watch below). The video was featured in NAD churches on Sabbath, April 11.

Peter is a gifted young man who also happens to be visually impaired.

“I was so excited when I learned about Peter,” said Terry Marston, CRSB call center clerk. Marston searched for an inspirational story about an individual who received CRSB reading services and attended camp through National Camps for the Blind. “It is evident that Peter has the love of Jesus in his heart,” he said. “We were looking for an inspiring story, and it seemed that he inspired us as well.”

Watch the video in Spanish.

When Christian Record sent a film crew to interview Peter, they too learned about the joyful way that Peter approaches life. He was eager to share about the Braille hymnal that CRSB gifted to him and led the group in an impromptu song service in his living room. At one point during filming, the crew was squeezed into Peter’s bedroom so he could demonstrate, through his enthusiastic giggles, his surgery simulator.

At first glance, Peter seemed fragile. “I have very small air passages. I can’t smell or taste food. And it’s difficult to swallow,” he said. However, once he sat to play the piano or to conduct a simulated surgery, Peter’s zest for life
shone through.

At National Camps for the Blind, he enjoyed sharing his passions for medicine and music. "Not only was he interested in just seeing us on a regular basis as needed," said camp nurse Donna Miller, "but he considered us an activity. He would schedule time that he could sit with us and have conversations about nursing as a profession and particularly anesthesia care. I would say at times he knows more about my career than I do."

Camp attendees call Peter "Johann" because he enjoys playing the music of Johann Sebastian Bach. Talent night is a highlight of camp for many who attend, and Peter is always ready to perform on the piano.

Peter reads braille, in addition to print that he can bring close to his face. Besides the free materials sent to him from Christian Record, he also enjoys reading and researching medical topics related to anesthesia care.

Returning to his monitor, Peter notices that the patient needs more of a particular medication. He scans the screen, makes a few adjustments, and then announces that his patient has completed surgery. "Yesterday I saved four patients," he shares, and then a giggle escapes his lips. "It would have been five, but my mom interrupted me."

Peter Foster has embraced his life, along its unique detours, and by doing so has inspired many also to reach for big dreams.

Learn more about CRSB's Annual Day of Giving or make a donation.

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