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Shown above: Officer Brian Glacken with guest of honor Jonah Gold of Gramercy Park

Cops make boy's dreams come true

By Maciej Wroblewski

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Jonah Gold, who was all smiles throughout the two hour visit, inspected the holding cell, sat in the shining emergency service truck, and, best of all, got to hang out with his heroes. Police Officer Santo Costa even gave Jonah his hat and badge.

"Jonah hasn't stopped talking about it and he is so proud that you gave him your hat—he hasn't taken it off and one night he even went to bed with it on," Jonah's grandfather, Michael Osheowitz, said in a letter thanking Santo for his generosity.

Osheowitz, who is the chairman of Edwin Gould Foundation for Children and a member of the advisory board of the Gramercy Park Block Association (GPBA), contacted Arlene Harrison, president of GPBA to see if she could help to organize a visit to the precinct for his grandson.

"Police officers of the 13th Precinct and Emergency Service Truck 1 couldn't be more welcoming," said Harrison, whose group has a close relationship with the precinct. "Michael called me the next day and said that his grandson told him that evening that it was the happiest day of his life," she added.



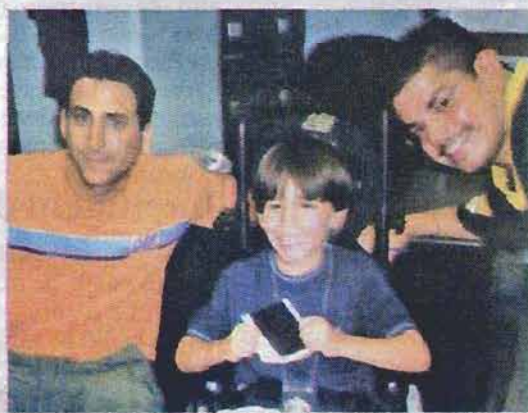
Inspector Michael J. McEnroy, commanding officer of the 13th Precinct, Arlene Harrison, president of Gramercy Park Block Association and guest of honor Jonah Gold with police officers of the 13th Precinct



Jonah gets a new hat, courtesy of Officer Santo Costa



Jonah in front of precinct



Jonah with Lt. Christopher Stissi and Sgt. Jose Morales