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Peace Journey

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Begin the Journey – Peace Club Teen

July 2012 -- Beginning Peace Thought:

I'd like to say thank you for allowing me to take part in such an amazing project! I started the peace journey backwards on accident, starting my community project and Facebook first, then reading one of Mattie's books and creating my peace post.

Choice 1: Peace Seeker – Reflect on Mattie's Message

August 2012 -- Peace Post on *Journey Through Heartsongs*

I finished reading "*Journey Through Heartsongs*" and absolutely adored it! After completing the book, I did this drawing. It symbolizes that *Heartsongs* are all different and *Heartsongs* are what connects us to peace.

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Choice 2: Peace Maker – Respond to Mattie’s Message

August 2012 -- Project Plan: *Mattie Stepanek Peace Project*

- a) For my community project, I came up with the idea to make sticky labels with different designs to post around town. Almost every day, I go out on my bike and ride around our town, putting labels on the back of signs, trash cans, benches, bike racks; then I take a picture of it and put it on my new Facebook page. The sticky labels have a peace image, and Mattie’s website address (www.mattieonline.com).

NOTE: Photos of these ‘peace posts’ are on Sydney’s Facebook page under the heading “PEACE PLACES.” Here are some samples:



- b) I created a Facebook page to post photos of the labels I am putting around town, and to raise awareness of Mattie’s message of peace. You can search “Mattie Stepanek Peace Project” or go to the link below to see the Facebook page:

Visit Sydney’s “Mattie Stepanek Peace Project” FB page here:
<http://www.facebook.com/MSpaceproject>

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c) Also, my mother, Donna, and I came up with the idea to take a bumper sticker with the Mattie J.T Stepanek logo and website name, put it on a stick, and have people take pictures with it to support peace! I also post the "Peace People" pictures on the Facebook page.

NOTE: Photos of these 'peace folks' are on Sydney's Facebook page under the heading "PEACE PEOPLE." Here are some samples:



My goal for the page is to get 100 likes by the end of August 2012, having people look at the pictures and think of peace in their daily lives, and hopefully, visit www.mattieonline.com and support the cause!

Choice 3: Peace Bringer – Reach Out with Mattie’s Message and Yours!

Month Year -- Project Presentation:

Celebrate the Journey – Teen Peace Ambassador

Month Year -- Celebration Peace Thought: