

Rock Against Diabetes Newsletter



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Dear Team Kilman, friends, family, and neighbors,

What an eventful year plus it has been; we have done a lot and learned a lot. We have hosted two concerts, *Rock Against Diabetes*, which taught us a lot about how we want to do it in the future. We went on three walks that were fundraisers for three different organizations. In May was the ADA America's Walk for Diabetes. Also in May was the very small scale Scappoose Lions walk which raised money for Gales Creek Camp and did health screenings. In October was the JDRF Walk to Cure Diabetes. All three of these organizations are very worthwhile and contribute to education, care, and a cure for diabetes. Just in the last year we went from over 18 million Americans diagnosed with Diabetes to over 20 million; another 40 million Americans are at risk for developing Diabetes.

For our part Team Kilman plans on continuing to sponsor those agencies that bring attention to Diabetes in hopes that care can continue to improve care and a cure can be found. Besides these very important goals we feel it is also important for there to be awareness and education of Diabetes. The quality of life for our loved ones with Diabetes is no minor concern.

For those of you that were so generous last year I ask you to continue by choosing which organization/organizations you wish to donate to. For those of you who didn't donate in the past but would like to please take some time to visit each website to learn a little about each organization. Please make your financial donations payable to the organization of choice and mail to Jennifer.

In brief the American Diabetes Association is working for both Type 1 (Henry) and Type 2 Diabetes (Jennifer's mom). Their focus is cure, care, and commitment. If you would like to donate to the ADA this year please have checks to Jennifer by May 1st. We will have a team participating somehow in the May 6th walk.

The Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation focuses on those with Type 1 looking to improve care and search for a cure. Their big fundraisers are the Hope Gala in April and the Walk in October. If you have an item you would like to donate to their auction at the Gala please contact Jennifer. If you would like to make a financial contribution please have your donation to Jennifer by September 30th. We will have a team participating somehow in the October 1st walk.

The Gales Creek Camp for Children with Diabetes is an organization full of extremely dedicated and compassionate people who are there to educate and assist children with Diabetes and their parents. We have every intention of sending Henry in the future. If you would like to donate an item for their November auction please contact Jennifer. If you would like to make a financial contribution this year you can send your donation to Jennifer any time.

November 2006 we, Team Kilman, will be hosting the Third Annual Rock Against Diabetes. 100% of the proceeds of this years proceeds from the show will go to the JDRE. If you would like to participate in some way or would like to help organize please contact Tom or Jennifer as soon as possible. We would like to increase the scope and size of the show this year.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you who have supported our efforts in any way and look forward o your ongoing support. We feel very blessed to have such giving and caring friends and family.

Thank you for your continuing support,
The Kilman Family
Jennifer, Tom, George, Henry, and Kate