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Wow does time fly! We have been so very busy these couple months we have a combo letter.

February had us plotting and planning for Tom's SURPRISE 40th birthday party. I think we all had fun at Mississippi Pizza; Good friends, good food, and some great music. I want to thank everyone who sent kind words, photos, who attended the event, and to all the musicians who kept the music going. Tom loves his new GPS, he even had enough to get an accessory kit (Costco had a coupon that month!)

March has kept us busy with more birthdays (George is 8 now), family visits, and Spring Break. In addition Jennifer coordinated a JDRF Kids Walk to Cure Diabetes at the boys school. The school raised over \$3,700 for the JDRF! We are very proud of the support our family and community have shown. Thanks Scappoose and friends of Henry and George!

We are already thinking about our 2008 concert. We plan on having our RAD, NW 2008 benefit concert at the Crystal Ballroom in Portland in November. We like November because that is the month Henry was diagnosed and it is also National Diabetes Awareness Month; so you see a lot more information in the media. If you think you can help in some way please contact us!

Every year we continue to grow both in size and in revenue. If you have any suggestions on how we can improve the event they would be greatly appreciated. If you would like to volunteer for next year in some capacity that would also be great (I know it is kind of early for that!). We would like to have a committee of people for next year including sound techs, emcees, press agents, music/band coordinators, merchandise crew, kids table, etc. Tom and I love doing this but in order for it to grow we need a bigger organized crew. We have learned a lot and hope to find some people who are as passionate about this as we are!

Do you Google a lot? Consider using GoodSearch instead and selecting JDRF as your charity. There are different chapters and for those of you local that would be the Oregon/SW Washington Chapter. For every search your charity gets a penny; every penny counts! You can also shop via GoodSearch and many businesses give a percent of your purchase toward your charity of choice.

Thank you again for all your support!
The Kilman Family