

Well May has nearly come and gone and I am just getting around to the monthly newsletter! Like everyone we are keeping busy.

JDRF Kids Walk to Cure Diabetes a success! All the kids from Grant Watts Elementary School in Scappoose have received their incentive prizes after they raised nearly \$4,000 with last minute donations. I challenge you parents out there to ask your kids school if they will allow a Walk. It is a great way to spread awareness and raise more money for the JDRF than most family Walk teams.

We are always thinking about our Rock Against Diabetes, NW benefit concert: Where to have it, who will play, and how to improve the event. We hope to have 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! We have some big ideas but we need some committed volunteers to help out. If you have any suggestions or would like to volunteer, all input is greatly appreciated. We need a committee of people 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.

I am having a garage sale May 30 & 31 and a portion of the proceeds will go to the JDRF. If you are in the area come by and say hello. We have some merchandise from a few households and also a few new items. It is never too early to think about school supplies! For just \$8 you can have your pick of a new back pack with school supplies already in it. If your kid has size 4 shoes we have several pairs of brand new AND 1 basketball shoes for just \$10!

Thank you again for all your support!  
Jennifer Kilman