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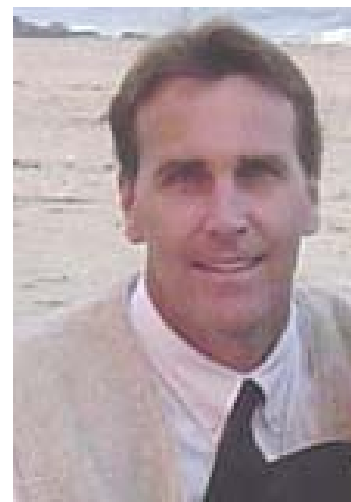
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“To all our old friends who have been with us year after year, and to our new friends who have joined us for the first time... we are so grateful to you for being a part of this great collective effort. Take pride and pleasure in the many lives that *you* have helped to change for the better.”

PAUL D. JACKSON
2000



Paul’s message may be 10 years old but it still rings true today. We are deeply grateful for your support as we carry on Paul’s mission of helping those most in need. The Paul Jackson Fund continues because of your generosity. Thank you.



The first annual *Paul Jackson Fund 5K * 2 Mile Walk * Kids’ Fun Run* was held on Saturday, October 9, 2010. Please see page four for photo highlights of this event.

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HOW YOU’VE HELPED.....

Kevin became paralyzed from the waist down as the result of a gun shot wound when he was a teenager. Kevin has worked hard to accept his disability and to maintain a positive outlook on life. He volunteers his time to help people who are newly paralyzed. In the past Kevin suffered from skin breakdowns which required grafting. This is why he was so nervous when the electric company threatened to turn off his electricity. In order to prevent bedsores, he needed his electric bed and its special alternating pressure mattress working. A call to The Paul Jackson Fund relieved his worries. The Fund paid the outstanding electric bill, as well as assisted Kevin with some expenses of daily living.

“I was searching for the help that I needed... My prayers were answered when someone from the Paul Jackson Fund called me back... I had so many negative things happen in my life, but The Paul Jackson Fund changed my perception on that it showed me that there are people still out there in the world that truly do care... I am smiling from ear to ear.”



The Paul Jackson Fund provides assistance to individuals and families who are in financial crisis due to a debilitating long term illness or disability. A charity of last resort. The Fund was started for Paul in 1991 after he became paralyzed from a surgery to remove a spinal cord tumor. When he no longer needed the assistance, Paul led The Fund and helped hundreds of families who found themselves in dire circumstances, with no where else to turn. Paul passed away in February 2009. His wish was for the work of The Fund to continue.

Gary's health is deteriorating from liver disease and diabetes. He and his wife have a 10 year old son and custody of their young granddaughter. Three years ago, Paul visited this family and assisted them with securing a new apartment. Gary's wife had to leave her job to care for him and the kids. While she actively looks for work, the family is struggling to make ends meet. Recently The Paul Jackson Fund helped the family with several household bills.

We were saddened to hear about Paul's passing , but his work still goes on and leaves hope for families like us. Once again we reached out for help and without hesitation Paul's organization was there for us. Our family deeply appreciates your help.

~ Gary's wife

David is married with four sons. He has end stage liver disease and has not been able to work in over two years. Frequent hospitalizations have been the norm. His wife's job barely covers the bills and her hours were recently cut. Financial difficulties burdened the entire family. Utilities were in jeopardy of being turned off and they struggled to meet their children's basic needs. The Paul Jackson Fund paid all their utility bills, car insurance and provided ample gift certificates to their local A&P.

David was extremely grateful for the assistance The Fund provided during this difficult time.

Roslyn called when it was 98 degrees outside. It was the hottest summer on record. Roslyn had been diagnosed with stomach cancer which had spread to her kidneys. She was about to start chemotherapy treatments when she developed boils all over her body. The boils required daily dressing changes. Her doctors told her that she needed a cool environment. Unfortunately, Roslyn's upstairs apartment only had a fan. The Paul Jackson Fund paid for an air conditioner right away.

You could hear the relief in Roslyn's voice.

"I sincerely thank you for the money to get the air conditioner. If it wasn't for you I would have had an awful summer because I have boils and I must keep cool to keep them down. Thank you again and may God continue to bless you."

Daniel is a 12 year old boy who went into the hospital for a relatively simple leg surgery. Daniel suffered a stroke while on the operating table and was in a coma for several months afterward. During his rehabilitation, Daniel was accidentally dropped and his leg shattered. He is now wheelchair-bound and his doctors have said that his leg will never bear weight again.

Daniel's mom, a single parent, never left his side during his eight month hospital stay. The family needed to move out of their home and into a wheelchair accessible apartment. Daniel only leaves home for medical appointments, and requires medical transportation to take him. The Paul Jackson Fund donated Paul's van to Daniel and his mother. The Fund has also assisted with medical and household bills. The Paul Jackson Fund, along with the Union County Rugby Football Club, has assisted in paying for wheelchair adaptations to the van.



"It is such a big relief. Relief is such a small word and it doesn't convey how deeply I feel. There is finally something moving forward. I will finally be able to get Daniel out of the apartment. I am so happy I'm speechless. I can't wait to be able to take him just for a ride—maybe go to the park and let him sit outside in the fresh air.

~Daniel's mother

Victor, at the age of three, experienced a high fever which led to a seizure. Victor was taken to the hospital where his family was told that their son might not survive. Victor suffered some brain damage and a significant loss of motor skills. Now 11, Victor attends a special school. In order to get Victor in and out of the house, which was not wheelchair accessible, both parents needed to carry him down the concrete stairs. As Victor grew and got heavier, this became increasingly difficult to do. In the winter months, it also became dangerous. The Paul Jackson Fund paid to have a vertical lift installed outside of Victor's home. The Fund also helped purchase a Hoyer lift so Victor could be easily and safely transferred from his bed to his wheelchair and back. Victor's parents were overjoyed and so relieved with the help the Fund provided.



"This is a dream come true. It is unbelievable; it is more than we could ever wish for. The spirit of Paul Jackson lives on and his love/wishes give hope to the hopeless. We thank you from the bottom of our hearts for everything."

~Victor's father



On October 9, 2010 The Paul Jackson Fund held its first 5K* Walk * Kids' Fun Run. Oak Ridge Park was the ideal venue and the weather was perfect. This event involved approximately 400 participants, raising more than \$10,000 for The Fund. These contributions will help The Paul Jackson Fund to continue its mission of helping individuals and families facing financial crisis due to long-term illness or disabilities. We sincerely thank you for your generous support of this event and we look forward to seeing you next October.



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THANK YOU

The work of The Paul Jackson Fund continues because of the generosity of many people. We are sincerely grateful to the following local organizations which have raised money or donated services

- ◆ *Westfield Welcome Club*
- ◆ *Knights of Columbus*
- ◆ *The Clam Hut (Highlands, NJ)*
- ◆ *All Nighters Band*
- ◆ *Westfield Rugby*
- ◆ *Union County Rugby Football Club*
- ◆ *Westfield High School Class of 1975 Reunion*

During this Holiday Season...

As you search for ways to send a truly meaningful message to your family, friends and clients, why not send a message of hope. Consider making a contribution to The Paul Jackson Fund in someone's name.

Leaning To Give...

- * **Vincent Di Filippo**—13 years old, collected pledges and ran the Westfield 5K at Tamaques Park. The money was donated to the Paul Jackson Fund.
- * **Dylan Jackson**—10 years old, donated his Christmas money to The Fund.
- * **Lauren Phillips-Jackson**—11 years old, held a bake sale at Simple Gifts Farm in her hometown of Amherst, MA. All the proceeds went to The Paul Jackson Fund.
- * **Amy, Aidan, Lauren, Mark, Juliette, Luke, and Samantha**—all Westfield students who volunteered their time to stuff the goodie bags for the Paul Jackson 5K.



Help Us to Help Others...

If you would like to make a contribution to The Paul Jackson Fund, kindly mail your check to :
The Paul Jackson Fund, P. O. Box 2014, Westfield, NJ 07091–2014

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Address: _____

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Upcoming Events:

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Gala at The Grand
Summit Hotel—
hosted by The
Junior Woman's
Club.

October 2011—
PJF 5K * Walk *
Kids' Fun Run

What's New....
The Paul Jackson Fund
has a new website:

www.pauljacksonfund.org

A Video about The Paul
Jackson Fund can be
seen on the home page of
the website.

On-line donations can
now be made.

We are now on Facebook.

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