



# A Word from the Coach

## Jennifer Glick, Executive Director



Dear Teammates,

I am pleased to report that Jeremy's Heroes continues to impact children's lives in exciting and unique ways. From

helping CityParks Foundation open a brand new tennis program in the Bronx, to getting wheels for a child's race wheelchair, our impact on children's sports is both widespread and intense. We are able to help both the individual athlete as well as already existing under-funded programs.

Every child whose life we touch is taught the value of citizenship. Children learn firsthand how they can help their communities and, no matter what their age, they can influence their teammates' lives in a positive manner. We are hearing again and again from program directors, coaches and the children themselves about the importance of not only receiving the much-needed financial aid Jeremy's Heroes provides, but also the importance of giving back to their communities. We are proving with every new Jeremy's Heroes child that our mission, "to identify children in need, help them receive the necessary assistance to allow them to achieve their athletic goals, and in turn require them to give back to their communities through community service," works.

We are fortunate and thankful to have an extremely dedicated Board of Directors. Most recently, this fine group, along with two very special Honorary Chairpersons, **Bill Bishop**, *Founder of The Blue Buffalo Company*, and **Jane Pauley**, *NBC Television Personality*, were able to help sell out the Third Annual Golf Classic.

On behalf of the organization and all of our Jeremy's Heroes children, both present and future, we wish to thank you once again for your commitment to our organization. We look forward to your future support and hope to see you at our upcoming events. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, referring a child athlete or program in need of help or making a taxdeductible donation, *please contact me at* (877) 654-6773 or *jglick@jeremysheroes.org.* 

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# Memo from the Front Office

## Debbie Green, President



Many of us have fond summertime memories of going to the beach, pool, or camp. Kids today are spending less time outdoors and more time on computers,

playing hand-held video games, and watching television. Twenty percent of all children in America are obese, a condition that leads to many debilitating health conditions such as coronary disease, diabetes and liver failure. The good news is that your participation with Jeremy's Heroes is providing a solution.

The American Heart Association notes that socioeconomic factors place certain children at even greater risk for obesity including: lack of safe outdoor play areas and tightening school budgets that have cut regular physical education programs in schools, as well as after-school programs.

This summer, due to your generosity, Jeremy's Heroes is giving hundreds of kids sports opportunities that are fun and physically challenging. Through tennis, golf, soccer, and track, Jeremy's Heroes kids are experiencing the joy of meeting new friends, developing new skills and setting and accomplishing goals.

Your participation in our Golf Classic and Gala events, donations, and volunteerism has enabled Jeremy's Heroes to exponentially increase the numbers of children that we can assist.

Exciting programs are being planned that will allow us to continue to increase the number of kids we can reach. But to do it, we need your continued support.

As a new addition to the newsletter, you will find a pre-printed return envelope: Kindly use it to make a donation, gift to honor someone, or to send us your contact information to put in our Volunteer database.

