

Jeremy's Heroes and the Glicks Visit Olympic Judo Hopefuls

Dear Friends,

After a much-anticipated visit to the Judo Program of the Boys and Girls Clubs of Metro Atlanta, I am finally at my desk, hoping to convey to you the sense of activity, joy and enthusiasm of the children participating in this program. The coaches, staff members of the Judo Club, children and parents told me over and over how much the Jeremy's Heroes \$25,000 gift is doing for their program, and how important is the knowledge that the children have acquired about September 11th, and their special hero, Jeremy Glick.

I was able to see first hand the impact of the JH gift and the fruits of their labor when I visited their gym. A volunteer group of parents and coaches installed new mat flooring allowing the children to have a safe practice environment. In addition, because of Jeremy's Heroes' support, the children were able to receive additional training and will be able to travel this summer to the national judo competition in Hawaii.*

When I watched their practice and talked to their coaches and parents, I knew JH was sponsoring a special group and I was inspired that I could be a part of their lives. I gave a short talk about my son, Jeremy. I then responded to questions that the children asked in order for them to better understand the significance of 9/11 and how the sacrifice of Jeremy and his fellow passengers saved the US Government on that fateful day. The children were extremely curious as to how and why sports played a role in Jeremy's heroism and what they could do in their lives to emulate this.



The **Metro Judo Club** warmly welcomed me into their family and I know we will continue to support the children. I would like to close with this quote by Oliver Wendell Holmes – ***“The great thing in this world is not so much where you stand, as in what direction you are moving.”*** Jeremy's Heroes is moving in the right direction because of people like you who care about this organization and its future.

Very truly yours,
Joan Glick *jh*

**The results of the US Judo Federation Junior National Championships are in: the Boys and Girls Club of Metro Atlanta brought home 5 medals, 2 gold, 1 silver and 2 bronzes. 14 children attended the competition. The topic of conversation did not only revolve around Judo. The children were able to see the sights and learn about Hawaiian culture. Let's hear it for our Jeremy's Heroes Judo Kids!*

