

Hi friends. On Saturday November 15th and 16th, 2008 at 6:00am I will be running The Javelina Jundred 100 mile ultra marathon <http://www.javelinajundred.com>. By now most of the people I know are aware of what fuels me to attempt this type of event.

It was in November of 2005 that **my mother age 48 was diagnosed with colorectal cancer**. The diagnosis reminded me that life could change dramatically at any moment. It is this type of news that inspires me to celebrate life by helping others and pushing myself beyond my limiting beliefs. My mother has now been cancer free for 3 years.

During the past few years I have donated time to Habitat for Humanity, climbed Mount Kilimanjaro, ran 1168 race miles that includes everything from 5k's to 100 mile endurance runs, I mentored two people to run their 1st marathons, raised thousands of Dollars for Charity. Helping others and challenging myself has been rewarding, but this attempt will be a full circle of cancer battles all within 3 years. It was very recent in August of this year that **my father age 53 was diagnosed with aggressive stage 2 prostate cancer**. In two months my father was diagnosed, had a successful surgery and is now prostate cancer free.

This is where I'm asking for help. I'll be running simply to celebrate the spirit of life itself and taking donations for 3 different Cancer organizations.

Colon Cancer	Prostate Cancer	Breast Cancer
<p>C3: Colorectal Cancer Coalition 1225 King Street, 2nd Floor Alexandria, VA 22314 Telephone: 703-548-1225</p>  <p>http://fightcolorectalcancer.org/</p>	<p>ZERO - The Project to End Prostate Cancer 1154 Fifteenth Street, NW Washington, DC 20005</p>  <p>http://www.zerocancer.org/</p>	<p>Los Angeles County Affiliate Susan G. Komen for the Cure 1000 East Walnut Street, Suite 123 Pasadena, CA 91106-2426 626.577.2700 telephone</p>  <p>http://www.komenlacounty.org/</p>

Here is the easy part:

For this race I'm asking for 1 dollar for every 1 mile I complete. Javelina Jundred 2006 was my first 100 mile ultra marathon that I completed in 29hours and 28minutes. This run will be very sentimental for me. Times are tight for a lot of people now, myself included. I'd just like to do a little something for a few great organizations. I hope you can help.

Since I have an injured Achilles, I'm emotionally exhausted and I'm currently undertrained this will be a tough race for me. I'll be running in the desert heat of Fountain Hills Arizona for up to 30 hours. These symptoms and circumstances aren't enough reason not to try. Please consider joining me in the race to cure cancer by selecting one of the following options:

I would like to donate to:

Colorectal Cancer Coalition ___ **The Project to End Prostate Cancer** ___ **Susan G. Komen breast cancer services** ___

- I will be able to donate 1 dollar per 1mile completed
- I will be able to donate _____ dollars per mile completed
- I can make a flat donation of _____

Name	Phone #
Address	Email

The above organizations are 501(c) (3) nonprofits therefore your donations are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law. I can only accept check. I will be mailing them as they come in. Your check will be your receipt.

Thank you for your consideration,

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