



JDRF Hot Steppers Newsletter

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Introduction

Welcome to the JDRF Hot Steppers Newsletter. We are so excited to be able to bring this communication to everyone. Our hope with this newsletter is that you will learn more about:

- **What the Hot Stepper are doing to help make a difference**
- **Hear about the exciting new strides in research**
- **What people with diabetes face on a day to day bases**

Understanding the truths about diabetes is important because there are a lot of myths out there about this horrible chronic disease. Our newsletter is to help inform people, so others can understand why it is so important to find a cure for diabetes, and why our team is working so hard to help raise money to help find a cure.

Did You Know...

People who do not live with Diabetes don't usually know what a typical day in the life of a diabetic person may be like. There are also lots of common facts about diabetes that people don't know either. Some of which would be very surprising to many people. Here are just a few of those facts.

- **Diabetes causes more deaths a year than breast cancer & AIDS combined**
- **Diabetes is the 7th leading cause of death in the United States**
- **30.3 Million Americans have diabetes**
- **On average a person with type 1 diabetes could have to check their blood sugar with a finger prick up to 25 times a day**
- **Diabetes is not caused by eating too much sugar**
- **Direct medical cost for people with diabetes is \$176 billion a year**
- **Extreme fatigue is a common symptom of diabetes**

Exciting News



Go Further

We are so pleased to announce that The Hot Steppers were chosen by Gordie Boucher Ford Lincoln of West Bend as their 2017 Ford Family Team Partnership recipient. They will be donating \$1,500 to our family team to help with our fundraising efforts. We are both honored and thrilled that The Hot Steppers were chosen for this amazing partnership.



Gordie Boucher Ford West Bend

Upcoming Events

Every summer our team goes around Southeast Wisconsin with our fundraising efforts. Joining us at a Brat Fry is a great way to show your support and get a great lunch. Come on out and enjoy a fresh off the grill brat, hot dog or hamburger. Brat Fry hours are 10am-3 pm. Below is a list of the upcoming locations.

- **September 9, 2017 – Wal-Mart in Hartford
1220 Theil St, Hartford, WI**
- **September 16, 2017 – Piggly Wiggly in Muskego
W189 S7847 Racine Ave, Muskego, WI**

The Hot Steppers will also be at the following craft fairs selling our beautiful handmade greeting cards. More details below about the handmade cards.

- **November 18, 2017 - St. Thomas More High School Craft Fair
2601 E Morgan Ave, Milwaukee, WI**
- **December 2, 2017 – Whitnall High School Winter Craft Fair
5000 S 116th Street, Greenfield, WI**



The 2017 Raffle Tickets are on sell until midnight on September 8th. Raffle tickets can be purchased on our website via PayPal or by contacting Janice Korth. Tickets are \$5.00 each or 5 for \$20. Don't miss out on the chance to win one of these great prizes.

Are you like many of us and feel that greeting cards are way over priced in the stores. I have the solution for you, Handmade Greeting Cards. As a way to fund raise all year round, we make beautiful greeting cards for any occasion. There are lots of different ways to purchase these amazing cards.

- Visit our booth at one of the craft fairs listed above
- Have a card party (email Janice Korth for details)
- On our Website
- By Contacting Janice Korth at the email in the side bar

Remember to get your orders in early for Christmas. You don't want to miss out on sending one these amazing cards out to your family and friends.



Regular Cards are \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00

Pop up cards are \$3.00 each or 2 for \$5.00

All the time and material are donated so 100% of all proceeds go to find a cure

Research Update

FDA Approves Artificial Pancreas

A major breakthrough has been reached with the FDA'S approval of the Medtronic hybrid closed loop system. The system is the first ever approved to automate the dosing of insulin to reduce high blood sugar levels.

The new Medtronic MiniMed artificial pancreas system is a life changing breakthrough that allows people with T1D to stay closer to their target blood sugar levels more consistently. It has been a decade of dedicated partnership, collaboration, funding and advocacy that have made it possible to reach this landmark goal.

The artificial pancreas system is designed to use the Medtronic's MiniMed insulin pump and a sensor. The system is fully integrated between the pump and the sensor, with no need for a separate smartphone or monitor. The artificial pancreas will give people with T1D the peace of mind as for the first time, they may be able to sleep through the night without periodically waking up to check and manage their blood glucose levels.

A Personal Touch

In April 2016, Jonathan Platt was enrolled in a pediatric trial for an artificial pancreas that could automatically control blood glucose levels.

"This device has given Jonathan better blood sugar control than he has ever had, "his mother said. "And it gives our family some desperately needed piece of mind."

"My artificial pancreas has really helped with my basketball games," Jonathan Platt said. "When I was on a continuous glucose monitoring pump, I would have to stay on the bench for an extended amount of time, and if I was low I wouldn't be able to get back into the game at all."

Jonathan went from having to check his blood glucose 22 times a day down to two times a day.

Closing

Your feedback is so important to us. If there is a topic that you would like to see in a future edition of our newsletter, please send me an email at the address in the side bar above. Our goal is to make people aware of our fundraising efforts and why we do what we do.

The logo for JDRF, consisting of the letters 'JDRF' in a bold, blue, sans-serif font. The letters are slightly shadowed, giving them a three-dimensional appearance. The logo is centered horizontally and positioned below the main text block.

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