Community Newsletter

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Upcoming Events

10th Annual Golf Outing Mon., Sept. 18th, 2017 Parsippany, NJ

2017 Open House Dates

Thurs., June 22nd
Wed., July 19th
Wed., August 23rd
Wed., September 20th
Wed., October 18th
Wed., November 15th
Wed., December 20th

Call 201-644-7567 to schedule a time for a personal tour, or just drop in to visit between 11am-1pm.

For more information e-mail Stephanie slajam@pushtowalknj.org or call 201-644-7567

Scholarships for Veterans

In May 2017, Push to Walk announced the expansion of its scholarship program, which helps those in financial need benefit from the specialized, activity-based training offered by the nonprofit. Push to Walk's services are typically not covered by insurance, so most clients pay out of pocket. The scholarship program is another opportunity for the organization to remove barriers that could prevent any individual with a spinal cord injury or other form of paralysis from benefiting from its services.

As part of its 10- year anniversary celebration, the organization is offering veterans and first responders a special price for its services and is expanding the scholarships it makes available to others affected by various forms of paralysis.

Please contact Kate Wolfe, Administrative Assistant, at kwolfe@pushtowalknj.org for more information on scholarships.

OritaniBank Charitable Foundation Check Presentation



Photo Caption: David Font, Executive Director, Push to Walk; Kevin Lynch, President/CEO, Oritani Bank; Candice Hoff, Development Director, Push to Walk.

A longtime supporter of Push to Walk's programs and annual Golf Outing, Oritani Bank and the OritaniBank Charitable Foundation recently awarded a generous grant toward the **Client Scholarship Fund**, which provides financial assistance to clients who find client fees a hardship. On June 1st, Dave Font and Candice Hoff visited Ortani Bank in Township of Washington, to thank Kevin Lynch, President/CEO of Oritani Bank.

The Bank and Foundation have awarded several donations and grants and sponsored the Golf Outing since 2008.

Client Spotlight: Michael T.



Michael began coming to Push to Walk in October 2016, and proves his commitment by showing up bright and early to his Saturday morning workouts after putting in a full week at school. Michael works very hard on each exercise that his trainers give him, whether it be boxing with the Wii video game system, sit ups with the Keiser air pressure machine, or gait training with the Rifton walker. He is able to walk at 2.5 mph on the treadmill, taking big steps very quickly for up to a minute and a half at a time, and his overall walking endurance continues to improve. Michael also likes to "train our trainers." He can often be found teaching the trainers Spanish and suggesting creative ways to do new exercises. Awesome job, Michael!

Donate Appreciated Stock



Now may be a great time to donate appreciated stock shares to Push to Walk through our brokerage account. Please consider donating one of the following asset types:

- ✓ Publicly-traded Common Stock and Preferred Stock
- ✓ Corporate and Municipal Bonds
- ✓ Exchange Traded Funds (ETF)
- ✓ Closed End Funds (CF)
- ✓ Unit Investment Trusts (UIT)
- ✓ Mutual Funds

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Making such a gift can help you with your tax planning, while also helping further our mission. Please contact Candice Hoff, Development Director, to learn how to make an asset donation.

Grants & Donations Recently Received

A heartfelt thank you to David Miller for the generous grant from the S. Rubenstein Family Foundation: \$20,000 to the Exercise Program, and \$4,000 to the Client Scholarship Fund.

The Fred J. Brotherton Charitable Foundation granted \$15,000 to support Continuing Education for training staff, including seminars and conferences to learn the latest training techniques and research findings affecting the paralysis community.