

HERO NEWS



The newsletter for everyone who dreams of being a hero

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Jim Nantz Highlights Hilton Head Heroes

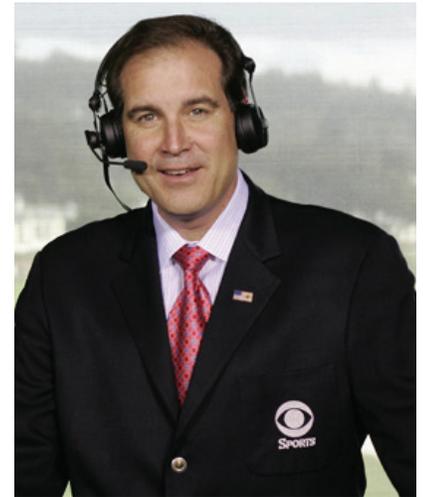
by Gregg Russell

On Sunday afternoon during our recent PGA Heritage Golf Classic, Lindy and I were graciously invited up into the CBS television tower behind the 18th green for the final couple of hours of the national telecast. Our host was our longtime friend and Hilton Head Heroes honorary Board Member, Jim Nantz.

The world may know Jim as the premier sportscaster of our generation, but we are fortunate to call him our friend and enthusiastic Heroes supporter. Jim's opening remarks at the Super Bowl, the Final Four, Masters or other exciting events always includes his warm greeting of "Hello friends!" And what a friend he has been to us!

During the broadcast, Jim and CBS producer Lance Barrow played my song about Hilton Head called, *Come Away Home*. Then, Jim used his platform and microphone to tell the world about his proud association with Hilton Head Heroes. This was unscripted and a complete surprise to us, but we were thrilled that he chose to honor our program in such an extraordinary way!

We have had many other high profile people join us in our mission over the past fifteen years. Some, like Paul Azinger, Corey Pavin and Stan Smith have shared their celebrity with us in very meaningful ways. But we have also had hundreds of everyday people reach out to us and impact our program and our lives.



Last summer, two little girls from Ohio showed up on my stage in Harbour Town carrying a huge plastic pickle jar filled to the brim with pennies, nickels, dimes and

quarters. Their Mom told me that they had set up a lemonade stand out in their front yard and spent the entire summer collecting change for our Heroes families. On another occasion, at a small gathering of our One Hundred Heroes members, a gentleman and his family presented us with a donation of \$25,000.

All of these equally generous gestures of support have allowed Hilton Head Heroes to continue to serve our families week in and week out at the Hero House. We are indeed grateful to everyone who helps. From the famous to the not so famous, each one has made a contribution that allows us to keep "making memories that last for a lifetime." On behalf of all of those who serve, we thank you for your generosity.



"Anyone who does anything to help a child in his life is a hero to me." – Fred Rogers



Oldies and Goldies 50's Party

In April, Board members John and Delane Marynowski hosted a 1950's themed party at their beautiful home. Guests dressed in 50's attire and danced to the oldies spun by DJ Alan Palachak. The food provided by TWO TOMATOES Catering was a huge hit. Many of the guests brought their "old gold" as a donation to HEROES. A fun time was had by all who attended. Many thanks to the Marynowski's for sharing their home with HEROES.



Thank you to all the Heritage Classic Foundation -Birdies for Charity donors for 2014. Your pledges and donations totaled over \$20,000.00. The Heritage Classic Foundation matched our donations with .20% .

We appreciate your continued support of this opportunity in our community to help us continue to fund the Hilton Head Hero House.



The Sea Pines Resort hosted their annual "Harbour Town Spring Fest" on March 29th in Harbour Town. The afternoon began with Gregg Russell, Steve Birdwell and Rob Bender cutting the ribbon on the newly renovated Gregg Russell Playground. The Hero family for the week was also on hand to participate in the festivities. Their twin daughters, Natasha and Abigail were both diagnosed with leukemia earlier this year. But as you can see in this photo, the entire family enjoyed their HEROES vacation. Donations during the event totaled over \$1,500.00.



Thank you!

Hilton Head Heroes is extremely grateful to Marie and Barry Bennett, owners of the Peddling Pelican, for generously donating bikes for Hero families to use. Each week the size and type bikes requested by the family are delivered to the Hero house. Thank you Marie and Barry for your generosity!



Pictured with their employees from left to right: Dawn Hugue, Rhonda Jenkins, Marie, Hector Mendoza and Barry.



SAVE THE DATE!

Save the date for our Annual Christmas Open House and Dessert Party at the Hilton Head Hero House. December 7th, 2-4 p.m. Guests are asked to bring a gift card for a local grocery store.

Want to Volunteer?

Volunteers needed to collect items for the October 24th silent auction at TidePointe. If you have an item you would like to donate or are interested in helping us collect items, please contact: Lynn King at 843-368-9520.

Get Involved, Be A Host Family

You can be a host family for one of our Hero Families. Our hosts greet the HERO family, get them checked into The Hero House and serve as their liason to the program while they are here. For information please contact: Marilyn Healy at 843-842-2338.



One Hundred Heroes

In 2013, we started a new supporter recognition program called One Hundred Heroes. Its members have made a pledge to support Hilton Head Heroes with a minimum donation of \$1000 annually. 100 Hero Members are invited to special parties and events each year. Please contact us if you are interested in becoming part of the One Hundred Heroes family of friends.

Steve and Beth Birdwell
Irving Becker
Rob and Heather Bender
Thomas and Susan Brooks
Dan and Betsy Brown
Brian and Cathleen Crotty
Jim Dixon
Tom and Molly Duffey
Ralph and Ellen Dupps
Berry and Ruthie Edwards
Paul Finn and Paula Wyner
Joe and Alice Fraser
Alan Goddard and Ann Matchinske
Matthew and Kirsti Goodwin
Jon and Mary Greenwell
David and Rebecca Gruber

Bill and Marilyn Healy
Edward and Carolee Hutton
Kurt and Carrie Kamperman
Nancy Kelly
Kevin and Lynn King
Phil and Patti Knisely
Harold Malion, Jr.
John and Delane Marynowski
Lee and Mary Kay McCollum
Thomas McGrath, Jr.
Ray and Linda Moloney
Michael and Marissa Moses
Jim and Courtney Nantz
Peter and Lynn Parrott
John and Linda Phillips
Bill and Jan Raisch

Rick and Cindy Robbins
Rip and Fran Rose
Norman and Dana Schuld
Beverly Serral
The Sea Pines Real Estate Beach Club
The Sea Pines Resort
Stan and Margie Smith
Jack and Carol Spengler
George and Jan Spears
Dan and Shannon Stratton
Tom and Serena Taylor
Lennel Stroud and Mark Pickarski
Chuck and Nan Strauch
Jack and Jean Ward
Richard and Susan Woods
Joshua and Nicole Zacharias



9th Annual

Elegant Evening & Silent Auction

presented by

TIDEPOINTE

a Community

Friday October 24, 2014

6:00-9:00 pm

At the TidePointe Clubhouse

Join us for an evening of Food, Drink, Entertainment and Enjoyment.

Your \$100 donation includes: Cocktails, Dinner and a Silent Auction.

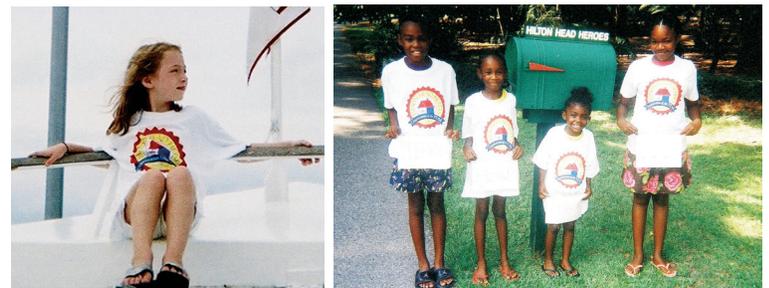
Jackets are required.

RSVP to Delane Marynowski at 843-715-0856.

All Proceeds go to Hilton Head Heroes, a non-Profit 501(c)(3) Organization

OUR MISSION

Bringing families with children suffering from life threatening illnesses to Hilton Head Island for a cost-free resort vacation. All of our families stay in the Hilton Head Hero House located in the Sea Pines Resort. Tickets to this event and silent auction sales benefit the Hilton Head Hero House.



HONORARY BOARD 2014-2016

Paul and Toni Azinger, Jim and Courtney Nantz, Lisa and Corey Pavin, Norman and Dana Schuld, Stan and Margie Smith, Chuck and Nan Strauch, Jack and Jean Ward.

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Gregg Russell
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Jan Raisch
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Nancy Conder
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Steve Wilson
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Mission Statement

Our mission is to bring families with a child suffering from life-threatening illness to Hilton Head Island for a resort vacation, all of our families stay in the Hilton Head Hero House located in the Sea Pines Resort.

In Memory

Hilton Head Heroes has a memorial giving program in place; in lieu of flowers a memorial donation can be made by others in a loved one's name. Donation cards will be mailed to all donors, a Keepsake list for the family's records will be mailed and the donors will be recognized on our website.

Holiday donations can also be made to Hilton Head Heroes in lieu of gifts. Your recipient will receive a beautiful printed holiday card recognizing your contribution in their name. Holiday contributions will also be recognized on our website. We welcome contributions from local business groups and will arrange to have notices sent to clients/customers recognizing your holiday donations to Hilton Head Heroes in their name also.

Informal Tours

A tour is available of the Hilton Head Hero House located in Sea Pines on Sundays at 2 p.m. Please call Nancy Kelly at 843-686-6856 for an informal tour. Groups welcomed!

YES, I will help a family make memories to last a lifetime.

\$ _____ \$25, \$50, \$100, \$500, \$1,000, \$2,000, \$5,000

Donor Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Contribution Amount \$ _____

Donations in name(s) of _____

Occasion: Memorial / Holiday / Birthday / Anniversary (Please circle one)

Donation card mailed to:

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Donation in honor of _____

**please use a separate sheet for multiple donors and donations.*

Please mail to: Hilton Head Heroes, P.O. Box 6689, Hilton Head Island, SC 29938 • www.hhheroes.com

Hilton Head Heroes is a registered non-profit 501(c)(3) organization



"Heroes stand when they would most like to fall."—Gregg Russell