



CLIENT SUCCESS

“The Rabbit”

Paul loves to run – so much so that he heads to the trails of Los Altos Hills, with his trainer, and runs five miles a day. Paul’s passion for running turned into 15 marathons; his most recent was the storied Boston Marathon this April where he finished in 3 hours 29 minutes and 19 seconds!

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“I race in marathons to finish as fast as I can,” says Paul. “I set goals for myself and then try to beat them. Running motivates me to do better.”

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Paul’s determination and passion for running has helped him to succeed in his professional life as well. Paul had always dreamed of working in his community, when he started at the Mountain View Work Activity Center in 2008. He was not going to give up on his dream until he crossed that finish line.

Paul worked with a HOPE job developer and learned new skills working regularly in the Work Activity Center. However, the economic downturn made it difficult for him to find employment, but he was determined to stay the course and be an active participant in his community. Paul volunteered regularly and also joined HOPE Services’ Lions Club.



In March, Paul finally crossed his personal finish line when he reached his goal of getting a job in his community. Paul now works as a busboy at the Courtyard Café Hewlett Packard location in Palo Alto. Congratulations Paul on finishing all your races!



Quack, Quack – The Ducks are Back!

Support HOPE Services at the 4th Annual Silicon Valley Duck Race & Festival Sunday, June 12th at Vasona Park in Los Gatos

Enjoy a fun filled day of activities, food, and entertainment as you watch 15,000 rubber ducks race across the lake. Sponsor a duck for HOPE Services for just \$5, and you will have a chance to win \$1,000,000 and many other fabulous prizes! For every duck sponsored HOPE will receive \$2.

Visit www.siliconvalleyduckrace.org to sponsor a duck today! For questions, contact Deanna Williams at 408.284.2858 or dlwilliams@hopeservices.org.



FROM JOE CAMPBELL

The President's Message

HOPE Services is very proud to have Jane Pauley participating in our seventh Annual "Rise & Shine" Benefit Breakfast on June 2nd! Most of you have known Jane Pauley across the

years in her role as one of TV's most respected news leaders. Currently, Jane is partnering with AARP to contribute to NBC's 'Today Show' and is engaging in numerous other television activities.

In her memoir, Jane has revealed her own experience with disability issues. She has experienced a later-in-life diagnosis of Bi-Polar Disorder and she has become a strong advocate for children and adults with serious health challenges. Jane is a great example of a person who has moved forward in her life, in spite of challenging issues. We believe she will be inspirational and motivational for people with significant disabilities! We look forward to seeing you at the event!

Once again HOPE has been reminded of the super quality of our staff! While we consistently focus on providing excellent services to our clients at HOPE, we are also committed to maintaining a good organization for our 500 (approximately) employees. HOPE's employees are very dedicated to supporting the needs of our 2,500 clients and their families. For a third time in recent years, HOPE has been recognized by *The San Francisco and Silicon Valley/San Jose Business Journals* as one of the Best Places to Work! Hats off to our amazing team!

No doubt all of our friends are well aware of the challenging times in State funding for services to people with disabilities. We are awaiting news of additional cuts in the upcoming July 1st State budget. We remain committed to finding every possible way to maintain our support for our clients in their community lives! As always we are thoroughly grateful to our local communities for your continued support!

Two Community Members Join Our Board



Cameron Haste (left) is the Executive Vice President and Chief Operations Officer of Bay Federal Credit Union in Santa Cruz. He is a native Californian who found his way to Santa Cruz County 11 years ago. "Bay Federal has partnered with HOPE

Services for the past four years to employ Mark Erickson, a HOPE Services client. Mark has been a wonderful addition to our staff and a valuable contributor to our employee volunteer efforts," said Mr. Haste. "I believe that HOPE Services and I share similar ideals of helping people succeed and thrive in our community. I look forward to working with the Board to further the organization's important work."



Chris Gianola (left), a HOPE client and staff member for over two decades, stands out in her role as spokesperson for individuals with disabilities. She shares her own experiences and challenges, as well as the desire of individuals with developmental disabilities to participate and contribute to the community.

Chris and her husband Charles live independently in the community. She is an employee at Target one day a week, and serves as a job foreman at HOPE's Whittier workshop the rest of the week. In addition, she is a leader in the Kiwanis' Aktion Club, President of HOPE's Client Advisory Council, and a graduate of HOPE's Leadership Program.

Both Cameron and Chris will serve a three year term on HOPE's Board. Welcome!



FOUNDATION SPOTLIGHT

Million Dollar Round Table

At HOPE's April Board Meeting, Fred Gawlick of Gawlick Retirement Services, Inc. presented a \$2,500 check to HOPE from the Million Dollar Round Table (MDRT) Foundation. Fred, a MDRT member for over 25 years, and an active supporter of HOPE, helped to secure this grant for the Homestart program.

"The Homestart program serves more than 100 infants and youth annually. Since the program also provides support to the children's families, this grant will support more than 300 individuals," states Mr. Gawlick. "Early intervention services are critical in minimizing developmental delays, fostering healthy development and improving school readiness in the children served by HOPE."

The MDRT Foundation was created in 1959 as the philanthropic arm of the Million Dollar Round Table, an international independent association of life insurance and financial services professionals.

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Meet Jonathan Schwanz

Jonathan Schwanz is a bright, charismatic, young man with cerebral palsy. Since 2007, Jonathan has been an active participant in HOPE Services Community Integration Training Program in Monterey County. Although he uses a wheelchair for transportation and can sometimes be difficult to understand, these challenges have not stopped him from being actively involved in his community. Jonathan delivers meals for Meals on Wheels, swims at the Monterey Sports Center and takes classes at Monterey Peninsula College, just to name a few.

Jonathan also works hard to raise awareness about people with developmental disabilities by participating in disability awareness trainings at local elementary schools. In collaboration with Special Kids Crusade, Jonathan, his community support facilitator, and other HOPE participants speak to 2nd-5th graders about the challenges of living with a disability and how they are able



Vice President/COO, John Christensen proudly accepts the check from the Million Dollar Round Table Foundation alongside Jane Malkofsky (left) and Maya Bareket (right).

Since its inception, the foundation has donated more than \$26 million to charities in 80 countries and in all 50 U.S. states.

"HOPE Services is grateful to Mr. Gawlick and the MDRT Foundation for their generous award. Support from caring community partners is what enables us to provide vital human services not covered by State funding," said HOPE's Vice President/COO, John Christensen.

to overcome those challenges and positively impact their community.



"This has been such a wonderful opportunity for Jonathan and the other HOPE participants," stated Day Program Manager, Greg Dinsmore. "They have been given the opportunity to break down social barriers and teach children at a young age that someone with a disability is no different than you or me. The feedback from students have been overwhelmingly positive and many of the teachers and counselors have been so impressed with Jonathan's ability to engage the students and answer many intimate questions."

Jonathan looks forward to continuing teaching young children about people with developmental disabilities.



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