



Chuck and Jody Johnson

July 28, 2013

Dear Friends and Family,

As it gets perilously close to the 2013 PMC, we are both gearing up to ride the PMC from Wellesley to Bourne to support the cancer fundraising powerhouse that hopes to raise \$38 million in one weekend of amazing organization and collective effort. This year is Chuck's 19th, and Jody's 6th PMC as a rider/volunteer. Your annual and generous support is part of the success of the PMC – so **thanks** to many of you for your support in the past – and hopefully this year, too! It'll be the two of us riding for Mary Mac's Merry Crew on August 3rd.

It doesn't seem possible that a year has passed since we made our last appeal – and as the years pass more swiftly, we see Jody mounting up as a 40 year old – and Chuck with 50 looming, it puts the challenge in better perspective. We've taken to saying that we'll stop this ride and fundraising regimen when we don't have a new reminder of its importance. This year, we find ourselves still in the shadow of Mary's passing from colorectal cancer in September 2011, while Walter, Chuck's dad, faces a treatment for non-aggressive prostate cancer at age 83.

All of us have similar stories – and perhaps this event, this year, will provide funds that yield a breakthrough that makes the difference in our or our children's lives going forward. Perhaps that's a bit optimistic, but cancer research, information science and genetics are combining in new ways to increase the rate of discovery.

Some PMC Facts:

- The Pan Mass Challenge is in its 33rd year and has raised \$375 million to date.
- 100% of the rider-raised funds (your donation!) go directly to Dana Farber Cancer Institute.
- For those who are not treated at Dana Farber, research done at the Institute is providing new treatment options for patients around the country, and the world.
- There were 5,234 riders and 3,300 volunteers in 2012.

Together we are committed to raising \$7,500 on this one-day ride. We value your support and encouragement, and ask that you mail your check made out to the PMC to us at home or make a gift on line:

<http://www.pmc.org/profile/IJ0024>

With much appreciation,

Jody & Chuck

P.S. In other news, the past year has been full of transitions for our family as we continue to explore our new-found life in Ipswich MA. These days, Spencer is playing in a summer baseball league and Annika recently participated in her first musical theater production. We are squeezing in jaunts to the gorgeous local Crane's Beach, and keeping busy with house projects. We are savoring this next month of summer before the kids return to 4th and 2nd grade, respectively.

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Yes, I/we will help:

\$40 \$80 \$100 \$200 Other _____

Checks made out to "PMC"

Name: _____

Address (if new or changing)

My employer will match my gift.

I would respond to this request just as well via
email: _____

There are 2 ways to make your tax-deductible gift

1. Please make **checks payable to "PMC-Jimmy Fund"** and send to:

Charles and Jody Johnson
9 Spillers Lane
Ipswich, MA 01938

2. Secure website (accepts Credit/Debit Cards)

<http://www.pmc.org/egifts/CJ0005>

Your prompt reply is appreciated, but contributions can be received up to September 30, 2013

Thank you on behalf of the PMC for your contribution!!!



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