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JAG Physical Therapy Valerie Fund Event Helps Children

It will be a “win-win” for everyone at the ***JAG Physical Therapy Valerie Fund 2007 Walk-A-Thon and 5 K Run*** on Saturday, June 2, 2007 at Verona Park in Verona.

The walkers and runners will be supporting comprehensive health care services for children with cancer and blood disorders. That has been the mission for the Valerie Fund since 1976 and the organization is exceptionally pleased to have hundreds of people walking and running at Verona Park to support its cause. And, of course, the event creates a festival atmosphere with plenty of food and competition.

“It’s a real honor to assist the Valerie Fund,” explained John Gallucci, Jr. who is the event’s Naming Sponsor and the founder of JAG Physical Therapy in West Orange. “Our staff and I have wanted JAG to be a strong part of the community and our help with this event is our way to give back. I know we will have many, many of our patients, friends and associates either walking or running to show our strong support for the Valerie Fund and the great work they do for kids and their families.”

Both walkers and runners can register for the event at www.thevaleriefund.org or call (973) 761-0422. Registration is free for all walkers with a recommendation of \$30 in sponsorships, while runners have a \$20 registration fee. Registration for the run is at 9:00 a.m. followed by walk registration at 10:00 a.m.

All participants receive a free t-shirt and refreshments will be served at the site. The 5 K race will have cash prizes of \$250 for both the male and female winners along with \$150 for second place and \$100 for third place. There will also be prizes for the walkers in various categories.

The Valerie Fund’s mission is to provide financial support for comprehensive health care of children with cancer and blood disorders.

The Valerie is a not-for-profit organization established in 1976 in memory of nine-year-old Valerie Goldstein by her parents, Ed and Sue, who saw the need for making quality outpatient care available close to a child's home. They realized that parents of sick children should not have to contend with exhaustive commutes to reach adequate medical care. Their grass-roots effort began in their basement with the help of dedicated friends and family.

Today, The Valerie Fund Children's Centers, located at 8 major hospitals in the tri-state area, comprise one of the nation's largest networks of health care facilities for children with cancer and blood disorders. These centers treat more than 5,000 children with cancer and blood disorders.

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