



The Compassionate Assist

The Newsletter of The Harvey Bernhardt Foundation Volume Two, 1st Edition

Dear Friends,

Thanks to you, our second year was another great success. In these difficult economic times, we feel blessed to be a growing charity capable of continuing our goal of supporting hard-working people on the First Coast who are dealing with an unexpected hardship.

We are constantly amazed at the overwhelming support we receive from our friends and family. Your commitment to our mission helped us raise more than \$46,000 in 2009. This year's gift recipients took us back to school where we were able to help 4 local college seniors.

On a business note, our diligent public relations board member, Steve Kaufman, was recently called up with

the Navy Reserves. Please join everyone at the Bernhardt Foundation in saluting his efforts.



We know that Dad is watching us and is full of pride in the work we are doing. He was a dedicated member of our community and as we move into year three, The Harvey Bernhardt Foundation will continue to uphold his spirit and belief in assisting others. We know there are many great causes and charities and we appreciate your support of The Harvey Bernhardt Foundation.

All our best for a safe, healthy and prosperous new year.
Warm regards,

Westley J. Bernhardt, Chairman

Foundation Assists Local College Seniors

In 2009 The Harvey Bernhardt Foundation was proud to make a difference in the lives of four Jacksonville University (JU) college seniors by awarding them funds they needed to succeed in school. The Foundation teamed up with JU to identify students in need, and selected JU seniors Charles Whitfield and Alan Fennell to receive financial aid needed to graduate. Bob Linne and Cathi Williamson also received financial aid for school expenses.

Charles Whitfield graduated from Wolfson High School and attend-

ed Bethune Cookman College until 2006 when his grandfather, a disabled Vietnam Veteran who raised Charles, was diagnosed with cancer. Charles transferred to JU and moved home to help support his family, but then found himself facing financial challenges with just one semester left to graduate. The Harvey Bernhardt Foundation granted Charles full tuition for the semester so that he could focus on his studies and Charles graduated on December 12, 2009.



Alan Fennell, a student athlete at JU, also suffered a family tragedy when his father passed away unexpectedly in 2007. Alan's father supported Alan as well as his family but between working and helping his mother, Alan's studies were pushed to the side. JU helped Alan secure a student loan for half of his tuition and the Board approved a grant for the remaining tuition. Alan is having a great academic year and we look forward to his graduation on May 1, 2010. 



Harvey's March Hoopla a Slam Dunk

The second annual Harvey's March Hoopla was an amazing night of college basketball that raised \$24,000 for our cause. A reverse raffle for a trip to the National Championships, a silent auction and arena-sized television screens featuring the ACC & Big East conference tournaments added to the excitement of the night.

University of North Carolina alumni Chris Hodge and Wes Bernhardt shared the winning raffle ticket and were able to make the trip together to the Final Four in Detroit to see their Alma Mater win the National Championship. Because of their involvement and dedication to the foundation, the two donated the cost of the hotel in Detroit back to the foundation, putting \$2000 back in the game for the organization's next big give in 2010.

Many thanks go out to our sponsors, Southwest Airlines, Olympus, McGee Entertainment, and Aries Torres Photography for making Harvey's March Hoopla a slam dunk! ❤️

Harvey's March Hoopla 2010 is March 11!



Pat Rhodin & Janice Rhodin



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Foundation Raises \$22,000 at Second Annual Golf Tourney

The Second Annual Harvey Bernhardt Foundation Golf Tournament held Veteran's Day Weekend at Deerwood Country Club was a huge success, raising more than \$22,000 and bringing the total of funds raised for the year to \$46,000. We were thrilled to have several members of the U.S. Military among the 24 foursomes participating that day. Special thanks to presenting sponsor Driver, McAfee, Peek & Hawthorne, and to local sponsors and volunteers who joined in to make the event a success.



Dr. Hal Rehbein, Jeff Jenkins, Dr. Charles Perniciaro & George DeMaio



Chris Eyrick, Matt Myers, Dr. Richard Myers & Ron Robinson

The tournament was best ball format and included numerous prizes including awards for closest to pin, a Hole-In-One contest sponsored by Hanania Automotive, and the favorite of the crowd, the \$10,000 Putting Contest sponsored by Dr. Charles Perniciaro. Participants putted into the night but there was no grand prize winner. Keep practicing that putting – there's always next year! ❤️



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Harvey's March

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Benefiting the Harvey Bernhardt Foundation
March 11, 2010

Thank You!

We'd like to thank our sponsors and individual donors for your support as we enter our third season of giving. The foundation relies on your referrals and welcomes recommendations of families or individuals that you believe are worthy of assistance. For more information visit:

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