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SIMPLE HEROES

In today's society it is hard to imagine that one person can truly make an impact on a large scale. With all the seemingly unavoidable problems staring us in the face it is easy to feel discouraged, however the social movement entitled Simple Heroes presents practical opportunities for everyone to assist in bettering our community. For example the mission statement of Simple Heroes reads as such: "It is our understanding that there are real needs that can be met right in our own backyard without the prerequisite of super human capabilities. The needs must simply be exposed and met by our Simple Heroes and the world will be transformed."

Many ordinary people have already made this realization and have generously supported Simple Heroes through their money and time. These ordinary people have become Simple Heroes to almost 100 young foster kids and their impact is greatly felt.

To Simple Heroes: Thank you soooooo [I would go on but you'd get bored] much! You are so amazing! I really am speechless and I appreciate this so much! Please thank everyone for their generosity and be sure to tell them they are officially members of my cool persons club! So celebrate. I would say thanks again but I don't want to be repetitive. So muchos gracias!!!!

Love Always and Forever -J

PS: I promise to pull my grades up and I will mention all of you and Generation Fate in my Oscar speech.

To Simple Heroes,

Jalen was super excited about the shoes =). He's having a hard spell right now so it was a blessing for him to get a little pick-me-up. Thank you for that. -N

The Simple Heroes movement is rapidly growing and expanding and its impact is greatly felt and truly appreciated by these kids as well as those who look over them as evident in the quotes above. For more information please visit our Simple Heroes website at SimpleHeroes.org.



NOBLE HEIGHTS UPDATE



In addition to the Simple Heroes movement, our Noble Heights program is flourishing as well. For those of you who aren't familiar with the Noble Heights program it essentially is a group of people who share a common love of the outdoors and helping people. Recently one of our groups visited and hiked Feather Falls, the sixth highest waterfall in the United States. The group all said they had a fantastic time hiking, taking in the sights, and spending time with everyone's favorite guy Austin. Nothing could deter this trip, even when a tree blocked the path the group banded together and thanks to their great teamwork they were able to push on after lifting Austin over that inconsiderate tree. Another successful adventure put on by our Noble Heights program.

BAY TO BREAKERS '08

Once again the Gen Fate Running Club made their annual run/walk/gawk at Bay to Breakers on May 18th. All participants admirably finished the race and they felt they would have finished in first had not hundreds of people finished before them. More importantly for the second time in as many years we raised lots of money for Generation Fate. In fact we crushed last years total with just under \$10,000! Whether it was little donations or large ones the effort is tremendously appreciated. We'd also like to especially thank our top fundraisers for this years Bay to Breakers run:

- 1) Jennifer Hacker
- 2) Matt Edling
- 3) Mary Cunningham
- 4) Josh Smith
- 5) Lexi/ Chris Marson

Thank you to all of you who helped our cause and espically to those who actually participated in our second annual Bay to Breakers run. The Generation Fate Running Club is anticipating an even better run next year and even more funds being raised. Once again thank you to all who helped, your effort is greatly appreciated.

THE MONEY DANCE!

We are honored to congratulate our board member Josh Thompson and his new wife Carrie. They were wed on a beautiful Saturday morning in Boulder, CO this past weekend. We wish them all the best and as Carrie's brother said on Saturday 'We hope your love only grows from here and that when you look back, Saturday is the day that you two loved each other the least'.

Also, a first for our organization, they donated all the money received from their 'classic money dance' to Generation Fate. The money dance is typically a dance where people attending the wedding pay cash to dance with the bride or groom for two songs. This money typically is to help them get started with their new life or maybe to be used as spending cash for the honeymoon. But they made an announcement at the wedding and decided to give Gen Fate all the cash. We received \$301! This money is greatly appreciated and will surely go to help our community's foster youth. Josh and Carrie's kind hearts and sincere dedication to helping our communities youth never cease to amaze me. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts... Generation Fate.



-Written by Zach Edling

General Updates

Gen Fate Night at the Capitals – The local World Team Tennis Team, The Sacramento Capitals, has dedicated a night to our cause and Generation Fate, Inc. July 23rd, 2008 we will be attending the Capitals last match of the season as honorary guests. Tickets are \$35 with all proceeds going to Generation Fate.

A Basic Afternoon – A new bar and restaurant, Bar Basic, has opened in historic old Roseville and is opening their establishment to Gen Fate for a fun, relaxed and entertaining afternoon. Sunday August 3rd, from 4-8pm Gen Fate will be hosting a relaxed afternoon filled with live music, pizza and cold drinks. \$10 door cover.

*** For more information on the above events please email Nick at nick@generationfate.org

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The primary goal of Generation Fate is to instill vital self-confidence in our foster youth. By providing these children with consistent positive relationships, access to enrichment programs, supplemental education, and the support of a loving community, we will become an agent of change in the lives of America's foster children.

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