

THERE GOES MY HERO NEWSLETTER

GIVING BACK WITH #GIVEASPIT

Nestor and Jenn Aparicio of WNST radio are expanding Hero's reach.

This summer, local sports writer and radio personality Nestor Aparicio and his wife Jennifer will do something many sports fans dream of- hit all 30 Major League ballparks in 30 days. While Nestor and Jenn both love baseball, there is a much greater mission behind their trip.

In March of 2014, Jenn was diagnosed with a rare form of leukemia. Three months later Jenn was able to beat it thanks to an anonymous 21-year-old donor from Germany. After her recovery, Nestor and Jenn decided to tour the country and set up tables at Major League stadiums where spectators can be swabbed for the registry in their WNST.net 30-30 Baseball #GiveASpit National Awareness Campaign.

So far, Nestor and Jenn have added 221 people to the registry through their efforts. While many of these new donors have come from stadiums hit on their tour, the couple has set up several other events as well, including the Buffalo Wild Wings in College Park during their stay in DC.

#GiveASpit kicked off June 13th at Camden Yards, when the Orioles beat the Yankees by a score of 9 to 4. Since then, Nestor and Jenn have made it to 25 cities, and plan to visit 5 more before the tour concludes at the July 14th All-Star Game in Cincinnati.

Many famous sports figures have helped support the campaign, including Pittsburgh Steelers Head

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Coach Mike Tomlin and former Houston Oilers quarterback Dan Pastorini. Tomlin stopped at the swabbing station near PNC Park when Nestor and his team visited Pittsburgh and took pictures with fans who signed up. Pastorini joined Nestor on his stop at Minute Maid Park in Houston.

Nestor and Jenn feel it is their mission to inform people of the bone marrow registry and inspire people to sign up through their story. "Seeing all 30 stadiums in 30 days is on my personal bucket list and I want to do it with a cause and put a real face on the miraculous work being done with medicine in beating cancer, leukemia and utilizing the generosity of people on the bone marrow transplant registry," Nestor explains on his website. "Simply put, this is what saved Jenn's life and it's my mission to save more lives in the coming years."

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WE ARE EXCITED TO ANNOUNCE...

There Goes My Hero has been selected to partner with Ruth's Chris Steakhouse and Big Steaks Management to be this year's partner for the 18th Annual Sizzling Celebrity Golf Classic, Baltimore's premiere golf event.

Please visit www.ruthschriszizzlinggolfclassic.com to learn more about this great event and sponsorship opportunities.





Thoughts from the President

Hero has had an amazing first half of 2015. We've hosted over 40 bone marrow registry drives that have swabbed almost 2,000 new donors. We unveiled our Feed a Hero program, in hopes that we can ensure every blood cancer patient and

family member gets healthy, nutritious meals during treatment. We've had three amazing events - A Taste for Life, A Night of Heroes, and the 7th Annual Polo Match and Family Outing. We could not do this without our amazing community support - from donations and sponsors, to volunteers and partner organizations.

In this newsletter, I'm excited to announce another great opportunity and partnership. There Goes My Hero was chosen as the partner non-profit for this year's Sizzling Celebrity Golf Classic, hosted by Ruth's Chris Steak House and Big Steaks Management. This is Baltimore's premier golf event, and features a beautiful day on the Woodholme Country Club greens, sports celebrities and media personalities, and a reception at the Crystal Room of Ruth's Chris Steak House in Pikesville.

Steve de Castro and the whole Big Steaks team have a long-standing tradition of giving back to the community, and we are so grateful to benefit from their generous support.

Steve Nuetzel,
President
Board of Directors

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THERE GOES MY HERO

Our mission is to restore hope to Leukemia patients and their families through increasing bone marrow registrants, providing nutritious meals, and supporting blood cancer research.

STATS

2015 Drives ~ 41
2015 Swabs ~ 1,934
Total Swabs ~ 9,454
Total Matches ~ 115
Total Transplants ~ 13

2015 Meals ~ 9,720
Total Meals ~ 65,451

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