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# The SB ADVisor

A newsletter of the Spina Bifida Association of the Delaware Valley



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#### Save the Dates:

April 2022: Fishing Event

June 2022: Walk n Roll

July 2022: Education Day: 504 Plan, IEPs, Long Term Care, Special Needs Trust

August 2022: Phillies Night Out Bladder and Bowel Management Let's start the New Year at The Winter Holiday Party with your friends at SBADV. Please keep a look out for details on our traditional holiday party planned for March at the Carousel House

PPLY TODAY:

# ALL IN. ALL TOGETHER.

Team IMPACT provides a support system for kids facing chronic illness, building confidence and a sense of belonging through the power of team.

## Spina Bifida 5K Run, Walk or Roll 10/162021



We'd like to thank our sponsors for supporting the SBADV Annual 5k. With your help, we were able to raise \$22,360.96. Your sponsorship has helped the SBADV gained valuable tools and resources to support our SBADV community.

A special thanks to the volunteers from the Philadelphia Parks and Recreation staff for their help and support in planning and carrying out this event.

Platinum: Barbara Capozzi – Keller Williams Coloplast Gerald Kessler- Wells Fargo Advisors Olde City Millwork

> Silver: A & J Builders, Inc. D'Lauro & Rodgers Dr. Regni and Associates Lakash

Mile Markers: Connect The Case Family The Greenberg Family Help Hope Live Lamp Post Diner Panel Wood Machinery

We'd like to express our gratitude to all who supported this year's virtual Run, Walk, or Roll to support SBADV at our annual 5k fundraiser on October 16, 2021. Special thanks also go out to those families and organizations who organized teams for the event. Thank you for bringing your spirit, enthusiasm and support to the event! The teams participating in the event were:

Sofia Sparkles – The Alphonse Family Team Maeve- The Fitzgerald Family Fearless Finn - The Herman Family Rolling with Pedro – The Miranda Family Nate's Ninjas – The Panusky Family Team Kyle – The Shanahan Family *The SB ADVisor* A newsletter of the **S**pina **B**ifida Association of the Delaware Valley

#### Save the Dates:

September 2022: Hydrocephalus Awareness Month

October 2022: Spina Bifida Awareness Month Adopt A Ghost Dress Down Day

> October 15, 2022: Spina Bifida 5K

October 25th 2022: World Spina Bifida Day

> December 2022: Holiday Party

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Please send your news items and event pictures to: info@sbadv.org

## **Champion of the Community**

The Spina Bifida Association of Delaware Valley has awarded Stewart Greenberg with the Champion of the Community Award. Stu has gone above and beyond in the interests of the children and adults living with Spina Bifida.

When his daughter Samantha was born with Spina Bifida, Stu became part of the Spina Bifida community. He served as a volunteer, a board of director, vice president and president throughout the years. With Stuart's connection to Philadelphia Parks and Recreation, Stu started the 5K over eleven years ago. He also enabled our children access to the Carousel House and the activities there.

Without Stu, our population would have never been introduced to Katie's Komets. Katie's Komets enabled our children to become involved and expose them the outside world.

With his continued guidance and support we can continue to have events after all these years.

SBADV thanks Stu for being a mentor to many and for all he has done for the Spina Bifida Community and the Association.

We are forever grateful!



## **UPDATED WAYS TO DONATE...**

### • Venmo Donation and PayPal Donations

SBADV is accepting donations through Paypal and Venmo. Please see the QR codes below.



### • AmazonSmile

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## WE NEED YOUR HELP! Please Read!

SBADV has an **urgent** need for new Board members. We have had several Board members step off the Board due to relocation or family needs. Terms limits will soon require another long-serving member to leave at the end of the year. Our By-laws require a minimum of eight on the Board with a maximum of 13. Past-Board members can still serve on committees and in an advisory capacity. Board members are involved in the planning, and decision-making, and oversight of various Association responsibilities. Different aspects are ideally tasked to a designated member, so that responsibilities are shared. The Board meets as a group monthly. Meetings are held via conference call. The addition of new members to the Board is vital for maintaining our governance responsibilities and SBADV's existence.

We are also requesting assistance with other volunteer opportunities for the Association. These include help before and during specific events such as the Walk 'n Roll, the 5K, and the Holiday Party or help with the Newsletter and member correspondence. With input and manpower, SBADV can provide the programming that will benefit children and adults with Spina Bifida in the Delaware Valley.

If you are interested, please contact Alicia Alphonse at execdir@sbadv.org.

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