

Fighting ALS for 30 years!

Saturday, October 1, 2022

Bonner-Prendergast High School • Drexel Hill, PA

August 2, 2022

Dear Friends,

I am very pleased and humbled to invite your support of the **30th** annual Billy Lake Memorial ALS Basketball Marathon. It is hard to believe it has been 30 years since Billy Lake, father of four young children, lost his courageous battle with ALS or Lou Gehrig's disease. Since 1992 we have been working to find the cure to the disease that took his life. We have 29 basketball marathons, 26 beef and beers, and 31 scholarships under our belts. The Billy Lake ALS Basketball marathon has the distinction of being the *longest running family fundraiser for ALS* in the United States.

For our 30th year we are honoring the 4 Philadelphia basketball coaches who have been with us from the beginning: Fran Dunphy, Phil Martelli, Bobbi Morgan, and Fran O'Hanlon. All four of them have given us their time, their resources, their participation, and their very heartfelt support. We are forever grateful to them.

The 30th Billy Lake ALS Basketball Marathon will take place at Bonner-Prendergast High School in Drexel Hill, PA (Billy's alma mater) on October 1, 2022. 16 teams (10 area high school teams, 5 local teams and the Phillies Ballgirls!) participate in this payto-play basketball marathon. Spectators are heartily welcomed. We ask you to support us by becoming a shirt sponsor or a team sponsor or a donator. Every dollar we raise will bring us closer to a world without ALS. YOU are the key to the event's success. All proceeds go to the Billy Lake Memorial ALS Research Fund, a 501c(3) organization, EIN 23-2699081, and to a scholarship in Billy's name at Bonner-Prendergast.

ALS is a fatal, progressive, neuromuscular disease attacking men and women in the prime of life. This disease affects an estimated 30,000 people in the US every year, causing them to lose the ability to walk, move, speak, eat, and finally to breathe on their own. Your tax-deductible gift will support The ALS Association's research programs fueling global collaboration to expedite the discovery of treatments and a cure for ALS.

Please call us at 610-675-7137 (Patti) or email us at <u>info@billylake.com</u> if you need additional information. Sponsorship and donation information is enclosed. Your company name and logo will be featured on 400 shirts that players, spectators, volunteers, and donors from all over the Delaware valley will wear, as well as on our website. As always, we thank you for your generosity, compassion, and friendship.

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