Late November and December Info/Events

Hope, Love, and Learning to Trust—My Hero
By Caleb’s Mom
Our son, Caleb, was born on the same day (only eight years later) than his big brother, Jacob, was born. However, Jacob passed away from anencephaly, a neural tube defect of the head. January 5th was not a good day! I remember saying, “Not today! Any day but not today!” My husband was hopeful and encouraging but an hour after Caleb was born, he crashed. He had two brain bleeds resulting in cerebral palsy. Much too young to have surgery, the doctors had to relieve the pressure on his brain and inserted one of his first two shunts. On Valentine’s day, after 2 surgeries, the doctors told us we could take Caleb home with the prognosis of “He will probably never be able to walk, or talk, or do what other children do. But take him home and love him, because love and determination will make all the difference and do what medicine may never do. AND don’t ever take ‘No’ for an answer until you have to.”

With tons of love and determination, after more than 25 surgeries and lots of intervention, Caleb, now 20, is a happy, healthy young man. Can he walk? No, but he has a power wheelchair...

Please click here to read the whole story.

The 6th Annual Spooky Duke 5k, 10, & Costume March was a huge success this year! We had 397 runners signed up for the race! Thank you all to our sponsors, runners, volunteers, and RacingToes!
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