



# The Victor Zando Foundation

## Newsletter

2012

*Our Mission: The Victor Zando Foundation has been established as a not-for-profit corporation to preserve the memory and spirit of Victor by engaging in the types of activities that marked his quiet, extraordinary life. Victor gave his time, energy and resources and touched the lives of so many people. Our goal as an organization is to continue to do good works in his memory.*

These are busy times for the ever-expanding VZF! For 2012-2013 there are some exciting updates to share. We currently provide scholarship awards and/or tuition assistance at three schools: Msgr. Farrell High School and Saint Clare School on Staten Island, as well as Saint Leo the Great School in Lincroft, New Jersey. In addition to awarding scholarships to four outstanding students this year, two new schools will benefit from the Tuition Assistance Program: Blessed Sacrament School on Staten Island and Our Lady of Mount Carmel School in Asbury Park, New Jersey. Both schools are very appreciative of the VZF and our efforts to assist their students.

We have also continued to expand our community outreach projects. We will be sponsoring two boys to play football in the Asbury Park Pop Warner Football League. In addition, this year we will become involved in the "Blankets Warming Hearts Project". This project was started by our foundation friend, Cathy Turner, a few years ago. Cathy, who is in her late 40s, contracted a very aggressive form of MS, has spent a lot of time in rehab centers. During one rehab stay around Christmastime three years ago, Cathy generously gave her warm, colorful blanket to her elderly roommate. Seeing how happy this small gesture made her roommate, she had a brainstorm and started BWHP. Every year since, Cathy and her family deliver blankets to rehab centers on Long Island. The VZF will be adding to the blanket total this year by providing blankets to patients in area rehab centers/hospitals.

We are again planning the Lunch Break Christmas project. For the past two years, the foundation has donated Christmas gift bags to Lunch Break in Red Bank. The gift bags include a warm pair of gloves, socks and delicious Christmas candy. The Saint Leo the Great J.V. Girls basketball team added to the community spirit by volunteering their time to help put 300 gift bags together.

Our thoughts and prayers are with all those affected by Hurricane Sandy. We are in the process of working closely with people in need on Staten Island in any way we can be most effective and helpful.

All of this is possible because of the wonderful and generous people who support the VZF. We thank you for that support and for allowing these good works to continue in Victor's name.

# Annual Fundraiser

## Day at the Races

### 2012



Our annual fundraiser was another enjoyable day at Monmouth Park Our new “four-prize raffle “ was very successful and we thank those who donated the fantastic prizes ...especially Susan and Brendon McKibbin , Marty and Laurie Hicks, and John and Kelly Ward.

#### **Congratulations to the winners of the raffle:**

One Week Marriott Vacation— Pete and Jen Mishos

“Paint the Town Red” - Night out in Red Bank — Pat Zacchea

Round of Golf at Beacon Hill County Club—Mark Torello

Shopping Spree — Paul and Kathy Laux

For all the beautiful raffle baskets and prizes, we would like to thank:

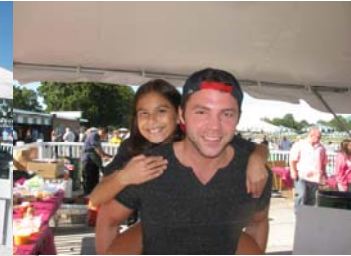
STAJE, The Boutique - Jeanine Vaccaro & Stacey Krall, Jerry Amos Photography  
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Thank you to Callan Laux and Emily Gioacchini. Callan and Emily worked all summer making duct tape wallets, bookmarks and bracelets to sell the day of the outing. The girls donated 50% of their profits to the VZF and the other 50% to St. Jude Children's Hospital.

Great job, girls!!

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Four outstanding students received the VZF Memorial Award and Scholarship in 2012 :

***Congratulations !!***

### **Msgr. Farrell High School**

Paul Barchetta

Matthew Roberts

### **St. Clare School**

Kevin Gaylas

### **St. Leo the Great School**

Katie Regan

The Victor Zando Foundation wishes you and your families a Blessed Christmas and all the best for a Happy, Healthy New Year!



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