

Thank you to the 2015
Committee of
Jack's Kids

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Jack's Kids

23rd Annual Jack Gardner Memorial Softball Tournament



Saturday, July 11th, 2015 Somerville Elks



Lodge: (908) 722-4634 Office: (908) 722-3901 Fax: (908) 707-1545 To All our Friends and Supporters:

I welcome you to the 23rd Annual JACK'S KIDS SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT, and on behalf of the members of the Committee and Somerville Elks Lodge 1068, I thank you for your support and participation in this great event. It is an honor to be your host.

Since the end of last years tournament, the Committee has been working towards this day, arranging for fields, sponsors, donations and food. Their diligent efforts are really only for one important cause, to help children and their families who have been afflicted with devastating illness and injury. The Committee provides opportunities and at times, a glimmer of hope by being able to provide for these families. It is through their efforts that they make hope possible and it is with great gratitude that I thank all of the members and volunteers for their untiring efforts to ease this burden.

Thank you also goes to the teams that have supported our event every year. Their generosity is a key to the success of our tournament. Starting with just six teams, the Jack's Kids Tournament now hosts over fifty teams in a variety of brackets, levels of skill and competition. One idea that is apparent on all of the playing fields, and displayed by all the players is that on this day: "It's All About the Kids!"

Special thanks must go out to the all the umpire s who come every year, rain or shine, and work the games without pay. We are grateful for their contributions to the success of our day.

Thank you to all of the volunteers who are selling raffle tickets, working in the kitchen or the "war room" or running around dealing with the thousands of details necessary to make this day a possible.

Last, but certainly not least, we thank the sponsors and supporters of this tournament, who donate unselfishly every year. We urge you to appreciate and patronize these great supporters!

If this is your first tournament or your 23rd, as a member, volunteer, player, umpire, sponsor or committee member, please take a moment to meet our Jack's Kids and their families. These Kids exhibit courage and strength well beyond their age, often against insurmountable odds. They will inspire each of us with their smiles and will challenge each of us in new ways. Every day is a victory in their fight. Your donations and support have been crucial to help these Kid's and their families lessen the financial burden and cost as they seek treatment and care. This aid provides hope to the seemingly endless barriers these Kid's and their families face.

To those who are not members of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, I offer a hand in friendship. Elks are members of the local community who look to help the less fortunate, offer comfort to our veterans, and seek to inspire our young people. We are families who live nearby who see a need in our community, offer our hand in aid in our neighborhood. The Elks provide scholarship, leadership and support to those in need. We invest in our communities.

We welcome all who would like to give back to the community through charitable work and I would ask that you consider joining our Lodge as a member. For information on how you can become a member, please stop any member or ask at the registration table.

Again, thank you for your support in making this day possible.

Bill Rose Exalted Ruler BPOE Lodge 1068 Somerville, NJ





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In addition to supporting Jack's kids the Somerville Elks:

- Provides special needs children with social opportunities
- Assists families with special children's treatments
- Provides youth scholarships
- Provides youth activities that teach competition and sportsmanship
- Assists police departments and schools with drug awareness education
- Helps veterans in need in our communities

Consider applying for membership today! Ask an Elk for an application.



Thanks to our Jack's Kids Sponsors

Somerville Elks Lodge 1068, Eagles FOE Somerset Aerie #2137, American Legion Post 12, Bound Brook Moose Lodge #988







Our Mission

The heart of Jack's Kids is to ease the financial burden to families dealing with a serious childhood illnesses and/or serious disabilities so they can focus on wrapping their family in the love and attention they need.



In Memory

of...JACK GARDNER

Jack Gardner died in November 1992. He had a prolific life throughout Somerset County. He grew up in North Plainfield, where he was an outstanding athlete in Football, Basketball and Baseball. Jack was a detective in the Somerset County Prosecutors Office for many years. Later he became Warden of the Somerset County Jail. He was a member of the Somerville Elks Lodge #1068. He became an assistant football coach at Immaculata High School were he coached for twelve years until his death.

Jack was a treasure. His main virtue was his willingness to help people. Anyone who came to Jack for help was assured that he would come through. Throughout Somerset County he is noted for helping many people, especially the younger Generation. He was kind, thoughtful and always gave of himself.

That is why the "Jack Gardner Memorial Softball Tournament" is rightfully named. All of the tournament proceeds help those kids in need.

These are "Jack's Kids!"

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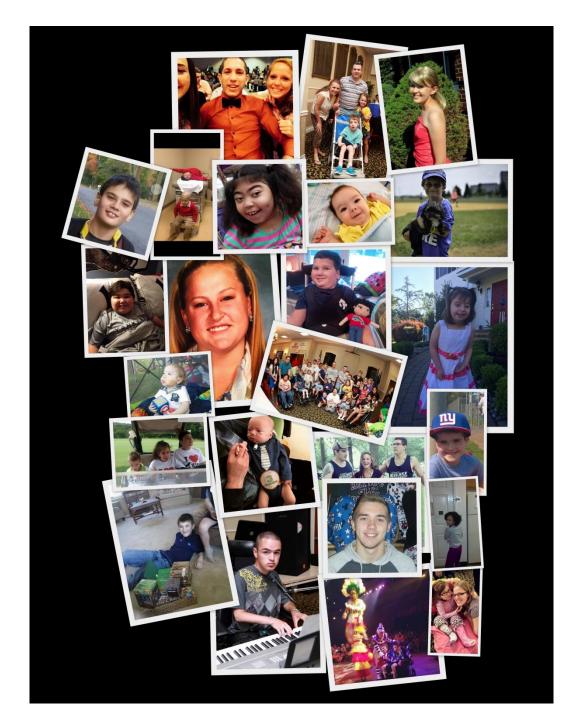
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Jack's Kids





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Hunterdon County



2015 Jack's Kids Team

Chairperson: Hank Werner

Trustees:

Meghan Kelly
Loretta Kimmick
Rich Ludwig
Scott Pearson
Jack Rice
Bill Saller
Lisa Yates

The entire Jack's Kids Team that puts this tournament together is **too large** to name everyone. We thank ALL of you for your hard work, endless hours and pure dedication to this "team"!

Thank you and God bless you, your families and America!



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A message from our Chairperson

Welcome!

I am once again privileged and honored to be your Chairperson this year. Over the past 23 years we have seen this tournament grow and we again this year have a RECORD number of teams!

Jack's Kids charities stands for everything we believe in: God, Country and Community. This committee has worked very hard throughout the entire year to make this day a success and we hope you enjoy the day as much as we enjoy outing it together!

Jack's Kids supports MANY families and we hope that you can take a moment today and meet the very brave families and children who benefit from this event and look into your hearts and consider helping them today. Your compassion and generosity will greatly impact the ongoing efforts of these families to provide their children with the medical attention they desperately need as well as help ease all of the financial burdens these families endure during these trying times.

Thank you so much for your support and please enjoy the day!

Hank Werner, Chairperson 2015 Jack's Kids Team



Thank You





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Without their donations and support Jack's Angels Garden would not have been possible.



Jack's Kids Angels



Please visit the Jack's Kids Memorial Garden while you are here. Our Angels will never be forgotten





Lucie Bennett
Maureen Brigid Dwyer
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Tyler Melville



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Have Fun!

Help Families!

Thank you to all:

the volunteers,

the players,

the umpires,

the sponsors,

the food donators,

the prize donators,

the \$\$\$ donators,

And anyone else who helps make this day possible.



Thank you to the Masters of the Ceremony

Tim Rice and George Smutko — T&G Entertainment,

our DJs for today's special event.

Thank You to:

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HUGE Thank you! To our umpires – their tireless work and volunteerism is exemplary

