

Dear Family & Friends:

A few weeks ago I made a big decision - to train for and participate in the San Francisco Marathon on October 24 2004, and to raise money for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society (LLS). I made this decision not only to challenge myself to train for and complete my first marathon, but more importantly to raise money for LLS in honor of my Aunt Jude Parry-Jones.

I have joined the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's Team in Training (TNT), a 5-month endurance-building/fundraising program. TNT provides me with professional coaches, a training regimen and the support and encouragement I'll need; and in return I've committed to fundraise for their programs. Over 75% of donations will go directly towards research, patient services, professional education, advocacy, and community service. My goal is to raise \$2,500.00.

Beyond the desire of completing a marathon I have a personal reason for joining TNT and the fight against Leukemia and Lymphoma. Last month my Aunt was diagnosed with Stage 4 Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma. Commonly known as Cancer. Lymphoma is a cancer of the blood. It involves the body's blood-forming and immune systems; including bone marrow, lymph nodes and the spleen. I have chosen to run for the person who ran next to me for my first three, four, and five miles. In honor of her struggle and in good faith of her kicking some cancer butt, I too will struggle and kick some butt. However the butt I will be kicking is my own for 26.2 miles.

Please support me in this program by contributing to the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society. Blood-related cancers will strike about 107,900 Americans each year and kill approximately 60,500. Whatever you contribute matters - it all adds up! Your contributions will fund research and other important programs.

Please help me by completing the sponsor form and returning it to me with your tax-deductible contribution by September 24, 2004 (though contributions will be accepted until October 9th). With your generous support, I will cross that finish line in SF, and we will all contribute to the finish of leukemia and lymphoma in the 21st century. Thank you!!

Eren Johnson

Donation Form

(Please circle one)

- \$240.00 One dollar for each minute run (optimistic estimate)!
- \$100.00 Thank God it's not me running!
- \$75.00 Age Eren will feel when she crosses finish line!
- \$50.00 A dollar a week for one year (with two weeks vacation)!
- \$_____ Please, take my wallet.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip _____

If you would like to charge your contribution to a credit card (this method is recommended for those of you over seas):

MC/VISA (circle one) # _____ Amount \$ _____

Name on Card: _____

Expiration Date: _____ Signature: _____

To make your donating that much easier I have set up a web site "<http://eren.diversionmary.com>" (do not use www.). Here you can get updates from me, and check on my progress. To donate simply click on **DONATE NOW!**

Please make checks payable to the: **Leukemia and Lymphoma Society** and mail to *335 Boyce St. Santa Rosa, Ca 95401*. Don't forget to ask your company about Corporate Matching!

Contributions are tax deductible and should be mailed before Oct. 4th
A minimum of 75% of all funds raised goes directly to research, client services, professional education, advocacy and community service. For more information on TNT, please visit their web site at www.teamintraining.com