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The Bill and Sue Patton Scholarship Fund

The Hurdling Handicaps Speaking Ministries Board of Advisors is honored and excited to announce the establishment of the Bill and Sue Patton Scholarship Fund. Bill and Sue Patton, Larry's parents, each played major, positive roles in Larry's life. Their love, prayers, encouragement, support, tenacity and motivation are why Larry has been able to overcome so many obstacles in his life. It was their example that influenced him to become a devoted Christian family man able to live as an independent and productive member of our society.

The Pattons were advocates for Larry before the word was ever defined. It is because of their example of faith and loving support that the Board of Advisors is naming this Scholarship Fund in their honor.

Sue Patton went to be with the Lord in 1997. Bill maintains an active role in the ministry and Larry's family life. The Scholarship Fund will provide money for various activities and resources to benefit individuals who demonstrate a positive Christian attitude in overcoming the obstacles they face.

Scholarship Guidelines and Highlights:

- Grants will range from \$50 up to \$500 per person or family
- Grant applications will be available on March 1st through the Hurdling Handicaps office.
- The grants will go towards supporting a family or individual attending a Joni and Friends Family Retreat this year.
- Hurdling Handicaps will consider all applicants but will give preference to families residing in Michigan and/or are first time scholarship applicants.
- The grant recipient(s) must meet the criteria set by Joni and Friends
- The grant application must include a family photo

- Grant applicants must agree to allow their names and family photos to be used on the Hurdling Handicaps Speaking Ministries website, the Newsletter or other promotional publications.
- A recommendation letter from your pastor must be included with the grant application.
- Grant applicants cannot be accepted from a family member of the Board of Advisors or staff of HHSM
- The grant check will be payable and sent directly to Joni and Friends.
- Scholarship recipients will be asked to submit a short testimonial including pictures of their retreat experience.
- All grant applications must be postmarked by May 15.

Tax deductible gifts can be made to the Bill and Sue Patton Scholarship Fund by making your check payable to Hurdling Handicaps and will be deposited directly into the scholarship fund account.

The Bill and Sue Patton Scholarship Application

Parent/Guardian Name(s) _____ Name of Minor(s) _____

Address _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

E-Mail address _____ Amount requested: \$ _____

- Checklist
- Completed application (signed below)
 - Family photo

- Pastoral recommendation letter
- Answers to the following questions on a separate sheet of paper:
 1. How will attending the Joni and Friends family retreat help you or your family hurdle/overcome an obstacle or barrier in your life?
 2. Do you need all or a portion of the registration fee? If a portion, how much?
 3. From what other agencies, organizations or associations have you requested and/or received financial assistance to cover registration?
 4. How did you hear about this scholarship opportunity?
 5. Have you attended a Joni and Friends retreat in the past?

Mail the entire package to: Hurdling

Handicaps Speaking Ministries
P.O. Box 725023, Berkley, MI 48072

If you have questions, please call the office at
(248) 544-7731 or e-mail Diana at digirl@comcast.net

Applicant's (or guardian's) signature

Date

By signing, I give legal authority and permission to Hurdling Handicaps Speaking Ministries, its successors, and nominees to use my name and the name(s) of my children (minors) , picture(s) (moving and/or still), and statement(s) (oral and/or written) for all legal media forms including WEB sites, newsletters, and/or in publications.