Somerville’s Jonathan Korhonen will be racing for his Mom and BIA-MA at the 118th Boston Marathon!

Jonathan Korhonen, 31, of Somerville, MA is ready to lace up on April 21, 2014 and race for his mom Annette Korhonen, who is a brain injury survivor. Annette had a stroke, fell, and suffered a traumatic brain injury (TBI). She has endured multiple surgeries, infections, and minor procedures. Even though Annette is a survivor, she will require long-term care. With not all costs being covered by insurance Jon has taken matters into his own hands or should we say feet, by raising money to benefit Annette. Jon fundraising goal is $50,000 and he will donate half of his fundraising efforts directly to the Brain Injury Association of Massachusetts (BIA-MA) to raise awareness for the needs of the brain injury community.

Jon chose to donate to our organization from a previous professional interaction his wife Beth had with our Information & Resources Department. The resources for survivors and families are plentiful at BIA-MA. Whether it is finding information on housing options, providing educational materials and resources for medical professionals, or offering a listing of support groups, we are here to serve the community in any way we can. One of the goals Annette has for her journey is to be able to utilize the programs and services that BIA-MA offers for survivors and families.

“On behalf of BIA-MA we would like to thank Jon for his fundraising efforts for our organization. The money that he has raised will go directly to programs and services for survivors and caregivers. Donations like Jon’s are pivotal when providing support to the brain injury community” – Nicole Godaire, Executive Director, BIA-MA
We wish Jon the best of luck at his race and like his mom who has always cheered for him from
the sidelines, he can be assured that the brain injury community will be doing the same.

The Brain Injury Association of Massachusetts, a private, non-profit organization, provides
support to brain injury survivors and their families, offers programs to prevent brain injuries,
and educates the public on the risks and impact of brain injury. The Association advocates
for funding for individuals with brain injury, supports legislation to prevent brain injuries,
and collaborates on educational campaigns with state agencies and related associations.

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