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September 1, 2009

Dear Friend,

In March of 2007, I completed the Iditarod - the great 1,049-mile sled dog race from Anchorage to Nome, Alaska. With great support from my friends and family, I was able to chase my dream to 4th Street wearing bib #56 and eventually finishing 38th after 9 days. This year, I would like to complete the Iditarod race again, but I cannot do it without your help.

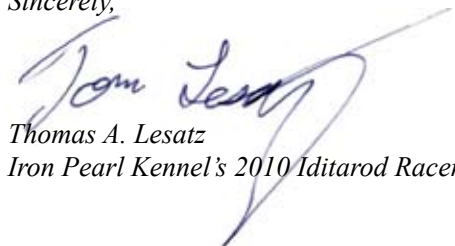
Ever since I can remember, my dream has been to complete the Iditarod. While growing up in Downers Grove, a suburb of Chicago, I spent countless hours preparing to move to Alaska, racing dogs and owning a kennel of my own. In the fall of 2000, I moved to Two Rivers, AK and worked as a dog handler for 5-time Iditarod Champion, Rick Swenson. There I met Jessica Hendricks, Iditarod's 2003 Rookie of the Year. Our friendship turned into a partnership and in 2005 we started Iron Pearl Kennels. Today we currently have 60+ race dogs ranging in age. All of the dogs have been raised or trained by Jessica and I, making them competitors that we trust, understand and count on.

My first experience in the Iditarod was an unforgettable one. I learned a great deal about the race and I look forward to using this knowledge during my participation this spring in the 2010 Iditarod. My goal is to place in the top 20. Jessica and I will also participate in other mid-distance races throughout the winter to prepare the dogs for a successful race. You can help our endeavor by considering sponsoring the Iron Pearl Kennels race team. There are many opportunities and levels of sponsorship. Please consider the enclosed guide.

This year in addition to raising funds to support my kennel and our Iditarod 2010 racing team, part of the proceeds we raise from the t-shirts will be donated to Neurofibromatosis, Inc(NF). When I was in grade school, I was diagnosed with NF. Fortunately I have a mild case of this very common genetic disorder, however there are a great number of people out there that are more severely affected. Neurofibromatosis is a genetic disorder of the nervous system, causing tumors to form on the nerves anywhere in the body at any time. NF is a progressive disorder that affects all races and both sexes equally. Neurofibromatosis 1 (NF1) is estimated to occur in 1 of 2,500 births and symptoms may include: tumor growth, facial disfigurement, cancer, learning disabilities, bone deformities, hearing loss, epilepsy and blindness. NF, Inc., a non-profit organization, is a national network serving neurofibromatosis families affected by NF and is dedicated to supporting education of individuals, healthcare providers, and medical research. For more information about Neurofibromatosis, visit www.nfinc.org.

Jessica and I hope that you will consider sponsoring us this year. Thank you very much for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,



*Thomas A. Lesatz
Iron Pearl Kennel's 2010 Iditarod Racer*



Corporate Sponsorship Levels

\$2500 and Up - Iron Pearl Kennel Sponsor

- Top Listing and Link on Website
- Logo on All Email Communications
- Logo on IPK Dog Truck
- Logo on Fundraising T-shirt Sleeve
- Recognition at Musher's Banquet
- Patch on Musher's Coat and Sled
- Signed Photo of Thomas Lesatz & Jessica Hendricks
- Signed IPK T-shirt

\$1600 to \$2500 - Race Sponsor

- Second Listing and Link on Website
- Logo on All Email Communications
- Logo on IPK Dog Truck
- Logo on Fundraising T-shirt Back
- Recognition at Musher's Banquet
- IPK T-shirt

\$600 to \$1500 - Sponsor a Checkpoint

- Listing and Link on Website
- Logo on All Email Communications
- Logo on Fundraising T-shirt Back
- Recognition at Musher's Banquet
- Bag from Iditarod Checkpoint signed by Musher

\$500 - Sponsor a Dog*

- Listing and Link on Website
- Name on All Email Communications
- Logo on Fundraising T-shirt Back
- Dog Picture & Stat Sheet

*Please visit website for list of dogs.
www.IronPearlKennels.com

\$1 and Up - Pack the Sled

- Listing and Link on Website
- Logo on Fundraising T-shirt Back

In-Kind Donation Donations of dog food, clothing, supplies, promotional items, etc.

All ads are one color and the artwork for the logos should be submitted to mushing@ironpearlkennels.com or on a disk mailed to Aimee Lesatz, 22W455 Arbor Lane, Glen Ellyn, IL 60137 in one of the following formats: Adobe Illustrator (.ai), Encapsulated Post Script (.eps) or Adobe Portable Document Format (.pdf).

Deadlines for order and materials is October 10, 2009

Contact Person: _____

Company Affiliation: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email Address: _____ Website Address: _____

Send this form with your check payable to:

Thomas Lesatz • Attn.: Aimee Lesatz 22W455 Arbor Lane, Glen Ellyn, IL 60137

Questions? Please contact Aimee Lesatz at 630.942.0304 or aimee@plaidfish.com



Thomas Lesatz



Thomas Lesatz, 28 years old, was born in Chicago, Illinois. Surrounded by the city lights, he dreamed of owning his own kennel, building a log cabin and racing in the Iditarod – The Last Great Race. He moved to Alaska in 2000 to handle for Rick Swenson, a 5-Time Iditarod Champion. After a year in Alaska, he went back home to work but constantly thought about returning. When he did finally return, he handled for mushers, Ray Redington and Russel Lain and decided that he would make Alaska his permanent home.

In 2004, he became partners with Jessica Hendricks, 2003 Iditarod's - Rookie of the Year. Together they have spent the last 5 years building Iron Pearl Kennels. Tom built their home from logs he cleared on their 100-acre farm just outside Fairbanks in Two Rivers, AK. They currently have 60+ dogs with strong lines drawn from Mackey, Erhart, Buser and MacEachen Kennels.

During the off-season, Tom works as a Wild land Fire Fighter for Alaska's Division of Forestry. When he's not taking care of his dogs, you can find him fishing in the local stream, hunting up the road or weeding in his vegetable garden.

In March of 2007, Tom finally made it to 4th Street in Anchorage for the Iditarod. With the help from his family and friends, he hopes to make it back again this coming March 2010 to race in his second Iditarod.

Tom's Race History

2003	Two Rivers 200	4th
2004	Solstice 100	14th
2005	Knik 200	1st
2005	Two Rivers 100	2nd
2006	Copper Basin 300	5th - Rookie of the Year
2007	Iditarod 1049	38th
2008	Tustumena 200	9th
2008	Sheep Mt.150	24th
2008	Solstice 100	7th
2008	GinGin 200	9th
2009	Copper Basin 300	Scratched
2009	Two Rivers 200	1st



Jessica's Race History

1998	Jr. North American	2nd 8-dog class
1999	Jr. Iditarod	15th
2000	Jr. Arctic Winter Games	1 silver, 2 gold medals
2000	Jr. Iditarod	3rd
2000	Jr. Yukon Quest	1st
2000	Henry Hahn 200	1st
2002	Copper Basin 300	6th - Rookie of the Year
2002	New Minto 120	3rd
2003	Iditarod 1049	19th - Rookie of the Year
2003	Solstice 100	1st
2004	Solstice 100	1st
2005	Tustumena 200	1st
2005	Iditarod 1049	15th
2005	GinGin 120	5th
2006	Tustumena 200	1st
2006	Iditarod 1049	24th
2006	Sheep Mt. 150	2nd
2007	Tustumena 200	4th
2007	Solstice 100	1st
2008	Iditarod 1049	Scratched
2008	Solstice 100	3rd
2009	Tustumena 200	7th

Jessica Hendricks



Jessica Hendricks, 25, is a native Alaskan that has stayed close to her roots, attending high school in North Pole, Alaska while training for mid-distance races. Hendricks began mushing at the age of nine, competing in many junior sprint races, the Junior North American Championships, the Junior Yukon Quest and the Junior Iditarod.

Following her junior year in high school, Jessica began preparing to run the Iditarod. She was one of the youngest mushers to race in 2003 and at the end; she captured the 'Rookie of the Year' award. Jessica finished in 19th place with a time of 11 days, 2 hours, 40 minutes, 17 seconds.

In 2004, Jessica and Tom became partners to form Iron Pearl Kennels, which is located just outside of Fairbanks in Two Rivers, AK. Their kennel of 60+ dogs has strong lines drawn from Erhart, Buser and MacEachen kennels. Jessica and Tom have raised and trained all of their dogs from pups, making them competitors that they trust, understand and count on.

When Jessica's not off training, racing or taking care of the dogs, she can be found riding her horses, fishing or hunting.



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T-SHIRT & SPONSORSHIP ORDER FORM

I'd like to help Iron Pearl Kennels in their pursuit to race in the Iditarod - The Last Great Race in March of 2010.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____

Zip Code _____

Phone Number _____

Email Address _____



100% Preshrunk Cotton - Available in All Sizes
 Shirt Designed By Aimee Lesatz

Item	Type	Quantity	Size	Amount
Adult Sweatshirt (\$45)	Go Dogs Go ('10) - Navy Blue			
Adult Long Sleeved T-Shirt (\$35)	Go Dogs Go ('10) - Navy Blue			
Adult T-Shirt (\$25)	Go Dogs Go ('10) - Navy Blue			
Kids Sweatshirt (\$30)	Go Dogs Go ('10) - Navy Blue			
Kids T-Shirt (\$15)	Go Dogs Go ('10) - Navy Blue			
Donation	Donations Greatly Appreciated			
Sponsorship	\$50 \$100 \$300 \$500 \$1000			
Payment:	<input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input type="checkbox"/> Check		Total	

T-Shirt Orders | Please make checks payable to Kathy Lesatz
Donation/Sponsorships | Please make checks payable to Thomas Lesatz

Mail Order Form with Payment to:

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For more information about Tom Lesatz, Jessica Hendricks and Iron Pearl Kennels or
order online, please visit: www.ironpearlkennels.com