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BLOG Post: THE AMERICAN Power Network Movement

SEARCHING for AMERICAN EXCELLENCE is Achievement

Who Do You Know?

CARL

CARL lost both legs in a horrific driving while intoxicated accident. Jeff, the other driver, fell asleep drunk behind the wheel of his car. Jeff's car hit CARL's car. Jeff walked away easily from the accident. Jeff's father paid for the best lawyer in the state. Jeff was 18. Most people thought that he deserved to do hard time. But CARL, a year and a half later at Jeff's sentencing hearing showed up and testified on Jeff's behalf. Why did CARL testify on Jeff's behalf? He told the judge that at first he was angry at Jeff and the world. But then he put himself in Jeff's place, and he thought "if I was 18

AND I CAUSED THIS HORRIBLE ACCIDENT, "WHAT WOULD I DO WITH ANOTHER CHANCE?" IF I DIDN'T HAVE TO GO TO PRISON, WHAT WOULD I DO? CARL SAID HIS ANSWER WAS SIMPLE. HE DECIDED TO TRY AND HELP JEFF GET ANOTHER CHANCE. HE ALSO SAID THAT HE BELIEVED HE WAS GIVEN ANOTHER CHANCE. SO HE PLDED TO HELP OTHERS BY VOLUNTEERING AT VARIOUS SIGHTS OF DRUNK DRIVING PROGRAMS. HE SAID THAT HE WANTED TO SHOW THE WORLD THAT ALTHOUGH HIS LIFE WAS DRAMATICALLY CHANGED, HIS QUALITY OF LIFE COULD STILL BE GREAT.

CARL FORGAVE JEFF. CARL BECAME A STRONG AND HUMORIC ADVOCATE FOR DRUNK DRIVING VICTIMS

WHY HE IS PROUD OF AMERICA

CARL SAID EVEN THOUGH HIS BODY WAS DIFFERENT, HE COULD STILL DO GREAT THINGS. AS HE LOOKED AT THE OPPORTUNITIES IN THIS COUNTRY FOR DISABLED PEOPLE, HE REALIZED THAT THERE ARE NUMEROUS OPPORTUNITIES TO NOT ONLY MAKE A MARK IN AMERICA, BUT TO USE IT AS A STEPPING STONE TO HELP DISABLED PEOPLE AROUND THE WORLD. HE SAID THAT LIVING IN AMERICA GIVES DISABLED PEOPLE INNUMEROUS OPPORTUNITIES.

He is going to take advantage of every last one of them. Carl loves America. Join the American Power Network Movement so that you can make a difference in other people's lives by inspiring and motivating them to do great things.

AMERICAN POWER NETWORK MOVEMENT

The American Power Network Movement's mission is to highlight, record and celebrate examples of American Excellence and American Achievement around the world. We have a special place in our hearts for the individuals in this country who have overcome life's roadblocks and tragedies. We, the American Power Network Movement, this whole country, and the world want to hear about their stories.

Who Do You Know?

Do you know of any inspiring stories like Carl's? Do you have a friend or family member who you've wanted to always tell their story? Post their story on our Cultural Excellence and Achievement sign-up blog. The American Power Network Movement is a grassroots movement to change the world. We want every disabled person's story to be recorded and celebrated.

Do you know of an disabled veteran? Post and praise their story. Do you know of a disabled neighbor? A disabled family member or friend?

Support This Movement

Support the American Power Network Movement by helping us build the American Power Network Movement. We need "Cultural Volunteers" to go out and spread the word about our new movement, to record and celebrate local cultural American excellence and achievement around the world. We need "Cultural Volunteers" to: Build social media pages: Facebook, MySpace, Twitter and YouTube accounts, that will highlight certain segments of American culture like the American Disabled community. Tell all of your family and friends about the American Power Network Movement. Buy some of our new cultural luxury Brand Merchandise and Apparel at www.cafepress.com/AmericanPower. We are going to use this process from this store to build local community websites that will inform and record local American Excellence and Achievement around the world. So it is vital that you help to support this movement by buying merchandise and apparel from this store. Post your thoughts, your stories, and your opinions and what your particular group has done to help build this new and growing grass roots movement to record and celebrate American excellence and American achievement around the world. If you need help, go to the top of this blog and learn how to help make and record American History. Thank you, The American Power Network Movement.