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***BUFFALO SABRE DANIEL PAILLE HEADS UP WALK TO BENEFIT  
INDIVIDUALS WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES***

(BUFFALO, NY, April 29, 2008) – Buffalo Sabres Left Winger Daniel Paille is the celebrity chair for Heritage Centers 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Louis J. Billittier Memorial Run/Walk. The event will take place on Saturday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> 2008, starting at Chef's Restaurant, located at 291 Seneca Street in Downtown Buffalo, **rain or shine**. Registration is at 8:00 a.m. and the run/walk will begin at 9:30 a.m. Both local sports (Bills and Sabres) alumni and their mascots are expected to be on hand for the event, including Hall of Famer Joe DeLamielleure. Also expected are ex-Sabre Jay McKee and Buffalo Sabres #76 Andrew Peters. Registration forms are available at all WNY Wegmans and Wendy's, Chef's Restaurant, online at [www.heritagecenters.org](http://www.heritagecenters.org) or by calling (716) 856-4202 ext. 228.

"Danny is a great guy," said Heritage Centers Executive Director Michael Gross. "We have been really fortunate to have such great support from our Buffalo Sabres through the years. Marty Biron was this event's spokesman for years and now the torch is being passed to Danny Paille. We are so excited to be building a relationship with him and would like to invite everyone in our great city to consider coming out this year to this great family event."

The run/walk will take participants from Chef's, loop through the Erie Basin Marina and back to Chef's for a large post-event party that they cater and host.

Prizes will be given to the top male and female entrants, as well as to 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners in each age group. Also featured at the party will be a sweepstakes drawing for prizes – like a 20" Flat Screen Color TV, an autographed Daniel Paille jersey and a natural gas patio heater from National Fuel - as well as a large basket raffle – with an anticipated 60+ baskets in total to raffle off!

The minimum cost to register is \$25.00. The Louis J. Billittier Memorial Run/Walk is USA Track & Field sanctioned and certified.

All proceeds from the Louis J. Billittier Memorial 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Run/Walk will benefit the Heritage-Oak Foundation, which supports Heritage Centers and people with disabilities. Heritage Centers is a local non-profit that employs over 900 people and serves more than 3,000 individuals with disabilities each year. Individualized services include, but are not limited to: early intervention, education, residential, vocational, service coordination, legal and advocacy programming.

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