

# Man sets out to break snowmobile record and raise money for those affected by cancer

AS NICK KELLER nears age 56, he wanted to do something in memory of his mother, Mary Jane Keller, who died of breast cancer in 1989 at that very age.

Keller, of Richmond, will begin that task any day now. He plans to ride his snowmobile more than 12,200 miles around the upper Midwest and set a new Guinness Book record. However, the record is secondary. His goal, to raise money for those affected by cancer.

The money will go toward The Keller Family Community Foundation, a non-profit formed by Keller and his family.

Money will be given to families in need. The decisions will be voted on by the board of directors.

"Everything we get will be used to help those whose lives are affected by cancer," Keller said.

To donate or learn more about Keller's ride, dubbed "Snowball Cancer Challenge," visit [www.snowballcancer.org](http://www.snowballcancer.org). You also can reach Keller and his family, wife, Janet, and daughters, Julie, Carrie and Melissa, by e-mailing [snowballcancer@gmail.com](mailto:snowballcancer@gmail.com).

The entire family is helping Nick reach his goal. "I'm just riding the snowmobile," Keller said.

To keep track of Keller's progress, go to his website.

*Editor's note: Minnesota Moments will donate to Keller's cause \$10 from every one-year subscription to the magazine received by March 30, 2010. Simply go online to [www.minnesotamoments.com](http://www.minnesotamoments.com) and click on Snowball Cancer Challenge.*



Nick Keller, right, with his wife, Janet, and mechanic, Jason.

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