

Patient Biography:
Jon Corbino

Jon Corbino manages JGC Asset Management in Marblehead, Massachusetts. He has a successful career history involving manufacturing and product development, as well as licensing for well known brands such as Star Wars, Elvis Presley, and M*A*S*H. Mr. Corbino is an avid sportsman, enjoying tennis, golf, and sailing among numerous other physical activities.

In June of 1994, in his mid-forties, Mr. Corbino collapsed while skiing with his family and was hospitalized with sudden cardiac arrest. Upon further examination, his doctor detected a heart murmur that had not been heard previously. Mr. Corbino was referred to Samuel Z. Goldhaber, MD for treatment that same year and has been his patient since.

Over time, Mr. Corbino displayed serious problems with his aortic valve that, in 1996, led to its replacement with a homograft. Following open-heart surgery, Mr. Corbino was largely able to continue his active, athletic lifestyle, though he still suffered from atrial fibrillation. In 1999, Mr. Corbino's first defibrillator was installed, which fired accidentally on one occasion, before being replaced in 2004.

To better accommodate Mr. Corbino's lifestyle, Dr. Goldhaber replaced the homograft with a mechanical valve in June of 2006. Since then, Mr. Corbino has taken warfarin as anticoagulation treatment.

Mr. Corbino is fortunate to experience few problems related to his irregular heartbeat, other than a recent firing episode in June of 2009 while competing in the finals of a tennis tournament.