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Jordan Burnham



GROWING UP





TRANSITION TO A NEW SCHOOL... AGAIN



I don't belong

Depressed

Loneliness



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DEPRESSION

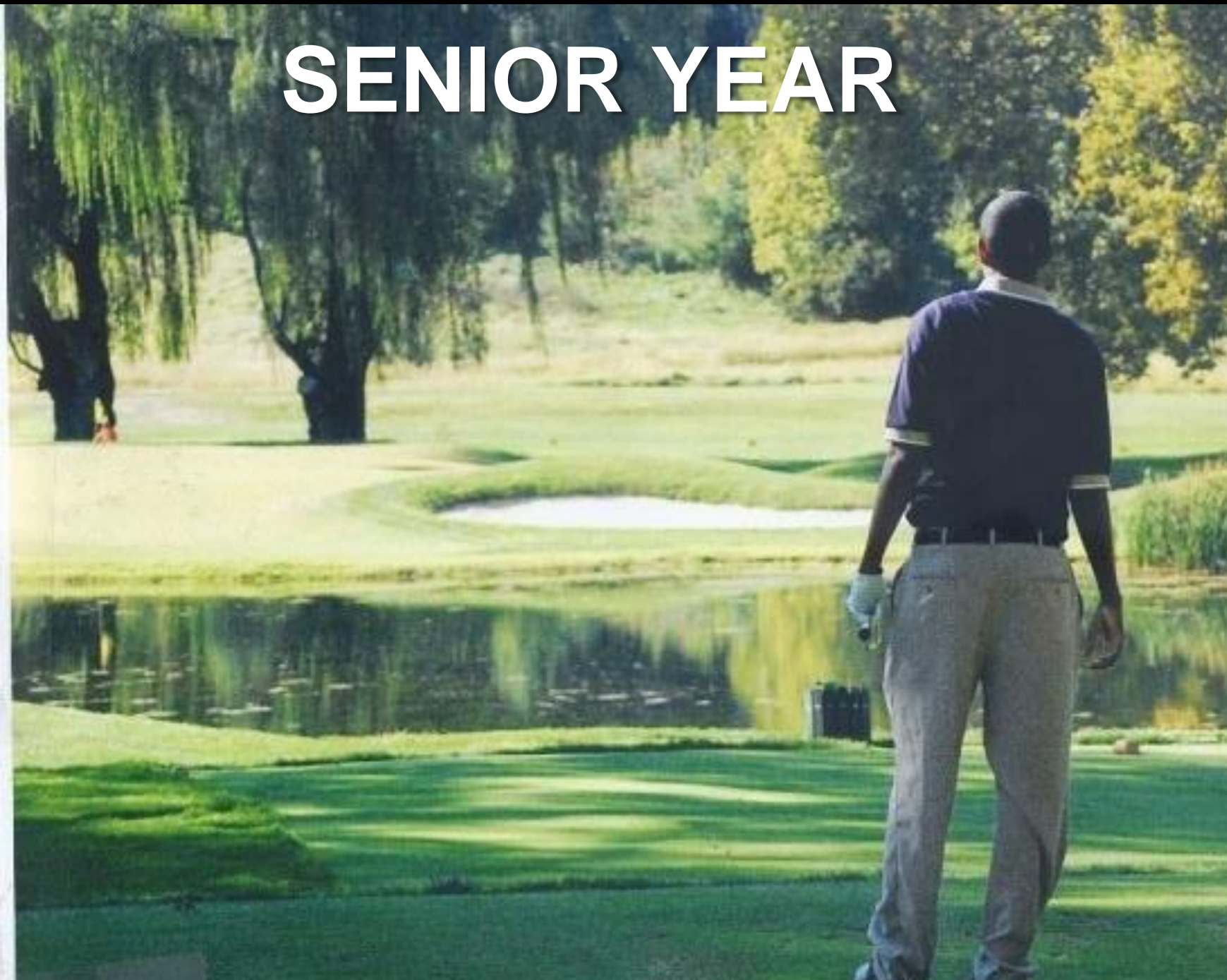
Depressed vs. Depression

BEHAVIORAL HOSPITAL



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SENIOR YEAR



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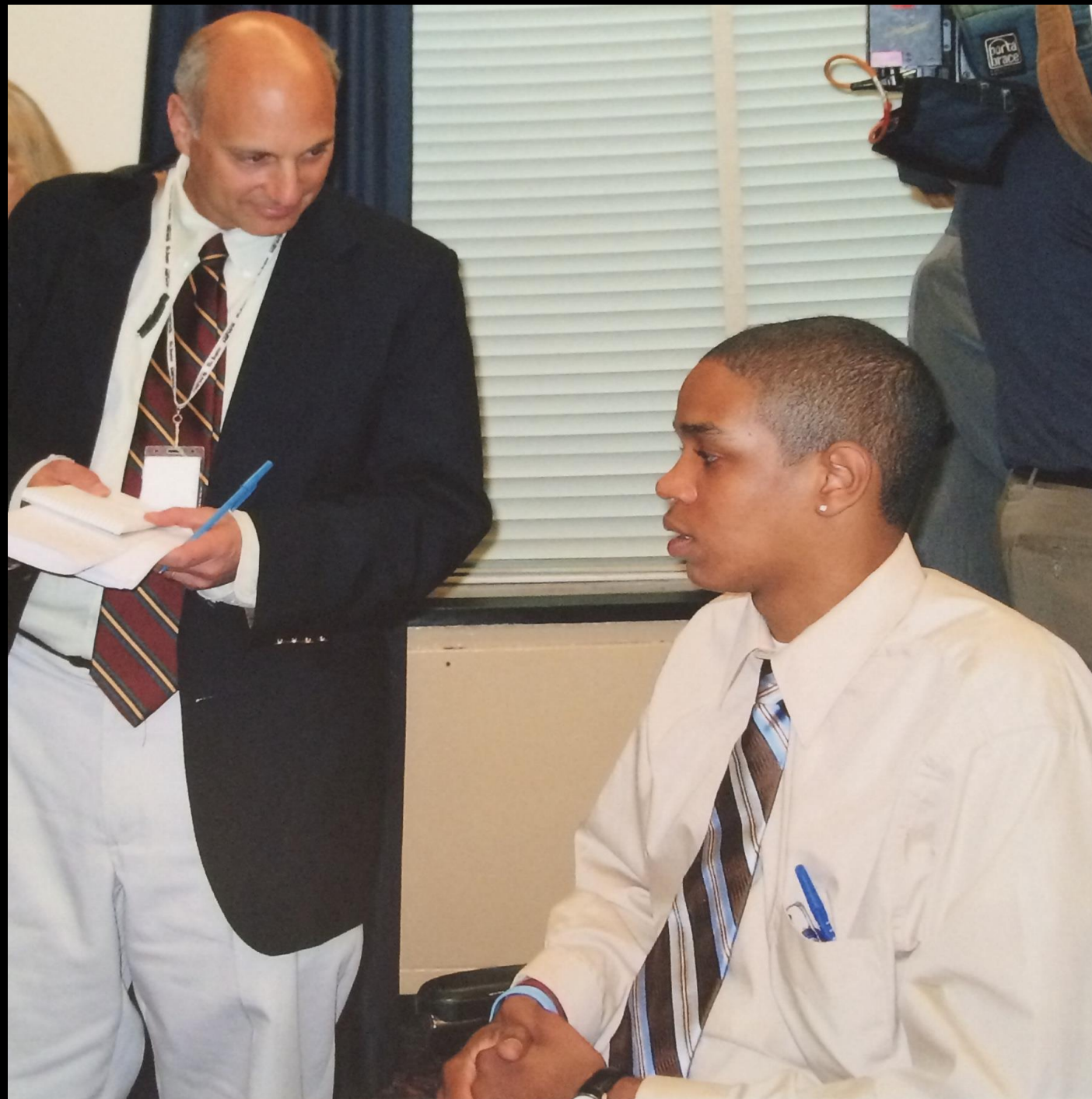
Dear Jordan,























Joey Pantoliano



Ross Szabo

Jordan Burnham speaks out on depression.

From the brink of death to D.C.'s national stage

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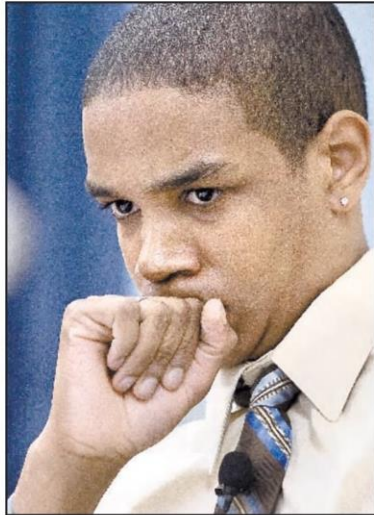
WASHINGTON — Joe “Joey Pants” Pantoliano, who won an Emmy for his portrayal of Ralphie on *The Sopranos*, spoke at a congressional briefing on the stigma of mental illness yesterday. So did the actress Marcia Gay Harden. And Minnesota Rep. Jim Ramstad.

But it was 18-year-old Jordan Burnham, sitting in his wheelchair and brushing back his tears, who received the only standing ovation for his remarks.

It has been eight months since Burnham jumped from the ninth floor of his King of Prussia apartment building in a suicide attempt he miraculously survived.

He is urging that the stigma surrounding depression and suicidal thoughts be removed.

“I’d like to share a story of two frustrated parents,” he began in a hearing room in the Rayburn House Office Building, “frustrated
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Jordan Burnham, Upper Merion High senior, added his inspiring story to a congressional briefing on mental illness.









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