Children are our future! They are the rainbow that make our days bright

HOPE

for more tomorrows for children with Neuroblastoma is the theme of the Neuroblastoma Children's Cancer Society. HOPE stands for the following:

- Help for Children and their Families
- Oncology Research
- Public Awareness
- Education

In Honor of…Carly Helen LeGrande

State: Wisconsin
Family: Mom Karen, Dad Chuck, Twin Sister Kaylee, and Big Sister Alicia.
Favorite place: Zoo
Favorite thing: Being home with her family
Favorite movie: Barney Home Sweet Home
Favorite song: Any Barney Song
When I grow up, I want to be: Zoo Keeper
Something special about: Well, that would be just about EVERYTHING!!!!!!

The Neuroblastoma Children's Cancer Society is a group of volunteers, many with children or relatives who have been both victims and survivors of the disease. The Organization is an advocate for the children and their families and is dedicated to providing support. The primary focus of the Organization is to raise money to assist local research in neuroblastoma cancer and to bring the fight to a national level to try and focus additional research and funding until a cure can be found!
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Please send in your ideas, articles, requests, special stories and
pictures to: The Neuroblastoma Children’s Cancer Society
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GUIDE TO INTERNET CONNECTIONS
Please note that some of this information is the most current that is available, while
some is not always updated regularly, particularly medical information.

AMERICAN BRAIN TUMOR ASSOCIATION HOME PAGE:
   www.abta.org

AMERICAN SELF-HELP CLEARINGHOUSE, SELF-HELP SOURCE-
BOOK ON-LINE: Information on national and model self-help support
groups, clearinghouses, organizations, and resources —
   www.cmhc.com/self-help/

CANCER KIDS WEBSITE:  www.cancer.org

CANCERNET and PDQ: This website is managed by the National Cancer
   Institute and provides information on cancer treatment, supportive care,
   and advocacy —  www.cancernet.nci.nih.gov

CANDLELIGHTERS CHILDHOOD CANCER FOUNDATION: Links to
   other information and resources on childhood cancer.
   www.candlelighters.org

CHILDREN'S MEMORIAL HOSPITAL
   www.childmmc.edu/cmhweb/default.htm

UNIVERSITY of CHICAGO COMER CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL
   www.uchicagokidshospital.org

HISTIOCYTOSIS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA: The goals of this orga
   nization include public and professional education, patient and family
   support, and stimulation and support of research —
   www.histio.org

KIDS WITH CANCER — www.kidswithcancer.com

MEDHELP INTERNATIONAL: An extensive brain tumor library —
   http://medhlp.netusa.net

NATIONAL CHILDHOOD CANCER FOUNDATION (NCCF): Describes
   NCCF and offers a listing of CCG clinical cooperative group protocols
   — www.nccf.org/

NATIONAL HEALTH INFORMATION CENTER (NHIC): This website
   is managed by the NHIC, a government sponsored health information
   referral service. Offers direction to other organizations and resources
   — http://nhic-hlth.health.org

NEUROBLASTOMA CHILDREN'S CANCER SOCIETY: Provides informa
   tion on neuroblastoma for families of children diagnosed with this form
   of cancer — www.neuroblastomacancer.org

PEDIATRIC ONCOLOGY GROUP (POG): www.pog.ufl.edu/main.html

INFORMATIONAL SITES ON THE INTERNET: www.acor.org;
   http://cancer.med.upenn.edu/  www.cancer.org
   http://cancerguide.org/bonemarrow.html

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these articles.

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The Neuroblastoma Children’s Cancer Society presents The Michael James Sexton Memorial “Running With the Bulls” Certified Course 5K Run/Walk!

Saturday, September 10, 2011 • 9 AM Race Start


Register online today at www.signmeup.com/77417.

Prizes to Top 3 Male & Female Runners • Top Pledges • Raffle!

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Packet pickup and option to register at Dick Pond Athletics, Inc., 927 S. Roselle Road, Schaumburg on Sept. 8 & 9 from 10 am to 8 pm.

Day of event registration at Busse Woods site—registration and packet pickup starts at 8 AM—race starts at 9 AM.

Waiver and Release: In consideration of acceptance of this entry, I hereby acknowledge that there are certain risks inherent in participation in this event and hereby assume such risks. I hereby forever discharge and release NCCS, the Cook County Forest Preserve, JMC Partners, and all sponsors of the run/walk from any liability claims, demands and causes of action whatsoever arising out of or related to death or any injury, which may be sustained by me as a result of my participation in this event and I voluntarily assume all risks and hazards. This waiver and release binds me, my heirs, next of kin and executors. I grant my permission to use my name and any photographs, video or any other record of my participation for any reasonable purpose.

Signature of participant/parent or guardian if under age 18

Please return this completed form and your payment to:
The Neuroblastoma Children’s Cancer Society
P.O. Box 957672 Hoffman Estates II 60195 • (847) 605-1245

www.neuroblastomacancer.org—check out our Wall of Fame Heroes for whom we are running
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Saturday, September 24, 2011
Green Garden Country Club
4511 W. Manhattan-Monee Rd, Frankfort, IL 60423 • (815) 469-3350
Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. • Doves fly at 10:00 a.m. • Dinner at 4:00 p.m.
Kindly RSVP as soon as possible (reservations on a first come/first served basis)
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My tax-deductible contribution is enclosed.

_____ General Donation $__________

_____ Golf only ($140 per golfer) $__________

_____ Dinner only - 4:00 p.m. $__________
$45 per person: # of guests _______

_____ Raffle Tickets $__________
$5 each, 5 for $20, and 30 for $100
Raffle Ticket order needs to be received by date of the event

TOTAL $__________

For All Donations:
My name is ________________________________

Address ________________________________

City __________________ State ______ Zip ______

NCCS, Friends of Michael Williams
c/o Beth and Hank Possley
599 Berkley Avenue
Elmhurst, IL 60126
(630) 832-1847
February 15, 2011
Dear Dori and NCCS,

The Oncology team of the Child Life and Family Education program at Comer Children's Hospital would like to sincerely thank you for our generosity this Valentine's Day. We thank you for organizing the donation of teddy bears and gifts for the oncology patients.

Our team of Child Life Specialists focuses on the psychosocial aspects of hospitalization by creating programming to address the emotional, developmental, and educational needs of patients with varying illnesses. The hospital experience is often very challenging for the entire family. It is important for hospitalized children and teens to play and engage in familiar activities as they heal and recover. The holidays in the hospital are often especially challenging. Your generous gifts provided many smiles.

We thank you again for organizing this donation. We look forward to continuing our partnership with you in the future. If you ever have questions regarding additional ways to support our oncology program please contact Jenn at 773-702-6485.

Sincerely,
Jenn Loewy, M.S. CCLS
Child Life Specialist II
Hematology/Oncology Specialist

Patricia Manning, Director
Child Life and Family Education

Valentine's Day Toy Drive "Have a Heart"

NCCS would like to offer you the opportunity to recognize your friends and loved ones and help NCCS at the same time. We have honorary and memorial cards available to send out on your behalf.

Contributions may be given in memory of a loved one or in honor of special occasions such as birthdays, graduations, holidays, anniversaries, etc. Call the NCCS office for more information …(800) 532-5162.

United Way is not just about giving ... it's about caring

You can designate that your contribution be given to NCCS.

Call us at our office for details (800) 532-5162.
NCCS Mourns the Passing of Long-Term Volunteer

DEBBIE SKONIECZNY

Debbie became involved with NCCS after the death of her nephew, Michael Williams, from neuroblastoma cancer. Debbie, sister-in-law of Renee (and Lou) Williams, always brought her smile, sense of humor, love, and support to make the golf outings a big success! NCCS received an outpouring of love and donations in memory of Debbie. She will be deeply missed.

Please keep Debbie and her family in your prayers.

Thank You! Thank You!

We recognize and give a “big hug” and thank you to our recent contributors:

Nelson and Cindy Arnold
Lee Balcerak
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Charles and Donna Crabtree
Lottie and Kenneth Czulno
Richard D. Davis, Jr.
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Joseph and Jacquelyne Rogers
Steve Skonie
Marilyn and David Spencer
Leo and Joyce Szpeinowski
Shelly and Kieth Pitchford
Arlene Smialek

IN HONOR OR MEMORY OF...

We have received many contributions in memory of children lost (but not forgotten) to neuroblastoma and in honor of children in the battle of treatment with neuroblastoma. It is these children that inspire our relentless effort to find a cure.

We also receive donations for special occasions, in honor or memory of family members and loved ones. Rest assured this money will be put to meaningful research. It is in honor and memory of our children that we continue the battle for a cure!

In Memory of:
Debbie Skonieczny

Our sincere gratitude to and acknowledgement has been sent to Family and Friends.

RECOGNIZE A BIRTHDAY, ANNIVERSARY, OR SPECIAL OCCASION WITH A GIFT OF LOVE! (You can find this page on our web site!)
Please help us by sponsoring one of our children and build our WALL OF FAME!! The response to our survey and WALL OF FAME has been overwhelming. We have had over 200 families respond with pictures, drawings, surveys, etc. and they are still rolling in. Come visit our internet WALL OF FAME being built and see our little celebrities, our children. Now we need your help to complete this project. The wall is now complete and we have over 200 children who represent the thousands of U.S. families affected by neuroblastoma. Please help by sponsoring or finding sponsors for these children. If we can raise $2,500 for each child, we will have raised over $250,000, 100% of which will be used for a neuroblastoma research grant.

Let us build this WALL OF FAME and provide HOPE for these children! Together we can make a difference!

My tax deductible contribution is enclosed:  
☐ $25,000 ☐ $2,500 ☐ $1,000 ☐ $500 ☐ $100 ☐ Other $________________________
☐ Research Sponsor ☐ Child Sponsor ☐ Honor ☐ Memory
Child's Name__________________________

Donations can be made online through PayPal. Go to our web site at www.neuroblastomacancer.org.

For all donations: My name is__________________________ Address__________________________ City________________ State________ Zip________

NEW AND IMPROVED NCCS WEBSITE

Check out our Wall of Fame Heroes

Please update your child's profile on WALL OF FAME

http://www.neuroblastomacancer.org
In Memory of our Wall of Fame Heroes
When I Grow Up I want to be...

a reindeer for Santa
Nicole Wallace

a firefighter...Abba Aguayo

a doctor...Nicole Rae Amon

Spiderman
Jacob Anthony Kemmerer

a teenager and a veterinarian...Tori Alexandra Carswell

a baseball player for the Chicago Cubs...Myles Jacob Farnsworth

ruler of the world...Alexandra Roniya Worster Conley

a football player for the Dallas Cowboys...Michael James Garfield

a cancer researcher...Evan Nathen Denelsbeck

a radiologist and to take x-rays...Tori Christine Mills

a drummer, a basketball player, and a dad
Nick Snow

a star...Porchea Patricia LyewSang

I want to turn 4 (and he made it)...Chandler Packer Shipley

Please be a sponsor so our children’s dreams can become a reality