

November-December 2016 Vol. 14, Issue 5 Inspire

All Cancer Resource Centre programs are free of charge to cancer patients and their loved ones.

ORIENTATION SESSIONS

Our orientation sessions introduce the philosophy of the Cancer Resource Centre. Attendance is required prior to joining a support group.

Orientation is NOT required prior to attending any educational seminar or workshop, mind/body program or networking group.

> Call 219-836-3349 for dates and times.

REGISTRATION

It is important that you register for all events as soon as possible. In the event of poor weather conditions call the Cancer Resource Centre regarding possible program cancellations.

To register for any of these programs, call 219-836-3349, Mon. through Fri., 8:30 am-5 pm. For more information, call the Centre or visit our website at www.cancerresourcecentre.com.



Greetings from the Administrator

and we are preparing for the coming year. There have been a number of changes with the Foundation and Cancer Resource

Centre including the addition of new employees. Although it is always difficult to see part of our family leave; it has been wonderful to welcome new, energetic staff. We have been fortunate to gain Ljiljana Vezmar, our new operational assistant and transition Melissa DiDonato to her new role as outreach coordinator for the Cancer Resource Centre. Missy takes over for Deborah White who has retired after 13 years of service.

November recognizes Lung Cancer survivors. Our healthcare system strives to improve outcomes of this devastating disease through screenings in the hope of finding this cancer earlier. The Foundation seeks to find better treatments for lung cancer by offering new therapies through clinical trials. Thank you to

Time has passed quickly everyone for their support of our Unite and Fight event and I hope that you join us for our Lights of Life tree lighting ceremony in December. Enjoy a happy and healthy holiday season!

Mary C. Shulds

Mary C. Shields, RN, MSN, OCN, CCRP Administrator Community Cancer Research Foundation

SAVE THE DATE! What's New? ...at the Centre

January 30, 2017; 12pm

Please join us for an informative presentation and discussion of new programs and events. All people are encouraged and welcome to attend.



Cancer Resource Centre Community Cancer Research Foundation

926 Ridge Road, Munster, IN 46321 Cancer Resource Centre: 219-836-3349 Community Cancer Research Foundation: 219-836-6875 www.cancerresourcecentre.com www.MyCCRF.com

Cancer Resource Centre Mission...

To promote the well-being of all people whose lives have been touched by cancer by offering support, education, and encouragement.

Community Cancer Research Foundation Mission...

To reduce the cancer morbidity and mortality in our community by supporting and advancing cancer detection, diagnosis, treatment, education and prevention efforts of the Community Healthcare System, and by promoting the acquisition of knowledge through clinical research.

November is Lung Cancer Awareness Month

Working to shorten the wait time and bring peace of mind to patients agonizing over whether or not they have lung cancer, Community Healthcare System physicians are using the latest minimally-invasive technology to screen for lung cancer.

Lung cancer is one of the deadliest forms of cancer for both men and women, but has an 88 percent survival rate at 10 years when diagnosed at Stage 1. The hospitals of Community Healthcare System offer lung cancer screening with low-dose CT scans — a method that has recently been supported by the U.S. Preventative Services Task Force. Findings from the National Lung Cancer Trial show that the use of low-dose CT scans as a quick, non-invasive method for the early detection of suspicious nodules in the lungs can potentially save lives.

Low-dose CT screenings for early detection of lung cancer are available in East Chicago, Hobart, Munster, Portage Schererville, St. John and Valparaiso. If a suspicious lesion is detected, the hospitals offer the most technologically advanced, minimally invasive options available to get patients answers, quickly and with the least amount of stress possible.

Individuals who meet the high-risk criteria can schedule a screening by calling toll-free 1-800-809-9828.

ON THE SHELF...

New Arrivals

"Yoga and Breast Cancer:

A Journey to Health and Healing"

Numbered Kollak, DhD, DN, & Joseph J. Litz, Billing, J.

by Ingrid Kollak, PhD, RN & Isabell Utz-Billing, MD

<u>"Had I Known: A Memoir of Survival"</u> by Joan Lunden

"Healing with Whole Foods:
Asian Traditions and Modern Nutrition"
by Paul Pitchford

These books are available in our lending library. We also offer videos, Healing with Harmony CD's and free brochures. Please visit our library and see what else we have available.

Navigator in Residence



Lung Health Navigator Melissa Arangoa, RN, MS, AOCN recently moved to our building on 926 Ridge Road. Melissa monitors individuals undergoing lung cancer screenings and also meets with lung cancer patients for survivorship visits after their treatment is complete.

Although Melissa works for the department of Patient Care Services of Community Hospital, it is very helpful having Melissa onsite. Her extensive knowledge of not only lung cancer screening, treatment and follow-up, but also cancer in general provides a valuable resource to staff, patients and visitors.

Nurses' Basket Raffle

Nurses from Community Hospital in Munster created a variety of theme baskets raffled off during National Nurses Week. Although Nurses Week is intended to recognize caregivers from across the country for their service, nursing staff members at Community Hospital generously give back to the community through their raffle basket fundraiser. This year's raffle raised more than \$23,000 for the Cancer Resource Centre.



Presenting the check to Anthony Andello, director of the Cancer Resource Centre (left) and M. Nabil Shabeeb, MD, chairman, Cancer Resource Centre Advisory Board (center), are left to right: Leanna Cartwright, 4 North nurse manager; Mayola Villarruel, director, Nursing Administration and Ronda Mckay, vice president Patient Care Services and chief nursing officer.





United Effort

Members and staff of the Cancer Resource Centre and the Advisory Board thank everyone who supported the 13th annual Unite & Fight Cancer Walk & 5K Run. Your generosity reaches out across Northwest Indiana and the south suburbs of Chicago every time the Centre provides guidance, education, encouragement and resources to those with cancer and their families. Thank you to our sponsors, teams, individual walkers, runners, volunteers, Munster High School, School Town of Munster, Dr. Russell Pellar and the Unite & Fight committee. Hope to see everyone again on Sunday, Oct. 1, 2017!



Lights of Life



Wednesday, December 7; 6 pm Community Hospital Outpatient Entrance

Donors and their honorees are invited to a special treelighting ceremony at 6 pm, Wednesday, December 7 at the Community Hospital Outpatient Entrance off Columbia and Fisher Avenues. Anyone may participate and "purchase" a light for the Lights of Life trees to honor a special person in their life. Each light represents a \$5 donation toward cancer research sponsored in our community. For \$15, in addition to reserving a light, a special pink breast cancer or lavender cancer awareness pin or a lapel cancer awareness pin can be sent to your honoree with a gift card.

Last year, nearly 300 residents gathered as the pine trees with pink and lavender lights were lit in honor of those touched by cancer. To date, the Lights of Life program has raised more than \$150,000 to bring cancer research programs to people in Northwest Indiana.

For more information about this program, call 219-836-6875.

Donations also are accepted online at: www.myccrf.com/lights_of_life.asp.

Note: Names received after Monday, November 28 cannot be guaranteed a listing in the Lights of Life program book.

Clinical Trials

Please contact the Cancer Research department for information about available clinical trials.

You may visit our website www.MyCCRF.com for a current listing of open trials.



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<u>Cancer Resource Centre Hours</u> Monday - Friday: 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Community Cancer Research Foundation Hours Monday - Friday: 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Many Thanks!

The Cancer Resource Centre and Community Cancer Research Foundation wish to thank the following businesses, individuals and organizations for their support.

Leukemia & Lymphoma Society **Blood Cancers Support Group**

Buffalo Wild Wings, Schererville **Eat Wings. Raise Funds. It Pays.**

Chipotle Mexican Grill, Munster **Eat for Change Fundraiser**

Marco Salazar Silver Buckle Saloon St. Catherine Hospital Buckle Up & Fight Cancer with a Wine & Canvas Night

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Healing Hearts

Join others who have lost a loved one. Share experiences, struggles, feelings and triumphs. Healing Hearts support group offers helpful information and support in a comfortable atmosphere. Dorothy Poma, bereavement facilitator for Hospice of the Calumet Area, facilitates this group.

Wed, Nov 2; 1:30-3 pm Learning to Live Again

Wed, Nov 30; 1:30-3 pm Grief and the Holidays





Welcome New Staff

The Community Cancer Research Foundation, Cancer Research Department and Cancer Resource Centre staff would like to welcome **Ljiljana Vezmar (Lilly)** to our team. Lilly has previously worked with Community Healthcare System for several years as well as for a busy urology clinic. Her past experience has helped to make this transition smoother with the help of our previous Operational Assistant Melissa DiDonato. Being one of the busier times of the year, we are grateful to have Lilly with us and appreciate her support and energy in so many different tasks.

Happenings

Caregiver(s) Support Group

Tue, Nov 1; 6-7:30 pm
Support for spouses/family and caregiver(s) to explore and develor strategies to help cope when a lov one is diagnosed with cancer.

Breast Cancer Support Group Wed, Nov 2 & 16; 6-7:30 pm

For all women, newly diagnosed, in active treatment and survivors. Shal concerns, stories and experiences.

Look Good...Feel Better

Tue, Nov 15; 2-4 pm

For women undergoing radiation and/or chemotherapy. Learn beau techniques to restore appearance and self-image during cancer treatment. Includes skin/nail care, makeup advice and information on working with scarves, head wraps and wigs. Seating is limited. Sponsored by the American Cancel Society.

Ostomy Group

Wed, Nov 30; 10-12 pm Holiday Celebration

This networking group is for all people who have a colostomy, urostomy or ileostomy.

Yoga

Wednesdays, 5:30-6:30 pm *New Time
A perfect yoga class that includes
breathing, gentle flowing
movements, passive and supported
yoga poses.

November 2016

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Happenings

Art Therapy

Sat, Dec 3; 9 – 12 pm

A creative art class that offers emotional and psychological support to express inner emotions, cope with painful times while gaining a sense of freedom and self-confidence.

Wellness Support Group

Tuesdays;

10-11:30 am or 6-7:30 pm

An opportunity to share feelings, receive support and learn ways to cope with the experience of having or had cancer.

Lights of Life

Wed, Dec 7; 6 pm

Donors and their honorees are invited to a special tree-lighting ceremony at the Community Hospital Outpatient entrance.

Please call 219-836-6875 for more information.

Holiday Celebration

Fri, Dec 9; 3-5 pm

Join us at the Centre to celebrate the holidays! For an evening of friendship, hors d'oeuvres and holiday music. The music will be provided by Munster High School Chorale. *Please call the Centre to*

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MIND/BODY/SPIRIT

* Please provide a prescription from your physician before attending ALL Mind Body Spirit programs.

Chi Gong - Experience this therapeutic form of Eastern medicine and learn this ancient healing art of breath, movement, non-movement and meditation. You will be led through a one hour session of warm-ups, positions and focused movements.

Chair Massage - A 20-minute chair massage will physically relax the body, reduce mental stress, anxiety and may promote better sleep. Administrated by Certified Massage Therapists.

Chair Yoga - Designed for those who have difficulty with the regular yoga environment. You may sit or use a chair for balance. Kriya is a holistic, therapeutic, whole body experience; it works to calm the nervous system; strengthens and quiets the mind and body.

Crystal Bowl Sound Healing - The pure sounds of the crystal bowls will wash away stress and still the mind. Wear loose clothing; bring a blanket and pillow for comfort. Held the 2nd Monday of every month.

Empowerment Drumming - Drumming is enjoyable, physically, mentally and emotionally rewarding. It reduces stress, increases energy & over-all well-being. It is accessible to everyone and no previous music experience needed.

Expressive Art Therapy - Art Therapy has been recognized as an effective mind/body intervention. The class provides an outlet for your inner thoughts and feelings while giving a sense of control over your surroundings that cannot be put into words.

Healing Touch - Uses hands-on and energy-based techniques to balance and align the human energy field. Body, mind, emotion and spirit are touched through this therapeutic process.

Knit One...Nurture Too - Knitting and crocheting squares, scarves, or blankets. Any skill level welcome. Supplies are provided or bring your own.

Reiki- Reiki is a technique that aids the body in releasing stress and tension by creating deep relaxation and inner balance. Reiki restores energy, balance and vitality.

Reiki Reflexology - Reiki complements all other healing arts and is a source of energy. Reflexology is the practice of treating the whole body by touching the feet and sometimes the palms. Together they become a valuable therapy.

Tai Chi - The art of Tai Chi is considered "Meditation in Motion." Classes emphasize balance, posture, breathing techniques, concentration and complete relaxation.

Yoga Classes - Breathe and stretch your body and mind; classes are therapeutic as well as restorative. Each class will conclude with a relaxation segment to enhance overall well-being and peace.

Stress Management - One hour of seated relaxation using breath work and mind body exercises to reduce stress.

Ukulele - Be part of a fun group that likes to strum along, sing and laugh. Ukulele's are provided.

SUPPORT GROUPS

All Support Groups are professionally facilitated.

Blood Cancers Support Group - For adult family/ friends and those with a diagnosis of leukemia, Hodgkin lymphoma, non-Hodgkin lymphoma or multiple myeloma. In conjunction w/Leukemia & Lymphoma Society.

Breast Cancer Support Group - For all women with a breast cancer diagnosis. Newly diagnosed to long-term survivors are welcome to share their concerns, stories and experiences.

Caregiving Support Group - This is a supportive program series for spouses/family caretakers to explore and develop strategies to help cope when you have a loved one diagnosed with cancer.

Healing Hearts Grief Support Group - Join others who have lost a loved one to share experiences, struggles, feelings and triumphs. This group offers helpful information and support in a comfortable atmosphere. Sponsored by Hospice of the Calumet Area.

Hope Network Cancer Support Group - Provides cancer patients and their caregivers educational sessions and support to share thoughts, feelings and ideas.

Lung Cancer Support Group - All with a lung cancer diagnosis are invited to come together to share experiences and concerns.

Mind Over Mood Support Group - Explore factors that impact mood and develop skills to counter depression and anxiety when facing cancer.

Wellness Support Groups - Provides an opportunity to share feelings, receive support, and learn ways to cope with the experience of having cancer.

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

Please check the calendar monthly for other popular educational programs.

Healthy Cooking - Facilitated by visiting chefs, this program will be held every quarter in our own state-of-the-art demonstration kitchen. Demonstrations will address healthy eating habits, nutritional value and the actual preparation of food.

Look Good...Feel Better - For women undergoing chemotherapy and/or radiation. Program helps women restore appearance and self-image. Sponsored by the American Cancer Society.

NETWORKING GROUP

Ostomy - This networking group is for all people who have a colostomy, urostomy or ileostomy.

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