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for the Cure

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March 2009

Dear Christa,

You've heard the proverb before - "March comes in like a lion and goes out like a lamb." But here at the Komen Connecticut Affiliate, it seems we're disproving this old saying. After a quiet start to our month, we're now *roaring* into spring. You'll find that we've *herded* together some new ways you can join us in the fight against breast cancer in this edition of our newsletter.



As we close our fiscal year, we're not being *sheepish* about our accomplishments - we're proud to announce an impressive 27% increase in donations this past year. Your contribution to this success doesn't go unnoticed; in fact, your help has contributed to the *lion's share* of our growth. In particular, we'd like to recognize the following businesses and individuals who have recently held fundraisers in support of a cure:

**Southern Connecticut State University
Human Resources, Women's Center and Wellness Center**

Breast cancer awareness program

Lisa Nyland

6th Annual Holiday Artisan Fair

Foster's Restaurant, Miso, Jakes, The Blue Pearl, Black Bear Saloon, Diesel Lounge, 116 Crown, Temple Grill, Christopher Martins, and Bentara
Pink Ribbon Martini

Ashley Smyth and the FBLA of New Fairfield High School

Powder Puff Football Game

XL Center and Big East Conference

Women's Big East Tournament

Dr. Bruce Stein and Dr. Lori Greenwald

Vanishing Veins Seminar

Because of you, we are one step closer to our promise: to save lives and end breast cancer forever by empowering people, ensuring quality care for all and energizing science to find the cures. Thank you all once again!

Sincerely,

Anne Morris

Executive Director, Connecticut Affiliate of Susan G. Komen for the Cure®



Komen Connecticut Announces 2009/10 Grants

The Komen Connecticut Affiliate has completed another lap in its ongoing race to find the cures for breast cancer. On Friday, April 3, we will proudly announce our 2009/10 grants to local education, screening and treatment programs across the state.

As we complete this lap, we also continue on to the next, announcing the open [registration](#) for our 2009 Komen Connecticut Race for the Cure at Bushnell Park in Hartford. As our

largest fundraiser, the Race for the Cure plays a significant role in the investment we are able to make in local breast health and breast cancer programs each year. We are pleased to share that this year is our largest slate to date, allowing us to invest a record \$875,000 in the breast health of our state. Please watch for the announcement of our grantees in our next edition of News for the Cure!

[Register](#) for the 16th Annual Komen Connecticut Race for the Cure
June 6, 2009
Bushnell Park in Hartford

Where the Money Goes

The Komen Connecticut Affiliate contributes both locally and nationally to the fight against breast cancer, earning a Four Star rating on Charity Navigator. [Learn where the money goes.](#)

Featured Survivor

Denise Fagan



The power of positive thinking is the most important part of trying to get cured. That is just one of the life lessons Denise Fagan has learned from battling stage IV Breast Cancer.

"I am celebrating nine years this month, when I didn't even think I'd survive my first year. I take one day at a time and make everyday



Fundraise for the Race on Facebook!

For the first time, Komen Connecticut Race for the Cure participants can fundraise for the Race on Facebook! Reaching out to your network of family and friends couldn't be easier. Simply [join our cause](#), set a fundraising pledge for yourself or your Team, and ask for your Facebook friends for support. We'll take care of the rest - funds raised through Facebook will be credited to your fundraising totals on your [personal fundraising page](#) for the Race. We look forward to seeing you over on Facebook!

[Join our Facebook Cause](#) and fundraise for the Race for the Cure.

[Become a Fan](#) of the Komen Connecticut Affiliate on Facebook.

[Register](#) for the 2009 Komen Connecticut Race for the Cure.

Become a Town Captain for the Race for the Cure

We are looking for individuals to join us as Town Captains for our Race. As a volunteer, you will help us spread the word about the Race and encourage participation in your town. We will provide you with all the information and handouts you'll need - and as an expert on your area, we'll leave it up to you to determine the high-traffic locations that will display the materials. Popular ideas include your town hall, public library, even your gym or favorite salon!

With your help, we can really make a difference in the fight against breast cancer! If you'd like to be a Team Captain, please [complete this survey](#) to sign up. Thank you in advance for your support!

Donor Spotlight - Big Y



We would like to thank Big Y World Class Market for generously donating \$130,000 to the Connecticut and Massachusetts Affiliates of Susan G. Komen for the Cure. The stores throughout both states contributed proceeds from their entire produce department as well as additional select products throughout the store this past October. Anne Morris proudly accepted Big Y's contribution to the Komen Connecticut Affiliate this past February at the chain's store in Torrington.

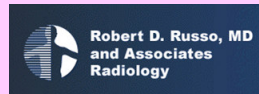
This month long program is formally called, "Partners of Hope" in order to reflect the partnership, commitment and support of breast cancer awareness and research that are so vital for many. Again, our thanks for providing your customers with the opportunity to support the fight against breast cancer in your stores!

Be part of the cure. [Give now](#).

pretty special. I'm blessed I'm still here. I know which days are going to be bad, and which days are going to be good, but I still live my life pretty full."

[Read more.](#)

Grantee Corner



Russo Family Foundation

The Project SUCCESS program strives to give uninsured/underinsured women access to high quality breast imaging services. The program provides screening mammography, diagnostic mammography, and breast ultrasound at Robert D. Russo, M.D. and Associates Radiology. Services are provided for individuals in Bridgeport, Fairfield, Norwalk, Stratford and Westport.

[View the other Komen Connecticut Affiliate grantees.](#)

[Learn more about our grantmaking process.](#)

Calling all volunteers!

Do you like speaking in front of a group? Or enjoy spending an afternoon at a health fair? The Komen Connecticut Affiliate is excited to announce that we are developing a Speaker's Bureau of volunteers who wish to represent Komen publicly, at health fairs, speaking engagements, and fundraising events.

Interested? The first step is to attend a mandatory training, where you'll get an overview of the organization, an introduction to breast cancer, and the tools you'll need to be a representative for our organization. We hope you'll join our network of survivors and activists working to end breast cancer forever.

Please [complete our survey](#) to be considered for this exciting opportunity. We look forward to hearing from you soon!

Upcoming Events

Try It On for the Cure

Coldwater Creek Stores

April 19, 2009

[Learn More.](#)

David Yurman Trunk Show

Lux Bond & Green, West Hartford

April 25, 2009

[Learn More.](#)

Mother's Day Floral Promotion

Locations throughout Connecticut

May 3, 2009 to May 10, 2009

[Learn More.](#)

Lord & Taylor Benefit Bash

Westfarms Mall, Farmington

May 5, 2009 from 9:00 AM to 10:00 PM

[Learn More.](#)

A Hike to Remember

Holcomb Farm, Simsbury

May 23, 2009 from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM

[Learn More.](#)

16th Annual Komen Connecticut Race for the Cure

Bushnell Park, Hartford

June 6, 2009

[Learn More.](#)

1 woman

is diagnosed with breast cancer every 3 minutes in the United States.

Early detection is the key to survival. [Learn how to take charge of your breast health.](#)

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