

# GMW Chapter News Footnotes 2009



## Cystic Fibrosis Foundation Greater Michigan West Chapter

### West Michigan Rocks GREAT STRIDES!



In 2008, we had 665 walkers participate in GREAT STRIDES. West Michigan you have out done yourself. As of Today (06/04/09), 1,113 walkers participated in GREAT STRIDES and raised over \$192,000. That is in a increase of \$50,000 from last year!

The GREAT STRIDES in St. Joseph, Muskegon, Grand Rapids, and Grand Haven have grown since last year!

Words cannot begin to express our sincere gratitude and appreciation for your dedication to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. Your incredible efforts and hard work helped ensure that GREAT STRIDES raised a record amount for cystic fibrosis (CF) research! On behalf of the CF Foundation, we thank you.



Muskegon Co-Chairs - Stacey Wilcox and Amber McKee with Jay Simon of the CF Foundation

Our commitment to you is that we will invest these dollars wisely in CF programs. Our efficiency remains strong—nearly 90 cents of our every dollar raised is invested in program services including research and care.

Your commitment and support of GREAT STRIDES is critical to our success. We will not stop pursuing the ultimate goal: a cure for CF. People with this disease and their families are relying on the CF Foundation to make prudent investments that will make us successful and bring about a cure. Because of your dedication, we will—one day—live in a world in which CF no longer exists. Thanks for being such a pleasure to work with...together we *will* find a cure.

#### Upcoming CF Foundation Event

##### CFF Celebrity Golf

Partnered with Detroit Lion's player  
Drew Stanton &  
HBC Contracting  
**July 20, 2009**  
The Medalist  
Marshall, MI  
9:00 Reg. 10:00 Tee off  
\$800.00 per foursome  
Sponsorship Opportunities available.

##### Tee Up for CF August 6, 2009

Quail Ridge Golf Club  
Ada, MI  
9:00 Reg 10:00 Tee off  
\$75.00 per golfer  
\$300.00 per foursome  
Networking twosome's  
available  
Sponsorship Opportunities available.

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### Volunteer Leaders are Needed!

The reason why GREAT STRIDES was successful was because of people just like you. You went out and shared the Cystic Fibrosis story and got others to get involved or to donate.

The CF Foundation needs more people like you to become leaders. A leader can volunteer be helping with a committee, being a team leader, or golfing in one our outings. There are many ways for someone impact the mission of the CF Foundation. Do you know of someone that can help make CF stand for Cure Found?

If you are interested in becoming a leader with the CF Foundation, please contact Jay Simon or Danielle Robinson at the CF Foundation office.

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## GREAT STRIDES RESULTS - In the Bank! (06/04/09)

<b>Grand Rapids</b>	<b>\$76,166</b>	<b>Grand Haven</b>	<b>\$47,148</b>	<b>Jackson</b>	<b>\$9,671</b>
8 & 40—Kent County	\$673	Bol/Shields	\$10,317	Crystal's Mission	\$5,492
Ally's Allies	\$3,486	Ferrysburg Church	\$7,620	Hometown Heroes	\$225
American Airlines	\$95	Herman Miller	\$4,235	Kevin's Krew	\$100
Angiras.net	\$2,085	Karlie's Korner	\$200	Shaneosaurus Rex	\$405
Coly's Cure Finders	\$333	Nine Mile Smile	\$2,709	Team Meijer	\$697
Erin's Angels	\$2,926	Passionate for Payton	\$340	Team Reagan	\$700
Red Robin - Grandville	\$258	Six South	\$1,120	Team Connor	\$1,585
CFFoundation GM	\$360	Strides for Sophia	\$6,441	Baileys Angels	\$446
Guardian Angels	\$345	Team Blueberry	\$610		
HDVCH Pulmonary Clinic	\$475	Team Kim	\$6,778		
HOOKMEUP Ent.	\$1,847	Team Madison	\$750		
Hayden's Heroes	\$2,276	The Landheer Family	\$4,843		
Lighthouse Group	\$875			<b>Muskegon</b>	<b>\$19,486</b>
Logan's Heroes	\$12,015	<b>Kalamazoo</b>	<b>\$15,653</b>	Ally's Allies, Too!	\$7,781
Loving Lydia	\$790	Boehringer Chase	\$165	Keelie's Crusaders	\$2,439
Marching for Mason	\$3,398	Deepher	\$120	Kurzer's Walkers	\$3,745
Mary and Friends	\$550	Golbes 3rd Graders	\$101	Team Amber	\$2,275
Meijer CU	\$622	Harrison' Heroes	\$590	Team Kim	\$1,560
Mitchell's Team	\$385	KT's Team	\$2,344	Team Tylor	1,686
Noah's Team	\$3,070	Kohls - Kalamazoo	\$570		
Pulmonary Pedestrians	\$1,575	Leeuw Family	\$1,406		
REV Business Solutions	\$115	Mackenzie B. Team	\$541		
Red Robin - Woodland	\$243	Portage Red Robin	\$339		
Reece's Friends in MI	\$970	Radisson Walkers	\$339		
Schreur Team	\$4,690	Team Liam	\$1,600		
Steppin' Up	\$1,214	Team Rachel	\$585		
Team Camryn	\$4,140	Team Tommy G	\$4,152		
Team Evangeline	\$10				
Team Hammond	\$835				
Team Johnny	\$4,343	<b>Calhoun County</b>	<b>\$5,090</b>		
Team Myers	\$1,055	Halder	\$140		
Team Widlak	\$5,615	Jersey Gang for Austyn	\$100		
Tim's Titans	\$735	Karen's Walkers	\$92		
Walking for Dane	\$504	Lillydrive	\$20		
		Miler's	\$812		
<b>St. Joseph</b>	<b>\$16,168</b>	Team Little Lips	\$3,825		
Berrien Teachers CU	\$1,370				
Friends of Allison Grace	\$220	<b>Greenville</b>	<b>\$2,305</b>		
Hannah's Hikers	\$11,422	C&C for the Cure	\$485		
LMC Wave Runner's	\$199	Miles for Maya	\$755		
LNO	\$856	Strides for Lindsay	\$95		
Lakeland Peds	\$25	Strides for Lindsay 2	\$100		
Lancers for a Cure	\$730	Walking for Lindsay	\$250		
Rockin' for a Cure	\$730				

Stay tuned for results  
from Edmore on June 7 &  
East Jordan on June 13!!!!

**2010 GREAT STRIDES!!!!**

Help plan next years GREAT STRIDES.

Contact your CF Foundation staff partner today!

Totals do not reflect any outstanding matching gifts, sponsorships, and etc.

**Take Time to Thank and support our Walk Sponsors!**









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## 2009 CF Foundation Calendar of Events

**July 20** Sport's Celebrity Golf Outing, Marshall, MI

**August 6** TEE Up for CF Golf Outing, Quail Ridge Golf Club, Grand Rapids, MI

**September** 2nd Annual Volunteer Recognition dinner

**October 16** Wine & Roses for Cystic Fibrosis The Hilton – Grand Rapids

**October 30** Murder Mystery Dinner—The Radisson Kalama-zoo

**November 7** Stair climb Grand Rapids Watch for more details!

**ONGOING**—The CF Foundation is always in search of committee members and volunteers for our events! Call the CFF office to find out how you can help.

## VX-770, A Promising CF Therapy that Addresses Basic Defect, Enters Pivotal Clinical Trials

May 27, 2009

Vertex Pharmaceuticals Incorporated announced the initiation of a Phase 3 registration program for VX-770, a promising oral drug aimed at treating the underlying cause of cystic fibrosis (CF).

This registration program is designed to generate data that the U.S. Food and Drug Administration can use to determine if VX-770 is safe, effective and acceptable for approval. The VX-770 registration program will consist of three different clinical trials, including:

- A primary 48-week trial for patients age 12 years and older who carry a G551D mutation of CF;
- A 48-week trial for patients ages 6 to 11 years who carry a G551D mutation of CF; and
- A 16-week trial to evaluate for the first time patients age 12 years and older who are homozygous for the Delta F508 mutation of CF, the most common mutation in CF patients.

“The initiation of the VX-770 registration program is a major advancement in our efforts to bring forward a new therapy aimed at treating the underlying cause of CF,” said Robert J. Beall, Ph.D., president and chief executive officer of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. “This investigational drug represents one of the most promising routes to changing the course of this disease, and we are encouraged with the progress of both VX-770 and VX-809, which recently entered a Phase 2a clinical trial in CF patients.”

VX-770 is being developed and tested by Vertex, with support from the CF Foundation. The potential drug aims to open the chloride channels that do not function.

For more information about these trials, call the clinical trials hotline operated by Vertex at (877) 634-8789

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## Who is your CF Foundation Staff Partner?

Do you have questions about GREAT STRIDES, the website, setting a fundraising goal, or need ideas to get your fundraising underway? Your CF Foundation partner is available to help you with anything you may need for your walk team and fundraising efforts.

### Jay Simon

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Stair Climb

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### Nicole Wicks

Do you need more pin ups, walker envelopes, have a lead on food sponsorship or event logistics?

Nicole is the Chapter's Event Coordinator and is also available in the office Monday -Friday to assist you with GREAT STRIDES.

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