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Great Strides 2012

Join the Great Strides task force!

August 25, 2011 Upcoming Chapter Events Pittsburgh's Finest Couples for a Cure

Pittsburgh's Finest Couples for a Cure Gala honors our region's most outstanding couples for their success in business, leadership, and their fundraising commitment to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. Now in its fourth year, this prestigious event recognizes and celebrates each couple for their power in partnership and their numerous accomplishments.

Please join us as we honor the 2011 Couples for a Cure:

Sandy & Bill Lambert
Holly & John Mascaro
Kristi & Brad Hilbert
Dean Hastings & Jon Seeley
Dolores & John Warwick
RJ Thompson & Erin Fleming

The Couples for a Cure Gala welcomes guests into a unique and intimate setting, and includes food stations, drinks, high-end auction items, entertainment, and the chance to mix and mingle with Pittsburgh's most charitable couples. For more information, please contact Sara Kaczynski at 412-321-4422 or

Things you should know about Great Strides:

- 1) It's the BIGGEST fundraiser for the Western PA chapter and the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation as a whole.
- 2) New corporate teams bring in an average of 5K, whereas new family teams bring in an average of \$1500.
- 3) This is not just for team leaders or people in the Pittsburgh area!
- 4) We have to start working NOW to see results for 2012.

Goal:

To get our chapter out of the \$700K mark and become a 1 million dollar Great Strides chapter with new team development and growth initiatives.

Time Commitment:

2-5 hours a month

To join us, you must:

- Understand the overall growth strategies of Great Strides: example, corporate recruitment, the importance of walker recruitment and fundraising, online letter writing campaigns, etc.
- See the big picture of Great Strides - be able to focus on metro AND outlying walks.
- Be willing to put together a list of 2-3 contacts a month for new teams and reach out to them.
- Help solicit for sponsorships for overall Great Strides.
- Work with existing team leaders to help support staff initiatives.

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The Pittsburgh Wine Opener

Presented by PDS Industries

September 22, 2011

Pittsburgh's Grand Hall at the Priory

6:00PM - VIP Reception

7:00PM - 10:00PM - Main Event

The Wine Opener is a national wine-tasting series to benefit the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. The Pittsburgh Wine Opener will be a relaxed, yet lively evening for more than 300 expected guests.

Sip great wines poured by international and domestic wineries. Savor great cuisine presented at festive tasting stations. Guests will also be treated to a large silent auction highlighting wine, cuisine and gift items, plus live music and entertainment and several raffle opportunities.

Featuring:

Gourmet Tasting Stations Wineries

Bella Sera Christian W. Klay Winery

Gullifty's Frank B. Fuhrer Wholesale Co.

Nakama Greendance Winery

The Melting Pot Narcisi Winery

Walnut Grove Winfield Winery

For more information, please contact Jessica Giarratano at (412) 321-4422 or jgiarratano@cff.org.

VIP Gourmet Tasting Station Bossa Nova

Visit the Western PA Chapter [website](#) for more information on all of our events!

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- Assist with procuring incentives with broad appeal for walker week, team week, etc.
- Assist with volunteer recruitment for Great Strides events.
- Have a desire to have fun while growing our biggest event.

If you have questions or you want to learn more, please contact the chapter, west-pa@cff.org or call 412.321.4422 for more information.

Congratulations to our top fundraising walkers of 2011!

Thanks so much to you ALL for your efforts!

Janet O'Connor
 Ryan Swanson
 Sue Benton
 Vivian Arendas
 Kelly Hartner
 Deb Redfield
 Rich & Kristen Tamborski
 Jamie Feezle
 Michael Arendas
 Tiffany & David Underwood
 Suzie Devore
 Mike Robinson
 Thomas Bramwell
 Anna Kampas

Kudos to our Corporate Teams

Recognition to our very special 2011 corporate teams - thank you so very much for your continued support!

BNY Mellon
 BPMI
 Mascaro Construction
 CF Centers at Children's and Shadyside
 R-Domain - CF Research Center
 Westin Hotel
 Crossgates
 Clover Hill Foods
 Cafe at the Lofts
 Zola Design, LLC



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Upcoming Wrap/Other Events

August 30th

Run for Roses Rally

810 River Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15212

Time: 6pm/7pm

Cost: Free, donations are accepted.

Join Colleen Cull, who will meet with folks at 6pm at the Western Pennsylvania Chapter of the

CF foundation to do a one mile walk on the trail close to the chapter. At 7pm, all are invited to the same location for a free performance of her one-woman show which shares her story of growing up in a family living with CF. Hoping for a story swap, Colleen is eager to hear CF stories of the people she meets along her journey. Run for Roses will eventually be developed into a documentary. All are welcome! Colleen won't stop running until CF stands for Cure Found.

September 25th

Tea Time for a Cure

AntiquiTea Tea House

454 Perry Highway - Westview, PA

Doors open at Noon - Tea served at 1:00pm

Cost: \$60/per person

(Seating is limited)

Enjoy an afternoon tea, lunch, Chinese auction, and more! Guests are encouraged to wear your most stylish hat! Prizes will be awarded!

Contact Carol Israel for more information:

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October 8th

Brewing Up A Cure

Pittsburgh Athletic Association - Oakland

Time: 7pm-10pm

Cost: \$35

Click [here](#) for more information.

Picture It



Wilson's Walkers Team - Kane, PA

We're looking for walk day photos

We are looking for additional walk day photos from 2011 for different local marketing materials and publications, not to mention our year end slide show. If you have photos you would like to share you can send discs to the Western PA Chapter at the address below. Please note that we cannot accept email photos that are high resolution due to capacity restraints on our email! If you need assistance, please contact us at 412.321.4422

Like Us on Facebook!

Western PA Chapter has its own facebook page.

Calling all facebook users! The chapter's facebook page made its debut last week and we want you to follow us! Search for Cystic Fibrosis Foundation - Western Pennsylvania Chapter or use the link below. We hope to use this tool as a means of letting you know up to date information with the chapter and engage you, our volunteers and donors!

Here's the link:

<http://www.facebook.com/CFFWesternPA>

Fall Means United Way

We are donor option 65.

For more info on any of these events please

view the event information in the "In the Spotlight" section of the chapter webpage by clicking [here](#).

While not Great Strides related, we wanted to remind you that if your workplace participates in the United Way campaign that we are donor option 65. Yes, as in 65 Roses! Thanks to all of you who elect to donate via the United Way to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation every year!

Have something you want to share via our newsletter?

Tell us your ideas.

We love to hear from you and hope this issue of our newsletter has been informative. If you have an idea you want to share, a fundraising event you want us to list, or a new fundraiser that's been successful please feel free to contact us - as always - we are here to help you!

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