



The ALS Association Greater New York Chapter April 2009

Monthly Update

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April Support Groups

NASSAU COUNTY, NY

April 5, 2009 2:00-4:00 PM
(1st Sunday of every month)
North Shore's Central General Hospital
888 Old Country Road, Plainview
Downstairs Meeting Room; (516) 719-3000
Topic: Respiratory Issues & Equipment.
Facilitators: Theresa Imperato, RN - (631) 444-4623
Jody Wiesel, PhD - (917) 699-9751

SUFFOLK COUNTY, NY

April 7, 2009 6:00-8:00 PM
(1st Tuesday of every month)
Stony Brook University, Dept. of Neurology
179 Belle Meade Rd, E. Setauket
(631) 444-1970
Topic: Respiratory Issues & Equipment.
Facilitator: Theresa Imperato, RN - (631) 444-4623

NEW BRUNSWICK, NJ

April 18, 2009 1:00-3:00 PM
(3rd Saturday of every month)
Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital
Medical Education Building, Rm 108A
180 Somerset Street, Follow signs to meeting.
Topic: Walk to Defeat ALS
Speaker: Allison Lardner, Greater New York Chapter Walk Manager
Facilitator: Debbie Schlossberg, LMSW
(732) 710-8832
Mary Ann Mertz, RN

MANHATTAN, NY

April 21, 2009 6:00-8:00 PM
(3rd Tuesday of every month)
Phillips Ambulatory Care Center (Beth Israel)
10 Union Square East (Bet. 14th & 15th St.)
2nd Floor, Conference Room #1
Topic: Informational, Q&A
Speaker: Stephen Scelsa, MD
Facilitator: Jody Wiesel, PhD - (917) 699-9751

For more information about our Support Groups:
Goto the Patient Services section at
www.als-ny.org or call 800-672-8857

REMEMBER: LONG BRANCH WALK TO DEFEAT ALS ON SUNDAY, APRIL 26TH

Bring your friends and family to the Promenade on Sunday, April 26th and join us for a day of fun, food and music - and finding a cure for ALS! Walk begins at 11 a.m. See you there!



SAVE THE DATES!

Long Branch- Sunday, April 26
Woodbridge- Sunday, May 3
New York City- Saturday, May 16
Saddle Brook- Sunday, June 7
Long Island- Saturday, Sept. 12
Westchester- TBD

TEAM CAPTAIN TUESDAYS: New this year is Team Captain Tuesdays. We are inviting Team Captains to come into our new office to pick up their materials, discuss fundraising strategies and get answers to any questions you may have. Pizza will be served! Please contact us for more information.

Dates and times:

April 7th 12:00pm-2:00pm & 5:00pm-7:30pm

April 14th 12:00pm-2:00pm

April 21st 12:00pm-2:00pm & 5:00pm-7:30pm

We hope you enjoy the new Walk website. We look forward to achieving greatness together this Walk season. Please contact us with any questions you may have!

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The NY Chapter has a Lending Library available to all PALS.

We have books on CD or audio tape. If you would like to borrow books please contact Christine Dunn at the Chapter office or e/mail dunn@als-ny.org.





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VOLUNTEER NIGHT April 16, 2009 5-7 PM. Contact Christine @ 212-720-3044

CALENDAR of EVENTS

April Team Captain Tuesdays:

Chapter Office at 42 Broadway,
 Ste. 1724, NYC. Pizza will be served.

4/7/09 - 12:00 PM to 2:00 PM, &
 5:00 PM - 7:30 PM

4/14/09 - 12:00 PM to 2:00 PM

4/21/09 - 12:00 PM to 2:00 PM, &
 5:00 PM - 7:30 PM

4/26/09 - Long Branch, NJ Walk to
 Defeat ALS, Registration begins
 10:00 AM, Walk begins at 11:00 AM

PLEASE GIVE!

Leave A Legacy of Hope



CHARITABLE GIFT ANNUITY

A gift annuity is a simple contract between you and **The ALS Association Greater New York Chapter**. In exchange for your gift of cash or stock, The ALS Association Greater New York Chapter makes regular payments to you, you and your spouse or someone you name, for life. The remaining principal goes to The ALS Association Greater New York Chapter when the contract ends.

For information please call
 Beth Mohsinger at (212) 720-3060
 or email: mohsinger@als-ny.org

FOCUS ON

Mark Kuhn, PALS And A Painter.

While, fighting ALS, Huntington Bay, Long Island, painter Mark Kuhn was racing to finish a last series of paintings he called, "The Lifeline Series."

In a Newsday story that ran in March 2009,

before he passed away. The story, titled, "Huntington Bay artist painting against the clock" highlighted Kuhn's struggle to continue producing his art despite the debilitating illness.



Bennett Kuhn, 20, his son, said in the article: "It's something he feels he has to do. He's always turned to painting in difficult times. He's reaching toward immortality with his art."

In the article, fellow artist, Stan Brodsky, called his latest paintings "the most daring that I have ever seen in his work."

his wife Donna Simonetti said that he had produced enough paintings for a full show. "He left one unfinished painting and one blank canvas," she mentioned. A show featuring "The Lifeline Series" of paintings is scheduled to be exhibited at the Art League of Long Island this July, 2009. The Art League has said that the show will go on.

Kuhn's plight was documented in a Newsday article that ran the Sunday right

Last year, during the The ALS Association Greater New York Chapter's Long Island Walk to Defeat ALS, Mark Kuhn's T-shirt design for his family's Walk Team, called team "Making Our Mark" won the first place prize for best T-shirt design on the day of the event.

Pictured: Mark Kuhn's family poses on stage with Q104 DJ Ken Dashow showing the winning T-Shirt during the 2008 Long Island Walk to Defeat ALS.