



The ALS Association Greater New York Chapter August 2009

Monthly Update

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August Support Groups

NASSAU COUNTY, NY

August 2, 2009 2:00-4:00 PM

(1st Sunday of every month)

North Shore's Central General Hospital

888 Old Country Road, Plainview

Topic: Walk to Defeat ALS

Speaker: Allison Lardner, Walk Manager

Downstairs Meeting Room; (516) 719-3000

Facilitators: Theresa Imperato, RN - (631) 444-4623

Jody Wiesel, PhD - (917) 699-9751

SUFFOLK COUNTY, NY

August 4, 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: Open Discussion

Facilitator: Theresa Imperato, RN - (631) 444-4623

MANHATTAN, NY

August 18, 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: Open Discussion

Facilitator: Jody Wiesel, PhD - (917) 699-9751

NEW BRUNSWICK, NJ

August 29, 2009 1:00-3:00 PM

(Note: This is a change from the usual schedule.)

Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital

Medical Education Building, Rm 108A

180 Somerset Street, Follow signs to meeting.

Topic: Social Security

Speaker: Carl Robinson

Facilitators: Debbie Schlossberg, LMSW

(732) 710-8832

Mary Ann Mertz, RN

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

Long Island Walk to Defeat ALS Saturday, Sept. 12th Eisenhower Park, East Meadow



2009 Walk to Defeat ALS

The ALS Association Greater New York Chapter will host the Walk to Defeat ALS fund raiser on Long Island on Saturday, September 12th, 11:00 AM, at Eisenhower Park, East Meadow, NY.

The walk is wheelchair and stroller accessible. Before and after the walk there will be family friendly activities such as guest stars, autograph signing by sports celebrities, face painting, live music, mascots refreshments and other fun and games.

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Patti's Drive "Fore" A Cure Raises Money For Greater New York Chapter.



Patti's Drive "Fore" A Cure, an annual golf outing was played again this Spring for the benefit of The ALS Association Greater New York Chapter in loving memory of Patricia Matuszewski-Savage. An auction and raffles were also held. Prizes were awarded to participants for longest drive, closest to pin, low net, and low gross. The benefit took place at the Water Gap Country Club. After the tournament a dinner was hosted in the clubhouse. All totalled the benefit raised \$5,000 for the chapter. A great outing indeed! Thank you.

The NY Chapter has a Lending Library available to all PALS.
We have DVDs of movies & TV shows and books on CD or audio tape to lend.
Please contact Christine Dunn at the Chapter office or e/mail dunn@als-ny.org.





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VOLUNTEER NIGHT August 20, 2009 5-7 PM. Contact Christine @ 212-720-3044

CALENDAR of EVENTS

8/6/09 - "Fundraising Cocktail Party" at the West Side Tennis Club for the ALS Association. Contact: Joan Roldan: jorol48@aol.com

8/9/09 - Carl S. Levine Cocktail Party Fundraiser at The World Bar, Trump World Tower, 48th Street & 1st Avenue. To register please go to our events calendar page on our website at als-ny.org.

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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
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70th Anniversary Lou Gehrig Tribute On July 4th At Yankee Stadium Is A Major Hit!



The ALS Association New York Chapter raised money for services and programs through The Association's "Covering All the Bases" Hitting Challenge" and helped turn a day of baseball into one of the most high-profile events ever in the fight against Lou Gehrig's Disease. This past July 4th was the culmination of the initiative with a celebration at Yankee stadium commemorating the 70th anniversary of Lou Gehrig's famous "Luckiest Man" speech.

Also making it a day to remember were the players and coaches who wore the "4ALS" patch on their chest, and the "4ALS" logo that appeared on stadium scoreboards, signage and on first base.

Dorine Gordon, the president and CEO of The Association's Greater New York Chapter described the initiative at Yankees Stadium as a "truly memorable ex-

perience." She said the recital of Gehrig's speech by Yankees shortstop Derek Jeter and other Yankees was the "most moving part of the tribute."

"It was very emotional for both the players and the fans, and it truly was a goosebumps moment," Gordon said.

Yankee players including Derek Jeter, Jorge Posada, CC Sabathia, Andy Pettitte and Mark Teixeira read individual videotaped portions of Lou Gehrig's speech projected over the crowd on the scoreboard.

The last line was from an old newsreel of Gehrig himself. "I might've been given a bad break," Gehrig said in the original black-and-white footage. "But I've got an awful lot to live for."

At the stadium, Yankee manager, Joe Girardi presented a check for \$25,000 from the Yankees Foundation to the ALS Association Greater New York Chapter. Girardi's uncle suffers from ALS.

