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# Power 4 Pink

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# Upcoming Fundraising Events 2010

**"Splitsville" at Rebman's Bowling Center** – For the month of October, anyone who bowled at Rebman's Bowling Center was able to enjoy "Splitsville"! For \$10, bowlers got 3 games, shoes, a slice of pizza, and a small soda. For \$7, you got to bowl 2 games. After paying Rebman's expenses, Rebmans donated the balance to Power 4 Pink.



Keep up to date with our organization and our events schedule on our website at www.power4pink.com

### Logo Bags

The organization has "Support Bags" for those going through cancer treatment. The Bags include the newsletter, Power 4 Pink organization information, a journal, supportive and inspirational books, coupons for spa treatments, information on The Fitting Room, 10% off a manicure at EMH Center in Avon, and more. The Bags will be given out to those in need through local doctors. Power 4 Pink will continue to provide The "Support Bags" and the contents will continue to evolve.

**Our Mission:** To provide patients who are diagnosed with breast cancer support and resources to improve the quality of their life. To provide relief to this individual by arming them with a comprehensive list of available resources that will encompass all possible aspects of medical and personal care.

**The Vision:** The beginning of my journey with breast cancer was extremely frightening. But, I had insurance, wonderful doctors, the very best care, and family and friends that people only hope to have in their corner when facing uncertainty.

Now that I have met the challenge of this life changing disease, I feel that I need to give back to those who may face this battle. The cost is earth shattering to say the least. I have great insurance, but waiting for approval for treatment is an interesting concept. I do not know what I would have done if my insurance company would have denied my treatment.

There are so many without adequate insurance or none at all. I believe that those without financial resources need to have the same ability to fight this disease as I did. As I sat in the cancer center, I began to envision the concept of the **Power 4 Pink**. It is my hope to first help prevent and educate about this disease and perhaps someday give women young, old, white, black, educated, or homeless the same fighting chance that I was so blessed to receive.

Marcy Calvert Breast Cancer Survivor

#### **Officers:**

- Marcy L. Calvert, President
- Mary DeVinitz, Vice-President
- Mary A. Feakins, Secretary
- Nikki Hamrick, Treasurer
- Lidia Ganobcik, Sgt-At-Arms
- Kathy Shupp, Director

## Kemosabe Korner ---- a Co-survivor's thoughts....

In Jan. '09 while Marcy was in the recovery room, the doctor waited for me to give his prognosis. I was devastated to hear the news. We knew further surgeries, aggressive chemotherapy and radiation treatments would be necessary for the best chances for Marcy making a full recovery. Marcy had always had a strong positive outlook on life, but it was even more apparent in the impending months to come.

Being uncertain of the future, I educated myself as much as possible...reading brochures, articles, and searching the internet for information and treatments of Marcy's cancer. We talked about the hair loss, the nausea, the weight gain, the exhaustion, etc. and we prepared ourselves knowing the several months of treatment would wear on Marcy's body and mind. I knew it was just as important for me to have a positive attitude and to remain strong and confident that she would come through this ordeal. We leaned on each other, as we have done for many years. I knew I wanted to support her any way that I could. Marcy is a 'fighter'. Through it all, we both maintained a strong, positive attitude, which we believe attributed to Marcy's on-going recovery. Education and support is important for anyone going through this disease.

That is what our organization has set out to do, help educate and support those people fighting this battle here in Lorain County. Join our cause. The more people we have involved, the more we raise awareness and share the information we have gathered.

Make your fight, our fight! We are here to help you.

Susan G. Komen designates a person affiliated with a cancer survivor as "co-survivor". Tonto, faithful friend to the Lone Ranger, called him Kemosabe. May we all be a <u>Chemo</u>sabe to those survivors dear to us!

### **Recap of Events**

**Greektown Casino Bus Trip** – Our 2nd Annual Casino Bus Trip took us to Greektown (near Detroit) on Feb. 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 am. We had a total of 37 people participate this year. Once again, Sally Roth kept us well informed and taken care of during our trip by providing beverages, snacks, and a bagged lunch. The winner of this year's horserace was DOC, and MOON BABY came in second! We had approximately 12 items for the raffle and a 50/50 raffle, which totaled over \$800.00. However, it didn't end there! In the spirit of 'giving', Paul Sliman "sponsored" a second 50/50 raffle by doing a match donation, which totaled \$320.00, and then donated another \$520.00 to the organization. THANK YOU PAUL! Your donation was very much appreciated by everyone in the organization.

2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Golf Outing at Grey Hawk Country Club – We had a wonderful turnout of support with a

total of 31 teams. Registration started at 7:30am, along with a continental breakfast, juices and coffee. Our shot-gun start began at 8:30am and the weather was beautiful. The hole-inone prizes were on several of the par 3's, and golfers were anxious to give it their 'best shot'! With a total of 31 teams, we had the golf course to ourselves. Everyone enjoyed lunch at the turn, and dinner at the end of 18-holes. Golfers enjoyed raffles and give-aways that were donated by local businesses and organizations. Winners in the Men's Division were: Matt Long, Shawn Nachman, Jason Stiwald, and Chris Pranckunas. Winners of the Women's Division were: Mary Ann Vogel, Deb Timko, Carla Schneider, and Bev Sayre. The Power 4 Pink Organization would like to thank all of business that participated in our hole sponsorship. And a special thanks to our major sponsor, Paul Sliman and Sliman's Chrysler, Dodge, and Jeep Dealer in Amherst.



<u>www.power4pink.com</u> is our new website. Our newest "event" is in the infancy stage, but you can find information, look up past and upcoming events, join the cause, or give a donation.



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