



THE LISA KLITZKY FOUNDATION



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Striving to advance education, patient care and research in order to improve the quality of life of adolescents affected by cancer.

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THE FOUNDERS

Following her passing in August 2002, Lisa's friends approached her parents Dave and Marlowe about starting a foundation in Lisa's memory. The initial goals were to raise money for adolescent cancer research and, in the future, support a scholarship program for students who study art, which was Lisa's focus of study at University of Wisconsin-Madison. Art was a passion that Lisa developed early in life and pursued further in her days as a student at Stevenson High School, in college and eventually in her professional life.

With the vision and dedication of a wide group of Lisa's friends, The Lisa Klitzky Foundation was formed.

OUR MISSION

The Lisa Klitzky Foundation strives to advance education, patient care and research in order to improve the quality of life of adolescents affected by cancer.

OUR INSPIRATION



LISA KLITZKY

Though Lisa passed away four years ago, her courageous fight and positive attitude are what keeps us inspired to search for ways to make the lives of those affected by adolescent cancer better. Lisa's determination serves as the torch to our flame that burns stronger by the days that pass. Lisa always viewed her situation as one that she would win, never losing hope. And though she only had a twenty percent survival rate, to Lisa the glass was always twenty percent full. That's why we continue to strive to help.

Anything positive we do as an organization is dedicated to Lisa's memory. Through our efforts she lives on, even for those who never had the opportunity to know her. But, to know Lisa was to love her. She truly had an infectious spirit for others, always putting them before herself. Prior to starting treatment, Lisa donated all of her hair to "Locks for Love," an organization that makes wigs for children affected by cancer. It is in regard to such kind acts that we, The Lisa Klitzky Foundation, strive to carry Lisa's memory forward by helping others, as Lisa did herself. Though Lisa passed away on August 26, 2002, after a long and arduous fight against cancer, she still lives on through all of our donor's support and the good that they help us accomplish. With how dearly Lisa is missed, we know that she is there with us in everything we do to help others.

SHERYL CROW ROCKS AND INSPIRES

SHERYL CROW RESPONDS IN KIND TO THE LISA KLITZKY FOUNDATION

Over the summer, Sheryl Crow responded in kind to The Lisa Klitzky Foundation's request to help support our foundation. Specifically, Sheryl and her management team invited three adolescent cancer survivors (and their dates) from the University of Chicago Comer Children's Hospital to attend her concert in Bloomington, Illinois during the evening of June 14th. With support from the staff at the University of Chicago Comer Children's Hospital, three survivors were contacted about attending the event and all confirmed that they were able to attend.

The six guests were given a back stage tour and listened to Sheryl's sound check before the concert. After the sound check, Sheryl made time to speak individually with each of the survivors. Meghan Mulcahy, a five year Ewings Sarcoma survivor, told Sheryl how she met and befriended Lisa Klitzky during their cancer treatment together at Comer's Children Hospital. After the concert, Meghan reported back to the Lisa Klitzky Foundation that Sheryl said she was very interested in further helping the Foundation and asked one of her colleagues to follow-up after the event to ask what else she could do to help!

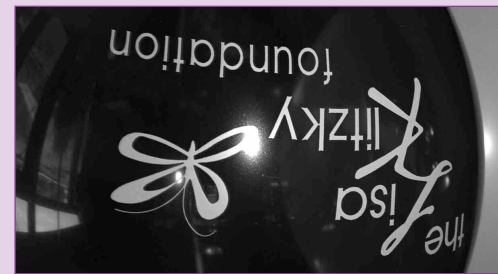
The guests then made their way to their up front and center seat, a perfect location from which to enjoy the musical performance. Meghan said that the "whole experience was amazing. . .and it was just as amazing meeting the other cancer survivors as it was Sheryl."

Sheryl Crow has publicly spoken about her own battle with breast cancer over the past year and recently commented in a CNN.com Q&A session that the fear of a relapse "crosses my mind every day. . .the important thing is to understand that having those thoughts is going to be a part of living for a while." Imagine how debilitating similar thoughts can be for adolescent survivors who are not only trying to re-adjust to normal living post-cancer, but are also forced to do this while dealing with the radical environmental and personal changes that typically accompany adolescents as they grow into adults.



Meghan Mulcahy & Sheryl Crow

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Start the New Year off right!

Right now is the perfect time to make a charitable donation or send a notecard to someone special. Donation cards are available for \$5 each or 5 for \$20. Plus, we have many wonderful postcard designs to choose from, all featuring Lisa's original artwork. Don't wait! Our current inventory is running out very fast.

Have a wonderful New Year, from our family to yours!

For the latest news and information, visit us online at: www.thelisaklitzkyfoundation.org



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

The Lisa Klitzky Foundation is always in search of selfless people who are willing to give a little bit of their time to a worthy cause. If participation in any of the committees below is of interest to you, please don't hesitate to get involved. We can always use your help. With your generous support, our foundation can continue to grow and our mission can become a reality.

Events Committee

Chairmen: Mandy Pomorantz & Vicky Maher

We are in charge of planning and executing all events for the foundation. This includes brainstorming themes and venues, receiving and reviewing quotes from contacts, developing itineraries for the event, food and decoration organization, raffle/auction preparation, scheduling general volunteers for the occasion, and many other tasks that arise involving our events.

Fundraising Committee

Chairmen: Jordy Shulman & Dan Vosnos

The goal of this committee is to establish and build relationships with various Chicago-based business and sporting teams. Within this process, it's our goal to generate various silent auction items for future Lisa Klitzky Foundation events. We are looking for volunteers who have an outgoing personality and are goal oriented. Having a particular connection with a Chicago-area business/professional sports team would be extremely helpful

Marketing Committee

Chairman: Jeff Schulman

The Marketing Committee strives to bring relevance to our supporters and build awareness around all of the great things that we are doing by:

- Producing a bi-annual Lisa Klitzky Foundation newsletter to keep our donors up to date with our latest achievements and build excitement around upcoming events
- Designing and distributing event communications in various media outlets
- Developing seasonal communications that will allow us to stay engaged with our donors as we progress

Membership Committee

Chairman: Dennis Plankar

Maintain event and membership contact database. Manage adds/deletes/changes to the database. Provide address information for any mailings. Future enhancements may be to track specific activity by members, such as donations and events attended, etc.

The Lisa Klitzky Foundation focuses on this very point and how a multi-disciplinary team of professionals can help provide adolescent survivors with the emotional and physical support they need to overcome the challenges that remain with cancer survivors after chemotherapy and radiation treatments end.

This type of post-treatment support is usually overlooked but of central importance for the survivors to reclaim themselves. In her CNN.com interview, however, Sheryl seems to understand this point. Sheryl noted that despite those fears and thoughts, “. . . the objective is to go for it in life...move forward with normal life and try to stop and recognize that happiness exists inside of you every day. . . to really recognize it and celebrate it.”

We respect Sheryl's desire to continue to raise awareness for early detection of cancer and the value of emotional support in the treatment of cancer, whether during or after treatments. The Lisa Klitzky Foundation invites Sheryl's continued support for our Foundation in the years ahead.

DOCTOR TARA HENDERSON: UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO CENTER FOR SURVIVORS OF CHILDHOOD MALIGNANCIES

Tremendous progress has been made at curing pediatric cancers of all kinds. Today, we cure over 70% of all patients with pediatric cancer. This has been made possible through the generous support of donors (of money, of time, and, perhaps most importantly, marrow), through the hard work of scientists and doctors, and through the tenacity of patients and families. To all of those who have given of themselves to help us with this fight, we thank you.

While the battle against this disease continues, a new issue has arisen. Often when therapy is completed, patients and their families feel lost. How can I return to a normal life? Will my primary doctor understand the therapy I went through? What are the long-term issues associated with my diagnosis and treatment? These issues—called “survivorship” issues—are increasingly important as more and more cancer patients become cancer survivors, and face a whole new set of emotional and physical challenges. Thankfully, we are devoted to making as much progress on these issues as we have with treating the diseases over the past 20 years.

To that end, I am thrilled to announce the University of Chicago Center for Survivors of Childhood Malignancies is officially underway!

First, I would like to introduce myself to all of the members of the Lisa Klitzky Foundation. My name is Doctor Tara Henderson, and I was hired by the University of Chicago Comer Children's Hospital to help create a program to address the specific needs of childhood cancer survivors. The University of Chicago community has seen that with cure comes the cost of intensive cancer therapy. These include endocrine disorders, such as thyroid dysfunction, obesity, premature menopause, and osteoporosis, heart problems such as early congestive heart failure, heart attacks, and coronary heart disease, dental problems, renal problems, fertility issues, social and psychological concerns, and secondary or recurrent cancer. We are making progress at treating these problems, but the first step is finding them early. That is why a long-term, follow-up clinic is so important, and why vigilance on the part of patients and doctors is needed, even many years after therapy.

My vision for the University of Chicago Center for Childhood Malignancies is to tap into the incredible resources at the University of Chicago and the University of Chicago Hospitals to create a multi-disciplinary clinic that cares for patients from the time they are two years off therapy through adolescence and adulthood. Through this program I want to ensure that all our survivors have a rich quality of life.

I have seen the importance a clinic such as this can have on the lives of survivors and their families while training at one of the nation's largest survivor clinics – the David B. Perini Clinic

for Childhood Cancer Survivors at the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute in Boston. After graduating from the University of Chicago Pritzker School of Medicine in 1999, I did a pediatrics residency at Johns Hopkins Hospital. While at Johns Hopkins I developed my passion from pediatric oncology and survivorship issues, and so it was logical that I follow this passion in Boston where I was trained by many leaders and pioneers in the field. While at the Dana-Farber, I developed several research studies investigating second cancers following childhood malignancy. I also participated in the care and treatment of children, adolescent and adult survivors of all pediatric malignancies, in clinic, at weekend retreats, and educational programs.

I plan to bring this passion for excellence and commitment to improving the lives of survivors and their families to Chicago. Together with Beverly Dooley, a nurse practitioner who specializes in the care of survivors and is working toward an advanced nursing degree in chronic health problems in children, we have recruited a fertility specialist, radiation oncologist, pediatric and adult endocrinologist, pediatric and adult cardiologist and a social worker.

Prior to a patient's initial visit, past treatment records are reviewed and summarized. Ms. Dooley and I determine what special tests and referrals need to be made such that our patients' time in the hospital is minimized. During visits to the clinic, we take a complete medical history and physical exam. In addition to screening for late effects and second cancers associated with patient's individual treatment, we care for current conditions and refer to any necessary specialist.

An example of this is the increased risk of developing breast cancer for women who had radiation therapy before the age of 30. Because of this risk, these women must start screening for breast cancer earlier than others. In conjunction, with Dr. Funmi Olopade's (a

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world renowned adult oncologist and expert in women at high risk for breast cancer) cancer risk clinic, we create a screening schedule for these women during their initial visits. In addition, we screen for common cardiac and endocrine risks. For example, we look for signs of early heart disease using an echocardiogram, examine thyroid function in patients who have received any neck radiation, and determine if patients are at risk for kidney dysfunction.

In addition to treating the body, we are concerned with the mind of these patients as well. We have access to health professionals that help survivors and their families deal with the emotional aspects of surviving cancer.

Our major goal is to educate survivors and their families about potential health issues related to their initial cancer. Following our visit, we will provide our patients and their families with a summary of their past cancer treatment, a letter which summarizes our visit and outlines our screening and follow-up recommendations. Lastly, we will be sending every patient's primary care physician a summary of our visit and recommendations to enable him/her to provide appropriate care for these specialized patients.

The clinic opened officially on May 1, 2006. We have already seen several patients each week. We have been thrilled with the enthusiasm of all of the patients and families we have seen.

I would like to personally thank all of you at the Lisa Klitzky foundation for your support of this program. Your work in the memory of what I have learned was an extraordinary young woman is so important in improving the lives of the growing number of children and young adults that survive pediatric cancer.

Sincerely, Dr. Tara Henderson

OUR NEXT CHARITABLE EVENT...

Coming in late Spring 2007, the Lisa Klitzky Foundation will be hosting its cocktail party with silent auction. Details to follow shortly. Please check our website for full event details in the coming months.

PREVIOUS FUNDRAISING EVENTS

February 24, 2005: A Cause for Celebration Held at Zella, a trendy favorite among Chicago professionals. There were over 150 in attendance and over \$3,876 was raised for our cause.

May 13, 2004: An Angelic Affair. Thanks to the extreme generosity of our venue donor and owner of Kaleidoscope, Steve Waxman, we held our most successful event, raising over \$46,000.

October 5, 2003: 6th Annual Stevenson Homecoming Spirit Walk. Our thanks goes out to Stevenson for believing in a very good cause, allowing our participation in their spirit walk. As such, we raised over \$20,000.

August 16, 2003: Carlucci's. There were over 150 people in attendance at our second event. With your kind generosity, we successfully raised over \$15,000.

May 1, 2003: Our Inaugural Event, Held at Joe's on Lisa's birthday, we raised \$8,000 for our cause.

ONGOING DONATIONS

We appreciate your generosity and invite your continued donations, as we continue striving to enhance the lives of adolescents who have been affected by cancer.

THERE ARE MANY WAYS TO MAKE CHARITABLE DONATIONS:

ONE Make a donation online at www.thelisaklitzkyfoundation.org through Network for Good.

TWO Mail your donation to: The Lisa Klitzky Foundation P.O. Box 5048 Buffalo Grove, IL 60089

THREE Purchase an ad or contact us regarding sponsorship opportunities for our next fundraising event.

**All donations are tax deductible. Checks, MasterCard and Visa accepted.*

“Slow Dance” – written by David Weatherford

Have you ever watched kids on a merry-go-round, or listened to rain slapping the ground?

Ever followed a butterfly's erratic flight, or gazed at the sun fading into the night?

You better slow down, don't dance so fast, time is short, the music won't last.

Do you run through each day on the fly, when you ask “How are you?”, do you hear the reply?

When the day is done, do you lie in your bed, with the next hundred chores running through your head?

You better slow down, don't dance so fast, time is short, the music won't last.

A SPECIAL PROGRAM

The University of Chicago Comer Children's Hospital Arts Program:

Over 100 Pieces and Growing...

We are proud to announce that with the cooperation of the University of Chicago Comer Children's Hospital Arts Program, Project Lisa has produced over one hundred pieces of artwork that have been donated for display at the Children's Hospital. By spring 2007, this number is expected to double. The program theme, “Healing through Art and Words,” inspires our artists to deliver pieces that comfort those affected by cancer, and convey a vision of hope for a brighter future. This wouldn't be possible without the support of the University of Chicago and the generosity of the talented art students supporting our cause. We look forward to our continued growth together. Thank you!

Leave No Stone...Unreturned

On Saturday night, August 26th, Wendy and Stu Aling and Danny and I went to Cheesecake Factory in Lincolnshire for dinner. Before dinner, I saw a lady looking on the floor with a flashlight in the ladies room. She was looking for her diamond that had fallen out of her ring. It was a 1 Karat round stone that she had for 46 years. She couldn't find it, and after searching the rest of the restaurant, she left without the stone.

We sat down for dinner and talked for a few hours, when in the distance about 40 feet away, I noticed a shining area on the floor. Although this was one of many shiny areas, it looked different to me. Wendy, Stu and Danny all looked, but did not see it. So, we went on talking and about 15 minutes later, we got up to leave. As we passed the hostess stand, Wendy asked if the lady had ever found her diamond. The hostess said that she had not. I continued on to where I saw the shiny spot, bent down, and picked up the diamond.

The hostess had the manager phone the lady and she came back to the restaurant. When she realized that it was indeed her diamond, she offered a reward. I refused, but told her that if she wanted to make out a check to the Lisa Klitzky Foundation, that would be reward enough. She did, and handed me a check for \$500.”

On behalf of the Lisa Klitzky Foundation, in response to this very kind gesture, I'd like to extend our sincerest appreciation to Donald and Joan Dudevore for their generous donation and to Janet and Danny Pomorantz and Wendy and Stu Aling for helping make it possible. Janet, you've shown us all that a diamond's brilliance can be found in the most unlikely of places. Thank you!

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Ever told your child, we'll do it tomorrow, and in haste, not see his sorrow?

Ever lost touch, let a friendship die, 'cause you never had time to call and say hi?

You better slow down, don't dance so fast, time is short, the music won't last.

When you run so fast to get somewhere, you miss half the fun of getting there.

When you worry and hurry through your day, it's like an unopened gift thrown away.

Life isn't a race, so take it slower, hear the music before your song is over.

Public Relations Committee

Chairman: Kelly Miller

The PR committee's main objective is to establish significant relationships between our Foundation and the Chicago-land community

• It is our goal to maintain consistent awareness of our organization and all charitable events we develop to raise money. It is extremely important to connect with the community and keep our cause top of mind to continue growing participation at all future fundraising events. Additionally imperative, is to make the community aware of our accomplishments and give them a reason to continually contribute.

• We are determined to develop strong partnerships with our local media companies (i.e. local radio stations / local network television affiliates / local newspapers). These relationships will inevitably give us a resource to let people know about events and activities we are having. Our hope is to utilize these contacts as a continuous resource for prizes, tickets & give-a-ways to gain excitement and encouragement for people to continue to donate to our organization.

Complete media contact list of charity managers at stations, networks, newspapers

• Organize informational meeting with each contact to establish relationship

• Create annual schedule of mailers to go out to media contacts

• Develop calendar of upcoming events to share with media and discuss ability for them to run ads promoting foundation events

• Grow prize base for upcoming events and activities

Volunteer Committee

Chairmen: Mollye Oler & Julie Klitzky

The goal of the Volunteer committee is to attract volunteers to help with all foundation activities. We also organize all volunteer activity within the foundation and communicate opportunities to people who have indicated that they would be interested in helping from time to time.

Those interested in volunteering can sign up for a specific committee or as a “general” volunteer. If you are interested in volunteering for a specific committee you will be contacted when a volunteer opportunity opens up within that committee. If you would like to be a “general” volunteer, you will be added to the list of General Volunteers and will be contacted when a volunteer opportunity arises across the committees within the foundation.

Please contact Mollye Oler moler19@yahoo.com or Julie Klitzky juliek17@aol.com to sign up.



The Lisa Klitzky Foundation supports the University of Chicago Comer Children's Hospital' commitment to providing the most advanced care to children and adolescents affected by cancer in Chicago, throughout the Midwest