



ANNE M WOLF FOUNDATION



Note from the Board:

When you think of autumn, certainly images of fall colors and harvest come to mind. In recent years, another color and awareness have taken a strong hold on this time of year. The media and medical community have worked tirelessly to introduce *pink* as a fall color and *hope* as the sentiment of the season.

The Anne M. Wolf Foundation is proud to be a part of this movement. The Pink Ribbon Wave of Awareness encompasses everything from foodstuffs and apparel, to TV commercials and your favorite football team. We truly appreciate that you have chosen to donate your time and/or money to support this cause and in particular The Anne M. Wolf Fund for Breast Cancer Research.

In just our first year of existence, the foundation raised more than \$28,000 and has already donated \$20,000 to support Dr. Charles Shapiro's research at the The Ohio State University Comprehensive Cancer Center – Arthur G. James Cancer Center and Richard J. Solove Research Institute. We are proud of every dollar donated as this has been such a grassroots undertaking. A special thank you to our families, friends, and of course, you, our generous sponsors and event participants for your determination to execute Anne's Army's Operation: Find a Cure!

While our inspiration, Anne M. Wolf, was lost to this disease, we believe that the research Dr. Shapiro and his team have initiated for Triple Negative Breast Cancer will be instrumental in finding a cure that will achieve one of Anne's most critical goals: protecting her daughter, sisters, family, friends, and all women from this disease. Those of you who knew Anne will remember her as a go-getter, a fighter, and a winner. We champion this fight in her honor and will revel in her spirit the day that a cure is found.

Sincerely,

The Anne M. Wolf Foundation Board of Directors



Board Members presenting \$20,000 check to Dr. Shapiro (center)
October 2011



The Wolf Family – Christmas 2009

Anne's Army:

In September 2009 at the age of 29, just days after giving birth to her second child, Anne Wolf of Orrville, Ohio was diagnosed with stage IV Triple Negative Breast Cancer. Doctors determined the cancer started during her pregnancy and grew very rapidly; it had already spread to her lymph nodes, liver and bone.

Despite the diagnosis, Anne's outlook was positive. She faced this battle head on. She asked for an army of people to help with prayers and well wishes to help her through this fight. Anne's Army was formed. She and her family received an outpouring of support from family members, friends, co-workers, and members of the community.

During her four month battle, she encouraged the women in her life to get mammograms, researched her illness and treatment options, and showed remarkable grace and optimism in the face of adversity. On December 31, 2009, she was admitted to the hospital due to muscle pain, fever, and fatigue. God called Anne home to be an angel on January 8, 2010, thus ending Anne's four month long battle with Triple Negative Breast Cancer.

The Anne M. Wolf Breast Cancer Foundation was created to honor Anne, who lost her battle with cancer, but who wanted to better the lives of others affected with this disease. We are determined to find a cure and to continue Anne's fight against breast cancer. By supporting us, you too become a part of Anne's Army.



2011's Successful Events:



Anne's Army is young, strong, and determined. There is no better way to showcase this than through this amazing event. Over 60 people spent the morning of January 8th, 2011 (the one year anniversary of Anne's passing) lifting and rowing to raise money for The Anne M. Wolf Foundation. It was very inspirational to see so many people in Anne's Army t-shirts pushing themselves to the limits for a great cause. In the end, the pledges added up to over \$7,000!

A special thanks to Sarah Richards, who not only organized the event, but also participated in the workout. Also, thank you to all who helped to make the day possible with their prize or edible donations: The Ultimate Sack, Raw Indulgence, Ltd., Jimmy Johns, Starbucks, Raccoon Hill Golf Club, R.W. Knudson & Family, The J.M. Smucker Co., Walmart, Brimfield, Sketch Studio of Kent, Couture Tattoos, Mike Giulitto, Laura Miller, Jason Baliman and Family.

It's time to gear up for the 2012 SPC Crossfit Event on Saturday, January 7th, 2012.

If you would like to sponsor, volunteer, or participate in the workout, send an email to: AMWF@annesarmy.org.





ANNE'S ARMY 5K

RACE TO BATTLE BREAST CANCER

The Anne M. Wolf Breast Cancer Foundation held the Inaugural Anne's Army 5K Run/Walk Race to Battle Breast Cancer on Saturday, June 25th, 2011 at the Wooster OARDC (Ohio State's Ohio Agricultural Research and Development Center) and raised over \$20,000 with the majority of funds benefiting the Anne M. Wolf Fund for Breast Cancer Research at The Ohio State University Comprehensive Cancer Center – Arthur G. James Cancer Center and Richard J. Solove Research Institute.

The Anne's Army 5K Race to Battle Breast Cancer was a family-friendly event with **535** participants varying from 0 to 74 years old.

Gold Sponsors: Wayne County Community Foundation, New Pittsburg Large Animal Clinic, Buckeye Oil Producing Company, Anonymous Sponsor, Dean & Martha Davis and Randy & Nancy Duncan. **Silver Sponsors:** The Cafaro Foundation and The Lahmers Family. **All sponsors** assisted in making this event a success for the participants of the race as well as the future recipients of the scientific developments of their partners at The Ohio State University.

SAVE THE DATE!! Please plan to join us on Saturday, June 23rd 2012 for the 2nd Annual Anne's Army 5K: Race to Battle Breast Cancer. *More information and registration will be available online at www.annesarmy.org in 2012.*



5K Runners at the Start Line



Board of Directors: Beth Baldwin, Josh Wolf, Amy Lahmers, Jamie Marks, & Melissa Rupp



Strong stroller presence!



5K Medals

The Anne M. Wolf Fund for Breast Cancer Research:

The Anne M. Wolf Foundation has made the decision and commitment on behalf of our supporters to partner with Dr. Charles Shapiro in his quest to find a cure for this devastating disease. Dr. Shapiro is a Professor of Medicine and the Director of the Breast Cancer Program at The Ohio State University Medical Center and James Cancer Hospital. For the past twenty years, Dr. Shapiro has devoted his life to caring for women with breast cancer and performing research to improve treatments for breast cancer. He leads a team of laboratory and clinical researchers focused on Triple Negative Breast Cancer. He has provided the following sentiments and we would like to share them with you.

"To Anne's Army: Although I didn't know Anne and her family personally, I have cared for many women like Anne, who were young and strong, yet life was tragically cut short by triple negative breast cancer. Breast cancer is not one disease, there are at least 5 subtypes of breast cancer each with unique characteristics and triple negative breast cancer is one subtype that often does not respond to chemotherapy or other treatments. This is unacceptable and we have to do better. How are we going to do better? There is only one way, by supporting research and events like Anne's Army 5K Race to Battle Breast Cancer.

The research you are supporting will fund research in three areas. First, discovering new drugs for triple negative breast cancer; second testing these new drugs in clinical trials; and third understanding the biology or what makes triple negative breast cancers resistant to most chemotherapies. For example, we have generated some exciting findings that suggest that there are at least four different kinds of triple negative breast cancers, and these may respond differently to different treatments.

Lastly, I am humbled by the tremendous efforts of Josh, Amy, Beth, Melissa, and Jamie to take their personal tragedy and create Anne's Army, and all you who joined in this fight. Each one of you is making a difference in helping to improve the outcome of women with triple negative breast cancer, which ultimately will lead to curing this disease. Thank you, Dr. Shapiro"

Volunteer: For more information about how you can help or if you are interested in planning an event to benefit the Foundation, visit us online at www.annesarmy.org or via email at: AMWF@annesarmy.org

To Donate: Please help continue Anne's legacy by contributing generously. Your entire donation will go toward breast cancer research and awareness. Every dollar you give provides hope to those fighting this disease. We are a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, organized exclusively for charitable, scientific and educational purposes. Send your check payable to:

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