

TRANSPLANT NEWS

Akron-Canton Transplant Recipients

2014/15 Schedule of Events

Monthly meeting from 6:30 to 8:30 on the 3rd Tuesday of every month at Education Building "A" at the North Canton Medical Center.

Holiday Celebration of Life Dinner on December 16th from 6:30 to 9:00 at NCMC. Donor recognition will be followed by dedication of ornaments by organ recipients or their loved ones.

OrganDonorSabbath on April 24, 2015 at the new Temple Israel location on Springside drive in Montrose. This will be the 7th annual service sponsored by Micki Wise and the Wise Family in memory of Bernard Wise.

Lifebanc August, 2015 Gift of Life Walk & Run August, 2015 at Blossom Music Center. Please join the Race for Amanda, Kidney Kats and Hearts for Ray Stiles teams and support Lifebanc.

Celebration of Life Picnic, August, 2015 from noon to 4:00 at the John Torok Community Center, Green, Ohio.

November 2015 Akron Children's Hospital Holiday Tree Festival at John S Knight Center. Please contact Rosie or Sue if you have a tree or items for the 2015 tree.

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The 2014 TRIO Squirrel Trees. Thank you to Sue and Rosie for another gorgeous effort.

November, 2014 Thanksgiving Feast and memory gathering

Pat Summers and Veronica Taylor suggested that we should enhance our November meeting's pot luck dinner to a Thanksgiving feast. The suggestion was a success and everyone who attended enjoyed a wonder turkey, ham dinner with all the fixings. Thank you to everyone who made this last minute suggestion a success.

Nancy Hinkel opened the meeting with the following prayer

Dear Heavenly Father

Thank you for the blessings of each other. Our meeting with pot luck dinners provide sustenance for our bodies, hearts, souls and each other, truly a wonderful support group.

Bless us with your presence as we savor our new found lives and mourn the loss of some dear friends

In the name of Jesus

Amen

The November meeting was an opportunity for us to remember Dick Samoila who passed in October. Dick was a heart recipient, our Chris Craft power boat expert and our Treasurer.



Dick in High School



Dick as we knew him in TRIO.

October also saw the passing of Kevin Sawyer, a former Akron Canton TRIO member and kidney recipient.

At the meeting, Mary Fread was elected to serve as our Treasurer, replacing Dick and Jacqui Scolaro was elected to be our Secretary, replacing Mary.

Holiday Celebration of Life Dinner on December 16th from 6:30 to 9:00 at NCMC. We will start with our holiday dinner with TRIO providing Broasted Chicken (Mary says it is better than fried chicken and I agree). Dianna Phillips from Llifebanc will introduce Kimber Gorham who will share the life story of her 2 1/2 year old son David, who was an organ donor. We will finish the program with donor recognition and dedication of ornaments by organ recipients or their loved ones.

Please contact Mary (transplant@neo.rr.com) or Walt (wwh99@aol.com) telling us how many friends & family will join you & what item you will bring for the dinner buffet.

About TRIO (Transplant Recipients International Organization)

Website: www.trioweb.org

TRIO's MISSION

TRIO is a non-profit organization improving the quality of lives touched by the miracle of transplantation through support, advocacy, education and awareness.

Support

We provide support to transplant candidates, recipients and their families, donors and donor families to help alleviate the stresses and problems associated with the process.

Advocacy

We make the concerns and needs that affect the welfare of transplant candidates, recipients, and donor families known to federal government bodies. We also effectively communicate the views of transplant candidates, recipients and their families, donors and donor families to the general public.

Education

We provide current information (with respect to developments in organ and tissue donation, transplantation, medications, social issues, and finances) to transplant candidates, recipients and their families, donors and donor families about initiatives and protocols in the field of transplantation.

Awareness

We promote organ and tissue donation as an important social responsibility. We develop and support mechanisms to improve the availability of organs and tissues on an equitable basis to meet the need of transplant candidates.

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