

GILDA GRAM

A quarterly newsletter for friends of Gilda's Club Kansas City.



**GILDA'S CLUB
KANSAS CITY**
An Affiliate of the
CANCER SUPPORT COMMUNITY

Community is Stronger than Cancer



Most folks think of our clubhouse as the place for education and support groups. However, Gilda's Club Kansas City believes that community is stronger than cancer. That's why we are so proud to partner with local health systems to hold our educational workshops and support groups. Thank you AdventHealth Kansas City, Liberty Hospital, Saint Luke's East, and Saint Luke's South. Starting in February we will offer classes at University Health KC and classes in Spanish in partnership with El Centro! Check out our calendar for programs close to you at:

<https://gckc.gnosishosting.net/Events/Calendar>



Uriel E. Owens Sickle Cell Disease Association of the Midwest

The mission of this association is to provide information and awareness about Sickle Cell Disease, to advocate for the needs of persons with this disease, and to support research for a cure. Gilda's Club Kansas City was honored to host the Holiday Party for families with children receiving services from Children's Mercy Hospital. The Association and Children's Mercy had a lovely afternoon for the children and their families!



Team Evelyn

Gilda's Club Kansas City was thrilled to host the Team Evelyn Holiday party for children and their families. The mission of Team Evelyn is to make children smile while they are fighting cancer and to provide financial assistance to families with unexpected expenses during this hard process without worrying about anything other than their child's health.



Keeper for a Cure

Congratulations, Brady Krysiewicz, Keeper for a Cure! Brady conducted an online campaign, hosted a tailgate event for Sporting KC's Cauldron, and had an evening of music, comedy and companionship at Apex Works Brewery. His campaign raised over \$3,000 for the programs at Gilda's Club Kansas City!



We love our Volunteers

A team of employees from Takeda Pharmaceuticals volunteered their time to assemble bags for those participating at home in our Kid Support® Program. In addition to the "Frankly Speaking About Cancer" publication, What Do I Tell the Kids, the curriculum segments include expressive art materials, discussion guides, and other age-appropriate educational materials. We appreciate their enthusiasm, dedication, and generosity of time!



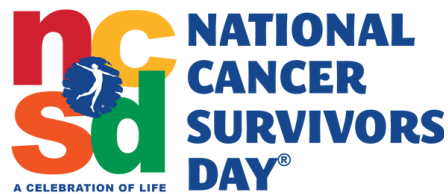
Occupational Therapy and Cancer



We are thrilled to have two Master level Occupational Therapy students spend the Spring semester with us! Occupational therapy can be key to cancer patients during treatment and transitioning into their new normal. Both Hayden Burnett and Colleen Kerr will be facilitating classes and providing individual sessions.

Save the Date

National Cancer Survivors Day
 Sunday, June 2nd
 9am - 12pm



Golf Fore Gilda
 Monday, August 26th
 7:30 am

Auction for a Cause
 Friday, September 20th
 6:30 pm



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Our cancer support services, provided at no cost to individuals impacted by cancer, would not be possible without the generosity of our community.

Thank you.