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Our Mission: To improve the quality of life for those affected by lupus through advocacy, education, awareness, empowerment, and research.

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May As Lupus Awareness Month in NY State

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Pictured above left to right: Lupus Agencies of New York State Leaders Janet Murphy, Assemblyman Harvey Weisenberg, Kate Anastasia, Steve Alberti, Senator Diane Savino, Kathleen Arntsen, Pauline Ziatts, Assemblywoman RoAnn Destito, Assemblywoman Crystal Peoples-Stokes, Julie Mersereau, Assemblywoman Vanessa Gibson and Honi Kurzeja receiving the NYS Resolution declaring May as Lupus Awareness Month in New York State in Albany on April 28, 2010.

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Dave Arntsen

President's Message—

The grass, foliage, and pastures are the richest most vibrant shade of green and the corn is taller than in previous years here in beautiful upstate New York. The air is filled with the sounds of summer: children giggling while pool water splashes, lawnmowers whirring, cows mooing, and there is a nighttime symphony orchestrated by chirping insects. Most evenings have been cool enough to leave the windows open allowing a breeze to gently sway the curtains while a chorus of wild dogs yelps in the distant hills. It has been the perfect setting for one to diligently work for hours uninterrupted by phones, televisions, or doorbells. Time has flown and it's hard to believe that August is almost upon us. We have been so busy it has been difficult to complete this issue of the newsletter and we apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused. But what an amazing spring it has been here for us and for the NYS Lupus Community overall.

The 2nd Annual Lupus Awareness Event was held on April 28, 2010 in Albany in the Legislative Office Building Well. Assemblywoman RoAnn Destito and Senator Joseph Griffo were our Prime Assembly & Senate Sponsors of the event and of the Resolution declaring May as Lupus Awareness Month in NYS. Both legislators gave remarks that day as well as Assemblywoman Crystal Peoples-Stokes and Assemblywoman Vanessa Gibson and Senator Betty Little and Senator Diane Savino. All Seven Lupus Agency Leaders from NYS were introduced by Assemblywoman Destito on the Assembly Floor and Senator Griffo then invited our agency to the Senate Chamber to meet with Senator David Valesky, Senator James Seward, and himself. It was a wonderful event with exhibit booths, music, and a Decades of Lupus slide show with pictures from statewide lupus events. Lupus advocates from all over the state were able to meet with their legislators and advocate for pending lupus legislation and promote lupus awareness. We thank our Legislative Sponsors, Speakers, and their staff for supporting this event and for supporting the lupus cause. Next year's event is scheduled for Wednesday, May 4, 2011 in the LOB Well in Albany. We hope to have news to share about the lupus legislation by the next newsletter.

Our 6th Annual Lupus Education Symposium & Luncheon was held on Saturday, May 15, 2010 at Rossetti Education Center at Madison-Oneida BOCES in Verona. Once again it was well attended by 132 participants. Dr. Andras Perl, SUNY Upstate Chief of Rheumatology presented "The Latest on Lupus", Dr. Shane Sopp, Gynecologist spoke on "Osteoporosis", Lorraine Calleri, LMT spoke on "The Wellness Approach to Managing Stress and the Effect on the Body", and Stephanie Darwak presented on Pfizer Helpful Answers and Jaime Venditti presented on Partnership for Prescription Assistance programs. The Madison-Oneida BOCES students helped to make the event a great success by volunteering to do paraffin hand waxing and massages at the Cosmetology Booth, blood pressure and pulse checks at the Nursing Booth and the Culinary Arts students catered and served a delicious luncheon. Informational booths providing materials on clinical trials, prescription assistance programs, lupus and autoimmune diseases, and NIAMS and lupus research were set up for attendees to visit during breaks. There were also free massages provided by Anne's Wellness and Aurora Massage & Wellness for participants to enjoy. We thank the sponsors, exhibitors, speakers, and volunteers for organizing this event. A complete list of supporters is listed on page 6.

Annual Awards were given out during the luncheon at the symposium. Because we are an all-volunteer passion-driven organization and have no paid staff each and every task and activity and event that is completed here is accomplished through volunteer efforts. Almost all of our volunteers here are personally connected to the lupus cause either because they have lupus themselves or love someone with lupus. Either way they are motivated to give us their time and they are all a tremendous asset to our community. The Lupus Foundation's mission is to improve the quality of life for those affected by lupus through advocacy, education, awareness, empowerment, and research. Our programs reflect this mission by promoting public awareness, providing patient education, emotional support, & advocacy and funding lupus research. We honored 4 individuals and 1 organization that went the extra mile in 2010 in furthering our cause.

Fundraising Award—Maryrose & Dale Bullock, Board Members; their personal efforts have raised thousands of dollars for our organization over the past 4 years. They have helped to grow our Golf Classic by recruiting sponsors and golfers in the Oneonta area and she has promoted our agency to her sorority sisters and her family.

Promotion of Public Awareness—Stephanie Darwak, Board Secretary; She helped develop the Annual Lupus Awareness Event in Albany, volunteers at the NYS Fair Booth with her family and looks for every opportunity to promote lupus to the public.

Volunteer of the Year—Jackie Taylor, Board Member; Jackie's energy good humor, and efforts over the past 3 years have improved our organization tremendously. She has volunteered at the State Fair, attended advocacy events in Washington, co-chaired our former Loop Ride, volunteered at the Golf Classic and done pretty much any duty she was asked with a smile on her face.

Corporate Award—Wal-Mart store 1677 has generously supported our programs for the past 7 years. Representing them was Oliver Santana, an employee at WalMart who also has lupus. The personnel staff at WalMart has witnessed Oliver's personal struggle with Lupus and has not only supported him but has supported us as well. We could only wish all employers were as accommodating.

Appreciation Award—Sandi Frear, Retiring Board Member; Sandi has been a strong volunteer in both the Florida and New York lupus communities for the past 19 years. She has been a national advocate and passionate spokesperson for lupus and arthritic diseases. Sandi wanted everyone to know she is not retiring from the lupus cause just from the Board of Directors. She will still be visible at our events and always available to help in whatever way she can. Sandi was given a standing ovation in appreciation of her many dedicated years of service to the lupus cause.

The Board of Directors then gave a special presentation led by Stephanie Darwak honoring me for my recent FDA Lupus Patient Representative Appointment. There is an announcement on page 11.

The great coach Vincent T. Lombardi once said, "The achievements of an organization are the results of the combined effort of each individual." That statement pretty much echoes the sentiment we feel about the dedicated volunteers of the Lupus Foundation of Mid and Northern New York and I am honored to be the Volunteer President/CEO of this organization.

Please remember our 10th Annual Lupus Charity Golf Classic on August 13, 2010 and that our organization is in charge of the Lupus Booth at the NYS Fair in August. We have 3-hour shifts available for volunteers to man the booth. Thank you all for your tremendous support and for continuing to help make a positive difference in the lives of those affected by lupus.

Enjoy the rest of the Summer, Stay Cool and Remember the Sunscreen;

We are Here for You —Kathleen

Memorials, Tributes, and Donations

Memorials

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LUPUS ADVOCACY & EDUCATION

Pictured above left to right: LFMNNY Advocates Sandi Frear & Kathleen Arntsen with NIAMS Director Dr. Stephen Katz and Alan Fox, Director, Founder & Managing Partner of FoxKiser; Dr. Jeffrey Siegel from US CDER, FDA and his wife Dianne McCutcheon with Kathleen Arntsen; LFA Spokesperson, Maybelline Model & Actress Tomiko Fraser with Kathleen. Pictured below left to right: LFMNNY Advocates at the LRI Coalition Advocacy Day with NY Congressman Michael Arcuri; Congressman Bill Owens; NY Congressman Maurice Hinchey on March 4th in Washington, DC.

Pictured below left to right: LFMNNY Advocates with NY Congressman Daniel Maffei at the LRI Coalition Advocacy Day in Washington, DC; Author & fellow autoimmune patient Donna Jackson Nakazawa (4th from left) met with LFMNNY Advocates while attending the Autoimmune Summit in Washington in March; LFMNNY President Kathleen Arntsen, Dr. Michelle Petri Professor Division of Rheumatology at Johns Hopkins University, and Lupus Foundation of Genesee Valley Board Chair Julie Mersereau at the NY State Rheumatology Society Meeting on June 11th in NYC.

6th ANNUAL LUPUS EDUCATION SYMPOSIUM

Dr. Andras Perl

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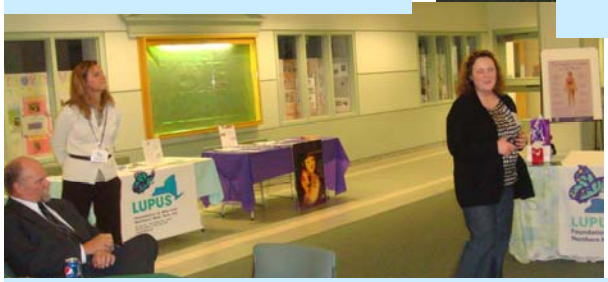

PHA Rep. Stephanie Darwak & PPA Rep. Jaime Venditti

HGS Rep. Paul Stack

Pictured below Appreciation Awards were presented to (1st Row left to right): Volunteer of the Year Jackie Taylor; Board Retiree Sandi Frear; Fundraising Dale & Maryrose Bullock; Awareness Stephanie Darwak. (2nd Row left to right): The Lupus Foundation of Mid & NNY Board honors President Kathleen Arntsen; Corporate Award to Paul Pleuritis & Oliver Santana from WalMart; Diane Robertson receiving FoxKiser's Corporate Sponsor Award from Sandi Frear & Kathleen Arntsen.

“TOOLS FOR TODAY, HOPE FOR TOMORROW”

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Immune Cell's Role in Lupus Nephritis Demonstrated, Paves Way for Safety Testing of Potential New Use for Asthma Drug

National Institutes of Health scientists have discovered that the activation of immune cells called basophils causes kidney damage in a mouse model of lupus nephritis. These findings and the team's associated research in humans may lead to new treatments for this serious disease, a severe form of systemic lupus erythematosus (SLE) that affects the kidneys and is difficult to treat.

In earlier research, the team found that mice engineered to be deficient in a protein called Lyn kinase had exaggerated responses to allergens in early life and developed a lupus-nephritis-like disease in later life. This was determined by monitoring the increase of immunoglobulin E (IgE) responses to normally harmless substances. The new study, published online in Nature Medicine, demonstrates for the first time, in the context of this mouse model, how basophils activated by self-reactive IgE antibodies (antibodies that attack the self instead of germs) might contribute to the kidney damage associated with SLE.

Specifically, the team showed that self-reactive IgEs attached to the surface of basophils, causing them to home to the mouse's spleen and lymph nodes, where they promoted a cascade of cellular events that enhanced the production of more self-reactive antibodies. These antibodies are already known to cause kidney damage by binding with other proteins to form immune complexes that are deposited in the kidneys. Here, they caused inflammation, damage and progressive loss of kidney function.

Furthermore, the scientists demonstrated that inducing the absence of self-reactive IgEs or depleting the population of basophils relieved many of the kidney disease features seen in the mouse model.

To explore the implications of their results in humans, the scientists examined blood samples from 44 people with SLE and found the presence of self-reactive IgEs, as well as an increase in activated basophils, features not seen in healthy controls. Both factors were strongly associated with disease activity and lupus nephritis in the people with SLE, suggesting a potential therapeutic benefit in reducing the levels of self-reactive IgE or of activated basophils.

One such potential treatment, the asthma medicine omalizumab, is already on the market. It blocks IgE from binding to the surface, and potential activation, of basophil cells, which might prevent basophils from promoting kidney inflammation. The NIH team is currently planning a safety study of omalizumab in people with SLE.

"We are excited by the potential of these findings in the treatment of lupus. Obviously, whether omalizumab treatment or other strategies to reduce basophil activation in lupus will prove efficacious remains to be seen. Nonetheless, this work opens new avenues of investigation in lupus and, at the very least, we have gained an understanding of how autoantibody production is enhanced in this disease," said Juan Rivera, Ph.D., the study's senior author and deputy scientific director at the National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases (NIAMS), the NIH institute that conducted the study. Support for the effort was also provided by the National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research.

In addition to testing omalizumab's potential and safety for treating lupus nephritis, Rivera says the group's future research will explore other ways that IgEs can be prevented from binding with basophils. They will also attempt to determine whether or not depleting or inactivating the basophil population might reduce the production of self-reactive antibodies that can lead to kidney damage in SLE.

More information about systemic lupus erythematosus can be found at
http://www.niams.nih.gov/Health_Info/Lupus/default.asp.
More information about the NIAMS Molecular Immunology Section can be found at
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ARNTSEN RECEIVES FEDERAL APPOINTMENT

Lupus advocate and activist Kathleen A. Arntsen has been appointed to a 5-year term as a Special Government Employee (SGE) as the Lupus Patient Representative for the Office of Special Health Issues with the FDA. She was originally nominated in 2002 and the FDA has finally moved forward on appointing SGE's to represent additional diseases such as lupus. She says that she is honored to represent the lupus community and be a patient voice at the FDA on lupus-related issues.

Kathleen Arntsen currently serves as President/CEO of the Lupus Foundation of Mid and Northern New York and has volunteered within the local lupus community for the past 24 years. She has also been very active on both the state and national level as a Patient Advocate and is a persuasive and passionate representative for lupus, rheumatologic, and autoimmune diseases. She has been a tenacious voice for the lupus community and helped in putting a face to autoimmune disease. Kathleen strongly supports patient empowerment and research programs aimed at enhancing quality of life. She is the first recipient of the ACR/ARHP Ann Kunkel Advocacy Award and the first co-recipient of the LFA’s National Advocacy Award and resides in Verona, NY with her very supportive husband David. Congratulations Kathleen, we are fortunate to have you as our representative and locally as our CEO!

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Maria Allen at (585) 275-7167

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6:00pm Awards Dinner
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Lupus Agencies of NY State Exhibit at the NYS Fair
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Science & Industry Building, NYS Fairgrounds in Syracuse, NY

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Wednesday, May 4, 2011
Legislative Office Building Well Albany, New York

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LUPUS AWARENESS IN THE NYS ASSEMBLY & SENATE

Pictured above: Lupus Advocates representing the Seven Lupus Agencies of New York State with Assemblywoman RoAnn Destito, Prime Assembly Sponsor of Lupus Awareness Month in NY State, 2nd row, 2nd in from right on the Assembly Floor on April 28, 2010. An official announcement was made on the Assembly Floor and Assemblywoman Destito introduced the Lupus Agencies of NYS Leaders. Pictured below: Lupus Advocates and Senate Legislative Champions, left to right, Deana Fellows, James & Patricia Mitchell, Eileen Aman, Phil Teague, Senator David Valesky, Senator Joseph Griffo, Prime Senate Sponsor of Lupus Awareness Month in NY State, Kathleen & David Arntsen, Maryrose & Dale Bullock, Julie Mersereau, and Senator James Seward in the Senate Chamber.