



The Fox Valley Brain Tumor Coalition was founded in 2001. As a non profit organization its purpose is to offer educational, emotional, and financial support to those affected with brain tumors.

All monies received from donations and fundraisers go entirely toward assisting brain tumor patients with the costs of treatment and supporting the efforts of new therapies.

The Fox Valley Brain Tumor Support Group meets the third Thursday of each month and is open to brain tumor patients and their families.

For more information, Contact David Bond, APNP, CNRN (920) 882-0818 or 1-888-231-5236

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Meeting Notice

Date:
Thursday, February 18th, 2010

Time:
6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Place:
NeuroSpine Center of Wisconsin
5320 Michaels Drive Appleton

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Thank You for Making A Difference

A day of Pampering.....

The Community Benefit Tree is sponsoring a free event for anyone who has helped make a difference in someone's life who is going through a medical crisis!

Some of the complimentary services include coffee / dessert bar, massage, hair styling / cuts, beauty treatments, wellness coaching and financial guidance.

Sunday, February 21st, 2010 12:00pm - 3:00pm

Tanners Bar & Grill
730 South Railroad Street
Kimberly, WI



Opportunities for Families affected by Brain Tumors

The Angel on My Shoulder group has numerous offerings for Camp Angel and Camp Teen Angel coming up this summer! Go to angelonmyshoulder.org or email them at info@angelonmyshoulder.org or call them at 800-860-3441 for more information! We have had some families do these camps in the past and they can be great! I believe they cover the costs for the event as well!

February Meeting Format

The February brain tumor support meeting will split into two groups. Those affected by brain tumors and the friends, family, and caregivers of those affected by brain tumors. We haven't done this for awhile but it seems to be a friendly change from the single group meeting and allows us to share our feelings that we try to keep from our loved ones.

From the Editor Brian Burns

Do you have a service or product to offer members?
Will you tell us about your brain tumor experience?
Do you have brain tumor questions you would like Dr. Wascher to answer?
Would you like to post a memorial?
Are you wondering why I am asking so many questions?
The Synapse was created to share our questions, experiences, and services with other members as we learn and grow together. Please contact me if you have a contribution or have a particular subject you would like to have addressed.

Submissions must be received no later than the second Monday to be included in that month's Synapse. Please include a phone number where I can reach you. You may remain anonymous.

You may contact me via the Fox Valley Brain Tumor Coalition website
www.fvbtc.org/contact/

Or via conventional mail

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Member Services

Handmade "Caring Cards"

Contact Jolene for a special member greeting from the Fox Valley Support Group

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Engraved glass ornaments for the Tree of Life are available through Appleton Trophy



Researchers Complete Genomic Sequencing of Brain Cancer Cell Line

For the first time, researchers have successfully completed the genomic sequence of a brain tumor cell line, a discovery that may lead to personalized treatments based on the unique biological signature of an individual tumor. Researchers also hope that the findings will aid in unveiling new molecular targets for which more effective and less toxic drugs can be developed. The sequencing revealed virtually all potentially cancer-causing chromosomal genetic deletions and mutations that may have resulted in the development of this particular tumor, a glioblastoma. The study appears in the Jan. 29, 2009 issue of *PLoS Genetics*