



MATTHEW CARTISSER A PROFILE IN COURAGE

CONTENTS

- 1-2 PROFILE IN COURAGE:
GUMBALLS & QUALITY
OF LIFE
- 2 THANC'S RESEARCH
ANALYSTS
- 3-4 AN UPDATE FROM
CATHY LAZARUS, PhD
THNRC RESEARCH
DIRECTOR
- 5 • UPDATE: TCCC
• MARATHONS
- 6 • STOCKTON COLLEGE
WALKATHON
• CHECK-UP FROM
THE NECK UP
• HOLIDAY LUNCHEON
- 7 • ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS
• RECENT NEWS
• FREE LECTURES
• UPDATE: THE LANE
PROJECT
- 8 EVENT CALENDAR

Matthew Cartisser has gone through more in his 10 years of life than anyone should have to endure in a lifetime.

Diagnosed with an aggressive desmoid tumor in the area of his jaw at 12 months of age, Matthew was given a 50% chance of surviving. After a year-long chemotherapy regimen at age 15 months, and 18 surgical procedures later, Matthew can finally open his mouth wide enough to eat foods most ten year olds love, but take for granted; the chance to eat a hotdog on a bun or chew a gumball were incredible achievements for Matthew.

We all take for granted many aspects of the everyday life, such as the ability to open our mouths to eat, speak, brush our teeth, undergo routine dental care and even to express the most basic human emotions. The inability to open ones mouth is referred to as trismus and is experienced by many patients who undergo treatment with radiation and surgery for both benign and malignant tumors of the head and neck. Trismus can range from mild to severe. The problem of trismus can be a quality of life issue but it can also represent a severe health hazard. Patients who need any form of surgery using general anesthesia will require that the anesthesiologist be able to open the patient's mouth, to visualize the larynx, in order to safely perform a routine endotracheal intubation. If a patient should find themselves in an emergency situation, the inability to safely intubate could be a life-threatening problem.

Following radiation therapy and surgery, there is usually a buildup of scar tissue in the muscles that insert into the lower jaw and are normally responsible for jaw opening and closing and also the complex movements of chewing. That scar tissue can prohibit the normal movement of the temporomandibular joints. Some options to help with the problem of trismus include stretching the mouth with exercise, special devices that are designed to

help to break up the scar tissue and certain surgical procedures have been used to actually detach some of the muscles that insert on the lower jaw, in the hope that such a release will permit a more normal opening. However, when these options have failed, most patients are left with the prospects of living their lives and trying to cope with the problem of trismus.

For a child who faces the problem of severe trismus, there are special challenges such as eating a normal diet, undergoing dental or orthodontic care and even participating in normal recreational activities or sports. Yes even the ability to enjoy a gumball can represent a special treat that is beyond the realm of possibility for a young man who has exhausted all of the conventional options for alleviating his severe trismus. In the case of Matthew, it appeared that one last surgical option might provide a solution to this problem, although it represented a complex procedure that had not been used for the treatment of severe trismus. It seemed that a possible solution to this problem was to interpose healthy tissue from another part of Matthew's body that had its own independent blood supply and would serve as a barrier to scar formation. It was believed that this would help to sustain the jaw opening achieved by release of the scar tissue that rapidly developed along the inner aspect of his jaw. Despite the complexity and the risks of the microvascular surgery that involved the transfer of a scapular free flap from Matthew's back to the inner aspect of his jaw, it



Sign up for the e-newsletter and stay current on news & events from THANC.

The THANC Foundation Mission

We are committed to supporting research and education in the early detection and treatment of thyroid and head and neck cancer, to advancing new therapies, and to alleviating the suffering and functional impairment of patients who undergo treatment.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

<i>Chairman</i>	Daniel Buchbinder, DMD, MD
Donald Levy	Hanley Dawson, IV
<i>President & Medical Director</i>	Jack Garraty
Mark L. Urken, MD	Sara Khallifa
<i>Secretary</i>	Eric Lane
William Mumma	Gary Levy
<i>Treasurer</i>	Devin Okay, DDS
Jill Mautner	Mark S. Persky, MD
<i>Executive Director</i>	Wynn Plaut
Erika Rauscher Markowitz	William Rand
	Carmela Sagendorf
	Daniel Schuchman
	Jason Spodek

SCIENTIFIC ADVISORY BOARD

HEAD & NECK CANCER COMMITTEE

Carol Bradford, MD	Ken Hu, MD
Margaret Brandwein-Gensler, MD	Merrill Kies, MD
Daniel Buchbinder, DMD, MD	Cathy Lazarus, PhD
Thomas Carey, PhD	Jacqueline Mojica
William Carroll, MD	Jeffrey Myers, MD
Gary Clayman, MD	David Sidransky, MD
Neal Futran, DMD, MD	Bruce Wenig, MD
Louis Harrison, MD	

THYROID CANCER COMMITTEE

Donald Bergman, MD	Stephanie L. Lee, MD, PhD
Gilbert Daniels, MD	Jeffrey Mechanick, MD
Robert Gagel, MD	Steven Sherman, MD
Hossein Gharib, MD	Samuel A. Wells, Jr., MD
Paul Ladenson, MD	

seemed that it was the only reasonable solution to prevent Matthew from spending the rest of his life struggling with the problem of severe trismus.

The surgery proved to be a success, and the gains that were achieved in the operating room have been sustained for the better part of a year. While his mouth opening is not entirely back to that of a normal child, it is remarkably improved. Perhaps one of the most gratifying emails that the team of surgeons has ever received from a patient came from Matthew after he was able to enjoy his first and long elusive gum ball, an achievement that was modest for most young children, but monumental for him.

When asked in his fourth grade class to write about what it means to be a hero and to tell his class about his hero, the assignment was simple. In Matthew's eyes, "a hero is someone who takes risks. They go above and beyond what a normal person would do. Someone who uses all their courage. Dr. Urken is my hero, because he helps people—he really helped me when no one else could."

Matthew and his family visited all the best hospitals and cancer centers in the Northeast to find a way to help their son. "My mom and dad never stopped looking for solutions." One Boston-based oral surgeon suggested they remove his bottom

jaw. Other surgeons told the Cartisser family there was nothing more they could do in terms of surgery to correct their son's inability to open his mouth.

The success of Matthew's surgery represents a novel solution to a common, but complex problem that will hopefully serve as a model for future patients with this disease.

Matthew's mom, Debby likened her son's journey to fighting a war. "Unlike most surgeons, Drs. Urken and Buchbinder weren't just fighter pilots. They cared about the whole picture—Matthew as a person—his life after treatment and how he would feel about himself."

To other patients who may be struggling with their cancer diagnosis or treatment, Matthew said, "never, never, ever give up. There is always another way to do stuff. You don't have to do things the way everyone else does them. What I have been through has given me more confidence, because I can do most things—and I know how strong I am. I learned from my experience that you have to try new things—because maybe there is a better way."

Despite learning disabilities resulting from his year of chemo-therapy and skipping recess most days to keep up with his school work, Matthew wants to become a doctor to help others in the way Drs. Urken and Buchbinder helped him. ■

THE FOUNDATION

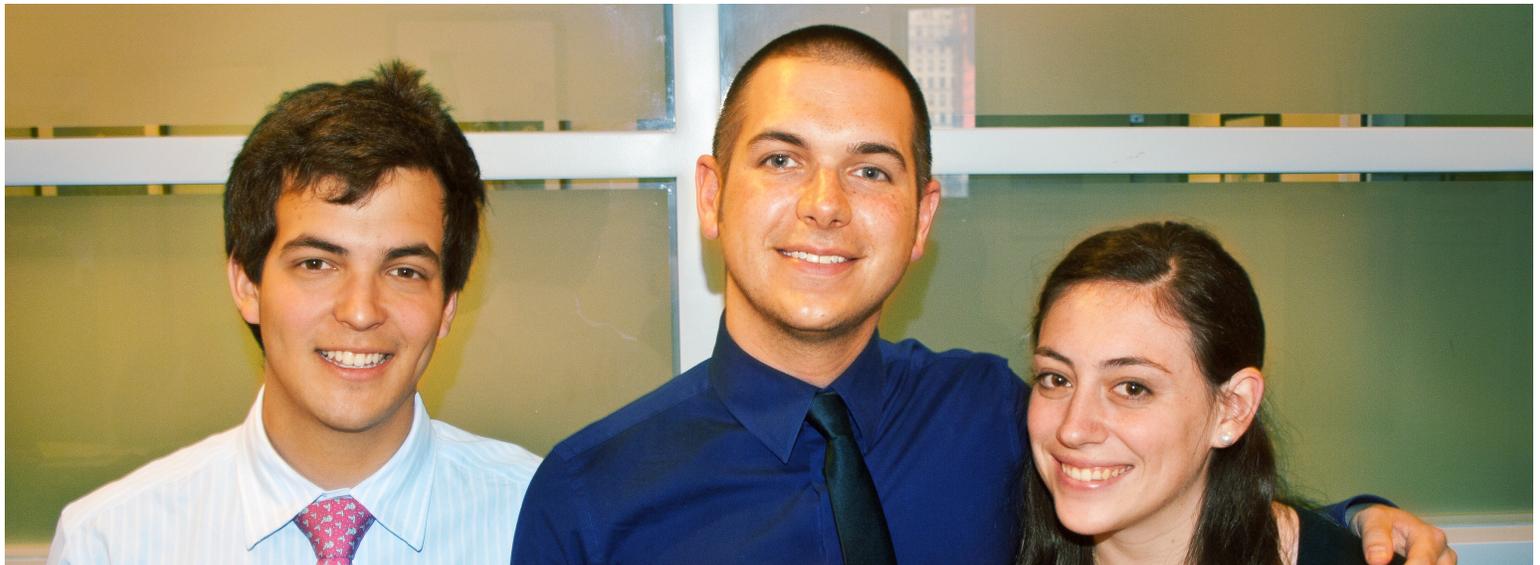
THE STUDENT ANALYSTS OF THANC'S RESEARCH CENTER

Will Karle graduated from the University of Rochester. He took a year off from his studies to contribute to the THANC Research Center and will go into his 4th year of medical school at Albert Einstein College of Medicine. For the past year, he has spent time every week at a local NYC soup kitchen and has also volunteered as a dog socializer for a no-kill animal shelter. In his free time, Will enjoys playing softball.

Jason Clain graduated from Tufts University, volunteering on an ambulance while studying there. He later worked as an EMT for the Greenwich Emergency

Medical Services. He spent the past year at the THANC Research Center and will defer medical school for another year for THANC. Jason enjoys cooking on his spare time.

Sophie Scherl graduated from Brown University. She has also worked the past year within the THANC Research Center and plans on staying another year before attending medical school. She volunteered at Englewood Hospital Emergency room last year. In her spare time, she played squash on her college team at Brown and still plays squash for exercise and relaxation.



Jason Clain, Will Karle, and Sophie Scherl; THANC's student researchers.

RESEARCH

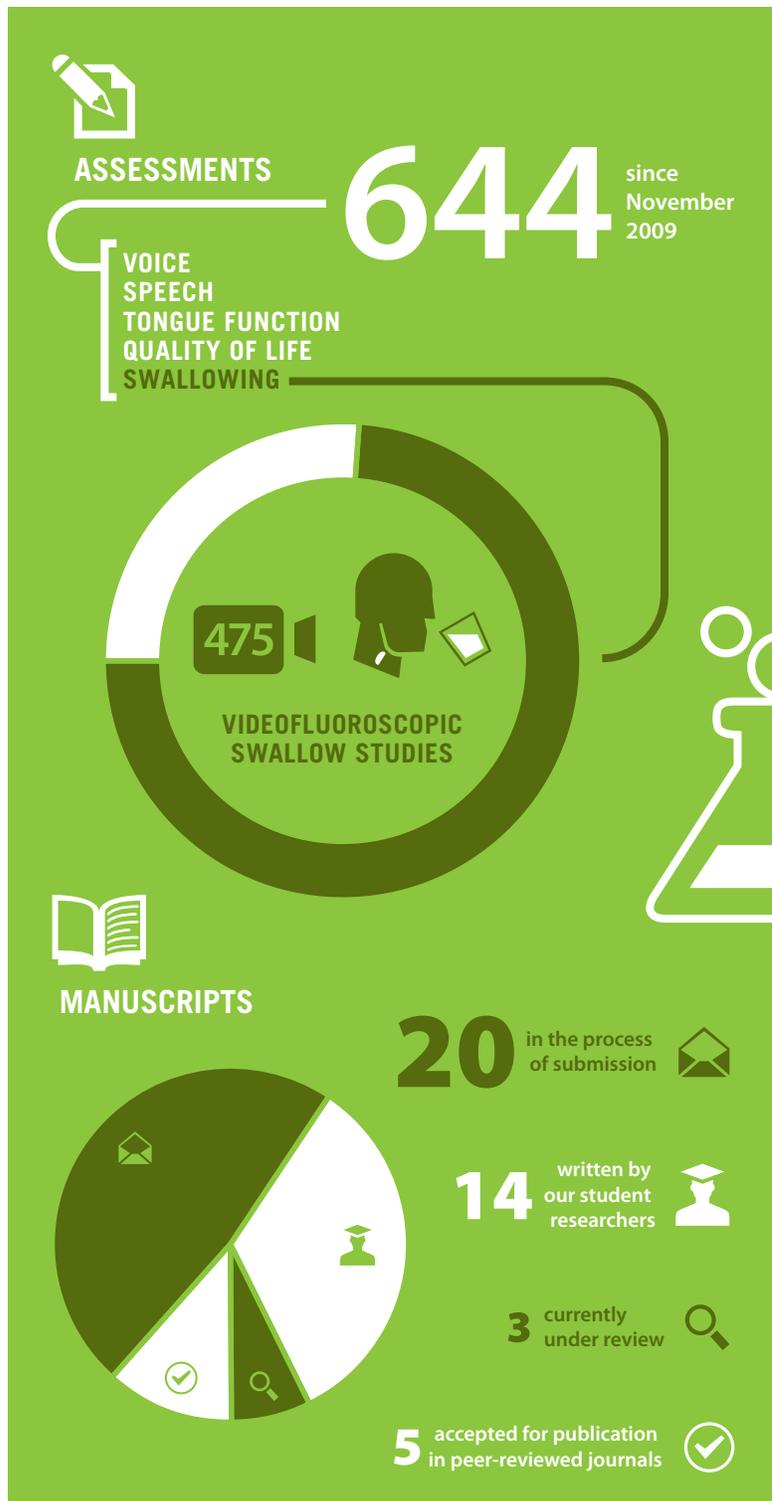
RESEARCH UPDATE: SPRING 2012

Since inception of the Thyroid Head and Neck Research Center (THNRC) in November, 2009, 644 functional assessments of voice, speech, tongue function, swallowing and quality of life have been conducted. Patients have been seen both pre- and post-treatment and patients have undergone chemoradiotherapy and/or surgery.

INSTRUMENTAL SWALLOW EVALUATION Since inception of the Instrumental Swallowing Program, 475 videofluoroscopic swallow studies

(Modified Barium Swallow studies) have been performed utilizing the Kay Swallow Workstation within the Radiology Department, Phillips Ambulatory Care Center, Beth Israel Medical Center. Evaluations are performed collaboratively by the THANC Speech-Language Pathologist and the Beth Israel Medical Center Radiologist.

CURRENT STUDIES The NIH/NCI-funded multi-institutional clinical trial examining the effects of neuromuscular electrical stimulation on swallowing



392

PATIENTS PARTICIPATING IN CURRENT STUDIES

224 functional outcomes studies

19 outcomes studies on the effects of tongue cancer surgery on functional outcomes

33 outcomes studies on the effects of chemoradiotherapy on economic outcomes

7 studies on voice in total laryngectomy

29 studies on the effects of neuromuscular electrical stimulation on swallowing & the quality of life in treated head & neck cancer patients

43 clinical criteria for percutaneous endoscopic gastrostomy tube placement in chemoradiotherapy patients

27 retrospective studies examining the effects of ORN surgery on functioning

3 prospective studies examining the effects of ORN surgery on functioning

5 studies to examine the changes in pharyngeal pressure during deglutition in treated head & neck cancer patients

2 predicting the risk of hypocalcemia in patients undergoing thyroidectomy: the role of vitamin D deficiency

- 1 Janet Levy, Dr. Mark Urken, & Jackie Mojica
- 2 Gary Levy with shootout winner Leonard Bernstein, MD
- 3 Mrs. & Mr. Maniya, Fatima Maniya, and Dr. Mark Urken

- 4 Program from the 9th Annual Golf Outing
- 5 Duke Dawson (Hanley Dawson, V) & Hanley Dawson, IV
- 6 Ed Claffey, Hanley Dawson IV, Fitz Dunne, & John Gavin

AN UPDATE FROM THE RESEARCH DIRECTOR, CONTINUED...

has been conducted within the THNRC since November, 2009. Patient accrual is complete and data analysis is currently being conducted. Twenty-nine subjects were enrolled in this study at the THNRC (second highest accrual across the 20 sites). In addition to the NIH NMES study, 19 other studies are currently being conducted with approval from the BIMC Institutional Review Board (IRB). The total patients participating across IRB approved studies is 392.

NEW STUDIES Four new studies that are pathology-related being spearheaded by Will Karle, Jason Clain and Sophie Scherl, respectively, have received IRB approval. A new study examining the effects of intra-operative radiotherapy (IORT) and surgery is undergoing IRB approval.

MANUSCRIPTS/PRESENTATIONS Five manuscripts have been accepted for publication in peer-reviewed journals within the past 6 months, 3 are currently under review and 20 are in process of submission, with 14 manuscripts being written by the students, Will, Jason and Sophie. Four

presentations have been accepted to the upcoming American Head and Neck Society (AHNS) Meetings this July. In addition, a poster presentation was accepted at the International Dysphagia Research Society (DRS) and won First Place for Best Poster. In addition, 2 posters were presented at the recent Multi-disciplinary Head and Neck Meeting in January, 2012 in Phoenix, AZ and the Triologic Society Combined Society Meeting in January, 2012, Miami Beach, FL, respectively. In addition, 4 book chapters have been completed and are in press.

HEAD & NECK RESEARCH NETWORK (HNRN)

A new THANC research study is currently being submitted to the HNRN for approval. In addition, new data variables for the two newly-approved, THANC-initiated projects have been added to the master database. The dedicated server is working and data entry has begun.

DATABASE DEVELOPMENT The THANC thyroid database (TCCC) continues to be modified and is near completion. The educational modules for patients are currently being finalized.

STUDENT RESEARCHERS The students housed within the THANC Foundation Research Center continue to be very productive, per the section on manuscripts/presentations. They have submitted

3 manuscripts to peer-reviewed journals and one student, Will Karle, has submitted a book chapter in a head and neck textbook edited by faculty within Albert Einstein College of Medicine, Department of Otorhinolaryngology. In addition, the students are currently working on 16 case series and case reports to submit for publication. All of the students have submitted IRB (Institutional Review Board for Human Subjects approval) applications and have received IRB approval for their studies. All have been collaboratively developing protocols, developing databases and collecting data for their studies. In addition, they continue to work on the TCCC database and Lane project. They recently completed a videotape to streamline patient Informed Consent and will be developing and completing other videos to streamline patient consent for other THNRC studies. In addition, they have been involved in the informed consent process and have been consenting patients for various studies within THANC. ■

—Cathy Lazarus, PhD, Research Director THNRC

THE FOUNDATION
PHOTO GALLERY





- 1 Will Karle, Cathy Lazarus, and Jenn Meehan gave their Sunday to volunteer at the marathon.
- 2 Debra & Larry Thorner and their daughter.
- 3 Isa Hull-Fossas and Sophie Scherl

- 4 Jesse Fisher, Erika Markowitz, & Omar Almodovar
- 5 Lauren Lehner, Jason Clain, & Danielle Hamarich

RESEARCH & PATIENT SUPPORT LAUNCHED: THYROID CANCER CARE COLLABORATIVE (TCCC)

Nearly three years in the making, the Thyroid Cancer Care Collaborative (aka TCCC) is ready to launch its initial beta test phase.

The TCCC is a novel approach to the management of patients with thyroid cancer. The TCCC is a HIPAA compliant and free resource that provides a portable medical record for patients and their physicians. This program expedites and improves physician to physician communication and alerts members of the care team when a change is made to the patient’s information. Data will be encrypted and deidentified and held to the highest privacy and security standards. Access will be password protected and limited to the individual user and care team they designate. Information entered by the team of physicians responsible for managing patient treatment plans will be accessible anywhere with internet service. This information will be constantly analyzed by the TCCC application and care protocols will be monitored based on the American Thyroid Association Clinical Practice Guidelines.

Some of the benefits of the TCCC initiative

include the proprietary tap and click imaging modules and the ability of the TCCC to direct the care team to the most pertinent information in a patient’s record. This will save the clinician time and avoid the need to sift through a paper chart.

In addition, a comprehensive library of patient education videos related to thyroid nodules, thyroid cancer and thyroid care will be available to all members.

There are also features that will help physicians make the most informed decisions possible. These clinical decision making modules will assist the community-based physician in providing the best possible care and an ad hoc tumor board can be called to assist the patient who has an unusual clinical course. Ultimately, we hope that this will empower patients to participate in the decisions made about their care through a clearer understanding of the information related to their disease and treatment. Patient’s participation will be free of charge – as this program was made possible by the donation of a generous supporter of THANC.

PATIENT SUPPORT & ATHLETIC EVENTS MARATHONS

On Sunday, May 6, twelve people challenged themselves to do something 99% of the world’s population may never accomplish. They stretched their fitness level by getting to the Monmouth Racetrack in Monmouth, NJ before 6am to begin a 13.1 (or 26.2!) mile journey over bridges and up the boardwalk to the finish line of the Long Branch, NJ marathon and half marathon. The team raised nearly \$20,000 this season to support the mission of THANC. This was the third year in a row that supporters and friends of the foundation came out to this wonderful venue to raise awareness and funds to support research, education and patients struggling with head and neck and thyroid cancer. Over the past three seasons, Team THANC has raised nearly \$75,000.

The team was led by Coach Ralph – who completed his second season of virtual coaching – offering fitness suggestions and tips, a training

schedule for walkers and runners and encouragement for those who needed it along the way. “Completing a half marathon is possible for most people – all it takes is motivation, and a little time – and following a simple training schedule.”

Jeff Harold, the star of this season’s team raised an incredible \$7,676 by sharing his brother –in-law’s struggle with tongue cancer. Jeff completed his first full marathon in an impressive four hours and twelve minutes.

Team THANC is putting together a team for the upcoming Westchester County Half Marathon which will take place on Sunday, October 7 on the beautiful Bronx River Parkway. Join friends, family and survivors for a fun day of fitness and fundraising. Also possible will be a quarter marathon for those not quite up to the challenge of a half marathon. We plan to have training runs in the area for those who live in Westchester and will again offer virtual coaching

and a pasta party for the team the night before the race. Go to www.thancfoundation.org to register or to find out more about becoming a part of the THANC Foundation inaugural Westchester running festival team. We hope to see you on October 7! ■



JOIN THE TEAM
BY JULY 31st
for the
WESTCHESTER
half & quarter
13.1 & 6.55 MI
MARATHON
ON OCTOBER 7th
marathons@thancfoundation.org

TOP-LEFT Lake Fred, near Stockton College.

TOP-RIGHT Caitlyn Hendrie, Karen Donikowski & Ron Burgess.



1 Dr. Arthur Torsiglieri, Edna & Dr. Mark Urken.

2 Carmela Sagendorf & Dr. Urken (seated).

3 Ed Sagendorf, Sophie Scherl, Tara Kelly, Erika Markowitz, Carmela Sagendorf, Jason Clain, Will Karle, & Jesse Fisher.

FUNDRAISING STOCKTON COLLEGE WALKATHON

Back in October 2011, we were contacted by Kristopher Cleary a speech pathology major and member of the Richard Stockton College Speech & Hearing Club. He wanted to hold a walkathon in mid-April 2012 at Lake Fred near the college, the proceeds from which he and the members of his club wished to donate to THANC. We supplied him with promotional materials and bags. When we contacted him in early April, he expected around 100 people to attend the event, which for \$10 per person included a barbeque and DJ entertainment following the walkathon. It seems they surpassed their estimates—they raised over \$4,700. We applaud the efforts of Kris and the Speech & Hearing Club at Stockton College and are gratified to be the recipients of their generosity.



FUNDRAISING CHECK-UP FROM THE NECK UP

The Old Time Saloon in Conshohocken, PA hosted a “check-up from the neck up” event organized by Caitlyn Hendrie. Caitlyn was inspired to raise money to support THANC’s mission when her grandmother, Joan Burgess succumbed to anaplastic thyroid cancer just 6 months after her diagnosis. This tightly-knit community rallied to show their support of Caitlyn and her family—over 120 people attended the event, raising over \$2,200. Live music was performed for free by the band, Oh Mito. Mike Gambone, the owner of the Saloon generously donated the space for the event. Fun was had by all as they bought t-shirts, bid on silent auction prizes, listened to music and watched the Kentucky Derby. Caitlyn hopes to hold this event annually in her grandmother’s memory.



FUNDRAISING HOLIDAY LUNCHEON

While it was cold and raining outdoors, that certainly didn’t affect this amazing event. Charged with the positive holiday spirit, this event was superbly organized by a warm, charity-motivated committee. This witty and welcoming group of women came together to generously support our cause and their friend—THANC Foundation Board Member—Carmela Sagendorf. When the guests arrived, they were greeted, checked-in, and shown into the main hall where a variety of vendors, auction items, and raffle prizes awaited them. The staff of the Fairmount Country Club were gracious and helpful. Of the many vendors there, one of the most notable was a local confectioner who brought an array of treats to sample. There was eye catching work by an entrepreneurial designer who blended her beautifully-detailed graphic art with functional household items.

Without exception, the luncheon

was a great success. \$50,000 was raised, which is \$10,000 greater than the total raised at the event from two years ago. After accounting for all costs, the net raised was \$43,000.

We are grateful to all the guests who attended and are so thankful to those who contributed to managing and directing behind the scenes. Thank you to everyone from the Foundation who made the journey to represent the work of our organization. In particular we would like to express our gratitude to the Charity Luncheon Committee Members, Carmela Sagendorf, Carol Graybeal, Francine Alcorn, Hazel Broadfoot, Donna Dwyre, Nena Green, Sue Gross, Mickey Hackett, Jackie Horn, Barbara Hoyt, Lee Kirwan, Lee Luciano, Lisa O’Donnell, Amy Oyer, Lisa Pillon, Judy Rubino, Cindy Sheelen, Debbie Sweeney, Barbara Troianello, and Becky Wafer.





ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

We would like to bid a warm farewell to our outgoing Fellow: Dr. Sumeet Anand. During his year with Drs. Urken, Jacobson, and Buchbinder, Dr. Anand participated in approximately 110 advanced free tissue reconstructions, 220 thyroid surgeries and several transoral robotics cases. He also conducted research addressing thyroid cancer diagnosis and treatment, advanced reconstruction after cancer, and patient functional impairment and quality of life. He is currently interviewing for attending positions at surgical practices in his native Canada as well as in the New York area. Saral Mehra, MD, MBA, will be joining the team as our new Fellow this June. Welcome, Saral!

RECENT NEWS

Live Twitter Chat

On April 25th, Sara Khalifa joined Drs. Richard Smith and Michael Prystowsky in a live Twitter discussion hosted by The Albert Einstein College of Medicine. As a thyroid cancer survivor, THANC Foundation board member and patient advocate for the Institute for Head and Neck and Thyroid Cancer she offered a unique perspective on oral, head and neck cancer prevention, detection and treatment. To follow the conversation that took place on Twitter, search for #HeadNeckCancer. We learned a lot and hope that others that observed the dialogue discovered something new, as well.

Oral Cancer Awareness

Our annual free oral cancer screening was well-attended on April 21st. It included a comprehensive oral cancer examination administered by THANC's fellow, Dr. Sumeet Anand. Oral cancer is one of the most common yet most preventable cancers. Out of 70,000

people diagnosed this year with head and neck cancer, 30% will include cancer of the oral cavity. While most people are aware of the link between smoking and lung cancer, few realize that the use of tobacco products is the primary cause of oral cancer. Among people who neither smoke nor drink, this type of cancer is nearly non-existent.

10th Anniversary Gala

We are excited to celebrate the 10th Anniversary of the founding of THANC. The Tribeca Rooftop will host our gala on Thursday, May 2, 2013. We will honor patients and volunteers, while celebrating the accomplishments we have made over the last 10 years. To be involved in the planning of this event, to reserve a table, or to ensure you will receive an invitation please contact us at info@thancfoundation.org

PATIENT SUPPORT

LANE PROJECT UPDATE

Over the past few months the Lane Project has made significant progress towards the production of an interactive resource for patients and their families so they may better cope with and understand the head and neck cancer journey. This project received support through the very generous donation of the Lane family in memory of Peter Lane.

After vetting a half-dozen companies, we found our partners in a medium-sized company, HCB Health based in Austin, Texas. HCB broke ground with extensive interviews of patients and families affected by head & neck cancer. THANC is extremely grateful to the families and patients who gave significant amounts of time discussing a topic that can be very difficult to navigate.

We can see how the website will take shape. Its design gives the end-user the option of simply browsing the content or engaging the site interactively, allowing it to suggest relevant media and pages.

We continue to work hard, ensuring that this project covers both the medical and the emotional side of the head & neck cancer journey. We have faith that this project will become an invaluable resource for patients and their families for years to come. ■

SPOHNC

THANC is pleased to sponsor the Manhattan chapter of this national organization, which meets monthly on every fourth Thursday in the Institute's conference room at 10 Union Square East, Suite 5-B, New York, NY 10003.



SAVE THE DATE

2012 WESTCHESTER 1/2 & 1/4 MARATHON
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2012

For more information visit
www.thancfoundation.org

Or send an email inquiry
info@thancfoundation.org

PATIENT SUPPORT

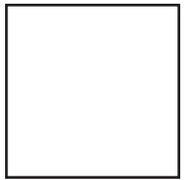
FREE LECTURES FROM THE CANCER ADVOCACY PROJECT

Just prior to the New Year, we were approached by a graduate law student interning for the non-profit Cancer Advocacy Project to host a short series of free lectures. The idea was to join forces to serve the public and mutually accomplish our respective missions. After the first few email exchanges the potential for patient outreach became clear.

We scheduled four lectures spaced throughout the 2012 calendar year on a variety of topics relevant to patients. At the first lecture on February 28th, Pat Rocourt Esq. gave the audience an arsenal of information pertaining to the preparation of life-planning documents. She addressed misconceptions and outlined the steps necessary in creating wills, authorizing powers of attorney, and designating health proxies. This presentation was well-attended; the second floor auditorium was nearly filled. The next lecture will take place

on Tuesday, August 7th. Wendy Luftig will give a presentation on all facets of health insurance coverage for cancer survivors and their families. Common reasons for the denial of health insurance claims and techniques for negotiating resolutions to disputes after exhausting the appeals process will be revealed. The third lecture on October 2nd will cover employment discrimination and the rights of cancer patients who find themselves discriminated against. The last lecture in this series will be held on November 27th. The guest lecturer will discuss the rights and options of patients and their caregivers when dealing with medical debt.

For information about any of these lectures, explore: www.thancfoundation.org. For more information on the Cancer Advocacy Project and their mission, visit: www.citybarjusticecenter.org



EVENT CALENDAR 2012-13

RSVP

Take part in any of the events listed.
Just send an email including the title of the event in the subject line to:
rsvp@thancfoundation.org

eNEWSLETTER

Sign up to receive our seasonal newsletters in your email inbox.
www.thancfoundation.org

		JULY 14 5-mile Run Belmar, NY	JULY 26 SPOHNC Meeting 2:00–4:00 pm	AUGUST 7 Free Lecture Private Insurance: Coverage Denials & the Appeals Process 6:30–8:00 pm	AUGUST 23 SPOHNC Meeting 2:00–4:00 pm	SEPTEMBER 27 SPOHNC Meeting 2:00–4:00 pm
OCTOBER 2 Free Lecture Employment Discrimination & the Rights of Cancer Patients and Survivors 6:30–8:00 pm	OCTOBER 7 Westchester Half & Quarter Marathon White Plains, NY	OCTOBER 25 SPOHNC Meeting 2:00–4:00 pm	NOVEMBER 15 SPOHNC Meeting 2:00–4:00 pm	NOVEMBER 27 Free Lecture Medical Debt: Cancer Patients' and Survivors' Rights & Options 6:30–8:00 pm	DECEMBER 20 SPOHNC Meeting 2:00–4:00 pm	MAY 2 10th Anniversary Gala Celebration Save the Date!