



BRAINUP SUMMER NEWSLETTER

Happy Summer Everyone,
We wanted to share with you some of the exciting things in store in the coming months for BrainUp and our hospital partners!
Please enjoy,

Dan Kusach Meg Kusach

Cheers for Charity

CHEERS FOR CHARITY!

Join BrainUp for a private event at
Lagunitas Chicago TapRoom
Tuesday, August 29, 2017 from 5:30pm-8:30pm

 **\$10 Tickets/\$6 Beers**
Free Food & Parking
Split the Pot Raffle

Must be 21+
For more info: go to www.BrainUp.ngo

Save the Date!

Our second Cheers for Charity event is taking place on Tuesday, August 29 at Lagunitas. We will be in a new room this year so register today as there are limited tickets available.

Cheers for Charity was a great event last year and we're looking forward to another wonderful evening!
Hope to see you there!!

To register, please visit [here](#)

BrainUp 2nd Annual 5K Run/Walk
Sunday, October 15 from 8am - 12pm
Soldier Field - Stadium Green
(SE Lawn Outside the Stadium)

Hosted by Jackie Bange, WGN-Anchor
and Garry Meier, Acclaimed Radio Host

you go on the [Soldier Field Event page](#) our event is listed there!

We are anticipating over 1,000 participants at the run/walk this year and are excited that Soldier Field's lawn space is big enough to accommodate our full crowd. The 5K timed race will run South along the running paths on the Lakefront Trail. The 3K walk will head North towards Museum Campus and continue along the scenic Lakeside walking paths. Both of these routes will feature breathtaking views of Chicago. It's sure to be a day that locals and visitors will enjoy!

If you need assistance registering for our event, securing a sponsor or with general event questions, you can reach MaryGrace at marygrace@poweredbyprofessionals.com or 646-278-6727.

Register Today for the Run/Walk

Register as an individual, register as a team or make a donation

[Visit BrainUp.ngo](#)

Volunteer With Us

Volunteer support is key! If you are interested in volunteering at the run/walk or you know of anyone interested, please follow the link below.

[Sign Up to Volunteer](#)

Post Walk

Join us at Aurelio's Pizza on S. Michigan and Roosevelt following the run/walk for a post-walk celebration! All are welcome and a portion of the proceeds made that afternoon will be donated back to BrainUp by Aurelio's owner and family friend of the Kresachs, Joe.

More details to come.



BrainUp's Plans for the Money Raised

BrainUp has been working hard to make sure that the money raised is used in the right capacity. As a newer organization, we are learning that raising money is hard, but determining where the money should go and how it is spent is even harder! To narrow down our decision, we have met with leading hospitals in the Chicago area:

University of Chicago
University of Illinois at Chicago
NorthShore University HealthSystem
Northwestern Medicine

All four of these wonderful hospitals have agreed to be a collaborative on a **Phase 1 Clinical Trial**.

There is a lot of work left to do, but the Trial has been approved by the governing body that reviews, rates and approves trials. Last month, the Kresachs met with the principal investigator, Dr. B. Yamani at the University of Chicago, and he made a few adjustments to the trial and had to resubmit. This process takes time and moves slow, but it is all worth it in the end. Along the way we have found that if exact instructions are not given on our funding, the money can be miss-allocated, misspent, etc. We want you to know that we are being thoughtful with the process.

Trial will tentatively start at the beginning of 2018!

Who We Gave Money To in 2017

Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago

Homewood Cancer Support Center

Supporting their Brain Cancer Support Group

Michael Matters

An Organization that gives small grants to families fighting brain cancer to assist with the cost of living or transportation etc.

RUSH is rebuilding their Neuro-Oncology Team!

Our friends at RUSH are still by our side and we are in close contact with them. We would like to welcome RUSH's new Neuro-Oncology team, Dr. Clement Pillainayagam and Dr. Julie Nam, who have both come from MD Anderson to work at the Coleman Foundation Comprehensive Brain Tumor Clinic at RUSH.

We share this important information with you to let you know how excited these institutions are to know there is an organization like BrainUp out there to help in the fight against brain cancer. Thank you for supporting BrainUp and the work that we do!

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Questions?

Email info@brainup.ngo

Sign up, Join us, Love to you all!

Don't forget to connect with us on [Facebook!](#)
Help us reach our goal of 2,000 followers in 2017!

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