

# Thank You!

The Transverse Myelitis Association Children's and Family Workshop has been made possible through the hard work of many people, through the donations of thousands of dollars, through the contributions of information, time and experience and through the donations of goods and services. We would like to recognize the people, foundations, and companies who have so generously made this wonderful opportunity possible.

The Transverse Myelitis Association's goal for the Children's and Family Workshop was to raise sufficient funds so that none of the families would have to pay a registration fee to cover the workshop expenses. The TMA accomplished this goal. And we did so because of the hard work of our members who have raised thousands of dollars. We promised our TMA families from the beginning of this endeavor that every single dollar raised above the cost of the workshop would be deposited into the TM research fund. We are going to be able to accomplish that goal, as well. We are so grateful for the many hours of hard work that went into raising these dollars and to the selfless and generous donations that have come from you and your families and friends.

We were also able to accomplish our financial goals for the workshop, because we were able to minimize our costs. This was made possible, in large part, by the generous donations of goods and services that we have received from the central Ohio business community. These businesses have been very supportive of our efforts, and the TMA is so appreciative of this support.

## Presenters, Companions, and Assistants

The Workshop presenters, the companions for the children during the fieldtrips and the assistants who will be performing various jobs during the workshop have come from Columbus, and from all across the country. In addition to donating time and expertise, those who have come from across the country are also donating their travel and hotel costs.

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Department of Neurology  
University of Kentucky  
Lexington, KY

**Annette Haban Bartz, MS, RD, LD**  
Clinical Nutrition  
Children's Hospital  
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Children's Hospital  
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Presenter;  
Recreation Adventure Coordinator

**Bonnie Boenig, OT**  
Olmsted Falls, OH  
Presenter

**Master Tony Brown  
and Naomi Brown**  
Yang Style Tai Chi Chuan  
Kung-Fu School  
Powell, OH  
Presenters

**Ken Campbell**  
Nisonger Center  
The Ohio State University  
Columbus, OH  
Presenter

**Helene Siegel Cantor, OT**  
Needham, MA  
Companion, Assistant

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Hemet, CA  
Companions, Assistant

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Strongsville OH  
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**Lori Stralow Harris**  
Western Springs IL  
Presenter, Companion

**Venkata R. Jayanthi, MD**  
Urology Department  
Children's Hospital  
Columbus OH  
Presenter

**Kathleen Cardona and  
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Assistant Professor, Neurology  
Director, Johns Hopkins Transverse  
Myelitis Center  
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Companion, Presenter;  
TMA Medical Advisory Board

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Presenter;  
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**Warren D. Lo, MD**  
Department of Neurology  
Children's Hospital  
Columbus, OH  
Coordinator  
Dr. Lo, a pediatric neurologist, was  
instrumental in coordinating the speakers  
from Children's Hospital.

**Stephen J. Miller, AIBD**  
Jamestown, OH  
Presenter, Assistant, Companion

**Mary Beth Moore**  
Director, Therapeutic Recreation  
Columbus Parks and Recreation  
Department  
Columbus, OH  
Presenter,  
Recreation Adventure Coordinator

**Leslie Morrison, MD**  
Associate Professor, Pediatric Neurology  
University Health Sciences Center  
Albuquerque, NM  
Presenter

**Donna Owens**  
ORCLISH  
The Ohio Department of Education  
Columbus, OH  
Presenter

**Mari Jo Pesavento, PT, PCS**  
Chicago IL  
Presenter

**Anne and Frank Pidcock, MD**  
Associate Director of Rehabilitation  
Assistant Professor of Physical Medicine  
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Kennedy Krieger Institute  
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Baltimore MD  
Companion, Presenter

**Aaron Siegel and Hanni Kinson**  
Powell, OH  
Companions, Assistants

**Rae Anne Nutter, CTRS**  
Therapeutic Recreation Specialist  
Columbus Recreation and Parks  
Columbus, OH  
Presenter, Recreation Adventure

**David Siegel**  
Powell, OH  
Companion, Assistant

**Lawrence J. Siegel, PHD**  
Dean, Ferkauf Graduate School of  
Psychology  
Albert Einstein College of Medicine  
Yeshiva University  
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**Sandy and Pauline Siegel**  
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Powell, OH  
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Presenter

**Ann Weidenbenner, MS RD LD**  
Bureau for Children with Medical  
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Ohio Department of Health  
Presenter

**Maureen and Walter Hallagan**  
Penfield NY  
Musician and Story-Teller, Companions;  
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James Mathewson  
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## **Donations of Goods and Services**

### **Nik Niland, Graphic Artist**

Design of the TMA logo and the TMA Children's and Family Workshop logo; design of the workshop signs. Nik is a great friend of ours and of the Associations. We are so grateful for his work and his support and his creativity. Nik also designed the beautiful Reading for Rachel Program logo.

### **Jim Lubin, Information Technology Director, TMA Board Member**

Web site design, Proprietor of the TMA Logo Store

Jim has performed all of the computer and web work for the Children's and Family Workshop page. He will be posting all of the presentation handouts, PowerPoint presentations and video from the workshop. He will also be posting all of the photographs that we send him of the workshop activities. This entails an enormous amount of work, and we so appreciative of Jim's expertise and skill and the generous donation of his time and efforts in making all of this internet magic happen for all of us!

### **Family Treasures**

Columbus, OH

Geoffrey J. and Sandra Cutler

Matthew Ball

Phil Cook

In the beyond-the-call-of-duty category, Geoff and Sandra Cutler have donated the resources of their videography company to the TMA Children's and Family Workshop for the entire weekend, as well as the work that will be required to edit the videos for reproduction and posting on the web site after the completion of the workshop. In addition to all of the equipment involved, Geoff, Sandy, Matt and Phil are donating countless hours of their time to the videotaping and creative editing of our workshop. Words just cannot adequately convey our gratitude for their generous support.



Monks has donated many of the copying and printing services for the workshop. For those of you who read the TMA newsletters, you are aware of the incredible support the Association receives from the Monks Copy Shops. Once again, Monks has provided the TMA with their generous support of our efforts. Ken and Diann – Thank you!



The notebooks have been donated by ACCO. This donation was arranged through Pauline's good friend, Susan Petrak, of the Corporate Express. Susie and her family are great supporters of the TMA. We are always appreciative of their support.

## **Contributions from Individuals**

### **Hopathon Fundraiser: The Blandfords, Cincinnati, OH**

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### **Reading for Rachel: The Dorocaks, Strongsville, OH**

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# Radisson

Planning a workshop is not easy. We have been dependent on the Radisson Hotel to assist us in much of this planning and coordination. We would like to thank Melissa Latvala for her assistance in this effort. A very very special thanks go to Michelle See, Sales Manager of the Radisson. She has been involved in the daily work of our planning. She has given so much of her time and expertise to our workshop. And she has provided us with the best service and the most reasonable accommodations possible. Michelle began to care about the children with TM early in the process. I have watched her *work* on the workshop transformed into a *support* and *commitment* to our cause. Over the past year, she has been a great support to me and the TMA. Thank you, Michelle. The TMA owes you a great debt of gratitude for all of your hard and caring work.



Thank you to the Big Bear Stores for their donation of most of the items for the fieldtrip and recreation adventure lunches. Their support of our workshop has allowed us to increase the funding for future TM research.

### The Hygenic Corporation

The Hygenic Corporation has generously donated the Thera-band upper and lower body exercise sets for the children who are attending the workshop. Thank you!



The TMA Children's and Family Workshop signs were donated by ATLAS Blueprints & Supply.



Thank you to the Greater Columbus Chamber of Commerce for the opportunity for our workshop participants to attend the Jazz & RibFest through the provision of the very rare and valuable parking passes.

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