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EDMONTON & NORTHERN ALBERTA CHAPTER

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Thank You Kin!

CONGRATULATIONS Kin Canada on reaching the **\$40 million dollar fundraising milestone** this year since the beginning of our partnership in 1964.

THANK YOU Kin Canada for being an amazing partner to Cystic Fibrosis Canada for 48 years!

Sunny Skies & Great Strides!

This year's Edmonton Great Strides Walk was another success for the Edmonton Chapter. The day started off bright and warm and only got better. We saw nearly 500 walkers attend this year, and teams got into the spirit with matching shirts and great energy! Participants used our shuttle buses, which were generously donated and driven by Edmonton Transit. The walk was emceed by Ryan Jespersen and we had lots of great entertainment out for the family—face painting, airbrush tattoos, balloon animals, a clown and much more. A BBQ lunch was waiting for walkers when they returned thanks to the grilling help from Spruce Grove & Stony Plain Kinsmen.

In addition to the walk in Edmonton, energetic volunteers organized walks in Grande Prairie, Leduc, Fort McMurray and (new this year) Whitecourt. Lloydminster hosted a golf tournament instead of a walk to raise funds.

Once donations and sponsorships were tallied the walks raised roughly \$250 000! Thanks to our many volunteers who made these walks possible.





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Mission

Cystic Fibrosis Canada helps people with cystic fibrosis. It funds research towards the goal of a cure or control for CF, supports high quality care, promotes public awareness of the disease and raises and allocates funds for these purposes.

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President's Message:

The hard work and dedication of our volunteers, staff and board members makes the Edmonton and Northern Alberta Chapter one of the strongest in Canada. In 2011 you raised an Edmonton chapter record of \$485,000. Only Toronto and Vancouver raised more last year. I am honored to take over the Presidency from Patti Magnan and hope to contribute to the ongoing success and growth of this chapter.

The money raised is making a difference! The first medication to treat the underlying cause of cystic fibrosis and not just the symptoms was approved by the FDA this year. Unfortunately, this drug Kalydeco will only benefit 4% of the CF population. Cystic Fibrosis Canada is working with the Federal Government and the drug company towards approval in Canada. This is close to my heart, as I have an eleven year old daughter, Heather, who would benefit from this drug. Your time, energy and dedication are the reason that a cure/control is just around the corner. You are giving hope to my family and many others. Thank you! Without people like you stepping forward we will never realize our dream of a cure for cystic fibrosis and people like Heather will pass away gasping for breath.

—Scott Hanna

Help Us Raise Funds!

Trip Raffle Tickets

What is your dream vacation? Imagine winning a **\$5000 gift certificate** to be used toward a vacation of your choice! Imagine the fun you would have if you won this great prize!

Tickets are now available to buy or sell!

\$10/each



Grey Cup Raffle Tickets

Are you looking for an **easy way to help raise \$\$\$ for research** that fits into your busy lifestyle? We would be happy to mail out \$2 raffle tickets to your home for you to sell to family, friends or coworkers. These tickets can add a little more fun to a Grey Cup Party!

Whether you live in Edmonton or a smaller community, this project will work for you!

Call (780)466-2265 weekdays or (780)466-6044 evenings for tickets.

\$2/ ticket



Casino

Once every 2 years our chapter has the opportunity to raise a great deal of money for medical research through volunteer work at a casino. Please mark your calendars for **Wednesday & Thursday February 6&7, 2013** and let us know if you're able to help with a daytime or evening shift. As you volunteer, you will have an opportunity to enjoy the wonderful support that family members of those with CF share when they come together to volunteer!

For more information:

Call: 780-466-2265

Email: kirvine@cysticfibrosis.ca

If you would like to sell tickets and are unable to come into the office, we are happy to mail them to you.

Upcoming Events:

FRENCH FLING

Join us for a sophisticated evening of wine tasting and delicious hors d'oeuvres provided by Le Persaud at La Cite Francophone. Wines will be from a variety of French regions. There will be a silent & live auction with a selection of unique items. All funds raised will go towards funding research and clinical care.

Go to Frenchfling.eventbrite.com for tickets to this great evening!

Cystic Fibrosis Spectacular

FOUR LADS Who Shook the World The Beatles Story: Part 2

Saturday, October 13, 2012

Join us for another great evening of theatre, food and a silent auction!

"It was twenty years ago today...well actually, it's about forty five years ago (ouch)! That's when Sgt. Pepper taught the band to play, and that's where Four Lads Who Shook the World: Part 2 kicks off. This sequel to last season's popular hit will conclude our story, taking us through the incredibly creative era of 1967 - 1970. Back from America and determined to never perform live again, The Beatles embarked on the most creative and incredible journey in pop music history. From Sgt. Peppers and Magical Mystery Tour in 1967 to Apple and the White Album in 1968, the Beatles changed everything. 1969 and 1970 saw the Four Lads venture off as individuals both personally and musically, but still managed to record two of the greatest albums of all time; Abbey Road, a crowning achievement in all aspects and Let it Be, a virtual documentary on the demise of the greatest band of all time."

To purchase tickets: go to www.mayfieldtheatre.ca

Success for local Edmontonian

On June 8, 2012 at New York City's Lincoln Centre, Edmontonian Melanie Bouclin graduated from St. George's University as a doctor of veterinary medicine. Melanie is a CF adult who had previously earned BEd degree from the University of Alberta. As you can imagine, before reaching the DVM graduation day, Melanie faced several interruptions to her studies due to periods of illness. However between her own incredible determination and the vigilant support of her husband and parents and her medical team (Dr. Brown, Joan and CF Clinic staff, and her pharmacist aunt Lorraine), Melanie is now Dr. Bouclin, DVM. Congratulations!

Melanie has not yet decided where she will set up practice, but along with Tobra, Sophie, Barney and Pearl (the four dogs she adopted while studying in Grenada), her family and friends all hope she is back in Edmonton to stay.





Condolences

Condolences to the family and friends of
Haley Gall.

She will be remembered for her strong will, unique personality and love of animals

Rest easy, Haley.

-Joan Tabak, on behalf
of the Edmonton CF
Clinic

Yellowknife Art Fair Raises Funds for CF

This summer the Embeltons organized a craft fair in Yellowknife to raise funds for cystic fibrosis research. About half a dozen vendors came out to show their crafts and also donated items to be used for silent auctions. Many individuals stopped by the fair and expressed their enjoyment of the event. There was some music and a BBQ, and a great deal of community support.

Events like these not only help raise funds, but also increase public awareness of cystic fibrosis. If you would like help organizing a community event, give our office a call and we can offer ideas and support!



Students Race Towards a Cure



On Sunday, May 6, 2012, 48 Jr. High students from Ecole Meridian Heights School in Stony Plain participated with other runners in the Bloomsday run in Spokane, Washington. Along with 47 000 other runners, they pushed themselves to complete the race and raise funds for charity. The school takes students to this race each year, and every year they choose a charity to support. This past school year, the students learned about CF, and it helped them to understand not to take their good health for granted. Bob Cochrane, the organizing teacher, taught a student with CF in the past and felt he wanted to do something to support those who suffer from this disease.

We extend our thanks to these great youth and staff who are making a difference!

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