



CROHN'S & COLITIS FOUNDATION OF AMERICA

GREATER NEW YORK CHAPTER

Chapter Newsletter

September, 2011

Camp Oasis Celebrates its 10th Anniversary!

During the week of August 16th, over 150 campers from all over the north-eastern United States attended CCFA's Camp Oasis in Elizaville, New



York. 2011 marked the 10th Anniversary of this summer program for kids and teens with Inflammatory Bowel Diseases. Campers spent the week making new friends, swimming, boating, playing games, and participating in a dance-a-thon that raised over \$6,000 for CCFA!

Do you know a child who suffers from Crohn's Disease or ulcerative colitis? The Greater New York Chapter will be hosting its annual **Pediatric IBD Day on October 16, 2011**.

For more information contact Sergio Seijas at 646-388-9290 or sseijas@ccfa.org

Join us for our annual Patient Education Symposium!

Sunday, September 18, 2011

8:30 AM to 3:30 PM

The Lighthouse International Conference Center

111 East 59th Street, New York, NY 10022-1202

Learn about the latest advances in IBD treatment with lectures and breakout sessions:

Keynote: Know Your Rights : Health Insurance in the Age of Reform, Jennifer C. Jaff, Esq.

To register, go to: <http://online.ccfa.org/PESI1> or

contact Sergio Seijas at 646-388-9290 , ext. 1 or sseijas@ccfa.org

Symposium made possible in part with grants from the Arnold P. Gold Foundation; HSBC, USA, inc.; and UCB.



Message from the Executive Director:

Our largest Patient Education event of the year is THIS Sunday, September 18th! This is a once-a-year opportunity to hear from top doctors about the latest and greatest research and breakthroughs taking place in the field of IBD. RSVP now at <http://online.cdfa.org/pes11>!

DID YOU KNOW?

One of CCFA's top three priority projects is the Genetics Initiative. This study has 15 one-year pilot projects currently underway that are focusing on two areas of genetics:

- Understanding the mechanisms by which IBD-associated genetic variants influence disease susceptibility
- Identifying biomarkers that predict patient outcome and response to treatment

Thanks in large part to CCFA-funded research, there are over 100 genes that have been associated with a genetic risk for Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis. The Genetics Initiative is now addressing the next step; studying the functional role that these genes play in the disease and exploring the potential for correcting the defects caused by these susceptibility genes.

The potential impact of this research includes better diagnostic tests, prognostic indicators and therapies for IBD. Researchers strive to be able to better predict disease course for individual patients and create optimal individualized treatment.

Please feel free to contact me at anytime if you have questions about the Foundation's work. I would love to meet you and tell you more!

Rhonda

Team New York is now recruiting for Las Vegas 2011!



Sign up for an info session at

<http://www.ccteamchallenge.org>

If you're a novice runner or walker, do something you never thought you could! You'll have full support straight through to the finish line. Experienced runners and walkers can put their abilities to the test, and get energized by being part of an amazing team! You'll make new friends and great memories as you train and celebrate with others like you who care.

Team NYC:

contact Megan Haran at 646-388-9293
mharan@ccfa.org

Team Brooklyn:

contact Stacey Clark at 646-388-9284
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CCFA Greater New York Chapter Upcoming Events:

Patient Education and Support

For more information contact Sergio Seijas: 212-679-1570, ext. 1 sseijas@ccfa.org

Patient Education Symposium

September 18, 2011

The Lighthouse International: 111 East 59th Street, New York, NY 10022

Register at: <http://online.ccfa.org/pes11>

First Tuesdays Open Support Group

October 4, 2011: 6:30-8:00 PM

386 Park Avenue South, 14th Floor, New York, NY 10016

Pediatric IBD Day

October 16th, 2011

Dave and Busters: 234 West 42nd Street, New York, NY 10036

Third Wednesdays Women's Support Group

October 19, 2011: 6:30-8:00 PM

386 Park Avenue South, 14th Floor, New York, NY 10016

September 14, 2011 : Team Challenge Manhattan Info Session, 8:15 PM

Lululemon: 1127 3rd Ave., Manhattan

Contact Megan Haran: 646-388-9293 or mharan@ccfa.org

September 15, 2011 : Team Challenge Brooklyn and Manhattan Info Session, 6:30 PM

Sidebar: 120 East 15th Street, Manhattan

Contact Megan Haran: 646-388-9293 or mharan@ccfa.org

September 15, 2011: CCFA Theater Club presents, "Anything Goes," 8:00 PM

\$350 for two tickets:

Contact Ed Muñoz at 212-679-1570, ext. 2 or emunoz@ccfa.org

3rd Annual
BET YOUR A\$\$ OFF
CASINO NIGHT

CCFA CROHN'S & COLITIS FOUNDATION OF AMERICA
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Third Annual Casino Night
Hosted by The Young Professionals
Honoring Board Member
& YP Committee Member
William Rose
Crimson
915 Broadway at 21st Street, NYC
Thursday, October 20, 2011
Doors Open at 7 PM
Open bar and food provided

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For tickets go to: <http://online.ccfa.org/casimonight2011>

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September 27, 2011: CCFA at the Mets (see page 4)

Citi Field

Contact Danielle Thibault at 212-679-1570, Ext. 4 or dthibault@ccfa.org

October 20, 2011: Bet Your A\$\$ Off:

Young Professionals Casino Night: Crimson

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October 30, 2011: Take Steps Walk Brooklyn

Prospect Park

Contact Danielle Thibault at 646-388-9283 or dthibault@ccfa.org



CROHN'S & COLITIS AWARENESS NIGHT 2011



Tuesday, September 27 at 7:10 p.m. • METS VS. REDS

- Join the New York Mets, the Crohn's & Colitis Foundation of America, and supporters as we raise awareness for Crohn's & Colitis.
- Sit with family, friends and CCFA supporters in our Left Field Reserved seats.
- **\$8.00** of each ticket sold will benefit the Crohn's & Colitis Foundation of America.
- All those who purchase through this offer will receive a Mets Ticket Holder & Lanyard.

Left Field Reserved seats \$36 each
(seating subject to availability)

Visit mets.com/ccfa for more information and to purchase tickets!

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Mets

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BE HEARD**
FOR CROHN'S & COLITIS

**Take Steps Brooklyn
October 30, 2011
Prospect Park!**

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