



The Chapter-Link

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Save the Dates 2023



Columbus Walk
Sunday, September 10th
Coffman Park Pavilion
Dublin OH 43017

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Cincinnati Walk
Sunday, September 17th
Winton Woods Park
Cincinnati OH 45231

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Dayton Walk
NEW LOCATION
Sunday, September 24th
Day Air Ballpark
Dayton OH 45402

Get Us To the Goal!

This year, we're gearing up for our three Walks to be bigger and better than ever! That's because the fight against ALS takes all of us. Please join us for the Walk near you!

If you haven't been to our Walk before, you'll find it to be a joy-filled and inspirational day. You and your family will experience an outpouring of encouragement and support from the ALS community. To see so many people with ALS, family members, and friends gathered in one place to celebrate life and support the cause is uplifting in so many ways.

I want to stress that you don't have to walk the route to join us for the celebration! The event is family friendly, so bring as many people as you like!

- Accessible parking lots will be available.
- If you are a person living with ALS, stop by the VIP tent when you arrive to receive a gift that we have reserved just for you.
- We are also asking all of our friends with ALS to come together for a group photo, so please join us at the stage for a picture at 10:30 am.

Here's what you can expect at this year's Walk to Defeat ALS!



Easy walk routes:
- Cincinnati: 2.1 miles around Winton Lake
- Columbus: 1.8 miles through Coffman Park
- Dayton: 1.5 miles along the Miami and Mad Rivers

**You don't have to walk the route to join us!*



Mascots, princesses, heroes, and villains



Food and beverage trucks



Kids' activities and games



Team t-shirt contest



Pets on leashes welcome in Cincinnati and Columbus



Live music or DJ



Unlock ALS message tent



Drum line to open the walk in Cincinnati and Columbus



Spaces for walk team photo opps - including the outfield at Day Air Ballpark for the Dayton Walk (the home of the Dayton Dragons)



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2023 Chapter Quality of Life Reimbursement Grant – Please Apply Early!

The Chapter **2023 Quality of Life Reimbursement Grant** is Open! You can find out if you qualify for the Grant and download the necessary Grant Packet on our local care services page

[2023 Chapter Quality of Life Reimbursement Grant](#)

The Chapter can reimburse up to \$1,200 in eligible expenses to individuals who qualify. Receipts that meet these guidelines can be dated on or after January 5, 2023.

Please obtain your **2023 Chapter Quality of Life Reimbursement Grant** packet early. Funds are limited and grants are approved on a first come, first served basis. For more information or for a hard copy grant packet, please contact Carleen Hubbell, Care Services Coordinator, at (614) 273-2572 x110, or chubbell@alsohio.org.

Seeking Businesses for Pin-Up Sales or Sponsorships

The Chapter is seeking businesses throughout its territory to partner with us for event sponsorships or retail pin-up sales. The “Walk to Defeat ALS” sponsorship levels start as low as \$500. Pin-up programs offer customers the opportunity to make donations at point-of-purchase at zero cost to the business.

If you know someone who works for – or owns - a business that might want to participate, **please ask them if they would be willing to talk with us about it and we’ll take it from there.** Contact Amy Hall, Event Fundraising & Engagement Manager, at (866) 273-2572 x101 or at ahall@ALSohio.org. Local businesses are essential partners in our mission to bring free services to people living with ALS and their loved ones.

Chapter Link Survey Update

Thank you to everyone who has taken our survey about the Chapter Link newsletter!

In the next couple of months, we’ll be tabulating and analyzing the results. We will use your feedback to make improvements to our newsletter and other communications to give you the information you want, how you want it, and when you want it. We hope to share insights and plans with you sometime after the first of the year.

UPDATES

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Register for a Walk online at <https://ALSohio.org/2023WalkToDefeatALS> or by phone with Amy Hall, (866) 273-2572 x101. You can also register in person at the Walk, if you choose.

Remember, donations from people receiving our services are never expected, although they're greatly appreciated. Please join us regardless if you donate or not! We are all so excited to get together with you and those who support you!

Check out the progress of the Walk near you!

Columbus



Cincinnati

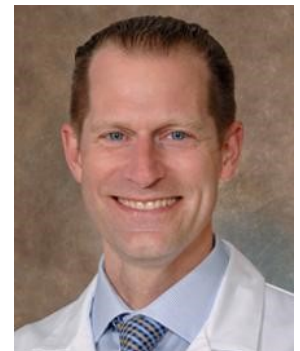


Dayton



Dr. Robert Neel to Be Honored with Award

Dr. Robert Neel, Medical Director of the ALS Multidisciplinary Clinic at the University of Cincinnati, will be honored by The Beechwood Home at their annual Gala. The event will be held on the evening of Saturday, November 18, 2023 at the Kenwood Country Club. For more information, contact Maggie Elder at The Beechwood Home by phone at 513-842-0777 or by email at melder@beechwoodhome.com.



RESEARCH UPDATES

US FDA Seeking Comments on NurOwn for Treatment of ALS

The US FDA's Cellular, Tissue, and Gene Therapies Advisory Committee will be meeting on September 27 to discuss NurOwn for the treatment of ALS. The deadline to submit written comments that will be included in the official meeting packet of materials shared with the Advisory Committee members is September 20, 2023.

If you wish to comment, consider sharing your personal experience with ALS and how it has impacted your life, or that of your family, friend, or loved one. Explain why preserving functionality (ability to do things independently) is important for a person living with ALS. Submit your comments at <https://bit.ly/44NxIxW>.

Learn more about the Advisory Committee meeting here: <https://www.fda.gov/advisory-committees/advisory-committee-calendar/cellular-tissue-and-gene-therapies-advisory-committee-meeting-september-27-2023-announcement>.

Do You Work for the State of Ohio?

If so, then you have the opportunity to participate in the State of Ohio Combined Charitable Campaign (CCC), a workplace giving initiative for state employees.

Our Chapter participates in the CCC each year, and we are grateful for all donors who give by payroll deduction through this program. If you'd like to participate, see your agency campaign coordinator or visit [Ohio.gov/OhioCCC](https://ohio.gov/ohioccc). If you wish to support our work, please designate our Chapter using our campaign code 16003.

Take the Business Community Challenge

Get recognition in business journals in Cincinnati, Columbus, & Dayton!

The challenge is simple: we are calling on business leaders throughout our territory to **raise or donate \$2,500 by September 15** to help bring essential services to people living with ALS in your community.

We will recognize all businesses who complete the challenge in a full-page ad in the October 6 Business Journals (Business First and Business Courier) in Cincinnati, Columbus, and Dayton!

The Business Community Challenge is a great way to connect with your community while making a real and immediate difference for people in your area who are living with the devastation of ALS.

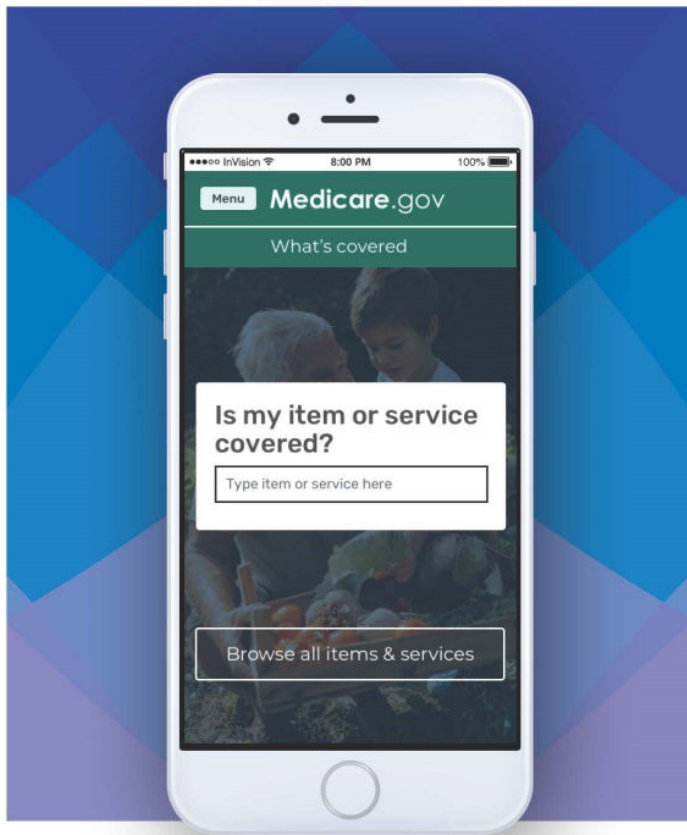
Take the challenge today, and challenge your colleagues to join you!

Take the challenge at <http://secure.alsohio.org/goto/BusinessCommunityChallenge>.

UPDATES

Get Medicare's New "What's Covered" App

Shared by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services



GET MEDICARE'S NEW
"What's covered"
APP!

Not sure if Medicare will cover your medical test or service? Medicare's free, official **"What's covered"** app delivers accurate cost and coverage information right on your mobile device. Now you can quickly see whether Medicare covers your service in the doctor's office, the hospital, or anywhere else you use your phone.

"What's covered" is available for free on both the App Store and Google Play. Search for **"What's covered"** or "Medicare" and download the app to your mobile device. Once **"What's covered"** is installed, you can use it to get reliable Medicare information even when you're offline.

Easy access to accurate, reliable Medicare coverage information is just one new feature of the eMedicare initiative. To stay up to date on eMedicare improvements and other important news from Medicare, sign up for our email list by visiting Medicare.gov and follow us on Facebook.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH & CHAPTER EVENTS

Announcing pALS to pALS Equipment & Supply Donation Program

We're excited to tell you about a new program to help pALS (people with ALS) donate gently used equipment or supplies directly to other pALS in your area. No need to wait for the Chapter to list items in the monthly newsletter!

We've found that many people want to donate items to the Chapter that we don't currently keep in inventory, and waiting for free items to be listed in our newsletter can mean weeks or months until the item is out of the donor's home.

This **pALS to pALS** email program is part of a broader effort to expand and enhance our existing Equipment Loan and Convenience Item programs so that we can reach every person living with ALS anywhere in our territory - regardless of their zip code!

We are moving many items *out* of our Loan Program inventory, and adding them *into* our Convenience Item Program. This means that we will no longer accept donations of these items for loan, but will instead purchase them for single use and have them shipped to your door!

So, what can you do when you no longer need a piece of equipment that the Chapter can't take back? Well, you still call us first!

Reach out to Sage Brand, our new Program Services Coordinator, at sbrand@ALSoHio.org. Give her a description of the equipment you want to donate, photos, and an email or phone number that she can share with other pALS. ***Anyone interested can then contact you directly to arrange transfer of the item(s).***

Each Friday, look for an email to all pALS called **FREE FRIDAYS** listing the free, gently used items available from one pALS to another.

Examples of items the Chapter doesn't accept for donation - that you may want to make available for free to other pALS - is below for reference. Any new or gently used item that may be of help to someone is acceptable for the **pALS to pALS** program.

This will be a great way to get the word out fast about free equipment, getting it out of your home and into the hands of someone who needs it. *Please note that these donations from one pALS to another are not tax deductible.*

Remember, equipment for sale will still be listed in the monthly Chapter Link and will not be part of the **pALS to pALS** program. However, this will be the last print issue to include free items.

If you're not already on our email list, or you would like a family member to receive the emails for you, just let us know. You can opt-out at any time. Let us know what you think!

COMMUNITY OUTREACH & CHAPTER EVENTS

DO GOOD WITH CHIPOTLE



CHIPOTLE FUNDRAISER FOR ALS

33% OF EVENT SALES GET DONATED TO THE CAUSE

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9TH | 4-8PM
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ORDER ONLINE FOR PICKUP USING CODE **MQFLTFL**
OR SHOW THIS FLYER IN RESTAURANT



For online orders to count towards the fundraiser, they must be placed for pickup only from the restaurant location of, and during the hours of, the fundraiser. Delivery orders and gift cards do not qualify. \$150 minimum event sales required to receive any donation.

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ALS Fundraiser

Come join us September 23rd at
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ALS Association of Central &
Southern Ohio

All day fun and spirits!!

12pm - 10pm

Scan QR Code to go to the OhioHealth ALS Team page to donate to your local team.



REMEMBERING

Cincinnati Area		Columbus Area		Dayton Area		Lima Area	
Kim Berry	8-22-23	Gene "Pete" Burnett	8-25-23	Constance Fintel	8-10-23	Scott Money	7-23-23
Cynthia Fiddes	8-22-23	Cynthia Holsinger	8-9-23	Jeffrey Christian	7-31-23		
Tiffany Spaulding	8-5-23	Matthew Zaroslinski-Lewis	8-4-23	Robert Morris	5-2-23		
Robert "Phil" Varney	8-5-23	William McCormick	7-23-23				
Frederick Nickel	8-4-23	David C. Kreis	5-20-23				
Donald Richter	7-28-23	Christina Bucher	3-17-23				
Jean Thinnes	6-20-23	Aggie Hutchison	2-16-23				

FREE FOR PALS

Hoyer Lift fully functional, comes with two batteries and a charger. "Barely Used" Was purchased 2 years ago for \$1,500 and Also free is a **Invacare Twin XL Medical/Hospital Bed - Model# Invacare ihcstspd-qsp** Value was around \$4K new. Used for about 2 yrs. It has seen a bit of wear. It has a slight slant towards the side of the bed remedied with a layer of memory foam. Needs a controller, which can be found on Amazon or at a couple of medical supply places here in Ohio. Value was around \$4K new.

If interested in either item,listed above, **Contact Eve by text or email at 614-357-8533.**

2 Bedcanes "Like New" located in Columbus area. If interested, please **Contact susannapier@mac.com**

Men's snap and zip clothing - Contact: Jenniffer Acton at 513-404-4123 or jacton3695@gmail.com

Please leave a message.

Hospital Bed—used in Good Condition, a **6-foot, Tri-fold Prairie View Industries Metal Ramp.**

If interested, please **Contact: Mary Ann at 419-234-3837** Located in Putnam County

-Alternating air pressure mattresses (2), -Boogie boards, -Foam wedges (one small; one large), -Syringes (20+), -Cotton tipped applicators, -Swab sticks, -Drain sponges (split), -Jevity 1.2 (3.5 cases)
-Gait belt, -Healthy Shot protein shots, peach, (1 case), -Hand braces, -Shoulder brace, -Neck braces (2) (soft), -feeding tube holder and - hair dryer holder. Items will need to be picked up. Located in Findlay. If interested, please **contact: Lee at (419) 348-5908**

FOR SALE

2009 Ford Econoline full-sized van (11/23) - Mileage is 88,500, Black & tan exterior; tan interior, Hydraulic Braunability fully automated lift; works great. We purchased this certified van from MobilityWork in February of this year for \$34,990 and only put 1200 miles on it. Works and runs great. Has full set of tie downs for a wheelchair. Asking \$27,000 or best offer – located in Lebanon, Ohio. If interested, please **Contact Kathy at 513.850.9464** or kathy.edwards08@gmail.com.

2017 Toyota Sienna SE VMI Northstar handicapped Accessible Van. (8/23) Wheelchair accessible conversion van for ingress/egress- includes: side entry in-floor power ramp, rear passenger kneeling system, remote access to operate power sliding door/ramp/kneeling functions, interior access switches, 4-point wheelchair tie down system, EZ Lock BL-6290 Docking System. Front passenger seat included. Single owner, non-smoking, Silver exterior, leather interior, heated front seats, touch display, Bluetooth, GPS navigation, moonroof, back up camera, very clean/good condition. Selling for \$55,000 OBO **Please Contact Laura Trapp at ltrapp27@gmail.com or 513-314-6126**

Permobil Corp M3 Mobility Vehicle Electric Wheelchair (8/23) 2019 Black. \$3,000 Adjustable footrest & height, elevated legrest, flip up padded armrest, attendant joystick, reclining, tilt in space, I-drive software included, hip & elbow guards included and much, much more. **Phillips Respironic Cough Assist**—Never Used. \$1,500 Comes w/power cord/facemask/tubing. **Please Contact Lee for more product features at 419-348-5908**

Wheelchair Lift- (8/23) Indoor or garage. Model VPL-3153B, Capacity 750 lb. Platform size 36" x 60". Platform Configuration: Enter/Exit opposite. Top Landing: Gate w/ call/send mounted in frame. Travels up to 3.5 feet. Used in the garage to travel to the main level. Asking \$3500. Excellent condition. **Contact Suzie at 614-975-3385 or email suzepicker@gmail.com**

2017 Red Chrysler Pacifica Limited Edition (7/23) - Excellent condition w/39,025 miles, BraunAbility XT conversion. Purchased from MobilityWorks for \$62,723 in 12/2022. Only 505 miles on vehicle. Asking \$48,500. **Please contact Kent at 614-203-9509 or kentsmith65@outlook.com**

Hill ROM Care Assist ES Hospital Bed (5/23) with Prius Rhythm multi- alternating, low air loss, pressure relief system with lateral rotation-\$2,500 **Permobil F3-** midnight patriot w/ seat elevator, attendant controller, adjustable phone & iPad holders-\$2,000 **Adjustable Hospital Table-**\$50 **Combination Commode/Shower Chair-**\$200 **Wheelchair Ramp & Platform,** 2- 3 ft sections, 2- 8 ft sections, 1- 5x5 platform, and rails. Ramp has been disassembled and ready to move.. \$1,800
If interested, please **Contact: Jenniffer Acton at 513-404-4123 or jacton3695@gmail.com** Please leave message.

MOLIFT Duo 2 Post Rails System & Air Bundle Kit (5/23) used for less than 2 weeks, Asking \$3,200 located in Putnam County. If interested, please **Contact: Mary Ann at 419-234-3837**

Quantum Q6 Edge powered wheelchair (6/23) with TRU-Balance, 3 power positioning. Drive wheels 14" solid, caster wheels, front and rear 6" solid. Maximum speed up to 5mph, turning radius 20". Overall length 35.5" without foot riggings, base width 24". Weight capacity 300lbs. Jay Union Cushion seating. Asking \$3,000. Free delivery within Ohio and surrounding states. For more information or photos, please **Contact: Gemma Hatoum @937-689-3234 or e-mail at gh200001@hotmail.com**

Invacare Hydraulic Lift Model 9805P (4/23) Comes with a body sling. 450 lbs. weight capacity. For all specs, google make & model, Asking \$400. Retail for \$580 with sling. Basically new, only used 3 times. **Invacare Tracer Sx5 Wheelchair Recliner** Brand new; never used. Has desk length arms and T94HCP hemi elevating leg rests, 18" seat width, tall back, and padded calf pads. For all specs, google make & above description, Asking \$350. Retail online for \$492. If interested in either item, **please contact Tara at (740) 606-6033 or tara15935@gmail.com**

Caregiver & Survivor Groups

<p>CINCINNATI CAREGIVER GROUP (current caregivers only)</p>	<p>Tuesday September 26, 2023 1:00—2:30 pm</p>	<p>Open Discussion</p>	<p>Yvonne Dressman, LSW</p>	<p>The Good Shepherd Lutheran Church 7701 Kenwood Rd Cincinnati, OH 45236</p>
<p>CENTRAL OHIO CAREGIVER GROUP (current caregivers only)</p>	<p>Monday September 18, 2023 1:00—2:30 pm</p>	<p>Open Discussion</p>	<p>Carleen Hubbell, BS, MA</p>	<p><i>Attend Virtually or In-Person</i> Dempsey Family Education & Resource Center, Riverside Hospital 3535 Olentangy River Rd, Columbus 43214 https://ohiohealth.webex.com/join/dempseycenter Meeting Access Code 736 294 987 Or WebEx call-in dial: # 650-479-3208 Meeting Access Code: 736294987</p>
<p>CENTRAL OHIO SURVIVOR GROUP</p>	<p>No Group This Month</p>	<p>A social lunch to enjoy the company of those who have experienced a loss to ALS (Lunch is on your own)</p>	<p>RSVP necessary by Friday, May 12th to Carleen Hubbell chubbell@alsohio.org</p>	<p>Hunan Lion 2038 Crown Plaza Drive (off Bethel Road) Columbus, OH 43235</p>
<p>CINCINNATI AREA SURVIVOR GROUP</p>	<p>No Group This Month</p>	<p>A social dinner to enjoy the company of those who have experienced a loss to ALS (Dinner on your own)</p>	<p>Host: Mary Naylor *Please RSVP to Mary Naylor at 513-891-1475</p>	<p>Slatts Pub 4858 Cooper Road Cincinnati, Ohio 45242 (Private Dining Room)</p>
<p>GREATER DAYTON IN-PERSON SURVIVORS GROUP Meets Tri-annually 4th Wednesday Next Meeting 9/27/23</p>	<p>Wednesday September 27, 2023 6:00 pm—8:00 pm</p>	<p>Our Survivors Group is a social dinner to enjoy the company of friends who have experi- enced loss to ALS- to stay connected with peers & our Chapter. <i>Dinner on Your Own</i></p>	<p>Facilitators Melinda McGuire Mary Helme Claire Robbins Bob Westendorf</p>	<p>Rusty Bucket Restaurant & Tavern 2812 Miamisburg-Centerville Rd Dayton, OH 45459 We will meet in Private Room Ask for ALS Association when you arrive **Must RSVP to your area Dayton Care Coordinator**</p>

The ALS Association Central & Southern Ohio Chapter Chapter-Wide Education and Exchange Groups

DATE	TOPIC	LOG-IN/CALL-IN INFORMATION
<p style="text-align: center;">Monday <i>September 11, 2023</i> 6:00 pm—8:00 pm Facilitator: <i>Yvonne Dressman</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">CINCINNATI REGIONAL AREA <i>“All Things ALS”</i> <i>Dr. Robert W. Neel and Dr. Jackie Janecek</i> <i>University of Cincinnati Medical Center</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">In-Person Support Group The Good Shepherd Lutheran Church 7701 Kenwood Rd Cincinnati, OH 45236</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">2nd Monday Due to Labor Day Holiday</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>September 11, 2023</i> 6:30 pm –8:30 pm Facilitator: <i>Carleen Hubbell</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">COLUMBUS REGIONAL AREA <i>“Promoting Optimal Living At Home”</i> <i>Speaker: Kristopher Parrish, MOT<OTR/L, ECHM,</i> <i>CAPS OWNER –Home Accessible Solutions</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">In-Person Meeting McConnell Heart Health Center 3773 Olentangy River Road Columbus, OH 43214</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Classroom 1—Main Floor</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Monday 6:30pm—8:30 pm September 18, 2023 Facilitators: <i>Bob Westendorf</i> <i>Julia Prince</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">3rd Monday of each month</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">GREATER DAYTON/MIAMI VALLEY REGION <i>Managing Respiratory Needs</i> <i>Bob Westendorf, Respiratory Therapist</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">In-Person Location Beavercreek Christian Church 3009 Shakertown Road Beavercreek, OH 45434 <i>(Please drive to Back of Church to park. Our room is Multipurpose Room 212 and accessible only thru back door.)</i></p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Monday October 23, 2023</p> <p style="text-align: center;">6: 00 pm–8:00 pm</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">CHAPTERWIDE VIRTUAL <i>Social Security & Medicare Updates</i> <i>John LaMotte, Medicare Outreach Specialist, COAAA</i> <i>Theresa Busher, Public Affairs Specialist,</i> <i>Dayton Social Security Administration</i> <i>Kelly Draggoo, Public Affairs Specialist,</i> <i>Cincinnati Social Security Administration</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Virtual Only http://v.ringcentral.com/join/575440587 Meeting ID: 575440587 Or dial: +1 (650) 4191505 United States (San Mateo CA) Access Code/Meeting ID: 575440587</p>

REMINDERS

Monthly Chapter-Link Newsletter Mailings

The Chapter-Link is mailed to all patients who are registered with the Chapter. When individuals are no longer actively receiving services through the Chapter, they are removed from the newsletter mailing list. Former caregivers and interested parties are encouraged to continue receiving the newsletter by email. Newsletters dating back to one year from the current issue area available at <https://alsohio.org/navigating-als/resources>.

National ALS Registry – Sign Up Today

**The National ALS Registry is the single largest ALS research project ever created and is designed to identify ALS cases throughout the entire United States. ** Most important, *the Registry is collecting critical information about the disease that will improve care for people with ALS and help us learn what causes the disease, how it can be treated and even prevented* – help us find a cure, sign up today! www.cdc.gov/als

Remembering Your Loved One Through a Memorial Gift

Losing someone to ALS is something that no one wants to experience. But many, through the frustration and pain, find a way to give back and honor their loved one. Your friends and family can help continue providing services for those still living with ALS by making a donation to the Chapter in memory of their loved one. This can be done by naming the Chapter in your loved one's obituary: Memorial donations may be made to The ALS Association Central & Southern Ohio Chapter, 1170 Old Henderson Rd., Ste. 221, Columbus OH 43220. The Chapter sends thank you letters to all donors and acknowledgment to the family listing the names only (amount is not listed) of those who have made donations.

Attention Veterans

If you are a veteran with ALS or the spouse of a deceased veteran who had ALS, please contact The ALS Association Central & Southern Ohio Chapter office (614-273-2572 or toll free 866-273-2572) for information on the Veterans Administration disability compensation program. Valuable resources can also be found on the Chapter website, <https://alsohio.org/navigating-als/resources-for-military-veterans>.

ALS Information for Kids and Teens

The Central & Southern Ohio Chapter is very grateful to The Marion Community Foundation - Spencer Stephens Fund for continuing support of a program benefiting the children and teens of our PALS. The Spencer Stephens' Flamingo Backpack Project is patterned after a program created by Deborah Feigenbaum, a clinical social worker with The ALS Association Connecticut Chapter. Working from this model, the Central & Southern Ohio Chapter developed a backpack with informational and fun resources to help kids cope with a having a parent or family member with ALS. Initially designed to provide ALS resources for children ages 6 to 12 years old, the project was expanded to include a teen version of the backpack and an outreach program for children under six. If you know of children or teens who could benefit from an ALS information packet (some limitations apply), please call Chapter Care Services (866) 273- 2572. Learn more at <https://alsohio.org/resources-for-children-and-teens>.

ALS Wristbands and Magnetic Car Ribbons

The ALS wristbands are available for purchase through The ALS Association Central & Southern Ohio Chapter office. The wristbands are red silicone with "Fighting Lou Gehrig's Disease" on the outside and "The ALS Association Central & Southern Ohio Chapter" on the inside. Cost for the wristbands is \$2.00 per wristband plus postage. Magnetic "Fighting Lou Gehrig's Disease" car ribbons are also available from The ALS Association Central & Southern Ohio Chapter office. Individual magnets can be purchased for \$5.00 each. Orders of five or more are available for \$4.00/magnet plus \$4.00 shipping. For more information, call (614) 273-2572 or toll free (866) 273-2572



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