



AROCC



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**"If I had my choice
between a
moonwalk
and the LIFE of a
single child
with CANCER;
I would never glance
upward!"**

**James T.
Grace, M.D**

HOLIDAY HERO 2006

All Kids Need a Hero, Thanks For Being Ours!"

Each year, through our **HOLIDAY HERO** campaign, we ask that you send a tax deductible donation or make a pledge to AROCC so we can help some special kids. We will list those who desire in a professionally prepared announcement in **Business First on Friday December 22, 2006**, extending seasons greetings to friends, relatives and business colleagues. In this way your contribution could be in lieu of sending seasonal greeting cards or gifts.



We recognize the need to help those affected by the

Hurricanes and other natural disasters last year, however, we hope that you will dig a little deeper this year and continue your support of AROCC so that we can end the terror of cancer.

We know that the competition for your charitable dollars is very intense and offer that AROCC's overhead is possibly the lowest of not-for-profit charitable organizations seeking your support. **AROCC** is run by all volunteers. We have no paid administrative staff. **Ninety four (94) cents out of every dollar** you contribute goes directly to support this worthiest of causes. We have no peers in this regard. We have a Medical Advisory Board that reviews all Grant requests to ensure that we only fund projects that are deemed worthwhile. Compare this against other charities and you'll see how we stack up.

For those of you who have contributed to the Holiday Hero in prior years, your campaign envelope will be mailed to you directly. Your continued support

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

AROCC HEROES...

Dick and Judy Jeziorski founded the Warren Pa. Chapter of AROCC in 1979, after losing their foster son, Scott, to leukemia. Through a variety of events, **Sports Celebrity Auction**, over \$150,000 has been raised for AROCC to fund pediatric cancer research.

In 1997 the **AROCC Community Service Award** was presented to Dick and Judy in recognition for their long term dedicated commitment to raise funds to find a cure for pediatric cancer.

In addition both the **Pennsylvania and United States House of Representa-**

tives honored them for "helping thousands of parents escape the terrible heartache that they themselves had experienced".

The ability to take a tragedy and make something good come of it, is a mark of a strong and giving person. Dick and Judy emulated this to the highest degree. We mourn the passing of Dick and our heartfelt condolences to Judy and her family.

You will always be **HEROES FOR AROCC.**

*Anne O'Donnell
AROCC Volunteer and
President*

MEMORIALS AND DONATIONS

MEMORIALS

Marge Butler
Robbie Duquin
ChrisMarie Halicki
Margie Hanak
Richard Jeziorski
John M. Marmion
DeAnn T. Nicolaio
Andrea Roll
Del Schultz
Henry Siepka
Felix Velia
Lawrence Vey

IN HONOR OF

Bud & Joan Gortzig -
50th Wedding Anniversary
Cornelius Schultz

DONATIONS

Mark Ahrens
AT&T -
Community Giving Program
Conestoga-Rivers & Assoc.
Ludlaw Mail Advertising
The Moll Family
Niagara Frontier Publishing Co.
Prendt Jones Press
SEFA -
State Employees
Federated Appeal
Stan & Kathie Sojka
Thayer Envelope Co.
Waterfront Printing Co.

IN MEMORIAM

**Richard
Jeziorski**
1939-2006
Active AROCC
volunteer and
founder of the
Warren Pa.
AROCC
chapter

HOLIDAY HEROES 2006

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is critical. For those of you who are not Holiday Heroes, please open your hearts, then your wallets and send your donation to:

**AROCC
HOLIDAY HERO
2006**
P.O. Box 251
Buffalo, NY
14225-0251

The categories are:

- Diamond..... \$500.00 or more**
- Gold.....\$100.00 or more**
- Silver.....\$50.00 or more**
- Bronze.....\$25.00 or more**

The fight against childhood cancer is not an easy one to win. The reward for joining the battle comes when you see children with little hope for survival being cured through new treatment and drug protocols. Because of your past support and with your future help, children will be given a chance of a lifetime, the chance to live, to grow up healthy and strong. On their behalf , we again appeal to your generosity and sense of charity. **Please let others know of our efforts, hopefully they may wish to contribute also. Our campaign**

**needs your commitment;
more importantly our children
need your support.**

The proceeds will be used for fellowships, seed projects and equipment at Women's and Children's Hospital, the Pediatric Department of Roswell Park Cancer Institute, and the SUNY at Buffalo Medical School.

As AROCC continues its fourth decade as a not-for-profit charitable organization, we are encouraged by the progress made in finding a cure for the cancers that afflict our children. None of this would be possible without support from concerned, generous people such as yourselves. We thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

New members are always welcome and needed. Come Join the battle. It is the hardest job you'll ever love.....call (716) 681-4433.

Sincerely,
Holiday Hero Honorary Chairmen,
Bill Lacy (104.1 WHTT)
Marv Levy (Buffalo Bills)
Rich Newberg (WIVB-TV)

**COMING
SOON...**

*As times change,
so does
AROCC.
We are moving
forward after
30 years of
raising funds
for pediatric
cancer
research
and our
NEW LOGO
is on the
horizon.*

*We look
forward to
sharing it with
you in future
publications.*

AROCC NEWS AND NOTES

TRI-FIVE CAR SHOW BENEFITS AROCC

Tri-Five of WNY, held their 31st Annual car show in Clarence on July 2, 2006. AROCC volunteers enjoyed running the hot dog concession stand and look forward to a repeat performance next year. AROCC would like to thank Tri-Five for their generous donation of \$3556.57 to our on-going quest to find a cure for pediatric cancer.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOK SALES

\$25 each

FOR MORE INFORMATION
PLEASE CALL-
CHERYL &
ANGELIQUE TABONE
AT 633-2347
OR
DIANE PIACANTE
AT 845-2334



2005 MEDICAL SCIENTIFIC GRANT NEWS

AROCC would like to thank **David Goodrich, PhD**, Dept. of Pharmacology & Therapeutics, RPCI who has served as Chairman of the Medical Scientific Board for the last 2 years. We appreciate all your hard work during these last 2 grant cycles.

AROCC is pleased to announce that **Yasmin Thanavala, PhD**, Dept. of Immunology, RPCI has accepted the Chairmanship for the upcoming year. We look forward to your effective leadership.

AROCC welcomes back

Martin Brecher, MD	RPCI
David Goodrich, PhD	RPCI
Daniel Green, MD	RPCI
William Held, PhD	RPCI
Protul A. Shrikant, PhD	RPCI
Steven Pruitt, PhD	RPCI
Youcef Rustum, PhD	RPCI
Peter Aplan, MD	NCI

GRANTS AWARDED

There were 10 grants submitted this year for "seed funding". We

would like to thank the Medical Scientific Board for their diligent review of these grants and the scientific recommendations they made, which is in keeping with the goals of AROCC funding.

AROCC is pleased to announce the funding of the following 1 year grants for 2006.

\$30,000

Maria R. Baer, MD,
Dept. of Medicine, RPCI
"Reversal of Drug Resistance
by mTOR Inhibitors
in Acute Leukemia"

\$30,000

Rosandra Kaplan, MD,
Dept. of Pediatric
Hematology/Oncology,
Memorial Sloan Kettering
"VEGFR1 positive bone marrow
derived cellular clusters and
specific growth factor profiling
to design a novel predictor of
metastatic spread in
pediatric malignancies"

**COME
JOIN US.
BE AN
AROCC
VOLUNTEER.**

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ROCK 'N ROLL FOR AROCC

AROCC's second annual Rock N'Roll for AROCC dance was again a great success. The night was filled with music and dancing by the popular oldies group The BeBops. The Chinese auction had wonderful baskets and prizes donated to AROCC from various businesses, friends and family.

The AROCC video was played for all, reminding everyone what their support and donations to AROCC mean to the children battling cancer.

We greatly appreciate all

the help and support we received.

We are looking forward to the **3rd annual Rock N' Roll for AROCC dance to be held on April 21, 2007**. So hold the date and come join us for a night full of fun, and help support our worthy cause.

Having a great time and dancing for AROCC



AROCC IS 100% VOLUNTEER

94 cents out of every dollar raised goes to medical research.



LANCASTER HIGH VARIETY SHOW

On April 7, 2006, the National Honor Society at Lancaster High School, held its 34th Annual Talent and Variety Show to benefit the Association for Research of Childhood Cancer. The event is held in memory of ChrisMarie Halicki, a former Lancaster High School student.

The NHS Talent and Variety Show is one of the high school club's community service events. Students who are chosen for membership in NHS are required to demonstrate scholarship, leadership and community service. Lancaster's



ChrisMarie Halicki

talented students performed in 17 individual acts making the evening very entertaining, enjoyable and successful for AROCC.

Mrs. Shannon Skowron, NHS faculty advisor, presented a check for \$1053.00 to AROCC.

AROCC would like to thank the hard working National Honor Society students and Lancaster High School staff for all their hard work and continued support of pediatric cancer research.

It is a wonderful example of young people committed to making the world a better place through their own initiative and actions. We look forward to the 35th Annual Show in 2007!



**Association for Research
of Childhood Cancer**

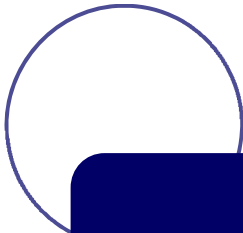
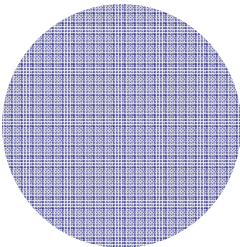
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