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LMSarcoma Direct Research Foundation

October 2013

Our LMS Retreat Sept. 19-22, was a huge success with 86 registered participants at beautiful Copper Mountain Resort, Colorado. Outstanding presentations included: Dr. Matt van de Rijn on his LMS Projects at Stanford University; Dr. Suzanne George on the Newest Treatments and Trials; Sharon Anderson updated us on the LMS Paraffin Block Drive; Debra Simons gave us the basics on "Cancer Science 101;" Meg Thorburn on Complimentary Therapies; and Amy Regenstreif on Patient Advocacy.

Buy the DVD of the presentations!

Among the highlights were prayer flags we made and hung to carry our well-wishes on the wind to those who need happiness, hope, health and strength.



More photos and about the Retreat on www.LMSdr.org

\$150,000 Awarded for LMS Research

Thank you donors!

Because of your generous donations, LMSdr awarded \$100,000 with another \$50,000 from the Liddy Shriver Initiative to Dr. Matt



T-shirts are unisex, preshrunk 50/50 cotton and polyester, color is blackberry. S, M, L, XL, XXL.

LMS Paraffin Block Drive still needs more!

We have 261 participants donating one of their LMS primary paraffin blocks for research - please join us [HERE](#)

LMSdr advocates for and funds LMS specific research. We've been a nonprofit 501 (c) (3) since 2006. For details of our past grants go to LMSdr.org

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van de Rijn. This new study will combine three drugs proven to help reduce LMS tumors in the lab and with mice: CD47, ROR2 and CFS1.



Sharon Anderson, Dr. Matt van de Rijn and Ed Kurtz

Upcoming Events: CTOS in NY, Oct. 30-Nov. 2

CTOS, the Connective Tissue Oncology Society conference is the scientific forum that doctors and researchers attend to get the "hot-off-press" sarcoma research. This year has been declared the "Year of Uterine Sarcomas."

Sharon Anderson, Executive Director of LMSdr and patient advocate Sarah Salem-Robinson will be attending the Sarcoma Advocate dinner as well as the presentations.

LMSdr strives to represent the LMS community's needs while forming strong working relationships with sarcoma researchers and doctors. [View the schedule of presentations](#)

Special Edition LMSeAlerts

Coming in October

CTOS Research Reports!

Meet the Thriver: Amy Regenstreif

Amy Regenstreif has rightfully earned the title, "Advocate."

Amy is a single parent of twin daughters, now 24 years old, and lives in the LA area. She was diagnosed with retroperitoneal leiomyosarcoma in August of 2001 at age 44. She had no idea



that 12 abdominal surgeries, about 4 chemos, a little pelvic radiation, 2 stomach ports, 1 pic line, 1 arm pit surgery, and 1 collapsed lung later...that she would be standing here today.

Along the way she taught herself - from her own experiences and the struggles of others - how to advocate for those in

serious medical situations.

Amy's motto is... "Never accept NO."

Amy just formed a new company called "Treat Your Healthcare Like a Business" ...because fighting cancer is your new job! In her other life she markets health, life, and long term care insurance with New York Life Insurance Company since 2003...a job she got while in the midst of cancer.

You can visit Amy's blog, "[Amy's Money Healthcare](#)"

If you'd like to share your long term thriver story, contact Sharon 2SharonAnderson@gmail.com .

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