

Timeline of the Greg and Cathy Griffith Family Foundation

February 5, 2010

- Greg diagnosed with pancreatic cancer

February 10, 2010

- Greg and Cathy meet Dr. Moser
- Greg tells Dr. Moser that God is bigger than pancreatic cancer

April 2010

- Amanda and Luke Ottaway come to the Griffith's home and ask Greg if they can host a dinner and basketball tournament to raise money for Dr. Moser's research

May 2010

- Ellen and Brent Ottaway reach out to the community and host the first Griff's Run and Gun committee meeting at the Hollidaysburg YMCA

August 13, 2010

- First Griff's Run and Gun for a Cure dinner and basketball tournament with speakers Dr. Moser, Dr. Herbert Zeh, and Congressman Bill Shuster

Fall 2010 to Spring 2011

- Greg's health improves, and we all experience spiritual growth
- Greg and Cathy speak at various community events

May 11, 2011

- Greg's Whipple operation aborted
- Greg's cancer is back

July 2011

- Booker Moore and committee present the formation of the Greg and Cathy Griffith Family Foundation at the 2nd annual Griff's Run and Gun for a Cure

August 21, 2011

- First annual Fund a Cure Night at the Altoona Curve

August 26, 2011

- Greg passes from pancreatic cancer

September 2011

- GFF website built
- Booker Moore and Cathy become founding members of the Alliance of Families Fighting Pancreatic Cancer (AFFPC)

April 2012

- GFF hosts Movie and a Mission Night, held to recognize Dr. Greg Fulchiero, Sr.
- Dr. Moser promoted to Co-Executive Director of the new Institute for Hepatobiliary and Pancreatic Surgery at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center/Harvard Medical School

May 2012

- Cathy goes to Phoenix, Arizona to meet pancreatic cancer advocate Kay Kays and TGEN Team
- Jack Andraka wins Intel Science and Engineer Fair for his early detection of pancreatic cancer

July 2012

- Jack Andraka speaks at 3rd annual Griff's Run and Gun for a Cure
- Jack and Kiera Chirdon meet

August 2012

- HAHS students, along with teacher Bonnie Waltz, create Tackle Cancer

April 5, 2013

- GFF, Kaitlin Farnan, and Dr. Ralph McKibbin of Blair Gastro host a Pancreatic Cancer Symposium at Penn State Altoona with speakers Jack Andraka and Kiera Chirdon
- Jack tells Cathy that the Tackle Cancer name is too limited of a campaign
- Student focus group creates the name Sideline Cancer

July 2013

- Tee Off for a Cure to Sideline Pancreatic Cancer golf tournament created

September 2013

- Huge success of the first sale of Sideline Cancer t-shirts
- GFF opens up office on the Diamond in Hollidaysburg and hires an Executive Office Administrator, Tammie Fleck, who continues to lend her non-profit expertise
- Dr. Kevin Yeskey and Dr. Debra Yeskey open their office directly beside the GFF office

December 6, 2013

- Cathy goes to Atlanta and gets a certificate of recognition through the American Association of Cancer Researchers

December 24, 2013

- Sideline Cancer trademarked, which enables GFF to have the first student advocacy campaign in the world for pancreatic cancer
- Students begin their advocacy project through newspaper, television, radio, internet, and social media

February 2014

- Billy Clapper and HAHS basketball standout John Boyer introduce the GFF to The Basketball Tournament

March 2014

- Cathy attends her first Digestive Disease National Coalition meeting

April 2014

- GFF hosts 2nd annual Pancreatic Cancer Symposium with speakers Erin Willett and Dr. Debra Yeskey

May 30, 2014

- Cathy attends American Society of Clinical Oncology Focus on Research Program

July 2014

- Jack Andraka, Kerry Irvine (UK Pancreatic Advocate), and Julie Weiss (Marathon Goddess) attend 4th annual Griff's Run and Gun Dinner
- Jack and Kiera named Sideline Cancer student ambassadors
- The Sideline Cancer TBT team wins one game and loses to the eventual TBT champions

September 2014

- Cathy attends Pancreatic Symposium at National Institute of Health and meets Jack Andraka's mentor Dr. Anirban Maitra

Fall 2014

- Sideline Cancer events begin to be hosted at schools, businesses, and athletic events

Spring 2015

- Lisa Georgiana and St. Francis University establish the first Sideline Cancer chapter in the United States

May 2015

- GFF establishes Sideline Cancer internships, with Caitlyn Edgell as the foundation's first intern

July 2015

- Cathy attends the North American Pancreatic Cancer Organization meeting
- Billy Clapper puts 2nd Sideline Cancer team in The Basketball Tournament, which wins two games and advances to the Sweet 16

Fall 2015

- Cathy asked to be Secretary of Digestive Disease National Coalition

November 2015

- Cathy and Nancy Fulchiero attend first World Pancreatic Cancer Day with Dr. Moser and staff at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center/Harvard Medical School

May 2016

- Creation of the World Pancreatic Cancer Coalition (WPCC)
- Sideline Cancer initiative presented to the WPCC

July 2016

- Billy Clapper puts 3rd team in The Basketball Tournament led by 6 year NBA professional Daniel Santiago
- TBT team loses in the first round to Pitt's alumni team

September 6, 2016

- "I Can Sideline Cancer" trademarked

November 16, 2016

- Board members Dr. Kevin Yeskey and JT Tidd attend World Pancreatic Cancer Day with Cathy
- Congressman Bill Shuster and staff have the flag of the United States flown over the US Capitol to recognize the 2nd annual World Pancreatic Cancer Day

March 2017

- Cathy takes founding members of Sideline Cancer Bonnie Waltz and Kaitlin Farnan, GFF board member Dr. Kevin Yeskey, DDNC President Dr. Ralph McKibbin, and Sideline cancer interns to DDNC to lobby congressional offices for early detection of pancreatic cancer
- Cathy becomes vice-chair of the DDNC

June 17, 2017

- Sideline Cancer ambassador Kiera Chiridon succumbs to Epithelioid Sarcoma

June 27, 2017

- Jack Andraka introduces 100 new Sideline Cancer student ambassadors from all 50 states at the National Academy of Future Physicians and Medical Scientists

July 2017

- Team Sideline Cancer plays in 4th annual The Basketball Tournament, upsetting Pitt's alumni team and losing to Team FOE in the next round
- Sideline Cancer makes ESPN's ticker and is tweeted about by popular members at ESPN, like Seth Greenberg
- After success in The Basketball Tournament, the foundation has an article written by Josh Verlin on the City of Basketball Love website

November 16th, 2017

- Cathy Griffith and board member Nancy Fulchiero visited BIDMC to present a check to James A. Moser and celebrate World Pancreatic Cancer Day

March 2018

- GFF Outreach Liaison, Marissa Lombardi attended the DDNC and represented Cathy during the DDNC board meeting seat as Vice Chair

July 2018

- Sideline Cancer of TBT went to Brooklyn and played at LIU University and raised awareness for Pancreatic Cancer in Brooklyn, NY.

November 2018

- GFF Outreach Liaison, Marissa Lombardi and Joel Redfoot attended and raised awareness at Fenway Park with Dr. James A. Moser.

- Marissa, Sierra and Angela Lombardi attended the DDNC.

March 2019

- Alex Trebek was diagnosed with Stage IV Pancreatic Cancer. Our GFF sent him Sideline Cancer T-Shirts and we received a thank you email from him thanking us for the Sideline PC gear

April 5th, 2019

- The GFF hosted the #ICAN Symposium with Jack Andraka and pancreatic cancer leaders from around the world.

July-August 2019

- The GFF received a sponsored #ICAN pancreatic awareness cancer screen in Times Square from July 1st to August 13th that ran every 10 minutes for 24 hours a day, with one million people passing by.

July 26th, 27th, & 28th 2019

- Sideline Cancer TBT played in memory of teammate Jermaine Marshall on ESPN in Wichita, Kansas to a TV viewership of 669,000

August 9th 2019

- 10th annual Griff's sideline PC Dinner with special guest Tom Whitehead of the Emily Whitehead foundation and special guest Dr. James Adair, Penn State Cancer Researcher and Dr. James A. Moser, BIDMC Harvard Medical School

October 8th, 2019

- Sideline Cancer at Penn state hosted their inaugural #ICANPSUchallenge at PSU Berkey Creamery. Former HAHS and Penn State alumni Zach Simpson challenged the President of Sideline Cancer at Penn State Josh Coblar. The winner was Zach Simpson.

December 6th, 2019

- Second annual Purple Puck Night with Penn State Altoona Men's Hockey. This was a collaborative effort with the Mario Lemieux Foundation and Easter for Eli