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2017 Newsletter

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Events: Raising Funds for Research

Foundation Newsletter 2017

We are pleased to share with you our 2017 highlights. Our efforts continue to advance scientific research to bring the treatment of pediatric/young adult sarcomas to a path of a universally survivable condition.

2017 Friends of T.J. Outing



The annual outing took place on June 20, 2017. Although rain and wind threatened all day, every round of golf was finished, every tennis player wrapped up their matches and the bridge players were unaffected in Huntington's Trophy Room! The evening event was moved indoors and proved to be a very crowded and boisterous celebration of the day.



Except for the weather, the 2017 outing could be described like any prior year, which is a huge testament to our supporters. Every year continues to be a tremendous success, with funds raised for sarcoma research while celebrating T.J.'s life!

As always, a ton of thanks to all of the people who volunteered their time to be involved with this event. A phenomenal group of friends and family made the day possible!

We can't wait to see you next year on June 11, 2018. Please note that this new date is one week earlier than in the past.

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Much appreciation to our Board Members, Volunteers and Gift Sponsors. Special thanks to: Auctioneer, Kevin Moriarty, Photographer, Bob Kopprasch, and Flowers, Susan Roche.

SAVE THE DATE MONDAY, JUNE 11, 2018 T.J. ARCATI OUTING

A Night of Gratitude



A snow storm derailed our efforts to thank our sponsors in February 2017, but a lovely night in April 2017 was just perfect! Supporters enjoyed drinks and hors d'oeuvres at the upper campus of the Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory's Wendt building, while touring the actual lab where sarcoma research is conducted. Under a backdrop of photos of T.J.'s life and past events, Dr. Chris Vakoc, spoke about the ambitious research efforts underway. Many thanks to board member, Steve

Szczepanski, who traveled from Chicago to be with us! It was a great evening of appreciation and a kick-off for the 2017 outing!

Research Spotlight: Funding Cures

Searching for Weaknesses in Cancer



Martyna Stroka is a graduate student at Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory's Watson School of Biological Sciences. She recently joined Associate Professor, Dr. Chris Vakoc's laboratory, where she is focused on understanding the genetic dependencies and additions driving cell proliferation in sarcomas.

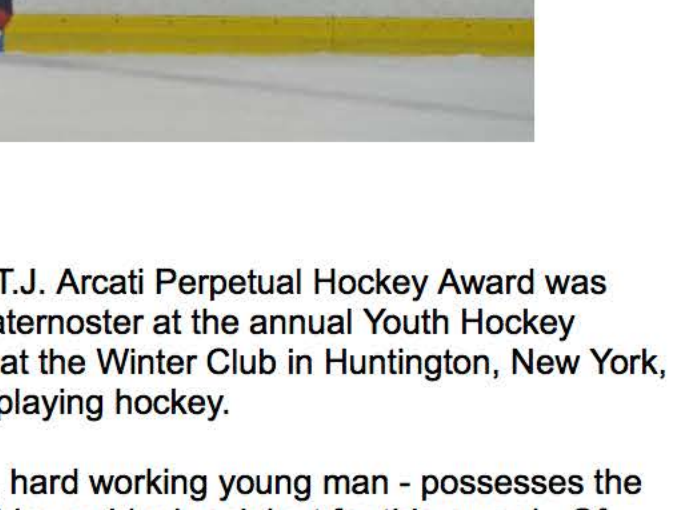
The Friends of T.J. Foundation is supporting Martyna's efforts to discover new vulnerabilities in rhabdomyosarcoma and other sarcomas. Her approach takes advantage of a cutting-edge, high

performance screening technology that was recently developed in the Vakoc laboratory. She is now working to identify potential drug targets for these cancers.

Collaborations Define New Targets in Sarcoma

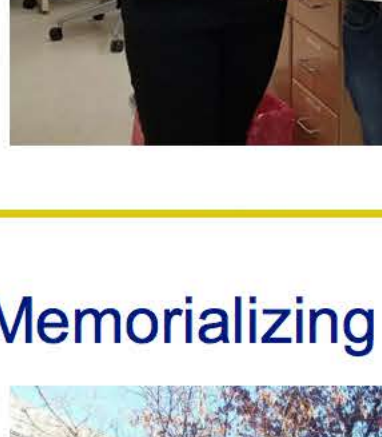


Potential Therapy for RMS
 With support of the Friends of T.J. Foundation, a potential treatment for rhabdomyosarcoma is moving into clinical investigation. The treatment was developed by Charles Keller, Scientific Director at Children's Cancer Research Development Institute, and Dr. Chris Vakoc, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory's Associate Professor.



Novel Targets for Synovial Sarcoma
 Synovial sarcoma has many similarities to rhabdomyosarcoma. A collaboration between Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory and Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center has led to the discovery of two novel targets for next-generation drug development in synovial sarcoma.

March 2017: The T.J. Arcati Perpetual Hockey Award

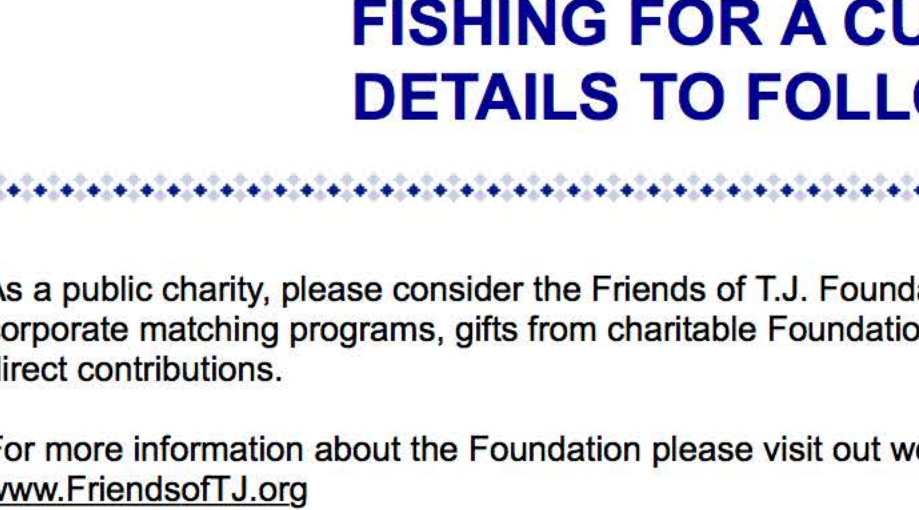


In March 2017, the T.J. Arcati Perpetual Hockey Award was given to Malcolm Paternoster at the annual Youth Hockey Awards dinner held at the Winter Club in Huntington, New York, where T.J. grew up playing hockey.

Malcolm - a mature, hard working young man - possesses the qualities that made him an ideal recipient for this award. Of equal importance, he has the same love of the game as T.J. did! Men's senior hockey was one of T.J.'s favorite activities. Way to go Malcolm!

Foundation Gifts

Accelerating Sarcoma Research



In October 2017, Nancy and Tom Arcati, on behalf of the Friends of T.J. Foundation, presented a \$50,000 donation to Dr. Chris Vakoc at Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory. This donation will be used to support ongoing sarcoma research.

Memorializing Your Gift



Your generosity to the Friends of T.J. Foundation will be forever memorialized on a brick in the Beckman walkway at the center of the Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory campus.

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