



WINNING THE FIGHT OF YOUR LIFE!

*Greg's Mission
Providing One on One Brain Tumor Support*

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Second half 2013 highlights from Greg's Mission

Greg's Mission provides support, HOPE, education, current resources and awareness to patients suffering from brain tumors, especially Glioblastoma Multiforme (a grade 4 primary brain tumor) via phone, email, Skype and personal visits.



Greg's Mission fans & Kernels fans cheered at 5 games this past summer. Greg's Mission and the Kernels will partner again for the 2014 season!

See p. 3 for dates and how to order tickets!

Greg's Mission volunteer Gwen Weigelt organized the first **BIKE 4 THE BRAIN** event to raise awareness for brain tumors and Greg's Mission. 13 riders started pedaling on the High Trestle Trailhead in Woodward and celebrated the finish with wings and pizza at the Wheelhouse in Ankeny, IA 25 miles later. The event was a success and we decided to make it an annual event! If you like to ride your bike (on a nice, flat, smooth, paved trail) watch for details!



UPCOMING EVENTS

Stay tuned to www.gregsmmission.org for the following event dates to be announced!

- **bEAT** Brain Cancer – Participating restaurants to be announced in April for the event in May
- 2nd Annual Bike 4 the Brain
- 2nd Annual Tailgate for Tumors

Gwen also organized the **TAILGATE FOR TUMORS** event in November in Ankeny, Iowa. \$1800 was raised via gift baskets in a silent auction and a Chili Cook Off!! YUM!

A BIG thanks to GWEN and all the volunteers she rounded up – her mom, dad and many other friends. Also a special thanks to Terry Landers who offered special rates at the Hampton Inn and baked some wonderful deserts!



In the fall, Greg spoke at the University of California San Diego Moores Cancer Center and took part in the San Diego Brain Tumor Foundation Walk. Greg also spoke at Merck Pharmaceuticals Science & Technology Day in New Jersey.

A NEW, VALUABLE Resource! - Check it out!



Greg's Mission would like to introduce **Fifth Season Financial**, a company that helps relieve financial stress for those with advanced cancer. Fifth Season's goal is to help individuals living with cancer regain financial freedom so that they can focus on what is most important: their health and their families. Their innovative program called 'Loans for Living' helps individuals with advanced stage cancer regain control over their financial situation by providing loans using a person's life insurance policy as collateral.

Please check out their website and easy-to-understand video. This is a valuable resource!

<http://www.fifthseasonfinancial.com/>

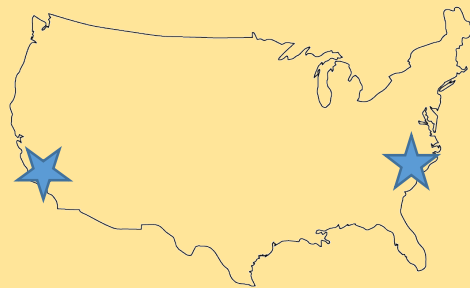
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S8uaDOF-vgw>

COAST TO COAST!

ATTENTION PATIENTS, FAMILIES & CAREGIVERS

Greg will be in **San Diego** **March 21-24!** If you would like to talk with him when he is there, call him to make an appointment at 612-437-5903!

He is trying to see as many people as he can in the short time he is there!



Call Greg to schedule a time to meet!

612-437-5903

Greg will be in the DC Area **May 4-8!** On May 5-6 he will take part in the "**Head to The Hill!**" event as the Lead Advocate for Minnesota & Iowa with the National Brain Tumor Society. The other days (May 4th, 7th & 8th) Greg has set aside time to meet with patients, families and caregivers.

A BIG THANKS TO:



Carl from Chili's in Coralville who helped to arrange a percent of proceeds of all the Chili's in the state of Iowa be donated to Greg's Mission during the month of November.



Total Financial Solutions for help with Greg's Mission tax preparation.

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UPCOMING EVENTS!!!

Join us for Greg's Mission Fundraiser nights with the
Cedar Rapids Kernels!

Tickets are \$9.⁰⁰ \$2.⁰⁰ from each ticket will support Greg's Mission!


- o Go to www.gregsmision.org and click the link (will be available soon)
- o Call the Kernels ticket office at [319-896-7560](tel:319-896-7560) and mention Greg's Mission!



May 3	6:35pm - Enjoy a spectacular fireworks show following the game
May 30	6:35pm - Star Wars night
June 14	5:05pm - ISU Cyclone Night, Lonesome Road Post-Game Concert and fireworks
July 20	2:05pm - Run the Bases Sunday, Travel Advisors Baseball Bingo
Aug 16	6:35pm - Enjoy a spectacular fireworks show following the game

New Minor League Baseball Teams featuring Greg's Mission's Public Service Announcement!

~Contact us if you would like to take a road trip to any of these games~

July 12		<p>6:35pm - Wisconsin Rumber Rattlers vs. Quad City River Bandits</p> <p>Promotions: Cow Pattern Batting Helmet Giveaway, Storybook Princess Night, Tiara Giveaway, and Fireworks!</p>
July 26		<p>6:30 pm - Lake County Captains of Ohio vs. Beloitte Snappers of Wisconsin</p> <p>Promotions: Captains Youth Replica Giveaway, Christmas in July, Faith Night, Girl Scout Sleepover, and Fireworks!</p>

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July 27



7:00pm - Lake County Captains of Ohio vs. Beloitte Snappers of Wisconsin

Promotions: Family Fun Sundays, Pirates & Princesses Night and Fireworks!

Aug 10



1:05pm - Tin Caps of Fort Wayne Indiana vs. Lake County Captains of Ohio

Promotions: Every Friday night is Theme Night! With everything from a Salute to the Muppets and A Night at the Circus to Spotlight on Broadway Musicals, there is something for everyone!

US Foods Family Feast: Featuring specials on select concession items, including hot dogs, pop corn, softdrinks & pizza slices for \$1!

Fireworks after the game!

Aug 24



1:15pm - Quad Cities River Bandits vs. Cedar Rapids Kernels!

Promotions: Flat Screen Giveaway! Every Sunday home game, the River Bandits will be giving away free flat screen TVs to lucky fans!

Kids Run the Bases (after the game)!

Bring your dog to the Modern Woodmen Berm on all Sunday games in 2013!



In case you missed it!

Greg was featured in the following articles/news clips:

[Iowa City Press Citizen, Making the Most Out of a Second Chance at Life](http://www.usatoday.com/Cancer%20survivor%20serves%20as%20mentor%20for%20those%20with%20disease)

[http://www.usatoday.com/Cancer survivor serves as mentor for those with disease](http://www.usatoday.com/Cancer%20survivor%20serves%20as%20mentor%20for%20those%20with%20disease)

[http://www.startribune.com/Philanthropy Beat: One-man support for tumor patients](http://www.startribune.com/Philanthropy%20Beat%3A%20One-man%20support%20for%20tumor%20patients)

[http://www.twincities.com/While fighting cancer and the odds, Cottage Grove man helps others](http://www.twincities.com/While%20fighting%20cancer%20and%20the%20odds%2C%20Cottage%20Grove%20man%20helps%20others)

[http://www.dailyiowan.com/Coralville Cancer Survivor Helps Others as Mentor](http://www.dailyiowan.com/Coralville%20Cancer%20Survivor%20Helps%20Others%20as%20Mentor)

<http://thegazette.com/gregs-mission-is-to-assist-fellow-brain-tumor-survivors>

<http://www.cbs2iowa.com/news/features/heroes/stories/cbs-2-heroes-greg-cantwell-52.shtml>

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