## TRANSPLANT NEWS

Akron-Canton Transplant Recipients

### 2014 Schedule of Events

Monthly meeting from 6:30 to 8:30 on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of every month at Education Building "A" at the North Canton Medical Center.

OrganDonorSabbath on April 25, 2014 at 7:30 at Akron Temple Israel. This will be the 5<sup>th</sup> annual service sponsored by Micki Wise and the Wise Family in memory of Bernard Wise.

Hartville Flea Market, June, 2014. See Sue & Ray Golden for donation details and visit them at the flea market.

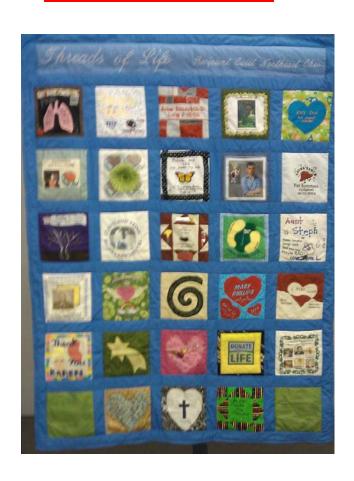
Lifebanc August, 2014 Gift of Life Walk & Run August 2014 at Blossom Music Center. Join Amanda's or Rosie & Pat's team or Alison Werstler's Hearts for Ray Stiles and support Lifebanc.

Celebration of Life Picnic, August 10, 2014 from noon to 4:00 at the John Torok Community Center, Green, Ohio.

November 2014 Akron Children's Hospital Holiday Tree Festival at John S Knight Center. Please contact Rosie or Sue if you have a tree or items for this year's squirrel theme tree.

Holiday Celebration of Life Dinner on December 16<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 to 9:00 at NCMC. Donor recognition will be followed by dedication of ornaments by organ recipients or their loved ones.

### 2013 Year in Review



### Celebration of Life Dinner December, 2013

Our Annual Celebration of Life Dinner was held at the North Canton Medical Center. Dianna Phillips described Lifebanc's mission and discussed the criteria to be an organ donor. The latest "Threads of Life" was displayed and several Akron Canton member's blocks were included. Thank you to Robin and Randy Pelton for their outstanding efforts to provide gifts for all the dinner guests.

# 32nd annual November Holiday Tree Festival to benefit Akron Children's Hospital Patient Care Programs

2013 was the 10<sup>th</sup> year that Rosie Price and Sue Golden have created a tree for the Tree Festival. Many thanks to Heather for filling in for Rosie and assisting Sue with decorating the tree. The 2014 tree will have a squirrel theme.

### TRIO Celebration of Life Picnic August, 2013

We gathered at the John Torok
Community & Senior Center, 4224
Massillon Road, Green, Ohio. The Picnic
ran from 12:00PM to 4:00PM. Hot dogs
and buns were supplied by TRIO. (Thank
you to <u>Sugardale/Freshmark Meats</u> for
providing the hot dogs since 1992).

### 2013 Lifebanc Gift of Life Walk & Run at Blossom Music Center



Akron Canton TRIO had three teams this year sponsored by TRIO members. This was the forth year for Amanda Goodwin's Race for Amanda team and the second year for Rosie Price's and Pat Summer's

team, the Kidney Kats. Alison Werstler organized a new team, Hearts for Ray Stiles.

#### **Hartville Flea Market June, 2013**

From Dick Goddard and dogs to adopt, to Precious Moments to DVDs, to coffee makers, etc, there was something for everyone at this years Hartville Flea Market TRIO Booth. Special thanks to Hartville Marketplace for generously donating a space and allowing us to attend each year and to Ray and Sue Golden and their family for making it all possible.

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### **2014 Donate Life Transplant Games** of America

The 2014 Games will take place from July 10th to 15th in Houston, Texas

Thank you to everyone who assisted in making 2013 a year to remember.

### **Reminder**

2014 dues are due in January. Please contact Mary Fread (330-453-8214 <a href="mailto:transplant@neo.rr.com">transplant@neo.rr.com</a>) if you have questions. The membership form is attached.

### About TRIO (Transplant Recipients International Organization)

Website: www.trioweb.org

#### **TRIO's MISSION**

TRIO is a non-profit organization improving the quality of lives touched by the miracle of transplan –tation through support, advocacy, education and awareness.

### Support

We provide support to transplant candidates, recipients and their families, donors and donor families to help alleviate the stresses and problems associated with the process.

### **Advocacy**

We make the concerns and needs that affect the welfare of transplant candidates, recipients, and donor families known to federal government bodies. We also effectively communicate the views of transplant candidates, recipients and their families, donors and donor families to the general public.

#### **Education**

We provide current information (with respect to developments in organ and tissue donation, transplantation, medications, social issues, and finances) to transplant candidates, recipients and their families, donors and donor families about initiatives and protocols in the field of transplantation.

#### **Awareness**

We promote organ and tissue donation as an important social responsibility. We develop and support mechanisms to improve the availability of organs and tissues on an equitable basis to meet the need of transplant candidates.

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