# education, support, & hope

FOR ALL PEOPLE IMPACTED BY CANCER, ANYTIME, ANYWHERE

November - December 2024











# Announcements...



# **NETWORK PARTNER OF DISTINCTION AWARD!**

Awarded at the 2024 Cancer Support Community Affiliate Leadership Conference!

We are thrilled to announce our designation as a Cancer Support Community Network Partner of Distinction! Gilda's Club KC is an independent 501c3 and a member of the Cancer Support Community, the largest international provider of cancer-specific psychosocial support.



# **TEEN TIME KICKOFF!**

Saturday, November 9th from 1-3pm at the Clubhouse

Teen Time is a social event for teen cancer survivors to connect and have fun! Bring a friend or come solo, and join us for this Kickoff Event with Bingo (with prizes!), snacks, pet therapy, and movement activities with Temple Made Fitness. Partnered with Turning Point. Register here!





Tuesday, December 17th from 6-8pm at the Clubhouse

Celebrate the holiday season with us! Our annual Holiday Bash will be open house style this year! Drop by the Clubhouse for treat bags, games, and fun! We will have activities for children and adults alike; come share time with others in the GCKC community, and leave with fond memories. You are welcome to wear your favorite holiday sweater!







See our most up-to-date programming by scanning the QR code to the left!

**Our Mission:** 

Gilda's Club Kansas City uplifts and strengthens people impacted by cancer by providing support, fostering compassionate communities, and breaking down barriers to care.



# New to Gilda's Club Kansas City?

# Join us for a Welcome Meeting!

Welcome to Gilda's Club Kansas City! If you are interested in learning more about our FREE cancer support program, please join us for a welcoming meeting. First Wednesdays at 11:30 am - 12:30 pm Hybrid • Third Wednesdays at 4pm-5pm via Zoom. Scan the QR code below to register!



Wed., November 20 or Wed., December 18 @ 4pm - Zoom



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# **HYBRID OR ZOOM SUPPORT GROUPS**

## LIVING WITH CANCER

First Thurs (Zoom)/Third Thurs (Hybrid), 6-7:30 pm Open to participants who are living with cancer.

## **FAMILY & FRIENDS**

First Weds (Zoom)/Third Weds (Hybrid), 6-7:30 pm Open to participants who are supporting someone living with cancer.

## **BREAST CANCER**

Second Tues (Zoom)/Fourth Tues (Hybrid), 6-7:30 pm Open to participants living with a breast cancer diagnosis.

## **POST-TREATMENT**

Second Weds (Hybrid)/Fourth Weds (Zoom) 6-7:30 pm This monthly group is for parents/caregivers, open Open to new participants who completed treatment.

#### LIVING WITH LOSS

Mon Nov 18 & Dec 9, 6-7:30 p.m. - Hybrid Open to new participants who are grieving the death of a loved one from cancer.

## YOUNG ADULTS SUPPORT

# First & Third Mondays, 6-7:30pm - Zoom

This group is open to anyone between the ages of 21-39 who has been diagnosed with cancer or is in remission.

SCAN THE QR CODE TO THE RIGHT TO **REGISTER FOR CLASSES & GROUPS!!** 



#### PROSTATE CANCER NETWORK

# First Wednesday, 6:30-8 pm - Hybrid

Peer-to-peer group led by Prostate Network, open to participants living with a prostate cancer diagnosis.

#### **FAMILIES CONNECT & KID SUPPORT**

# Third Wednesday, 6-7:30pm - in person

A program for the whole family when a parent or caregiver has cancer. An adult support group is held while kids meet for equal parts of support and fun.

#### CAREGIVERS WITH KIDS SUPPORT GROUP

# First Wednesday, 6-7:30pm - Zoom Only

to families where a parent, close family member/caregiver, child, or sibling have cancer.

# ONE-ON-ONE SUPPORT

# INDIVIDUAL, COUPLES, FAMILY, AND GRIEF COUNSELING

## Requests are welcome.

To provide further support, GCKC offers shortterm counseling. Limited to a maximum of six sessions.

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# FREE WORKSHOPS

## **GUIDED RELAXATION**

First Tuesdays, 12-1pm - Zoom

Learn to use Mind-Body techniques to reduce stress and relax.

# **GENTLE YOGA FLOW/ADAPTIVE FITNESS CLASS**

Second Wednesdays, 5-6pm - in person

Join us for fun and fitness! Each month will offer a different class style; movements can be modified.



#### **EXPRESSIVE ART THERAPY**

Third Thursdays, 4-5:30pm - in person

Join Emporia State University students for expressive art therapy. Materials provided.

#### **KNIT-KARMA CLUB**

Nov 11 & Dec 4, 12-1:30pm - in person Nov 14 & Dec 5, 5:30-7pm - in person

Learn the basics of knitting! No experience required. All supplies will be provided.

## **CROCHET COLLECTIVE**

Nov 18 & Dec 9, 12-1:30pm - in person Nov 21 5:30-7pm and Dec 19th 5-6:30pm

Learn the basics of crochet! No experience required. All supplies will be provided. In person.

## MINDFUL STRESS MANAGEMENT

Thursday, Nov 7, 5-6pm - Zoom

Learn to use Mind-Body techniques to reduce stress and relax.

# MARY KAY PAMPERING SESSIONS

Wednesday, Nov 6 at 4pm - in person Saturday, Dec 7 at 10am - in person

Indulge in a moment of self-care! You deserve it!

## **HEALING THROUGH WRITING**

Sat. Nov 16 & Dec 14, 10am-12pm - Hybrid

No experience necessary. Different writing prompts for each class. All are welcome.

# children, teens, & families

# FAMILY-FRIENDLY WORKSHOPS

# **JEWELRY MAKING CLASS**

Tuesday, November 19, 4-5:30pm - in person

Make a bracelet to take home or share with a friend! All supplies will be provided. Registration is limited to 10 persons.

#### **SCULPEY FUN!**

Saturday, November 23, 10-11:30am - in person

Polymer clay can be used for earrings, charms, figurines, and anything else you can imagine. No experience necessary. All supplies provided and all are welcome!





## WINTER WONDERLAND WATERCOLOR

Thursday, December 12, 12-1:30pm - in person

Create a winter wonderland watercolor! Using blue tape and a variety of watercolor techniques, you'll paint a cold weather masterpiece! All supplies provided, no experience necessary.

# Apoyo en Español GRUPO DE APOYO



Segundo Miércoles 6-7:30 pm

Para que cualquier persona con cáncer o sus familias compartan recursos y reciban apoyo emocional. Para obtener más información, llame al 816-200-7356.

# Gilda's in the Community!

Saint Luke's East Hospital - Legacy Conf Room LIVING WITH CANCER

**FAMILY & FRIENDS** 

Tuesdays, Nov 12th & Dec 10th, 6-7:30pm

One group for those living with cancer and another for those supporting someone living with cancer. Run concurrently.

in person support groups

**Treehouse at Liberty Hospital** LIVING WITH CANCER **FAMILY & FRIENDS** 

Thursdays, Nov 14th and Dec 12th, 6-7:30pm

One group for those living with cancer and another for those supporting someone living with cancer. Run concurrently.

Registration open online or contact us! AdventHealth - SHAW Cancer Institute LIVING WITH CANCER

> Monday, Nov 18th, 6-7:30pm Monday, Dec 16th, 6-7:30pm

A group for those living with cancer.



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## **CAREGIVER SUPPORT MEETUP**

Monday, Nov 11, 6-7pm - Hybrid (AdventHealth & zoom)

Connect with fellow caregivers of cancer patients in a supportive and understanding space.

# **LEARN ABOUT MISSY'S BOUTIQUE**

Tuesday Nov 12, 5:30-6pm - Zoom (partnered w/Turning Point)



30-minute overview with a short recap on products and services provided for breast cancer patients.

#### **COPING WITH GRIEF DURING HOLIDAYS**

Wednesday, Nov 13, 6-7pm - Hybrid (Saint Luke's East & zoom)

Holidays can seem daunting, stressful, and lonely while grieving. Connect with others in a supportive space.

#### GI SIDE EFFECTS OF LUNG CANCER

Monday, Nov 18, 6-7:30pm - Zoom (partnered w/Liberty Hospital)

Join Joe Riojas, FNP-C, to learn about possible GI side effects of lung cancer treatment, symptom management, and navigating emotions.

## **CANCER RISK IN AFRICAN AMERICAN PATIENTS**

Monday, November 25, 6-7pm - Zoom (partnered w/Saint Luke's South)

This discussion will address health disparities, preventative measures, risk factors, and self-awareness.

# education workshops

## WHY CAN'T I STAY POSITIVE?

Tuesday, Nov 26, 12 - 1pm - Hybrid (University Health & zoom)

This program explores depression, grief and resilience as they relate to cancer.

## PELVIC FLOOR THERAPY

Monday, Dec 2, 6-7pm - Hybrid (AdventHealth & Zoom)

Learn more from Ashleigh Heldstab, OTR/L, CLT about the pelvic floor, common concerns, and learn activities to support healthy function.

#### **COLORECTAL CANCER**

Monday, Dec 9, 6-7pm - Hybrid (Saint Luke's South & Zoom)

Dr. Marc Roth will discuss different types of colorectal cancer, treatments, side effects, clinical trials, and coping with emotional concerns.

## STRETCHING YOUR GROCERY DOLLARS

Wednesday, Dec 11, 6-7pm - Hybrid (Saint Luke's East & Zoom)

Join us for a round-table discussion focused on adjusting to the physical and emotional impacts of post-treatment life.

#### **VACCINE & IMMUNIZATION UPDATES**

Monday, Dec 16, 6-7pm - Zoom (partnered w/Liberty Hospital)

Join Dr. Jantz to learn about vaccines, including RSV, COVID, and influenza, as well as prevention techniques.

# Pet Therapy is back!

Enjoy the benefits of pet therapy, now provided by our partners at Mo-Kan Pet Partners at several of our in person support groups.

Check out our support group schedule online!



# Interested in Volunteering?

Scan the QR code to complete our Volunteer Interest Form, or contact Amanda Trout, Program Director, at amanda@gildasclubkc.org or 816-531-5444.



# **Night of Remembrance**

Tuesday, November 12th, 6 - 8pm

Join us as we remember those who have died but whose memories still live on in our hearts. We will have a brief ceremony and provide an opportunity to share reflections for those who feel so inclined. Participants may also bring a picture of their loved one to share. Pet therapy will be available. Register online or by contacting us. Everyone is welcome.



# **THANK YOU!**

Special thanks to our October event community partners: Haunts at The House with Lulu's; Keeper for a Cure; J McLaughlin; Pembroke Hill School Girls Field Hockey Team PINK Game; Kendra Scott Shine Bright, Do Good; Brews & Bros Trivia at Stone Pillar Winery; Waterway Goes Pink; The Powder Creek Ladies' Every Pair Matters ShootTexas Roadhouse Stomps Out Cancer.

# **ABOUT GILDA'S CLUB**

Community is Stronger than Cancer.®

Our program is always available to anyone with cancer and their loved ones at any stage, from diagnosis through survivorship. It is based on research, led by professionals, offered both inperson and virtually, and provided at no cost to participants.

Our program offers free support groups and short-term individual counseling, various educational workshops and healthy lifestyle classes on subjects like nutrition, exercise/movement, and mental health, and resources/referrals. We emphasize the importance of social connections and offer children, teens, and family services.

Programs are made possible in part by donations from the AdventHealth Shawnee Mission
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25  CANCER RISK IN AFRICAN AMERICAN PATIENTS (SAINT LUKE'S SOUTH) 6PM	26 WHY CAN'T I STAY POSITIVE? (UNIVERSITY HEALTH) 12PM BREAST CANCER SUPPORT GROUP - 6PM	POST-TREATMENT GROUP 6PM	THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY CLUBHOUSE CLOSED	DAY AFTER THANKSGIVING CLUBHOUSE CLOSED	30

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Gilda's Clubhouse Hours (unless otherwise posted):

Monday - Thursday: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

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