In Review: Academic Debates

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Academic Debates on March 3rd! The topics of NAFLD/ NASH, HCC/ Transplanta-
tion, and Hepatitis C were debated by North-
western University, University of Illinois, Loy-
ola University, Indiana University, Rush Uni-
versity, and Stroger Hospital. We were able
to raise over $6,000 while hearing from some
of the top medical experts on liver disease
related topics!

Jackie awards the Liver Cup to Rush University for raising
the most money during the event!

All Great Lakes Division receives
grant to test 10,000 people for HCV

We are proud to announce that we are the recipients of
a grant that will be instrumental in identifying people af-
fected by Hepatitis C in the Chicagoland area. We are
partnering with Brothers Health Collective (BHC) and
Making A Daily Effort (MADE) to establish a testing pro-
gram that can be duplicated across the country. BHC
and MADE are experienced testing organizations and
together we are confident that we can educate Chicago-
ans about the HCV risk factors, screen those who are at
risk and connect them to a qualified healthcare provid-
er. We are honored to fulfill our mission through this
partnership. Updates will be provided throughout the
year long process.

March/April
2016 Newsletter

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Welcome New Staff!

Brandon Combs,
Assistant Executive Director

Some of you may recall that he was an exceptional member of the ALF GLD from 2004-2007. During that time he introduced innovative programming and development tactics that significantly contributed to our growth. In 2009 Brandon received his Master’s in Non-Profit Administration from North Park University and his most recent position was Executive Director of a local not-for-profit which provides education and training for families to create a healthier family environment.

We are confident that Brandon will enhance our current efforts and help us attain goals beyond our expectations. Brandon can be reached by phone at 312-377-9030 or email at bcombs@liverfoundation.org.

Tatiana Hayes,
Administrative Assistant

Some of you may already know Tatiana as she has been volunteering for ALF for several months. Tatiana applied for the open Administrative Assistant position and ALF has decided to bring her on board as a staff member in the Great Lakes Division. Tatiana’s volunteer experience at ALF will help her hit the ground running and will contribute to the growth and smooth running of the Great Lakes Division. Tatiana can be reached directly at the Great Lakes Division office at 312-377-9030 or via email at thayes@liverfoundation.org.

Webinar Series Spotlight

Please join Dr. Sheila Eswaran & Dr. Costica Aloman from Rush University in our upcoming webinar series focusing on:

Liver Transplantation Overview
(Thursday, April 7th, 12:00pm-12:30pm)

Donating and Receiving Overview
(Thursday, April 21st, 12:00pm-12:30pm)

Support Information
(Thursday, April 28th, 12:00pm-12:30pm)

To secure your spot in this free series, email skoltun@liverfoundation.org today!

Our Favorite Articles this month:

1. Fatty Liver Disease: Killer Most People Don’t Know About

2. Why Cancer in the Liver is no Longer a Death Sentence

3. First Grader with Biliary Atresia Attends Field Trip via Robot

4. Clinical Trials in the Chicagoland Area (click on Clinical Trials)

5. Dinner in 30 minutes: Lemon & Garlic Chicken with Spiced Spinach