# Life with Cancer®

# HIGHLIGHTS

#### Special Presentation! Proteomics and Personalized Medicine Today FC, Tue, Oct 20, 7-8:30pm

Lance Liotta, MD, PhD and Emanuel Petricoin III, PhD, Co-Directors of The Center for Applied Proteomics and Molecular Medicine who are leaders in researching the role of proteins in multiple myeloma, breast, brain, prostate, lung, ovarian, skin and colorectal cancers will provide an "Update of Where we are Today with Proteomics and Personalized Medicine." Join us for a most informative and insightful evening.

#### Orientation to Life with Cancer – 2 Choices FC, Thu, Oct 8, 11:30am-12:30pm FC, Thu, Oct 22, 6-7pm

Take a tour and learn about our many programs, classes, groups and services for children and adults. Please register by preceding day.

#### **Change Your Age Workshop** FO-C&D, Sat, Oct 17, 2-5pm

This movement-based program weaves in cognitive challenges that will help keep both your brain and your body youthful. You will use your body and brain to feel younger, stronger and fit. Potential benefits include improved strength, increased mobility, while learning how to avoid injuries. The program is based on the Feldenkrais Method and taught by Monica Browne, GCFP. Bring a yoga mat and a blanket or towel.

#### **Drumming for Well-Being** 44084 RP, Thu, Oct 1, 6:30-8pm

Therapeutic drumming is not only fun but the health benefits of drumming have been known to boost the immune system, induce relaxation, reduce stress, increase focus and a sense of well-being. No musical experience necessary and all instruments are provided. Registration required.

#### Joy of Movement 44084 RP, Tue, Oct 20, 1-2pm

There are many ways to explore your creative side and in so doing relieve stress, promote healing and have fun. Kim Tapper, Life Coach and Movement therapist will guide you in this endeavor. If you can tap your foot or wave your hand this class is for you! Please register.

#### Look Good...Feel Better – 3 Choices!

IAH-CCC, Mon, Oct 5, 6-8pm FO-LWC, Mon, Oct 5, 2-4pm FC, Mon, Oct 19, 7-9pm

A professional cosmetologist will teach women how to manage appearancerelated side effects of chemotherapy, radiation and other forms of treatment. First time registrants will receive a makeup kit. Family members/friends should not register. Co-sponsored with American Cancer Society, National Cosmetology Association and Personal Care Products Council.

# About Life with Cancer®

Life with Cancer programs and services are offered throughout Northern Virginia. Our main facility is the Dewberry Life with Cancer Family Center; a home-like setting where people can come together to learn, share and find solutions to the questions that arise when one is diagnosed with cancer. Our staff is made up of experienced oncology nurses and social workers. Our programs and services (except massage) are FREE thanks to generous community support. Any one affected by cancer, including family members, may participate, regardless of where they live or receive treatment.

#### **Class Registration Information**

- All classes are free, but registration is required unless otherwise specified.
- Register at www.lifewithcancer.org and click on the calendar and class registration page, unless otherwise specified.
- Can't make it to a class or appointment? Please let us know; email Mayra.Zepeda@ inova.org or call 703.698.2526.

## **OCTOBER 2015**

#### Planning Ahead: The Final Checklist FC, Tue, Oct 6, 6:30-8pm

Join us, wherever you may be on your cancer journey, in educating yourself on end-of-life issues. In this second of four monthly meetings, representatives from a local funeral home will provide specifics for making funeral arrangements and the costs involved. The remaining sessions will be on 11/10 and 12/1.

#### **Talking to Your Children and Teens about Cancer** FO-LWC, Tue, Oct 27, 6-7pm

Regardless of who is diagnosed with cancer, the whole family is affected. Cancer is a complicated disease to understand, and challenging to explain to children. Discussing it with your child is an important thing you can do to help your children understand and cope. But what is the best approach? Jean McCaw, MA, ATR-BC, LCPAT, Life with Cancer's Child and Adolescent Program Coordinator will guide you through the process of sharing information and answering your child's questions in way that is informative and age appropriate.

#### Tools for Couples FC, Wed, Oct 7-28, 7-8:30pm

Learn how you and your partner can navigate the life changes brought about by a cancer diagnosis while maintain a strong relationship. Learn strategies for coping with the emotions that can interfere with your relationship--anger, mood swings, spouse fears, and depression, how to create a powerful team and avoid common conflict points.

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Life with Cancer® Mission Statement To enhance the quality of life of those affected by cancer by providing education, information and support

#### **Location Key**

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44084 RP:	44084 Riverside Parkway, Ste 400, Lower Level, Leesburg, VA, 20176				
ABEHC:	Alexandria Beth El Hebrew Congregation, 3830 Seminary Road, Alexandria, VA, 22304				
CUMC-1:	Christ United Methodist Church, Trailer 6- until August, 8285 Glen Eagles Lane, Fairfax Station, VA, 22039				
FC:	Life with Cancer Family Center, 8411 Pennell Street, Fairfax, VA, 22031-4505 www.lifewithcancer.org				
FO-C&D:	Fair Oaks Cancer Center, Conference Rooms, Lower Level, 3580 Joseph Siewick Drive, Fairfax, VA, 22033				
FO-LWC:	Fair Oaks Cancer Center, Life with Cancer Suite, Lower Level, Suite 005, 3580 Joseph Siewick Drive, Fairfax, VA, 22033				
FO-Rad Onc:	Fair Oaks Cancer Center, Radiation Oncology, Lower Level, Suite 001, 3580 Joseph Siewick Drive, Fairfax, VA, 22033				
IAH-CCC:	Inova Alexandria Hospital, Cancer Center Conference Room, 4320 Seminary Road, Alexandria, VA 22304				
IAH-CCW:	Inova Alexandria Hospital Cancer Center Waiting Room, 4320 Seminary Road, Alexandria, VA, 22304				
IFMC:	Inova Fairfax Medical Campus, Radiation Oncology Conference Rm., 3300 Gallows Road,				
IFOH-1:	Falls Church, VA, 22042 Inova Fair Oaks Hospital- Conference Room 1, 3600 Joseph Siewick Drive, Fairfax, VA 22033				
ILH-R :	Inova Loudoun Hospital Radiation Oncology Center, 44035 Riverside Parkway, Ste 100, Leesburg, VA, 20176				
ILPO-I :	Inova Loudoun Physicians' Offices I, 44055 Riverside Parkway, Suite 210, Leesburg, VA 20176				
IMVH-CC:	Inova Mount Vernon Hospital, 2nd Floor, Conf. Rm C., 2501 Parker's Lane, Alexandria, VA, 22306				
LCSC:	Loudoun County Senior Center, 21060 Whitfield Place, Sterling, VA, 20165				
PCC:	Physicians Conference Center, 3300 Gallows Road, Falls Church, VA, 22042				

# BREAST CANCER GROUPS & CLASSES

#### Ask the Expert: Understanding Current Screening and Diagnostic Options for Breast Cancer FC, Thu, Oct 15, 7-8:30pm

M. Lee Spangler MD, radiologist of Fairfax Radiological Consultants will review procedures for breast cancer screening including 3-D technology and Molecular Breast Imaging, attenuated breast ultrasound and SUVS will address issues related to insurance coverage. Please register.

#### Pink Ribbon Brunch FC, Thu, Oct 29, 11am-1pm

Network with others and hear how "Cancer Services Continue to Grow and Thrive in the Oncology Community" by Drs. Costanza Cocilova and Mary Wilkinson; Director of LWC, Sage Bolte, PhD, and SOS Coordinator Pamela Crum. Space is limited. Registration is required by Oct 27.

## Preparation for Breast Cancer Surgery

**FO-LWC, Wed, Oct 7 & 21, 12:30-2pm** An oncology nurse navigator will explain what you need to know before, during and after breast cancer surgery: node biopsy, managing drains and discomfort, bathing, moving comfortably, prostheses, undergarments, and more. Family members/friends welcome. To register call 703.391.4673.

# Living with Breast Cancer: Part I, Exercise

**FC, Thu, Oct 1-Nov 5, 6-6:45pm** This six-week series will introduce you to aerobic exercise to help increase strength, flexibility and restore mind/body balance after breast cancer surgery. Participation in the whole series is recommended for greatest benefit. Instructor: ACSM certified Cancer Exercise Trainer and LWC's Fitness instructor, Susan Gilmore. Registration required by Tuesday preceding class.

# Living with Breast Cancer: Part II, Education

# FC, Thu, Oct 1-29, 7-8:30pm

This six-week series will provide important information from a variety of healthcare professionals. Knowledge is power! **Oct. 1**: Radiation Oncologist Ashish, MD will present Breast Cancer Development and Radiation Therapy. Check website for additional topics. Registration required by Tuesday preceding class. Please join us for exercise, directly following.

# Yoga for Breast Cancer

FC, Tue, Oct 6, 5:30-6:45pm Class continues for those already registered.

#### Yoga for Breast Cancer FC, Tue, Oct 13-Nov 10, 5:30-6:45pm

This five-week series will teach yoga poses specifically for Breast Cancer patients/ survivors. Wear comfortable clothing and bring a blanket and water bottle. Registration is required by 10/9. Physician approval is required if you have had surgery within six weeks. If attending for the first time in 2015, please bring a signed Participation Waiver (available online) to first class. Instructor: Catherine Syron, RYT.

#### Breast Cancer Support and Networking Groups

Learn, share and discuss ways of meeting the challenges of breast cancer. Gain support from others who understand the challenges you face. Each group is facilitated by an oncology therapist and an oncology nurse navigator.

- ABEHC, Mon, Oct 19, 6-7:30pm
- FO-Rad Onc, Wed, Oct 14, 5:30-7pm
- IFMC, Wed, Oct 7 & 21, 5:30-7pm
- ILH-R , Mon, Oct 26, 5-6:30pm
- IMVH-CC, Wed, Oct 14, 6-7:30pm

#### Young Women with Breast Cancer – 2 Choices IAH-CCW, Tue, Oct 13, 6:30-8pm FC, Tue, Oct 20, 6:30-8pm

Women in their 20s, 30s and 40s with nonmetastatic breast cancer are invited to meet with others in a supportive environment to gather information and learn how to best navigate survivorship. Facilitated by an oncology therapist and oncology nurse navigator. Please register and call 703.698.2522 if attending for the first time.

#### The Breast Cancer Survivor Retreat: New Beginnings Sat, Oct 10, 9am-3pm

Learn the latest breast cancer care and treatments from Dr. Amy Irwin, Oncologist from Virginia Cancer Specialists, Dr. Shannon Lehr, Surgeon from Breast Care Consultants of Northern VA, and Dr. Susan Boylan, Radiation Oncologist from Radiation Oncology Associates of Northern VA. Learn about community resources, such as bras and wigs, enjoy massage, healing touch, makeup application and more. Registration is required. Location: Villages of Leesburg, 1603 Village Market Blvd., Ste. 100, Leesburg, VA 20176

#### **Coalesce: An Advanced Breast Cancer Group** FC, Fri, Oct 2-30, Call for Time

This group is for women of all ages, with advanced breast cancer. Meet weekly in a closed support group to share life's joys and sorrows. Facilitator: Shara Sosa, LCSW. Prior screening is required; please call 703.698.2522.

# CHILDREN AND PARENTS

#### Surviving Cancer Competently Program for caregivers of children newly diagnosed with Cancer [SCCIP-ND]

Call 703.698.2534 for an appointment Coping with cancer is difficult; all families experience challenges and it is common to struggle with emotional distress, feelings of isolation, changes in roles, and disruption in family life. SCCIP-ND is a three-session intervention that teaches proven tools for helping caregivers cope more effectively. Developed at The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, the program helps caregivers regain a sense of control by learning how to cope more effectively so they can better help their child with cancer and other family members cope. For more information contact Rebecca McIntvre, MA, M.Ed., LCSW, OSW-C at 703-698-2524.



#### Pediatric Oncology Parent Night: 6th Annual Halloween Party FC, Tue, Oct 27, 6-8:30pm

Attention little spooks and goblins! Come in costume and join us for the 6th Annual Family Halloween Party with food, prizes, crafts, and games. All ages, on and off treatment welcome. RSVP to Constance Connor, LCSW at 703.531.1515, constance. connor@inova.org or to dccandlelighters@ gmail.com by 10/27.

#### Curious About Cancer FC, Wed, Oct 7-Nov 4, 5:30-6:30pm

Class continues for those already registered. For information on future classes or counseling for children, teens and families, call Jean McCaw MA, ATR-BC, LCPAT, Children's Program Coordinator at 703.698.2537 or *Jean.Mccaw@inova.org*.

# Talking to your Children and Teens about Cancer FO-LWC, Tue, Oct 27, 6-7pm

See details on front page.

# EXPRESSIVE ARTS

#### Healing through Art Therapy FC, Tue, Oct 6, 12:30-3pm FC, Tue, Oct 6 6:30-8:30pm

Experience the power of your creativity through art therapy, relaxation and guided imagery. This group provides opportunities for reflection and personal growth while creating with a variety of art media and approaches. No experience is necessary, just a willingness to explore and be a part of a supportive, creative community. This group is for those currently in treatment, out of treatment within 2 years, caregivers and bereaved within 2 years. Please register for either the day or evening group by the previous Friday. Art therapist: Jean McCaw, ATR-BC, LCPAT.

#### Knitting and Crocheting Circle FC, Tue, Oct 6, 7-8:30pm FC, Fri, Oct 16, 1-2:30pm

Past, new, experienced and inexperienced participants are welcome to join us monthly on the first Tuesday and/or third Friday. Work on your own project or one to donate. All supplies will be provided. Facilitator: Carolyn Sam, M.Ed. Please register.

#### Making Sense of Your Story FC, Wed, Oct 14, 12:30-2:30pm

This monthly class continues for those already registered. For more information call Jean McCaw, LCPAT, ATR-BC, 703.698.2537.

# Writing Your Memoirs and Life Stories

# FC, Thu, Oct 15, 2:30-4pm

Monthly meeting for those who completed previous 4 week series, giving you the opportunity to remember and capture some of your favorite memories in writing. Facilitator: Lynn Magrum, MSN, CANP, AOCN. Please register, ASAP.

# SPANISH

#### **Aprendiendo Juntos** FC, lunes, 26 de octubre, 7-8:30pm

¡Talleres de Bienestar! Talleres educativos con el enfoque en enseñar herramientas y compartir información útil para sobrevivientes, sus seres queridos y cuidadores. Registración mandatorio. Para más información, llamar a Débora Haynes al 703.698.2539.

#### Luzca Bien...Siéntase Mejor FC, jueves, 22 de octubre, 6-8pm

Programa de belleza gratuito para mujeres en tratamiento de quimioterapia y/o radioterapia. Una cosmetóloga les enseñará técnicas de maquillaje, cuidado de la piel, uso de pelucas y pañuelos, etc. Venga a fortalecer su espíritu y confianza en sí misma. Recibirás cosméticos personalizados. REGISTRACIÓN ES MANDATARIA vía nuestro sitio de Internet: www.lifewithcancer.org o llamando a Débora al 703.698-2539.

#### **Zumba – Bilingüe** FC, martes, 6-27 de octubre, 7-8pm

Zumba es una fusión de ritmos latinos y pasos fáciles de seguir. Nuestro objetivo es simple: Queremos que hagas ejercicio, y que lo disfrutes. Incorpora rutinas de ritmos rápidos y lentos con ejercicios de resistencia, con esta combinación que tonifica el cuerpo, y el sistema cardiovascular. Agregando un poco de sabor Latino y entusiasmo en esta mezcla ayudan a levantar el ánimo, y bienestar en general. Para más información, llamar a David McGinness al 703.698.2529. . Si está asistiendo por primera vez en 2015, favor de firmar un permiso antes de empezar la primera clase.



# FITNESS

# FAIRFAX

\*Important Message About Levels I-IV Exercise Classes:

Levels I-IV Exercise Classes are taught by ACSM certified Cancer Exercise Trainer Susan Gilmore, MS. and must be taken sequentially, beginning with Level I. Registration is required and a waiver (available online) must be completed for each level. For questions, contact Susan Gilmore, 703.698.2523 or susan. gilmore@inova.org.

# Level I Exercise: Launching into Fitness

**FC, Tue, Sept 22-Oct 6, 1-1:45pm** Class continues for those already registered. Next class will begin in November.

#### Level II Exercise: Chair-Based

**FC, Mon, Sept 21-Oct 26, 2-2:45pm** Class continues for those already registered. Next class will begin in November.

#### Level II Exercise: Chair-Based

**FC, Wed, Sept 23-Oct 28, 2-2:45pm** Class continues for those already registered. Next class will begin in November.

## Level III Exercise: Keeping Fit

**FC, Mon, Sept 21-Oct 26, 3-4pm** Class continues for those already registered. Next class will begin in November.

#### Level IV Exercise: Fitness Fusion FC, Wed, Sept 23-Oct 28, 3-4pm

Class continues for those already registered. Next class will begin in November.



#### Zumba! FC, Tue, Oct 6-27, 7-8pm

Please register under "Zumba - Bilingual". Zumba combines slow and fast rhythms with resistance training, while toning the body and cardiovascular system. Adding some Latin flavor and enthusiasm to the mix, it can help to lift your mood and improve your general sense of well-being.

## FAIR OAKS

Note: If attending any of the following classes for the first time in 2015, please bring a completed Participation Waiver, available online. Dress comfortably and bring a water bottle. Advanced registration is required.

#### **Core Strengthening** FO-LWC, Wed, Oct 7-28, 3-4pm

Build core strength and stability by focusing on the muscles of the abdominal region, lower back, pelvis, and hips. Exercises will help to with posture, daily functional activities, and overall strength and balance. Incorporates elements of Yoga and Pilates. Instructor: Jackie Le.

#### **Feldenkrais**

**FO-LWC, Thu, Oct 1-29\*, 10:30am-12pm** \*No class on Oct. 15.The Feldenkrais Method\* is a mental and physical improvement system based on discovering natural and efficient ways of moving your mind and body. It is intended to improve the sensibility, awareness, and quality of movement through one's own body feedback. Monica Browne, GCFP, teaches gentle and effective movement sequences to offer ways to move better, improve posture, and reduce pain.

#### Feldenkrais-Chair

**FO-C&D, Mon, Oct 5-26, 10:30-11:30am** For those who prefer the assistance of a chair, this class will show how the Feldenkrais Method<sup>®</sup> can be adapted. See description, above.

#### **Functional Movement** FO-LWC, Tue, Oct 6-27, 1-2pm

Functional Movement is the process the body uses to accomplish everyday tasks. As we squat and we reach, we need to mobilize and stabilize. Using medicine balls, dumbbells, stability balls, and BOSUs, you will challenge your movement system, increase your functional capacity, and improve your activities of daily living.

#### Stronger Body after Cancer FO-LWC, Wed, Oct 7-28, 7-8pm

This class will teach you the proper way to exercise and help you build a stronger body with the use of bands, medicine balls, light weights and low impact body weight exercises. All fitness strengths and limitations welcomed. Attending each class for greatest benefit. Equipment is provided.

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Note: If attending any of the following classes for the first time in 2015, please bring a completed Participation Waiver, available online. Dress comfortably and bring a water bottle. Advanced registration is required.

#### Evening Fitness 44084 RP, Tue, Oct 6-27, 6:30-7:30pm

This series offers an opportunity for those that are working or have busy daytime schedules. Exercises can be modified for all physical strengths and limitations. Instructor: Jenny Townsend, A.C.E.

#### **Fitness for Wellness - Level I** 44084 RP, Mon, Oct 5-26, 10:30-11:30am 44084 RP, Wed, Oct 7-28, 10:30-11:30am

This Level I series will help you gain strength, flexibility and stamina for those new to fitness or currently in treatment. Fitness instructor, Nancy Ryan MA Ed., H.D. Exercise Science, A.C.E., will help determine which level will provide the most benefit for you. Register for either or both classes.

#### **Fitness for Wellness - Level II** 44084 RP, Mon, Oct 5-26, 12-1pm 44084 RP, Wed, Oct 7-28, 12-1pm

PREREQUISITE LEVEL I: This series is for people who are not in active treatment. We'll work on strengthening and endurance with a combination of standing and floor exercises. Register for either or both classes. Instructor: Jenny Townsend, A.C.E.

#### Walking for Fitness 44084 RP, Tue, Oct 6-27, 9:30-10:30am

Walking is a great form of exercise. Enhance your fitness and enjoy the camaraderie of walking with others on paved paths in Lansdowne. Facilitator: Jenny Townsend A.C.E.

#### Zumba Gold 44084 RP, Fri, Oct 2-30, 10:30-11:30am

Have fun and exercise at the same time. Zumba Gold focuses on all elements of fitness, cardiovascular, muscular conditioning and flexibility at a gentler pace but still maintains the enthusiasm of the music.

# HEALING TOUCH, MEDITATION, YOGA, QIGONG, REIKI, TAI CHI

# Evening Gentle Yoga – 2 Choices

#### 44084 RP, Mon, Oct 5-26, 7-8:30pm FO, Mon, Oct 5, 7-8:30pm

This class blends gentle movement, breathing and relaxation to increase stamina and flexibility and bring a sense of calm. Learn movements that stretch, strengthen and relax muscles to improve flexibility of the spine and general range of movement. Joints are lubricated as bone density strengthens. Concentration is improved along with balance. Feel the benefits on every level, mind, body, and spirit. Bring a blanket. Registration is required. If attending for the first time in 2015, bring a signed waiver to first class.

#### **Gentle Yoga – 3 Choices** 44084 RP, Tue, Oct 6-27, 11am-12:30pm FC, Thu, Oct 8-Nov 19, 1-2pm FO-LWC, Thu, Oct 1-Jan 7, 3-4pm See description, above. All levels welcome. Dress comfortably. Registration is required.

#### Laughter Yoga-Halloween Style! FC, Thu, Oct 29, 2-3pm

Halloween masks/accessories encouraged! Practiced while sitting in a chair, laughter yoga is a combination of intentional, playful laughs and deep breathing exercises that have a number of benefits, including improved oxygen levels and lung capacity and reduced stress levels. Facilitator: Jenn Fay, MA, RYT. Please register by preceding day.

#### Healing Touch 44084 RP, Wed, Oct 21, 6-7pm

Healing Touch practitioners (usually nurses) employ the hands, placed just above the body or with actual light touch, to influence the human energy system, specifically the energy field that surrounds the body, and the energy centers that control the flow from the energy field to the physical body. This non-invasive technique can clear, energize, and balance the human and environmental energy fields, thus affecting physical, mental, emotional and spiritual health. Dress comfortably and bring a sheet, blanket and pillow. Space is limited; registration is required. For further information please call Barbara McDonnell RN, MSN, CBCN, 703.858.8867.

## Meditation and Guided Imagery -2 Choices FC, Wed, Oct 7 & 21, 3-4pm

**FC, Thu, Oct 8-22, 2-3pm** Join us for a relaxing exploration of the power and benefits of meditation, a practice that can reduce stress and offer healing. Each weekly session begins with breathwork and a relaxation technique that leads into a guided meditation. Come to one or come to all sessions, but please register by preceding day.

# Mindfulness: Caring for Mind and Body

**44084 RP, Thu, Oct 1-29, 11am-12:30pm** This class blends meditation, breath work and deep relaxation to release stress and restore balance. Through the reduction of stress you can generate emotional and physical healing. Registration is required. Please bring a blanket. Facilitator: Ladan Judge, RYT.

# Qi Gong

#### 44084 RP, Wed, Oct 7–Nov 4, 1-2:30pm

Learn to use the internal tools of you mind, body and breath to promote wellness and explore how movement, guided meditation and breathing may impact your emotional and physical well-being. Registration is Required. If attending for the first time in 2015, bring a signed waiver to first class.

**Reiki for Relaxation - 3 Choices** 44084 RP, Thu, Oct 22, 6:45-8pm FC, Mon, Oct 12, 4:30, 5:30 and 7pm FC, Wed, Oct 28, 4:30, 5:30 and 7pm Schedule your appointment online on the first business day of the month at 9:15am. A certified Reiki practitioner will help you experience the benefits of this ancient practice involving the positioning of hands along the body to direct energy, release tension and discomfort, and enhance well-being. Dress comfortably and bring a blanket. If you need to cancel your appointment, please call ASAP, or by the morning of your appointment, 703.698.2526

#### Restorative Yoga with Judi FC, Fri, Oct 2-30\*, 10:15-11:30am

\*No class October 9. This class uses bolsters, blocks, and blankets to support the body so you can easily melt into a pose. Gentle stretches, breath work and guided meditation deepen your practice. If attending for the first time in 2015, please bring a signed waiver to first class.

#### Tai Chi FO-LWC, Thu, Oct 1-29, 1-2:30pm

Learn slow, fluid body movements to enhance wellness, longevity and internal peace. Build upon simple steps to perform more complex movements. Wear comfortable clothing and closed-toed shoes. Registration required. If attending for the first time in 2015, bring a signed "Physical Activity Waiver" (available online) to first class.

#### **Yin Yoga** FO-LWC, Fri, Oct 2-30, 1:30-2:30pm

A meditative style of yoga in which poses/ stretches are held for long periods of time. By applying moderate stress to the connective tissues of the body, benefits consist of increased circulation in the joints and improved flexibility. Yin yoga aims at cultivating awareness of the mind and body. Dress comfortably. Registration is required. Instructor: Jackie Le.

#### **Yoga Nidra** FO-LWC, Mon, Oct 5-26, 10-11:30am

Yoga Nidra means "yogic sleep," a state of conscious deep sleep. Yoga Nidra is a deep relaxation technique that can bring about deep healing, mental clarity, reduced levels of stress, and peace of mind. Through this practice, we have the opportunity to be present with "what is" and develop increased mental focus and emotional tolerance. Yoga Nidra requires no formal training in meditation or any form of yoga to practice it and receive full benefits. This practice is very different from a musclefocused yoga practice and is a wonderful addition to any holistic health practice.

# One-on-One Consult with Physical Trainer

You know you should exercise, but you're not sure how to begin? Meet with a certified trainer in oncology and let them assist you in creating an exercise program that you'll actually want to do!

Consult times Tuesdays after 2:00 PM. Please contact Susan Gilmore MS, ACSM to schedule an appointment, 703.698.2523 or susan. gilmore@inova.org.

# NUTRITION

#### Fighting Cancer with A Fork - 3 Choices

#### IAH-CCC, Wed, Oct 14, 1-2pm FO-Rad Onc, Tue, Oct 20, 12-1pm FC, Wed, Oct 21, 5:30-6:30pm

Choose your location and join Registered Dietitian and certified specialist in oncology nutrition, Deb Rowland, RD, CSO, to learn the nutritional recommendations for cancer patients and survivors. Please register via lifewithcancer. org or call 703.698.2526.

#### Healthy Cooking with Anu FC, Thu, Oct 8, 12:30-1:30pm

Join Registered Dietitian, Anu Kaur and learn practical tools for nourishment with a focus on planning and preparing healthy foods, and eating in season and locally. This session will focus on integrating healthy foods into your diet to boost your health and immune system and will include a smoothie demonstration and recipes.

#### Nutrition and You 44084 RP, Tue, Oct 27, 1:30-2:30pm

Gloria Caceres-Roman RD, CNSC, CSO, Manager of Clinical Nutrition, and Chef Daniel Slaughter of Inova Loudoun Hospital, will provide valuable information on food safety, maintaining the nutritional content of the foods you purchase and storage of foods. This is especially important for those that may be immune compromised. Space is limited, please register.

# SPIRITUALITY

# Spirituality Quest- Walking the Labyrinth

# PCC, Tue, Oct 13, 10am-12pm

Join us as we learn from labyrinth facilitator, Judi Cooper about the spiritual significance of a labyrinth and how they can be a means of releasing stress, meditating, praying, finding insight and connecting with one's spiritual self or inner wisdom. We will then walk the labyrinth in the company of LWC friends. Please register by preceding day.

#### Spiritual Support Group CUMC-1, Thu, Oct 29, 7-8:30pm

A faith-based support group for those newly diagnosed, in remission, or who have been dealing with cancer for some time; family members are welcome. Questions? Contact Dana Neese, Christ United Methodist Church, 703.690.3401.

# SUPPORT AND NETWORKING

#### Brain Tumor Group – 2 Choices FC, Tue, Oct 13, 6-7:30pm ILH-R, Tue, Oct 20, 5:30-7pm

This monthly meeting invites adult patients and family members to share and learn ways to meet the challenges of living with primary malignant or benign brain tumors. FC facilitators: Vera Hirshman, RN, and Micheline Toussaint, LCSW. ILH-R facilitators: Vera Hirschman RN and Roberta Quirk, MSW.

#### **Carcinoid Cancer Group** FC, Sat, Oct 17, 10am-12pm

Meet with other carcinoid cancer patients and their adult loved ones to share experiences and learn from one another in this patient-led monthly meeting. For more information email mitchmberger@msn.com.

#### **Caregiver Connection - 2 Choices** FC, Mon, Oct 12, 7-8:30pm ILH-R, Mon, Oct 12, 6:30-8pm

Meet for ongoing support in dealing with the challenges of caring for a loved one with cancer. Learn coping strategies and information related to cancer and its treatments. Please register by preceding Friday. FC facilitators: Elise Schneider, MSW, LCSW and Rebecca Babb, MSN, RN, CPNO-AP. ILH-R facilitators: Roberta Quirk, MSW and Mary Kay Mecca, RN, BSN.

#### Cutaneous Lymphoma Group FC, Sat, Oct 10, 10am-12pm

Individuals with all forms and stages of cutaneous lymphoma, and their support partners, are welcome to attend our monthly meetings to connect with and learn from others who share this disease. To register go to http://www.surveygizmo. com/s3/1318969/DC-Patient-Networking-Event-RSVP.

#### Good Grief, Fairfax FC, Tue, Oct 6-Nov 3, 7:15-9pm

Group continues for those already registered. For information about our next group or for bereavement counseling, contact David McGinness, MSW, LCSW, 703.698.2529 David.Mcginness@inova.org.

#### **Good Grief, Fair Oaks** FO-LWC, Mon, Oct 19-Dec 2, 6-8pm

Group continues for those already registered. For information about our next group or for bereavement counseling, contact Maureen Broderick, LCSW, 703.391.4180 or Maureen. Broderick@inova.org.

#### Good Grief, Loudoun ILPO-I, Wed, Oct 7-Dec 2, 6:30-8:30pm

This eight week group offers the opportunity to join with others who have experienced the loss of a loved one with cancer within the past two years to discuss and explore the grieving process, accepting and expressing emotions, dealing with children, family and friends, role and lifestyle changes and coping with special dates. Facilitated by Roberta Quirk, MSW and Saundra Weller, LCSW, OSW-C. Registration is required. To register contact Saundra Weller, 703.858.8466, saundra. weller@inova.org.

#### **GYN Cancers Group** – **2 Choices** FO-LWC, Tue, Oct 20, 6:30-8pm FC, Wed, Oct 28, 5:30-7pm

Women diagnosed with ovarian, cervical and all GYN cancers are invited to drop in to this monthly group to share experiences and learn from one another. FO facilitators: an oncology nurse navigator and an oncology therapist. FC Facilitator: Micheline Toussaint, LCSW.

#### Head and Neck Cancers Group IFMC, Wed, Oct 14, 5:30-7pm

Current and former head and neck cancer patients and their significant others are invited to learn from and connect with one another. Facilitator: Corinne Cook, LCSW, and a Radiation Oncology team member. For more information contact, corinne. cook@inova.org.

#### Leukemia and Lymphoma Group– Guest Speakers FC, Thu, Oct 8, 7-8:30pm

This group is for individuals with leukemia or lymphoma and their support people. Special Panel Presentation: Managing Your Symptoms. Co-sponsored with the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society (LLS) \*Light dinner will be provided complements of LLS. Please register by the 9/8. Facilitators: Rebecca S McIntyre, MA, MEd, LCSW, OSW-C and Peter Clement, RN, BSN, OCN.

# Living with Advanced Disease – 2 Choices

#### IFOH-1, Fri, Oct 9 & 23, 12-1:30pm ILH-R, Mon, Oct 26, 6:30-8pm

Join us as we explore ways to learn to live with advanced cancer and the many questions and life decisions that come along with an advanced cancer diagnosis. Feel free to bring your lunch to the Friday group and join others who can support you on this road. IFOH-1 facilitator: An Oncology Therapist and an Oncology Nurse Navigator. ILH-R facilitators: Elise Schneider, LCSW and Christine Stone, RN, MSN, OCN. Please register.

#### Lung Cancer Group FC, Wed, Oct 7, 6:30-8pm

Join other patients, survivors, family members and friends to discuss the challenges of living with lung cancer and its treatments. Facilitators: Carrie Friedman, RN, BS, OCN and David McGinness, LCSW.

# Multiple Myeloma

FC, Tues, Oct 20, 11:45am-1:30pm

Patients and families are invited to discuss, learn and share the challenges of living with multiple myeloma at this month's open discussion meeting. Facilitators: Drucilla Brethwaite, LCSW and Susan Carlson, RN. Co-sponsored with Leukemia & Lymphoma Society. Light lunch; please register.

#### Us Too Prostate Cancer Group -3 Choices

LCSW, Tue, Oct 13, 6-8pm
Facilitator: Roberta Quirk, MSW,
703.858.8857, Roberta.Quirk@inova.org
FC, Tue, Oct 13, 7:30-9pm
Topic: Affordability of Prostate Cancer
Drugs with Bob Rosenblatt

• IAH-CCW, Thu, Oct 15, 6-7:30pm Facilitators: David McGinness, LCSW and Gerry Higgins, MSN, RN-BC, OCN.

#### Women's Survivorship Group ILH-R , Thu, Oct 8, 6:30-8pm

Many women find it difficult to resume their life as they knew it prior to cancer. Transitioning from treatment may be difficult and have an impact on quality of life. Through discussion, problem solving and other modalities such as art and guided meditation, this group will help you gain insight and balance to your life after cancer. Please register for this group if you have completed treatment. Facilitator: Saundra Weller, LCSW, OSW-C.

#### Young Adult Group FC, Thu, Oct 22, 7:30-9pm

This is not your grandmother's support group. We talk about the things that no one else wants to talk about: dating, employment, fertility, and anything else that affects people in the 18-39 age range. Facilitators: Sage Bolte, PhD, LCSW, OSW-C and Ray Wadlow, MD. Please register. Did you know that Life with Cancer raises 85% of its annual budget through philanthrophy?

As you think about your charitable donations, please remember that donations can be made to Life with Cancer during the upcoming Fall campaigns.



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# Feeling a little overwhelmed? Life with Cancer can help...

A Life with Cancer Oncology Nurse Navigator is a professional registered nurse with oncology-specific clinical knowledge who can offer individualized assistance to patients, families, and caregivers to help overcome healthcare system barriers by providing education and identifying resources to facilitate informed decision making and timely access to quality health care.

A Life with Cancer Oncology Therapist is a licensed professional with oncology-specific knowledge who can offer short-term individual, couple or family counseling to provide strategies to better manage anxiety, stress, communication, and problem solving related to a cancer diagnosis, as well as bereavement counseling.

To determine if you or your family might benefit from these professionals, just call *Life with Cancer Connect 703-206-LIFE (5433).* 

# Oncology Massage and Body Work

- Life with Cancer Family Center
- 8411 Pennell Street
- Fairfax, VA 22031
- Monday Friday

- Life with Cancer Studio 44084 Riverside Pkwy, LL, Ste 400 Leesburg, VA 20176 Tuesdays and some Saturdays
- Appointments are for patients/survivors and their family members
- Physician approval is required; ask for written permission at your next appointment
- Call 703-698-2526 to schedule or cancel your appointment
- Arrive on time to get full session. First time: arrive 15 minutes early to complete paperwork; forms also available on *www.lifewithcancer.org*

**Please Note:** Our massage therapists have private practices and generously set aside time to meet the special needs of our Life with Cancer family. As a courtesy to these thoughtful professionals, please provide 24 hour notice if you need to cancel an appointment. We certainly understand the unpredictable nature of disease, however if committing to your massage appointments at Life with Cancer becomes problematic, we can refer you to massage businesses in the community.

# Give A Little, Help A Lot

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