



# NEWSLETTER

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## SUPPORT GROUP MEETING FOR MAY 2019

This month's dinner/meeting will be at the **Happy Wok**, 1423 Gadsden Highway (Highway 11), Suite 111 in Trussville, just off I-459, on Saturday, May 18<sup>th</sup> at 4:45 PM. [Exit off of I-459 and turn right on Highway 11, on the right you will pass a Chevron Service Station, the restaurant is in the strip mall next to the Chevron.] Please RSVP by 12 N on the 17<sup>th</sup> – call and leave a message at 205-655-3151, or email to [heartlungkid1@gmail.com](mailto:heartlungkid1@gmail.com).

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The new heart & lung transplant recipients  
No new release forms

- HAPPY HEART AND LUNG DAY!**  
(May)
- (H) Logan Seay (Ped) (K 11/08) '96
  - (H) Billy R. Bivins '99
  - (H) Franklin Sivell '00
  - (H) Donald Catt '00
  - (L) Nathan McKenzie '00
  - (L) Susan Borroughs '00
  - (H) Savannah Grace Dobbins (Ped) '00
  - (H) Charles Longley '00
  - (H) Larry Cole '01
  - (H) Catherine Carlisle (Ped) '02
  - (H/K) John Shropshire '02
  - (H) Howard Simmons '05
  - (H) Carol Chesnut '06
  - (L) Shelley Thompson '07
  - (L) Dan Harris, Jr. '07
  - (H) Adrienne Ross (Ped) '07
  - (L) James C. Tate '13
  - (H) Jim Murrell '13

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The new liver transplant recipients are:  
No new release forms

- HAPPY LIVER DAY!**  
(May)
- (LIV/K) Patricia Killingworth (11/08) '91
  - Nelda Hall (1<sup>st</sup> 8/96) '98
  - Jerry W. Endicott '98
  - Gary Holland '03
  - Daniel Gilliland (Ped) '04
  - Johnny R. Kleist '05
  - Marilyn L. Seawright '06
  - Eve T. Martin '08
  - Joseph Michael Burchfield '08
  - David O. Walker '10
  - Tom Yelle '10
  - Jerry J. McClesky '10
  - Kathy Cooner '11
  - Brenda Mosley '11
  - Debra Gray '12
  - June Dishman Roberts '13
  - Sharon Partain '13
  - Melissa Jones '16
  - Phyllis Ellison '17
  - Nancy Culbert '18

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The new kidney transplant recipients are:  
No new release forms

- HAPPY KIDNEY DAY!**  
(May)
- (K) Willie W. Gordy '93
  - (k) Ivy Smith '17



### Message from Stan Smith, President

Nice weather is finally here, but we are still dealing with the blooming privets – ahhchooo! Hopefully, they will bloom out in the next week or so.

The month of April was really crazy for me – the first weekend was the Celebration of life Picnic (more below), the second weekend was the Alabama Kidney Foundation Walk, and then Easter weekend! My Church had the ribbon cutting on the new 1100 seat auditorium at 9 AM on Saturday the 20<sup>th</sup> and then the first Easter service Saturday. On Sunday, we had two overflow services even with 1100 seats! Oh, by the way, this was the first time that I got to use the new video equipment – new video switcher, two new main cameras and two remote control cameras! I had been studying, but it was like drinking from a fire hose ☺! I'm getting the hang of it though. Now got to get ready for live streaming.

### 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Celebration of Life Picnic

The 2019 Celebration of Life Picnic was another big success. The weather was great (unlike last year), it was great to see old friends and to make some new friends, and the food was delicious. There were over 2000 people registered for the picnic. I don't have a final count, but my guess would be over 1800 people.

The following are pictures from the picnic



### UAB HEART, LUNG AND LIVER TRANSPLANT SUPPORT GROUP Release Form

I give permission for my name, transplant number and transplant date to be used by the UAB Heart, Lung and Liver Transplant Support Group for inclusion in the monthly Newsletter and Support Group Scrapbook. I understand that this information will be used only for official Support Group activities.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Transplant Type \_\_\_\_\_ Transplant Number (If known) \_\_\_\_\_ Transplant Date \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



The picnic photos are available for download on the Legacy of Hope website. Go to the home page and scroll across the green bar to 'About Us', then scroll down to 'What's Happening' and click on it. On that page you will see 'Click here for event pictures throughout the state'. To see the Newsletter in color, go to the Legacy of Hope website, click on the Transplantation tab and look down for the UAB Heart Lung and Liver Support Group. There you will see 'Newsletter' – click on it and get a PDF version in color.

**Artwork for 2020 Legacy of Hope Calendar**

Remember, the Legacy of Hope (formerly the Alabama Organ Center) is currently accepting artwork for the 2020 Calendar. The artwork is due June 1<sup>st</sup>. Mail your artwork to: Legacy of Hope, Ashley Anderson, 421 Richard Arrington Jr. Blvd South, Birmingham, AL 35233. If you have any questions, call 205-801-5949.

**'An Organ Donor Saved My Life'**

This is the saying on a T-shirt that the Legacy of Hope is using for a fund raising project. With the funds generated by the selling of the T-shirts, special gifts will be given to the Donor Families in addition to the Bronze Medallion now presented during the Donor Recognition Ceremony.

If you would be interested in a T-shirt, the cost will be \$12 including shipping and handling (make checks payable to **Legacy of Hope Educ. Fund**).

**Legacy of Hope  
(Aftercare Department)  
502 20<sup>th</sup> Street South  
Birmingham, AL 35233**

You can also contact Carrie Ellis or Jill Malone at the Legacy of Hope, 205-801-7353.

Remember, you may never know when you might change someone's mind about organ donation through sharing your story. You may even change their life!

Please send your ideas for future meetings to me. Remember to tell your story.

**Stan Smith, President  
5213 Peppertree Lane  
Trussville, AL 35173  
Phone 205-655-3151- please leave a message  
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**SCHEDULED EVENTS & FUTURE MEETINGS**

- June 15, 2019 – Informal dinner meeting
- July 13, 2019 – Informal dinner meeting
- August 17, 2019 – Informal dinner meeting
- September 14, 2019 – Informal dinner meeting
- October 19, 2019 – Informal dinner meeting
- November 16, 2019 – Informal dinner meeting

**Informal Dinner/Meeting**

Several of our group members get together for an informal dinner/meeting once a month.

This month's dinner meeting will be at the Happy Wok, 1423 Gadsden Highway (Highway 11), Suite 111 in Trussville, just off I-459, on Saturday, May 18<sup>th</sup> at 4:45 PM.

Any pre/post heart, lung or liver transplants and family, donor families, doctors, nurses and staff are welcome to join. Please be sure to let us know that you plan to join in by calling Stan Smith at 205-655-3151 and leave a message.

And remember to... 😊

***"Virtually nothing is impossible in this world if you just put your mind to it and maintain a positive attitude."***

**...Lou Holtz**

(From Brainyquote.com)

Please tear on the dotted line and return this form as soon as possible to:

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