

The Jason Motte Foundation

Let's Strike Out Cancer

Spring 2015

2015 Calendar of Events.

May 9th - Jacobs High School Strike Out Cancer Game, Algonquin, IL

May 11th - Pink Out Day at Wrigley Field

May 16th - Hampshire High School Strike Out Cancer Game, Hampshire, IL.

June 6th - Mighty 10 Battles Cancer, American Legion Strike Out Cancer Games, Ballwin, MO

June 28th – St. Louis Cornhole Challenge with Jason Motte & Jon Jay, Chaifetz Arena, St. Louis, MO

July 10-14 - T-Mobile All-Star Fan Fest, Cincinnati, OH

September 2015 – Painting The Town Gold, Edwardsville/Glen Carbon, IL

September 19 — Chicago Cornhole Challenge, Wrigley Field, Chicago, IL

November 14 - Stike Out Cancer with Jason Motte, Memphis, TN

Thank You, Hello Chicago, Same Fight

Happy New Year! More appropriately, Happy Baseball Season. 2015 is off to a fast start and baseball season is finally here. This is the first edition of the Jason Motte Foundation newsletter. We hope you will find this quarterly newsletter as a way to stay in touch with the foundation. learn more about us and who we are working with, as well as out upcoming events.

As it happens every offseason there are personnel changes for each team. As our family moves to the next chapter of our baseball lives, we

cannot help but reflect on all of our wonderful. life changing memories that started in St. Louis in 2008. To the strangers that

became our friends and to the friends in baseball that became our family, we are forever grateful for each of you. We are looking forward to what this next chapter has in store for our family. Here's to new adventures in Chicago! Thank You St. Louis.

As our family finds itself in a new town and on a new team, we embrace



the opportunity to spread our KCancer mission in Chicago while continuing the same fight for the same mission we started in St. Louis. So even though Strike Out Cancer has a new home field, we hope you will continue to join us in our fight.

#KCancer,

Jason & Caitlin Motte



St. Jude Marathon Weekend

In December 2014, the Jason Motte Foundation participated for the St. Jude Marathon in the St. Jude Expo and Marathon. The Expo helped raise over \$6,000 while Marathon Team Strike Out Cancer raised over \$8,000. Mark your calen-

dars for December 3-5, 2015 Weekend and come visit. The Jason Motte Foundation at the Expo. Information on how you can become part of the 2015 Team Strike Out

Cancer will be coming later in the year. We thank you for helping us support St. Jude and their efforts.



Strike Out Cancer with Jason Motte Gala

The 3rd Annual Strike Out Cancer with Jason Motte Gala was held on November 8, 2014 at The Great Hall in Germantown, Tennessee.

The evening was attended by over 300 people. It was a night full of entertainment by Gary Escoe and



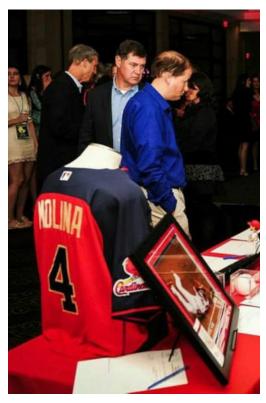
Live Art canvas by Kevin John brought in \$2,200

the Atomic Dance Machine. Attendees had the opportunity to bid on autographed sports memorabilia from around Major League Baseball and other sports. Disney Master Artist and Celebrity Sports Artist, Kevin-John donated a live piece of art that he did as guests watched on.

The highlight of the evening was when 8 year old cancer paitent, Arianna "Ari" Dugan, (pictured above) from St. Louis, sang Somewhere Over The Rainbow.



The evening helped raise over \$50,000 for the West Clinic and the Wings Foundation in memory of Lane Doyle.



Plans are underway for the 4th Annual Strike Out Cancer with Jason Motte Gala. Mark you calendars for November 14, 2015 and plan on joining us at The Great Hall in Germantown, Tennessee.





Motte Foundation Funds Lung Cancer Screening Program

The Jason Motte Foundation came to fruition following Jason & Caitlin asking the simple question to the West Cancer Center, "How can we help?" At the time Caitlin's grandfather, Lynn Doyle, was undergoing treatment for lung cancer under the care of Dr. Brad Somer at the West Cancer Center in Memphis, Tennessee. Fast forward five years and the partnership between the West Cancer Center & the Mottes has grown exponentially.

Beginning in the Fall of 2014, the West Cancer Center launched the first ever community lung cancer screening program underwritten by the Jason Motte Foundation. The Annual Strike Out Cancer Gala provided the basis for this pioneering community outreach program. While lung cancer affects more than 200,000 people in the US every year, Dr. Somer feels that "we

are making great progress in lung cancer research and this community-wide lung cancer screening program which will certainly result in saved lives."

Those eligible for the screening program are recruited through the Methodist Healthcare/West Cancer Center Congregational Health Network, a partnership between 500 Mid South church congregations (primarily those with large healthcare disparities) and the Methodist Healthcare system. Once selected, the participant is then provided a low dose CAT scan, which are aimed at decreasing deaths from lung cancer by detecting it at an earlier stage. These scans are conducted through the support of the Motte Foundation.

Dr. Somer explains, "our robust research program and personalized oncology strategy for patients with lung cancer certainly holds enormous promise for our patients and will continue to advance the field so that patients enduring their life threatening disease continue to live longer and better."

West Cancer Center delivers the most comprehensive cancer treatment in the Mid-South, delivering a complete continuum of care to over 30,000 individuals annually. A leader in cancer research, they provides access to clinical trials, from early to late phase studies. Build on a 35 year legacy, and now partnered with the University of Tennessee Health Science Center, the West Cancer Center provides evidence-based, compassionate care to the patientsYour continued support enables the Motte Foundation to continue to serve the mission of providing comfort and care where there is a need for those affected, either directly or indirectly, by cancers of all kinds.

The St. Jude ABCs of Cancer

Being diagnosed with cancer is frightening no matter who you are, but it is especially scary for a child. The Child Life Program at St. Jude helps children and teens understand their illnesses and express their feelings in healthy ways—through play, writing and art.

St. Jude has produced "The St. Jude ABCs of Cancer," a collection of poems and artwork crafted by the young heroes

who are patients at St. Jude. We will publish as many letters each newsletter as we can, based on space. This collection is taken directly from what each of the patients wrote, making no corrections to their writing.

Our first letter "A" was written by Asia, an 11 year old Medulloblastoma patient.

A is for ALIVE.

I am so thankful to be **Alive**...

I have wonderful family, wonderful doctors, especially Dr. Howard, he always has his camera, and he always wishes me a happy chemo (yuck). If it hadnt been for St. Jude, I wouldnt be

Alive:)

All the shots I had to get that made me cry, and all of that nasty medicine that made me sick, it was all worth it because I am

Alive:)

Thank you St. Jude.



2015 Jason Motte & Jon Jay Cornhole Challenge

It's back by popular demand!! The 2nd Annual St. Louis Cornhole Challenge with Jason Motte & Jon Jay, Presented by Fox Sports Midwest and R&W Builders, will be held on Sunday, June 28, 2015 at Chaifetz Arena.

Fans will have the opportunity to play cornhole against St. Louis Cardinals and Chicago Cubs players. Long time MLB rivals are putting "Rivals on the Field" aside and coming together as "Teammates in the Fight" against cancer.



2014 First & Second Place Winners Representing Team Shayley

It's about Cardinals fans and Cubs fans putting aside the uniform their favorite player wears and joining together to bring awareness to cancer and raise money for cancer research.

There will be a live and silent auction with one-of-a-kind items available for you to bid on. Doors will open at 5:30 p.m. A VIP Reception will take place from 6:00 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. Opening Ceremonies will take place at 6:45 p.m. immediately followed by the Challenge.

The winner of the St. Louis Cornhole Challenge will get a free entry to defend their championship at the

Chicago Cornhole at Wrigley Field on September 19, 2015.

Come join in the fun. If you don't play cornhole, join us as a spectator



and cheer on your favorite player, enjoy some food, create some memories and help us Strike Out Cancer.

For more information visit www.jasonmottefoundation.org or call Karen at 314.780.6397.

Help Jason Motte Strike Out Cancer Throughout 2015 Season

Join Jason Motte as he strikes out batters on the field during 2015. Make a pledge for every strike out Jason throws during 2015. If you pledge \$10.00 per strike out, you will receive an autographed Jason Motte KCancer t-shirt after he throws his 25th Strike Out!! Jason and his wife, Caitlin, will match the first 100 donation. With every strike he throws during 2015 you can make your dollars count and help Strike Out Cancer!

