



# WINNING THE FIGHT OF YOUR LIFE!

## Greg's Mission Providing One on One Brain Tumor Support

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### Greg's Mission had a wonderful 2014!

Greg's Mission provides support, HOPE, education, current resources and awareness to patients suffering from brain tumors, especially Glioblastoma Multiforme (a grade IV primary brain tumor) via phone, email, Skype and personal visits.



**Spring:** Greg "Headed to The Hill!" As the National Brain Tumor Society's Lead Advocate for Minnesota and Iowa, Greg met with Senator Grassley, Senator Harkin's office, Congressman Latham and Congressman Loeb sack from Iowa and Senator Klobuchar's office from Minnesota. Topics discussed: chemotherapy parity, increased funding for The National Institutes of Health (NIH) and more pediatric cancer research.



Greg's parents and friends brought awareness to Greg's Mission at a brain tumor walk in Stuart, Florida in May.

**Summer:** Greg's Mission hit the pavement this summer! Greg and Board Member, Kevin Lindblom, logged 1300 miles in 72 hours to visit patients at Cleveland Clinic (Greg provides support to brain tumor patients they refer to him) and create



awareness at four baseball games in the Cleveland area (Akron Rubberducks, & Lake County Captains).



### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### Go Gray in May Gala!

May 9, 2015  
DoubleTree by Hilton in  
Cedar Rapids  
See p. 4 for details

#### Baseball Games

throughout the United  
States!  
See p. 3 for teams and  
dates.

Greg's Mission volunteer Gwen Weigelt organized the second BIKE 4 THE BRAIN event! The weather was a bit rainy, but at least it wasn't 100 degrees like last year!



Summer also meant baseball, baseball, baseball! In addition to five Cedar Rapids Kernel's games, Greg's Mission traveled to Ohio, Indiana, Kentucky & Wisconsin. Greg's Mission has a table to provide information and his public service announcement is played at each game. Sometimes, we even get to throw out the first pitch!



Kevin Lindblom throws a strike!

**Fall:** The second TAILGATE FOR TUMORS and Chili Cook-off event was at the Fairfield Inn in Urbandale, Iowa. Silent auction items included autographed Iowa and Iowa State basketballs and footballs as well as 4 Southwest Airline tickets! Prizes were awarded to the 3 top place chili chefs! Many thanks to those who donated supplies and auction items. A HUGE thank you to Gwen Weigelt & Terry Landers for coordinating.



Top 3 Chili chefs!



**WELCOME Kellie Lindblom!** Kellie joined Greg's Mission in August 2014 as a member of the board. "When Greg approached me about joining the board of Greg's Mission, I couldn't say "yes" fast enough." Kellie lost her Mom from a glioblastoma tumor. "The work that Greg and his mission does is very important. He is helping all those patients and family members who are facing the same situation my family was when my Mom was diagnosed. My family and I would love to help find a long term treatment or even a cure for a GBM, but until then Greg is needed more and more each day to help those facing this terrible type of cancer." Read more about Kellie: [www.gregsmision.org](http://www.gregsmision.org)

**Many thanks to:**



For supporting the production of the Greg's Mission video for the **Go Gray in May Gala!** [www.metro-studios.com](http://www.metro-studios.com)



For being a valuable resource for patients!  
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Join us for Greg's Mission Fundraiser nights  
at the Cedar Rapids Kernels!



May 29<sup>th</sup> - TBD  
June 13<sup>th</sup>  
July 26<sup>th</sup>  
August 28<sup>th</sup>

TICKET INFO: Tickets are \$10 and \$2 of each ticket will support Greg's Mission!

- **Call Greg at 612-437-5903 to order tickets!**
  - You may also call the Kernels ticket office at 319-896-7560 but be sure to mention "Greg's Mission" to sit with us!

Other 2015 games throughout the United States!

May 14	Bowie Baysox	Maryland
May 21	Harrisburg Senators	Pennsylvania
June 6	Portland Seadogs	Maine
June 8	Pawtucket Red Sox	Rhode Island
June 9	New Britain Rock Cats	Connecticut
June 27	Nashville Sounds	Tennessee
June 30	Fort Wayne Tincaps	Indiana
July 1	Toledo Mud Hens	Ohio
July 1	Akron Rubberducks	Ohio
July 2	Erie Seawolves	Pennsylvania
July 3	Lake County Captains	Ohio
July 4	Altoona Curve	Pennsylvania
July 5	Columbus Clippers	Ohio
July 6	Indianapolis Indians	Indiana
July 9	Scranton Wilkes Barre Railriders	Pennsylvania
July 9	Lehigh Valley Iron Pigs	Pennsylvania
July 11	Omaha Storm Chasers	Nebraska
Aug 8	Iowa Cubs	Iowa
Aug 15	Wisconsin Timber Rattlers	Wisconsin
To be announced	Richmond Flying Squirrels, Charlotte Knights, Burlington Bees, Quad Cities River Bandits, Memphis Redbirds, Albuquerque Isotopes, Pensacola Blue Wahoos	

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others!

# ~~~SAVE THE DATE~~~

Greg's Mission Presents

## Go Gray in May Gala

Doubletree by Hilton  
350 1st Ave. NE  
Cedar Rapids, IA 52401

Saturday May 9th, 2015  
6:00pm - 10:00pm

Formal attire is requested.  
Dinner, Dance & Auction!

Emcee: Tiffany O'Donnell  
CBS 2 & FOX 28

Entertainment: Absolute Hoot!

To RSVP, purchase your tickets by  
April 9, 2015 at:  
[https://www.classy.org/cedar-rapids/  
events/go-gray-may-gala/e39264](https://www.classy.org/cedar-rapids/events/go-gray-may-gala/e39264)

May is brain tumor awareness month. To celebrate, we are having the first annual "Go Gray in May Gala!" Emcee, Tiffany O'Donnell from CBS 2 & FOX 28, will lead us in a night of fun including a formal dinner, dance and silent auction.

Music is by Absolute Hoot,  
from Decorah, Iowa.

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events/go-gray-may-gala/e39264](https://www.classy.org/cedar-rapids/events/go-gray-may-gala/e39264)

or send checks to:

Greg's Mission  
1471 Palisades Dr.  
Coralville, IA 52241

Space is limited. We are looking for table sponsors. If you would like to sponsor a table, please contact Greg at [greg.cantwell@gregsmmission.org](mailto:greg.cantwell@gregsmmission.org) or 612-437-5903. Not only will you be supporting Greg's Mission, but your business will be featured at the event as well.

If you would like to donate to Greg's Mission, visit [www.gregsmmission.org](http://www.gregsmmission.org) and click on the Donate tab. Greg's Mission is a non-profit, 501(c) (3) organization, and any donations are tax deductible to the fullest extent permitted by law.