Not Since Boston Has A Tea Party Made Such a Difference.

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Dear IMF Supporters,

Welcome to our second issue of Making Miracles, the new magazine paying tribute to you, the IMF donors. We couldn’t be more thrilled about our first issue this past spring, and we look forward to many, many more to come. Eventually this magazine will be such an established fact of life that I won’t think of it in terms of which issue it is (“first” issue, “second” issue), but for the time being it remains very new.

Making Miracles is just gearing up, which is quite apropos for the fall season at the IMF. Fall builds towards our year-end festivities, including our annual Gala.

This year’s Gala — our 2nd Annual Comedy Celebration Benefiting the Peter Boyle Memorial Fund — returns to the Wilshire Ebell Theatre & Club in Los Angeles on Saturday, November 15th. Last year’s event was an extraordinary success, and many of the same people (along with several new) are returning to outdo themselves. Loraine Boyle is also graciously returning to chair the evening, and Ray Romano will be hosting a show that will feature Jeff Garlin, Patricia Heaton, Kevin James, Robert Klein, Doris Roberts, and Fred Willard with a special musical performance by Dan Aykroyd and Jim Belushi as the Blues Brothers with the Sacred Hearts. We know from experience that this will be an evening when everyone laughs out loud.

We’re keeping the many wonderful elements from last year’s celebration and introducing some new ones. In addition to adding the musical component to the show, this year’s Gala will also include a silent auction featuring truly fantastic items. We hope you can join us “live” in Los Angeles, but in case you’re unable, you can still be part of the action: The silent auction will have its own web page that IMF members from all over the world can view — and then bid on the packages! After October 31st, be sure to visit www.IMFAuction.com.

Fall is also the season when IMF Member Fundraisers abound. We feature several of these inspiring events in these pages. We welcome you to call us today to discuss your own ideas. Every effort makes an enormous difference.

Finally, thank you for all of your phone calls and e-mails in response to the first issue of Making Miracles. It’s always a pleasure to hear from the many special people who help us meet our goals of empowering and supporting the entire myeloma community. We could never achieve these successes without you.

With my deepest appreciation for every miracle,

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A Simple Idea Makes an ENORMOUS Difference

It started simply. Inspired by attending an IMF event, Nancy Moses approached Carol Klein and suggested they organize a fundraiser together.

Two years later, Nancy and Carol have together raised $130,602 for the IMF by hosting two Afternoon Teas at the Four Seasons Hotel in Washington, D.C.

Both Nancy and Carol’s husbands — Bill Moses and Benson Klein — are myeloma survivors in remission, and both of their families have relied upon the IMF throughout their journeys. “We knew we wanted to create an event where we could give back as much as we could to the IMF,” Nancy says. “As we planned and organized for our first event in 2007, that was always the goal — to tap into our friends, our families, and our resources.”

They decided to make it an event for women, and to schedule it close to Mother’s Day. This year they made that theme even stronger, with invitations encouraging recipients to bring their “mothers, daughters, sisters, and friends.”

“In Washington, a lot of women are in tune to charitable events, and they’re generous,” Carol says. But with the culture of giving comes expectations of high quality. With that in mind, Nancy and Carol chose to create an afternoon tea because it was a simple idea that could be well-executed with relative ease.

Together, Nancy and Carol compiled an invitation list. They didn’t limit themselves by geography, confident that many people would donate even if they couldn’t attend the tea itself. Nevertheless: “We had humble expectations for our first year,” Carol admits. “We just didn’t know what to expect.”

The women were thrilled when their 2007 event drew 120 guests and raised $20,144. They were equally thrilled that the feedback was unanimous: “Everyone said, ‘Do it again!’” Nancy recalls.

They did. For 2008, they kept the structure of their simple yet powerful idea while expanding their goals, seeking to expand their mailing list and raise even more money for IMF-supported research. Yet again, they exceeded their expectations. They ultimately doubled their mailing list and increased attendance to 160 women, with approximately two-thirds returning guests and one-third new attendees.

This second Afternoon Tea raised $55,229, which was doubled to $110,458 by an anonymous matching gift. “This incredibly generous gift was a phenomenal addition to our efforts,” Carol says. They were approached with this offer early enough to include the incentive on their invitation, and in their thank-you notes to supporters they remarked that each donation was effectively doubled.

Another key to their fundraising success both years was the inclusion of a raffle. “Pure profit,” Carol notes. Again, they decided to keep it simple but powerful. They concentrated on procuring the donation of several big-ticket items that their guests would truly want to win. Their three raffle items from this year’s tea netted their event — and the IMF — $10,000.

For Nancy and Carol, it’s all about teamwork. They rely not just upon each other, but also a group of more than 30 committee members: “All talented, dedicated women who just get it done,” Carol says. The committee oversees menu selection, decoration, raffle donations, and much more. Beyond helping with logistics, Nancy notes, “The more people you involve, the more people feel they are a part of the cause.”

In addition to food, drink, and the raffle, Nancy and Carol’s teas have featured a special speaker as a way to inspire and educate their guests. IMF President Susie Novis spoke at their inaugural tea. “There’s nobody more articulate or passionate,” Carol says.

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The IMF is dedicated to helping myeloma patients and their families as they learn to live with multiple myeloma. This is why we are deeply touched when our very own members take it upon themselves to give back. These pages are our opportunity to publicly recognize some of the hundreds of members who help increase awareness and raise funds to support the IMF’s programs and services through member events. Whether large or small, these fundraisers empower each member to make a difference. Their combined successes equal a huge impact on the myeloma community. We hope you will be inspired by their stories.

**Running with a Passion**

by Jim Conrad

I’ve been running more than 700 miles annually for several years. I’m not a 25 year-old athlete training for the Olympics; I’m a 76 year-old exercise enthusiast who each year turns my hundreds of miles into thousands of dollars to benefit cancer research.

This past February, on my 76th birthday, I set a new goal: Run 760 miles and raise $7,600 for multiple myeloma research supported by the International Myeloma Foundation.

I have always run to benefit worthy causes. In the past, I’ve entered 35 to 40 competitive races annually. Five years ago, I began to focus my fundraising to specifically benefit cancer research, because cancer is so significant in my family. I watched my mom and dad both pass away from cancer. My son-in-law is currently in remission from cancer. My wife, Joanne, and I are both cancer survivors. And five years ago, Joanne’s son (my stepson), Bryan, was diagnosed with multiple myeloma.

“I firmly believe the achievement of one’s goal is assured the moment you commit yourself to it…”

– Jim Conrad

The IMF has become important to Bryan, so it has become important to our entire family. So much so that I actually completed the final 60 miles of my “Run For A Cure” while I was on a cruise ship sailing through the Inner Passage of Alaska. I ran my 760 miles and I reached my goal of $7,600 for the IMF and myeloma research.

What’s in my future? I would like to remain as healthy as you would expect from a 76 year-old who continues to work every day after running nine miles every morning. I’ve been asked to participate in a study that seeks to understand how much exercise should be performed on a regular basis in order to protect the heart from stiffening with age. Based on this study the research team hopes to identify the optimal amount of exercise on a regular basis as we age. I know the research will not benefit me personally, but it will benefit others for many years and beyond.

I look forward to my 2009 “Run For A Cure” for the same reason. I’ll be 77. My goal will be to run 777 miles and raise $7,777 to assist the IMF in attaining their goals. I know we all live under different circumstances, but I encourage all myeloma patients and their families to exercise as much as they can, to uplift their spirits. I want each and every member of the myeloma community to enjoy life like I do.
Irish Tradition for the IMF

When the time came, they chose a fundraiser that was a natural extension of their lives, just as the IMF had become a natural extension of their lives.

“Our family established a tradition 20 years ago to have a late spring Irish party at our home,” Doug says, “We invite all our family and friends — over 100 hundred people of all ages. The house is filled with Irish song, Irish food, and Irish cheer.” By making this already annual event an IMF fundraiser, A Song For Ireland was born.

“I think this benefit helped our family and friends find a vehicle to support me and discover what else they could do in years to come.”

— Doug Farrell

Now that it was a fundraiser, even more family and friends were eager to attend the 2008 event, so many that Doug and Kate rented a hall for the occasion. Performances by a bagpiper, Irish dancers, and two musical performing groups all encouraged audience participation — and brought the house down. Doug and Kate also welcomed a special guest, IMF Board Member Michael Scott. “His candid and warm address was inspirational and very educational,” Doug says.

A Song For Ireland raised $2,985 from the evening’s revelers, as well as from others who could not attend but still wanted to be part of the cause. Beyond the money raised from one evening, Doug feels that he has laid significant groundwork for the future. “I think this benefit helped our family and friends find a vehicle to support me and discover what else they could do in years to come,” he says.

“The evening was a wonderful, special accomplishment,” Doug continues. “At one point I sang one of my favorite Irish ballads, ‘Count Your Blessings,’ and for the first time I felt very emotional and had to start over. At that moment, my blessings virtually overflowed the room, and I was filled with great joy.”

Golf Come Rain or Shine

Craig Czerkies, his father, his two brothers, and their circle of close friends are avid golfers, so much so that in January 2008 they began brainstorming about organizing an annual event that would bring them all together. Then they thought even larger: What if their annual golf outing could contribute to a greater good? From there, inspiration truly took shape. They decided proceeds would go to IMF-supported research in tribute of Craig’s mother, Carolyn Czerkies, who passed away from myeloma in 2000.

The Carolyn Czerkies Charity Golf Outing took place at Whitetail Ridge Golf Course in Yorkville, Illinois on July 19, 2008. “It was a day of unpredictable mid-western weather,” says Craig, “But by the end there were partly sunny skies.” The inclement weather didn’t deter players or supporters. Craig and his brothers’ originally targeted to include 48 golfers in their event; they ultimately had 88 golfers participate, as well as 40 other volunteers and supporters, raising more than $15,000 for the IMF.

The day had many highlights. Craig’s father’s group was crowned the Tournament Champions with an amazing 13 under par. Greg Brozeit, Director of IMF Europe, played in Craig’s foursome. “Having Greg there showed all our guests the IMF’s commitment to the cause,” Craig notes. (Their team finished a very respectable fourth.) Event sponsors also added greatly to the day’s spirit. Wachovia Securities contributed goodie bags for each golfer, Jimmy John’s provided sandwiches, Gatorade supplied drinks, and American Needle designed and donated hats for everyone involved.

“We were truly overwhelmed by the generous response from everyone,” Craig (continues on page 6)
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saying, “After over eight years, we were able to put together a fun and successful event that would have made my mother very proud.”

Walk in Winona

Winona Senior High School’s National Honor Society is determined to make a difference and to celebrate the passion and grace of their friend Brianna Vitek.

When Brianna died in a car accident two years ago, her classmates in Winona, Minnesota wanted to honor her life. They decided to adopt a cause close to Brianna’s heart; her aunt had been diagnosed with myeloma, and Brianna had dedicated herself to raising money and awareness for the disease. In 2007 her friends decided to create the walk-a-thon Help From Heaven to make Brianna proud.

Erin Smith spearheaded the second annual event. Seventy participants and supporters gathered on May 10, 2008 and raised $1,049 for the IMF. “It was really great to see people in our community reaching out to something they might not know a great deal about,”

All the kids look forward to it not just for the face painting and the food, but to be involved. To go through their neighborhoods and ask merchants to put up posters, to hand out flyers, to show up that day and band out “myeloma sucks” pins, to pass out water to the musicians. To participate. They are learning what it means to be part of a community. It’s an incredible sense of pride I have to be able to show these kids how important it is to try and help others and – more importantly – to give them a place where they can do it. Many of the MMAMM volunteers have young children as well and all of them, just like my family, want to be a bigger part of it each year.

Another side of it is the patients. Each year we get several newly diagnosed patients or family members who find us. They are always grateful to have a place where they can meet other patients, and meet people who know that they have something called “myeloma” not “melanoma.” They meet people who give them hope that, like other patients who have been coming to this event since its inception, they can live much longer than the statistics say.

Seven years have come and gone. Now I am focusing on eight. My goal is simple: To let this event grow in a way that allows more people to not only attend and donate money, but to participate and have a sense of ownership, so they can tell people that they’re involved with something truly amazing. And it all started with an amazing musician and man named Lee Grayson, who wanted to be able to give myeloma patients hope.

– Naomi Margolin

Standing: Janae Rohn, Sonya Fujioka and Keshia Ruberg.
Seated: Melissa Lowell, Kelly Lossen, Erin Smith

Aly Brier and Jeremy Lipton

Naomi Margolin, Tricia Fay, Suzanne Battaglia, Mary Scott, Maag Stanley, Deana Covini

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Joan O’Callahan has donated to the IMF every single month for over ten-and-a-half years – more than 126 months. When you first ask her why, this otherwise thoughtful and articulate woman has trouble formulating an extensive answer: “It’s just what I do,” she says.

At the end of 1997, Joan was diagnosed with MGUS (Monoclonal Gammapathy of Unknown Significance) after a journey of multiple doctors, tests, and false diagnoses. “It’s a process that many people know all too well,” she says. In some ways Joan was simply relieved to have an accurate diagnosis. Now she could go about learning more.

Joan found the IMF through an Internet search. “Although myeloma and MGUS aren’t quite the same, I found the IMF’s web site to be by far the most informative and supportive resource,” she says. And so she mailed the IMF her first $50 donation.

When she sat down to pay her bills the following month, her mind once again drifted towards thoughts of the IMF. She wrote another $50 check.

By month three, it felt like a habit — one that has now resulted in more than $6,000 for the IMF. “Month to month, it has never felt like I’m giving very much,” she says. “But it’s added up.”

Five years ago — or 66 months into her habitual giving — Joan’s aunt was diagnosed with myeloma. Joan passed along the IMF as a resource to her aunt and her aunt’s immediate family. They made use of many of the patient and family services the IMF has to offer.

Joan herself is not a regular web site visitor. She does not subscribe to Myeloma Today. She has never called the hotline. “It’s not because I don’t value these programs tremendously — I do,” Joan says. “But I’m very fortunate to be in a place where right now I only think about my disease about once a year, when I go in for my tests.”

“And yet it is still equally important that I give,” she continues. “Because when I need to be a regular web site visitor, or publications reader, or hotline caller, I know the IMF will be there for me.”

Joan describes herself as a positive, long-term thinker. “I give to the IMF for insurance purposes,” she says. “I give so they can find optimal treatment and a cure — so that it is there when I need it.” She likes hearing about the successes — research breakthroughs, treatment improvements, myeloma survivors visibly making their mark on the world.

Joan continues to make her own mark, month by month, when she sits down at her desk to pay her bills. The IMF is right there in her Quicken computer program, along with all of the other monthly payments you might expect. “In the almost 11 years, even when I’ve had to move money around, it’s honestly never occurred to me not to keep donating to the IMF on a monthly basis.”

Joan thinks quietly for a moment, then repeats her very first explanation: “It’s just what I do.”

Recurring gifts are an easy and important way to make a significant contribution. They can be made monthly (like Joan), quarterly, semi-annually or on any schedule that suits you. They can also be arranged to occur automatically on your credit card. To set up your recurring gift, please call Randi Liberman at 800-452-CURE (2873) or email her at rliberman@myeloma.org.

New Wall of Miracles

The IMF is blessed to have donors from all over the United States and throughout the world. But because our donors are spread so far and wide, it is impossible for us to properly recognize everyone in one physical location.

The IMF’s Wall of Miracles resides for all to see and admire on the IMF’s website. Recognition on the Wall of Miracles gives you the acknowledgement you deserve and serves as an important inspiration to others. The Wall of Miracles will be updated quarterly and will recognize every donor who contributes a minimum of $5,000 total giving over the prior 12-month period.

Check our website for the Wall of Miracles: www.wallofmiracles.myeloma.org.
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Every year we receive bequests from the estates of deceased friends. These gifts make a tremendous difference and we count on such gifts as we move into the future.

When you create or revise your will, we hope you will include the International Myeloma Foundation. Your estate gift will help us continue to passionately and thoughtfully serve the myeloma community.

Types of Bequests
As you consider an estate gift to the IMF, it may be useful to know some of the bequest options available to you:

- An unrestricted gift permits the IMF to use your bequest where it is needed most.

- You can also make your bequest a designated gift. This type of bequest restricts your gift to serve a specific purpose. For example, you may choose to earmark your gift for a program, service, or research project that you feel strongly about. You could even designate a bequest to establish a memorial fund or research grant in honor of a loved one.

- A third kind of bequest is the combination of the first two. That is, part of the bequest can be directed as the IMF and its Board of Directors determine a need, and part of it restricted for your predetermined purpose.

Methods for Making Bequests
Once you’ve decided on the kind of bequest you would like to make, you must determine how the bequest will be identified. You have at least three options.

First, you can stipulate a specific amount or a specific item or items. For example, you could bequeath to the IMF a set amount of money, certain securities, or a vacation home.

Second, you can name the IMF to receive a percentage of the residue of your estate — the amount that remains after the bill payments and specific bequests have been made.

Finally, you could name the IMF as a contingent beneficiary. This would allow the IMF to receive that part of your estate that would have passed to another person had he or she been living. For example, a will can indicate that everything is to go to your spouse unless your spouse predeceases you — in which case the assets (or part of them, if you so choose) could be assigned to the IMF.

Your generous planning makes a tremendous difference to thousands of lives. As you proceed with your estate plans, we strongly encourage you to inform us about any bequest decisions affecting the IMF. Our Vice President of Development, Heather Cooper Ortner, has worked with many people concerning their bequest plans and can further explain all of your giving options.

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Sometimes the most creative, energetic, and inspiring ideas come from the young people in our lives.

This is certainly true at the International Myeloma Foundation, which is why we have created Kids Fight Back. This special fundraising program for children and teenagers encourages and empowers the youngest members of the myeloma community to make a difference, and in turn, they encourage and empower us to make a difference too.

“I have transferred the skills I developed from my myeloma fundraisers to other areas of my life.”

– Ashley Barit

Ashley Barit, now 27 years old, was once upon a time at the forefront of the IMF youth movement. When Ashley’s mother, Jerra, was diagnosed with myeloma in December 1998, Ashley immediately knew she wanted to do something to help her mother and the myeloma patients all around the world. Less than five months later, the high school senior launched Fashions 4 A Cure, a fashion show and auction that raised over $5,000 for the IMF in its inaugural year.

Ten years later, Ashley’s myeloma fundraisers are still in full swing. Fashions 4 A Cure was held annually through 2004, featuring children’s and bridal fashions as well as silent and Chinese auctions. In 2005, Ashley re-conceived her event as Evening 4 A Cure—an event that includes a cocktail reception and dinner with silent, Chinese and live auctions.

Now, as an adult, “I have transferred the skills I developed from my myeloma fundraisers to other areas of my life,” Ashley says. Her philanthropic work for myeloma has led her to chair and direct other non-profit events as well. Her early inspiration has also determined her career path; Ashley now runs her own event planning and consulting business, Ashlynn Rose. “But most importantly,” Ashley says, “creating my myeloma fundraisers since I was a teenager brought me closer to my family and the myeloma community.”

Kids Fight Back provides our youngest IMF members with the materials and encouragement they need to develop a fundraiser all their own. Perhaps it will become a yearly endeavor that changes the course of their life, as Ashley Barit found. Or perhaps it will stand as an amazing singular experience that builds their confidence, raises awareness, fulfills a school community service project, and invites them to have fun.

Ally and Mikey Tuohy, a sister-brother IMF fundraising team, spearheaded their first event two years ago when they were thirteen and eight, respectively. They created what could modestly be called a “lemonade stand.” In actuality, it included “Lemonade for Life,” “Iced Tea for Research,” and “Candy that Counts,” as well as IMF t-shirts, hats, and bracelets for sale, and IMF publications for free distribution.

“My brother and I decided on this fundraiser the day after we found out that our dad had come out of remission,” Ally adds. “We wanted to do something that would help to get him back into remission, and we knew supporting IMF research was the key.” Their secretive “lemonade stand” led to more than $300 in support of that goal.

Ally and Mikey have also found that by helping others, they help themselves. “It makes me feel great to be able to raise money and put it towards research,” Mikey says. Ally agrees: “Even though we’re ‘just kids,’ we can help too! And it makes us feel much better in the process.”

Our young fundraisers have their choice of how they would like their efforts used by the IMF. Proceeds from Kids Fight Back can support the IMF’s Research Program, Education Program, or both. Kids Fight Back encourages creativity. It invites the participation of friends and family. And it inspires the youngest members of our community to know that they too can make an enormous difference in the fight against myeloma.

For more information about creating your own Kids Fight Back fundraising event, please call 800-452-CURE (2873) to request a brochure. You can also read more about Kids Fight Back and download a brochure from our web site: www.myeloma.org.
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- **Awareness Bracelets** (10-pack for $10)
- **IMF Holiday Ornaments** ($10)

All merchandise can be viewed and/or ordered on our website www.myeloma.org

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This year’s speaker was Clare Duffy, Producer of NBC Nightly News with Brian Williams. Under Ms. Duffy’s leadership, the show produced an important story on myeloma in December 2007. Ms. Duffy is also the niece of renowned actor Peter Boyle, an IMF member who last year lost his battle with the disease in late 2006.

Ms. Duffy knew very little about myeloma before her “Uncle Pete’s” diagnosis. But now, due to the enormous public feedback she received after producing the successful NBC news segment, she knows how many people are affected by myeloma—and how vital it is to increase the community’s visibility.

Nancy and Carol are keenly aware of this as well. They know that a passionate myeloma community surrounds them, and yet sometimes even they are surprised. This year, Carol received a donation from a neighbor who included a note saying her mother had passed away from myeloma. “I had no idea,” Carol says.

The women observed that in the first year of their event, not many guests had a direct connection with the disease. In contrast, this year’s drew many more women within the myeloma community. “They heard about last year’s event and wanted to attend,” Nancy says.

“Member fundraisers open doors. They let people know they are not alone,”

– Carol Klein

Carol agrees. “Last year, a friend of mine with myeloma didn’t come because she was afraid of being surrounded by the disease in that way. But she came to this year’s event and was empowered.”

“Member fundraisers open doors. They let people know they are not alone,” Carol says. “They remind us that there is support out there, and they introduce and reinforce important resources like the IMF. And so, my advice to all IMF members who are thinking about organizing an event: Go for it!”

Every effort counts. Your fundraiser can support a specific IMF program or the proceeds can be unrestricted. For more information about creating an event, please call Suzanne Battaglia 800-452-CURE (2873) or email her at sbattaglia@myeloma.org.

If you’d like more information on planning your own Afternoon Tea, please visit our web site, www.myeloma.org, for our new “How To Host An Afternoon Tea” information sheet.
The Great Cell Phone Drive

Trudie Petrunti and her grandson, Ian King, are two determined IMF members. Trudie first heard of the IMF’s Cell Phones For A Cure program while attending a Patient & Family Seminar. Though she herself had access to a few old phones, she knew her 13-year-old grandson would have access to even more.

This past school year, Ian created “The Great Cell Phone Drive” on behalf of his grandmother and myeloma patients everywhere. He hung flyers and placed cell phone donation boxes at his middle school, St. Vincent Ferrer School in Cincinnati, Ohio. He ultimately collected 30 cell phones, which could yield IMF research initiatives as much as $600. Just as importantly, Ian’s cell phone drive increased awareness of myeloma among his fellow students and his teachers.

Ian will spearhead his second Cell Phones For A Cure drive this school year. He plans to expand beyond his middle school and distribute flyers and cell phone donation boxes around his community. Trudie, his grandmother, couldn’t be prouder. “He’s so enthusiastic to help and to do something,” she says.

“This year, I’m hoping to collect even more cell phones,” Ian declares. “It makes me feel good to help people with myeloma, especially my grandma.”

To create your own Cell Phones For A Cure campaign, please contact Kemo Lee at 800-452-CURE (2873) or KLee@myeloma.org. You can also learn more by visiting our web site, www.myeloma.org.

Mail for the Cure

MAIL FOR THE CURE is a simple but very powerful concept with which you can make a big difference. Here’s how it works: All over the country, people just like you are mailing letters to their friends and relatives asking for their support of myeloma research and other important IMF programs. We provide you with a specially coded IMF donation envelope and a letter template, which you can personalize.

To get started on your fundraising MEMBER EVENT or MAIL FOR THE CURE, contact Suzanne Battaglia, Director of Member Events at sbattaglia@myeloma.org or (800) 452-2873!

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Discussing your plans with us in advance helps ensure that we can honor any specific requests you would like to make; if you plan to gift the IMF with a restricted bequest, Heather can help you construct it in a way that will assure the IMF can bring your vision to fruition. It also helps the IMF’s long-range planning efforts to know where future resources will be directed.

Best of all, when you inform us of your plans, it gives us the opportunity to thank and honor you in advance. It also allows us to include you in the Brian D. Novis Legacy Society, our group of special members committed to ensuring a legacy of optimism for a brighter future for everyone affected by multiple myeloma.
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