

Coping® magazine's exclusive coverage

# National Cancer Survivors Day® 2020



Coping® magazine is proud to be an ongoing national sponsor of National Cancer Survivors Day® (NCSD). Celebrated on the first Sunday in June, NCSD is the day set aside each year to recognize cancer survivors, raise awareness of the ongoing challenges cancer survivors face, and celebrate life. This 33rd annual Celebration of Life was held on Sunday, June 7. Due to COVID-19, many events scheduled to celebrate NCSD were canceled, while some organizations hosted online or socially distanced celebrations. In cooperation with the National Cancer Survivors Day Foundation, Coping is pleased to provide you with exclusive coverage of NCSD 2020. Due to space limitations, photo submissions most representative of NCSD have been chosen.

National Cancer Survivors Day® 2021 will be held on June 6. Visit [ncsd.org](http://ncsd.org) for more information.

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**ON THE COVER: Eugene, OR** – Amy Johnston, Andrew King, Eugene Emeralds mascot Sluggo, Damon Garner, and Katie Burke celebrate and uplift local cancer survivors during the Survivor Car Parade hosted by Oregon Cancer Foundation, the American Cancer Society, and the Eugene Emeralds.

Marlitt Dellabough happily takes part in the parade as a proud four-year cancer survivor.



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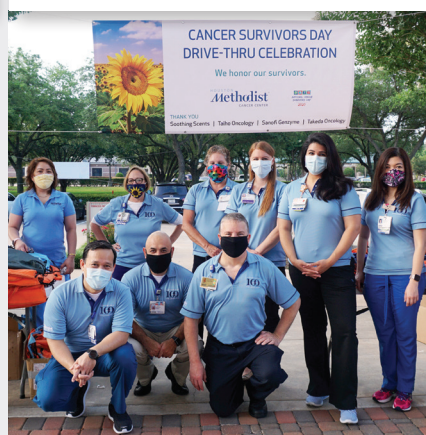
**ON THE COVER: Louisville, KY** – Cancer survivors receive the full red-carpet treatment at the drive-through NCSD celebration hosted by University of Louisville Health.

Survivors and their families show off their decorated vehicles as they drive the red carpet while University of Louisville mascot Louie the Cardinal, UofL staff, and supporters cheer them on from the sidelines.



**ON THE COVER: Washington, DC** – Cancer survivor Melanie A. Nix leads an online “Planting Seeds for Today and Tomorrow” Survivors Day event sponsored by LouisLee, where participants enjoyed music and inspirational messages from survivors and caregivers.

**Sugar Land, TX** – Houston Methodist Sugar Land Hospital staff and volunteers honor cancer survivors during their “Rise Up and Shine” Cancer Survivors Day Drive-Thru Celebration.



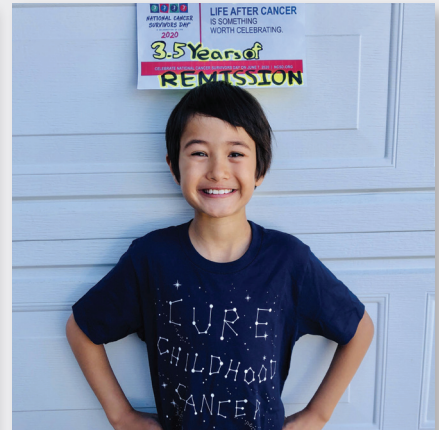




**Buffalo, NY** – Hodgkin lymphoma survivor Kielah Zittel joyously celebrates her 14th Cancer Survivors Day by reminiscing on her half-marathon accomplishments.



**Morehead City, NC** – Carteret Health Care staff members Tracey Lewis and Barbara Pyle share an encouraging message for cancer survivors on National Cancer Survivors Day®.



**Bay Area, CA** – Ten-year-old childhood cancer survivor Tyler takes a moment on National Cancer Survivors Day® to strike a confident pose as he celebrates three and a half years of remission from stage IV neuroblastoma.



**Jacksonville, FL** – Six-year cervical cancer survivor LaTasha Bostick connects with her fellow “Cervivor Sisters” on the Zoom videoconferencing platform during an NCS Day party hosted by Cervivor founder Tamika Felder.



**Philadelphia, PA** – The Abramson Cancer Center at Pennsylvania Hospital displays a colorful handmade collage banner to remind visitors what National Cancer Survivors Day® is all about -- celebrating life!



**Dayton, OH** – “Get ready to knock out cancer!” says four-year cancer survivor Lara McKinley as she celebrates her strength and victory on National Cancer Survivors Day®, encouraging others to remember that they are cancer warriors too.

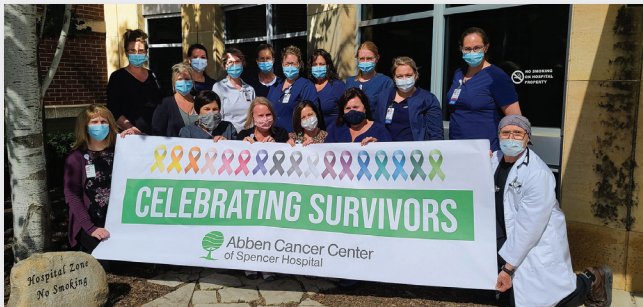


**Fairfax, VA** – Michelle Stravitz, five-year triple-negative breast cancer survivor and cofounder of 2Unstoppable, demonstrates a warrior pose while encouraging others to keep moving in 2020 during 2Unstoppable's virtual “What Moves You” NCS Day event.



**New Orleans, LA** – The New Orleans Pussyfooters marching group don their trademark pink corsets and plumage while honoring and supporting cancer survivors as part of the National Cancer Survivors Day® parade at Toulo Infirmary. ▶





**Spencer, IA** – Healthcare professionals at Abben Cancer Center of Spencer Hospital take a moment to honor and celebrate all cancer survivors on National Cancer Survivors Day®.



**Kosciusko, MS** – Three-year-old cancer survivor Journey poses in front of the sign she donated to her hometown for NCSD to encourage all survivors in all stages of their journey that they can be brave like her.



**Scottsdale, AZ** – May Fekete spends National Cancer Survivors Day® proudly celebrating three years of survivorship and the completion of her Family Nurse Practitioner program and national board certification.



**Quartz Mountain, OR** – Ten-year survivor Carol Dellinger raises her hands in triumph after summiting Quartz Mountain on National Cancer Survivors Day®.



**Las Cruces, NM** – With the encouragement of Memorial Medical Center, survivor Isaac Prieto shares a smile with his wife, Sharon, and daughter, Hailey, after a day of celebration.



**Wheat Ridge, CO** – The Nelson family stops for a quick photo during Lutheran Medical Center's National Cancer Survivors Day® Heroes of Hope Virtual Walk/Run.

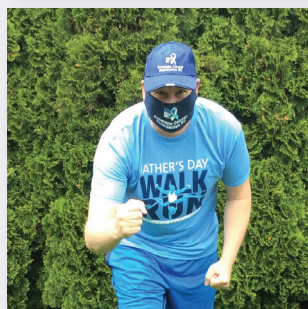


**Fort Wayne, IN** – During the Cancer Services of Northeast Indiana's virtual 2020 Ribbon Walk, clinical director Marsha Haffner basks in the sun with a four-legged friend.

Photo by Marsha Haffner



**Arlington, VA** – Sonia Su, survivor and founder of Kits to Heart, and Christina Miller of the Claudia Mayer/Tina Broccolino Cancer Resource Center commemorate NCSD by delivering care packages to survivors.



**Vancouver Island, Canada** – Gogs Gagnon shows his excitement after signing up for a Father's Day 5K walk/run to celebrate his prostate cancer survivorship and to support the Prostate Cancer Foundation of BC.



**Jackson, WY** – St. John's Health Oncology Department's staff distribute local business gift cards to cancer survivors to lift their spirits on National Cancer Survivors Day®.



**Toledo, OH** – Matt and Penny McCloskey share a celebratory moment during The Victory Center's virtual NCSD event after both receiving a cancer diagnosis and treatment last year.

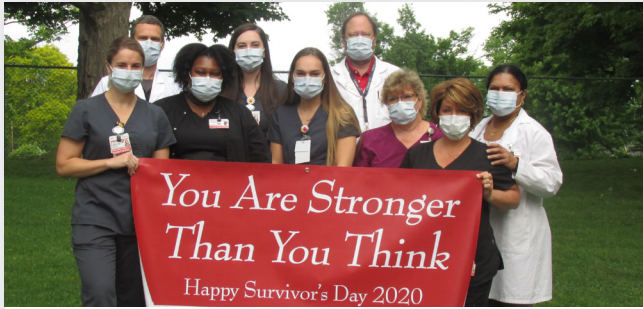


**Daytona Beach, FL** – Cancer survivor Sarena Smith celebrates Survivor Day by sporting her personalized NCSD t-shirt and shares laughter has been "the best medicine for her soul."



**Columbus, OH** – Cancer survivor Chris joyously embraces a fellow participant after throwing a pie in her face all in good fun at the American Pie Party NCSD event.

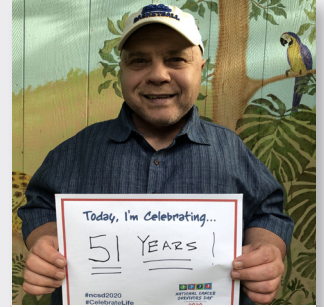




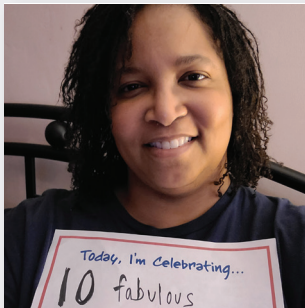
**Albany, NY** – St. Peter's Health Partners Medical and Radiation Oncology staff gather together to honor and celebrate the strength of cancer survivors both on social media and in the local newspaper on National Cancer Survivors Day®.



**Kankakee, IL** – Suzanne Ramsey poses for a photo while proudly donning her 2020 NCSD t-shirt at a Survivors Day family pool party after a walk and picnic with friends at Kankakee River State Park.



**Eureka, CA** – Hodgkins survivor Barry Mendenhall proudly holds up his "I'm Celebrating..." sign to show off his 51 years of cancer survivorship on National Cancer Survivors Day®.



**Philadelphia, PA** – Shanese Johnson spends National Cancer Survivors Day® reflecting on and celebrating ten years of cancer survivorship.



**Midland, TX** – A "Pink Sista" gives a thumbs up while proudly wearing her 2020 NCSD t-shirt during a Cancer Survivors Day virtual event hosted by The Young and Breastless Support Group.



**Cincinnati, OH** – Hodgkins lymphoma survivor Chris Nascimento and his wife Wendy stop for a quick photo before resuming their scenic bike ride on National Cancer Survivors Day®.



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