

Thank You

www.susanmcostaccf.org

I want to thank everyone who volunteered and participated in the “Walk for Sue”. Everything went quite well considering we had to battle some wind and rain from tropical storm Hannah. The foundation raised a little over \$4,200.00, after all expenses were paid. I don’t think that was bad considering only about half the amount of people showed up compared to the amount of tickets that were sold. Top 2 individual earners for the walk were:

1st Place: Stacey Bettencourt - \$667.00

2nd Place: Cindy Breahtault - \$615.00

Next year’s event will take place on September 5, 2009, hopefully storm free. I hope I can count on all of you again next year to support this great cause. You can also learn more about Cholangiocarcinoma, click on the CC link. Dr. Portnoy wrote a terrific essay on the cancer. There are only about 3,500-5,600 cases diagnosed each year in the US, with the numbers increasing every year. It mostly occurs in older men. People who get Cholangiocarcinoma usually have a 10-20% chance of survival. Research, awareness, and early detection are critical to this form of cancer. My goal is to help as many people as possible, but if I help only one person I will feel that I have made a difference.

Thank You,

Jeffery R. Costa

President-Susan M. Costa Cholangiocarcinoma Foundation