August 2018 Newsletter

A Message from Your Co-Chairs

It’s hard to believe it, but FY18 is already coming to a close. We’re looking forward to capping off a busy summer with the DFLC Fall Social on September 19th, our last event of this successful fiscal year. Before the Fall Social, we encourage you to renew your commitment to the DFLC by fulfilling your membership requirement of $250 or more. The Annual Giving Committee is working hard to meet their goal of raising $250,000 with one-hundred percent member participation, and we hope you’ll support their efforts if you have not done so already.

We’re also excited to announce Benjamin L. Lampson, MD, PhD, as the 2018-2019 DFLC Fellow. As our Fellow, Ben’s work will be supported by a portion of the funds we raise through the DFLC. Ben is a researcher and clinician with a clinical focus in chronic lymphocytic leukemia, the most common leukemia in adults. We’re proud to support Ben, who will attend the Fall Social next month. We hope you’ll join us to meet him and learn about his important work.

See you soon!
Jeff Beale and Deb Drapalla

Save the Date

September 19, 2018 – DFLC Fall Social
6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Webster Bank

Hosted by our friends at Webster Bank and Eaton Vance, the Fall Social will feature remarks from the 2018-19 DFLC Fellow, Benjamin L. Lampson, MD, PhD.

September 23, 2018 – Boston Marathon® Jimmy Fund Walk presented by Hyundai
Hopkinton to Boston (with 26.2-mile, 13.1-mile, 10K, and 5K route options)

New Member Spotlight: Richard Walsh

Name: Richard Walsh

My hometown is: Canton, MA
I currently reside in: Back Bay, Boston
I attended: University of Massachusetts
My workplace and title are: Consultant, Sales & Marketing Development, Job Coaching
If I am not working I am most likely: Walking my labradoodle down Newbury Street
My favorite Boston restaurant is: Atlantic Fish Company
I joined DFLC because: I am passionate about the extraordinary work being done at Dana-Farber. I have been fundraising for Dana-Farber for four years with the Jimmy Fund by working on Unmask Cancer, and I also work with the Friends of Dana-Farber group. I joined the DFLC so that I can share my experience with event development with the group and hopefully create some synergies between the various fundraising groups to make a bigger impact and raise more funds.

Committee Corner

Outreach Committee
Bethany Grazio and Katelin Kalal, Co-Chairs

The DFLC continues to grow! We’ve welcomed 11 new members to the Council this year, some of whom joined us at the 2018 New Member Orientation, hosted by Outreach Co-Chair Katelin Kalal in July.

Julie Andrade
Andrew Cipro
Ellen Eisner
Desmond Gallacher
Tess Gallagher
Kenneth Gustin

Jacqueline Noyes
James Radke
Lynn Sommer
Andy Waples
Richard Walsh

Do you know anyone who might like to join the DFLC? You can find helpful recruitment tools and other resources on our website, www.dana-farberleadershipcouncil.org. You can even use the website to RSVP for events and make your membership gift. If you have not yet set a password, please email Marisa Kwoczka and she’ll send you the information you need to register.

Annual Giving Committee
Larry Fahey and J.W. Craig, Co-Chairs

The DFLC Annual Giving Committee would like to thank all members listed below for their support of the fiscal year 2018 Annual Fund. We are happy to report that as of June 30, the Annual Giving Committee has raised $140,968.53 with 44% member participation, bringing us close to our goal of $300,000!
participation, bringing us closer to our goal of $250,000.

Fiscal year end is quickly approaching—fulfill your annual commitment of $250 or more before the Phonathon on September 6 and save us a phone call! If you have questions about the DF LC Annual Fund or would like to make a gift today, please contact Casey Quinn or call (617) 632-4780.

DFLC President’s Circle Members
Cumulative Giving of $1,500 and more as of June 30, 2018

Jeff Beale    Desmond Gallacher    Anthony Orazio
Jeffrey Brody  Tess Gallagher    Nancy Puleo
Victor Chiang  Jeff Goldstein    John Shea
Camille Colatosti  Kim & John Kelley  Leah & Howard Singer
J.W. Craig  Timothy Kierstead    Amy Sullivan
Jack Dahistedt  Andrew Kiley    Neil Sullivan
Chris Durbin  Laura Lake    Brian Taranto
Wendy & Stephen Faberman  Eric Marandett  Kathy Washburn
Larry Fahey  Katlynn May    Kevin Wasielewski
J.P. Fine  John Murphy    Jim Weis
Josh Fox  Robert Nicewicz

DFLC Members
Cumulative Giving of $250 and more as of June 30, 2018

Charles Abrams    Paul Enderle    Nancy McConnell
Christine Anastos  Laura Fischman  Ian McLeod
Helen Balboni  Bethany Grazio    Zach Natale
Sarah Canapari    Sean Kelly    Cindy O’Brien
Andrew Cipro  Drew Kettering    Jed Ruccio
Mike Cunningham  Lisa-Marie & Aaron Louison  Elliot Silver
Kathryn Doherty  Craig Maurer    Vicki Weiden

Golf Committee
Victor Chiang and Rob Nicewicz, Co-Chairs

Congratulations to the DF LC Golf Committee on the 15th annual DF LC Golf Tournament! We celebrated an incredible milestone anniversary by raising more than
$125,000 for Dana-Farber. After a great day of golf at Granite Links Golf Club, we heard from an amazing patient speaker who shared the impact that philanthropy has had on her family’s journey at Dana-Farber’s Jimmy Fund Clinic. Thank you to everyone who golfed, sponsored, and volunteered at the event, and to the tireless Committee for all of their hard work. Save the date for next year’s event, taking place on Wednesday, June 12th at Granite Links in Quincy, MA.

Jimmy Fund Events Committee
Amy Sullivan and Chris Tracy, Co-Chairs

The Jimmy Fund Fit Fest presented by Reebok is back! This year, Fit Fest will be held at Reebok’s 27 Drydock Ave. headquarters on September 29th. Enjoy a day of outdoor fitness classes led by Reebok certified instructors, healthy food and drinks, prizes and more, all while wearing your complimentary Reebok tee! Your employer can even use this as an opportunity to boost camaraderie by building a corporate team. Visit www.jimmyfundfitfest.org for more information.

The 5th annual UnMask Cancer, an event that DFLC members love, will be held on October 20th at the Mandarin Oriental. This year’s "UnGala" will transport you to the rainforest for an exotic evening of live entertainment, dinner by the bite, and fabulous cocktails, all to benefit Dana-Farber. We hope you can help the Jimmy Fund reach its goal of raising $500,000 at UnMask by purchasing a ticket or supporting the event through a sponsorship. Get a taste of UnMask Cancer by viewing photos from last year’s event, visit www.unmaskcancer.org, or reach out to your Events Committee Co-Chairs to learn more.

Pan-Mass Challenge Committee
Henry Cataldo, Matt Delaney, and Paul Enderle, Co-Chairs

Nine DFLC riders participated in this year’s Pan-Mass Challenge, raising $75,000 (and counting!) for Dana-Farber. The PMC, which raises more money for charity than any other single event in the country, has raised over $598 million for DFCI since 1980. Congrats to the DFLC riders! We'll stay in touch throughout the year to keep you updated on registration for 2019, information on events like PMC Winter Cycle, and more. We hope you’ll join us!

Walk Committee
Rachel Pearson and Jamie Chafel, Co-Chairs

The 30th annual Boston Marathon Jimmy Fund Walk presented by Hyundai is just a month away! It’s hard to describe the feeling of walking alongside thousands of members of the Dana-Farber community—patients,
doctors, families, and friends—all committed to making a difference. We hope you'll join us in September to see what the Walk is all about. You can choose between four different Walk routes and join Team DFLC, walk as an individual, join a different team, or participate as a volunteer instead. If your plans are still up in the air, don't worry—online registration doesn't close until Thursday, September 20, or you can register at any of the starting locations on Walk day. In the meantime, reach out to us with any questions or click here to visit the Walk's new website.

Science Spotlight

Dana-Farber's Center for Global Cancer Medicine works with developing nations to build cancer care systems virtually from scratch. Under the leadership of Lori Buswell, RN, OCN, the Center has helped establish oncology programs in Haiti and Rwanda, and recently initiated a training program in Ethiopia in partnership with the American Cancer Society. This spring, Buswell traveled to Mekelle University Hospital, located 300 miles from Ethiopia's capital, Addis Ababa, and offered critical training to Ethiopian providers. Mekelle University Hospital is one of only five treatment centers in the country—which currently has only three oncologists for a population of more than 100 million—designated to provide chemotherapy treatment. Alongside four other nurses with global heath experience, Buswell trained 35 nurses, pharmacists, and physicians from across Ethiopia in the administration and safe handling of chemotherapy drugs. The program marks a small, but critical, step in the improvement of Ethiopia's medical landscape, and demonstrates Dana-Farber's commitment to impacting cancer care around the world.