

CLAYS for CARA



Update from the Board...

Welcome to our first newsletter! We are very excited to have this resource to keep you informed on the latest



Justin Hobbs, Vice President of Clays for Cara

and greatest at Clays for Cara. 2013 was a great year for our organization, and we owe a huge thank you to our families, friends, and the companies that sponsored our 4th annual fundraising event.

As my own family continues

our journey forward, the unfortunate reality is that other families continue to be impacted by this terrible disease. I am honored that for the last 4 years, Clays for Cara continues to honor Cara's legacy by providing financial assistance to other families who have been impacted by cancer or other life threatening illness.

Please keep these families in your thoughts and prayers, and thank you again for supporting Clays for Cara.

Thank You for Making 2013 Our Best Year Ever!

We are so grateful for your support in 2013. Our annual Clays for Cara Event raised more than \$40,000 and allowed us to issue scholarships to 3 families currently battling cancer.

This brings our 4 year donation total to \$80,000.

Our Mission at the Cara Ann Hobbs Foundation is to honor the memory of Cara Hobbs by continuing her legacy of kindness, love, and compassion for those directly affected by cancer or other life threatening illness as well as the ongoing support of the Cara Ann Hobbs Endowment at The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center.

Mark Your Calendars October 4, 2014



The 2014 Clays for Cara Annual Fundraising Event Dates are set. Please mark your Calendar for Saturday October 4th.

Our clay shoot will again be at Joshua Creek Ranch in Boerne, Texas with Dinner & Auction to follow at Happy H Ranch in Comfort, TX. Please get your tournament entries in and reservations set to enjoy a day of good sport, evening of great food all for an even better cause!

Scholarship Updates



Brea Hines - 9

On September 6, 2013 Brea and her family learned that a Wilms tumor had overtaken her left kidney. Doctors determined that her right kidney also had a small tumor. After much prayer and guidance from her physicians, Brea had a port put in on September 9, and she began chemotherapy right away.



Brea is a 4th Grader at Fabra Elementary in Boerne, Texas

After 12 weeks of chemotherapy, doctors removed her entire left kidney, a portion of the right kidney and her appendix. On January 1, 2014, Brea began eighteen weeks of chemotherapy and eleven radiation treatments.

Kelli Bevans - 24

After my brain surgery and six week treatment of radiation in the summer of 2013, I was ready to start a new chapter, a cancer free chapter of life. In August I moved to Galveston and started a job as a pediatric nurse at UTMB.



In early December my headaches were affected with the weather change and I started having seizures again.

I am back in College Station and I realize that this is what is best for me and my health at this time. My doctors, family, and overall support system are here and that makes such a difference in recovering and staying healthy. I cannot express how much your prayers and financial donation have helped me and my family.

Mark Gronotte - 34

Mark had migraines and blurred vision for a few weeks, but with the busyness of moving into a new (older) home, he didn't think much of it. His Optometrist sent him to the ER where he was diagnosed with a brain cancer, glioblastoma, stage 4.



Mark and Anna have been married for 4 years and are blessed with a sweet little 3 year old girl, a precious 1 year old foster son, and a precious 8 month old boy.

This is a total shock to us, but not a surprise to God. Our God is blowing us away with His steadfast love and care through our family & friends, and our beloved church family. Indeed, we are seeking to believe this: "Behind a frowning providence, He hides a smiling face." May God be glorified through this cancer and Jesus be lifted high as our Savior and King!



We Need Your Help!

Clays for Cara is a volunteer organization that was founded to assist the Hobbs family as they were forced to relocate from Boerne to Houston, Texas so Cara could seek treatment for brain cancer at MD Anderson. Cara fought bravely, but unfortunately lost her battle with brain cancer on March 14, 2011.

Throughout this incredibly stressful time the Hobbs family was blessed with love and support from family and friends. This support system helped organize the necessities like food and shelter that a young family would need away from home. Throughout this very difficult time, Justin was able to focus on Cara and his two young girls.

Clays for Cara realizes that not everyone battling such a devastating disease may have a similar support system in place, as a result, Clays for Cara strives to provide financial assistance to individuals that are forced to relocate so they can continue their fight against cancer or other life threatening conditions.

WAYS YOU CAN HELP

- Donate to Clays for Cara
- Attend our Annual Fundraising Clay Shoot & Dinner (October 4th, 2014)
- Do you have a silent auction item to donate?
- Time (We are always looking for volunteers at our annual clay shoot and dinner event)

Contact Us:

www.claysforcara.com
claysforcara@gmail.com

or follow us on:

