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APRIL 2024 NEWSLETTER

Offering support, care, and hope...*right here at home!* The mission of the Tri-State Multiple Sclerosis Association is to enhance the quality of life for individuals living with MS & their families in Southern IN, Southern IL & Western KY

SUPPORT GROUP LEADERS AND CONTACT INFORMATION

 Terri Hasty - Tell City - 812- 686-8183 – 1st Monday of the Month. Next mtg. – 4/1/2024 at The Patio, Tell City at 11am. Fran Neal - Washington - 812-259-1565
3rd Saturday of the Month at Ghost House in Washington at 10 am. Cheryl Walker - Henderson - 270- 823-4752 Susan Reynolds - Owensboro - 812-228-6100

Evansville – Thursday, April 25th, 12pm, Chair Yoga, TSMSA office



WISHING DEBBIE HEBBELER A HAPPY RETIREMENT

Please join all of us at the Tri-State MS Association in wishing Debbie Hebbeler a joyfilled and rewarding retirement. Debbie is one of the original founders of TSMSA (in 2001), and over the years she has touched the lives of countless individuals and families living with MS. From everyone at TSMSA and within the Tri-State MS community, THANK YOU, Debbie, for bringing your vision to life and making a positive, enduring difference right here in the Tri-State!

QUOTES FROM PEOPLE WHO LOVE YOU, DEBBIE!

-Debbie, you can retire knowing all your clients love you. -Jody D.

-Debbie, I want to thank you for bringing me so much peace when I was first diagnosed. -Connie R.

-Anytime I had any questions or anytime I felt overwhelmed or upset with just how things were going, she was always there to listen. -Melissa D.

-When I first met her, I was very scared and I didn't know what was going to happen or what I needed to do to keep the lifestyle I was living so after I met her we just built a special bond and she just has always been there and is very compassionate about MS. -Andrea K.

-When I first met Debbie, I felt like I had met someone who cared. She treated me as if I was the only person who had MS and she was very interested in helping calm me down. -Pam K.

-I would not have been able to get through any of this journey without her. She is absolutely amazing and I consider her part of my family. -Molly D.



WELCOME TINA REED TO THE TSMSA FAMILY

We are also pleased to share that Tina Reed has accepted the role of TSMSA's new Executive Director. Tina is an Indiana-licensed LPN and brings 31 years of healthcare experience to TSMSA. She earned her MBA in 2018 and is a lifelong learner who fell in love with nonprofit work in 2018 when she served as Director of Prevention for Matthew 25 AIDS Services. She served on the TSMSA Board in the early 2000s, giving her hands-on experience with the local MS community. Tina is married to Chris, they have four kids together and love to spoil their six grandchildren. Please join us in officially welcoming Tina to our TSMSA Family!

-With Tina's leadership, vision, and dedication, we will continue to enhance the quality of life for individuals living with MS in the Tri-State area. -Josh Davis, Board Chair

Pam Schenk has also joined the TSMSA family as our Office Coordinator. Pam brings 40 years of healthcare experience to TSMSA. Pam is married to Ken, they enjoy camping, hiking trails, and beach time together. She has two sons and four grandchildren. Please welcome Pam!!

Congratulations to the 2024 Spirit Award Recipients

Mrs. Molly Dewig was recognized for her determination and optimism in being diagnosed with Multiple Sclerosis at the age of 19.

Honorable Judge Wayne S. Trockman was recognized for his outstanding leadership in the community.

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FREE MS PATIENT EDUCATION PROGRAM WEDNESDAY APRIL 17TH, 2024

Deaconess Gateway Hospital - 4011 Gateway Blvd, Newburgh Conference Rooms A & B (1st floor of hospital)

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

5pm Registration Begins Hors d'Oeuvres Served

6pm Dr. Rod Warren "Back to Basics Q&A"

7pm Dr. Luke Barr

"Put the power of neurorehabilitation in your hands with polyform-1h"



Dr. Rod Warren





Dr. Luke Barr

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ATTENDEES WILL BE ENTERED TO WIN A DINNER FOR TWO FROM CRACKER BARREL

RSVP by 4/12/24 to 812-423-5943, 1-866-514-4312, or <u>director@tristatems.org</u> Seating is limited to individuals living with MS and one guest.



MS Chair Yoga and Meal Planning with Delanie Davis <u>IS NOW BEING OFFERED VIRTUALLY!!!!</u>

Email <u>director@tristatems.org</u> and Tina will send you an invite through Microsoft Teams.

This class will be offered FREE to individuals living with MS. **LAST THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH** 12PM (NOON) to 1PM AT THE TSMSA OFFICE.

NEXT CLASS THURSDAY APRIL 25TH RSVP by calling 812-423-5943, 1-866-514-4312 or director@tristatems.org