



The Helping Hand

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PBTFUS Thrives, Thanks to Dedicated Fundraisers

The motorcycling community and thousands of dedicated people are responsible for the tremendous support that underwrites the Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation's (PBTFUS) medical research and family support programs. Thanks to their enduring efforts, the Foundation's mission to find the cause and cure of childhood brain tumors is moving forward at a rapid pace. In 2002, PBTFUS funded and supported 35 research projects, awards and programs, including two new international research projects. The total funding committed to these projects exceeded \$3 million and includes the following projects:

Basic Research Grants

1. Glenn T. Gobbel, DVM, PhD, University of Pittsburgh
2. Jaclyn A. Biegel, PhD, Children's Hospital of PA
3. Mario R. Capecchi, PhD, Howard Hughes Medical Institute
4. Daniel W. Fufts, MD, University of Utah
5. G. Yancey Gillespie, PhD, University of Alabama at Birmingham
6. Hugo Bellen, DVM, PhD, Baylor College of Medicine
7. Juan Fueyo, MD, MD Anderson Cancer Center
8. Rosalind A. Segal, Dana-Farber Cancer Institute
9. James Rutka, Labatt Brain Tumor Center, Canada

10. Jeremy N. Rich, MD, Duke University Medical Center
11. David Ashley, MD, PhD, Murdoch Children's Research Institute, Australia
12. Murray A. Stackhouse, PhD, University of Alabama at Birmingham
13. Qingyi Wei, PhD, MD Anderson Cancer Center
14. Cynthia Wetmore, MD, PhD, Mayo Clinic
15. John Sampson, MD, PhD, Duke University Medical Center

Clinical Research Project Grants

16. Elana Farace, PhD, University of Virginia
17. Kalkunte S. Srivenugopal, PhD, MD Anderson Cancer Center
18. Jack M. Su, MD, Baylor College of Medicine
19. Robert Ogg, PhD, St. Jude Children Hospital

Translational Research Project Grant

20. Darell Bigner, MD, PhD, Duke University Medical Center

Society of Neuro Oncology

21. Sponsor of Annual Meeting Poster Sessions
22. Long-Range Planning Grant
23. Award of Excellence in Basic Pediatric Brain Tumor Research—Awarded November 2002
24. Award of Excellence in Clinical Pediatric Brain Tumor Research—Awarded November 2002

Neuro-Oncology Journal

25. Founding Grant

Central Brain Tumor Registry

26. Epidemiology Grant

Family Support Program

27. Family Support Coordinator, Patient Education and Resource Materials, 800 Help Line and Web site, Scholarship Program and Informed Parent Internet Conferences.
28. Sponsorship of Association of Pediatric Oncology Social Workers Annual Meeting

International Symposium on Pediatric Neuro-Oncology

29. Conference Grant and Abstract Publishing Grant

Peter Steck Memorial Research Award & Lecture—MD Anderson Cancer Center

30. Roger Abounader, PhD, Johns Hopkins University—Research Award
31. Tom Currin, PhD, St. Jude Children Research Hospital—Lecture

National Cancer Institute Pediatric Brain Tumor Clinical Trials Consortium

32. Neuro-Imaging Center Grant
33. AANS/CNS Best Resident Paper Award
34. Collaborating Partner Childhood Cancer Awareness Days
35. Conference Grant "Effects of Radiotherapy on Brain & Behavior," University of Philadelphia

Read about the Foundation's 2002 Basic Research Grants on pages 14-15.

Fantastic Fundraisers

Planning a PBTFUS Fundraiser?

Please contact us *early* in your planning process. Each state requires that the PBTFUS give permission for your fundraising event to take place. Call (800) 253-6530 for more information.

Indiana Motocross Event

Shane and John Dotlich of Brownsburg, IN know all too well the effects of childhood brain tumors. Their four-year-old daughter Blake was diagnosed with an ependymoma tumor in February 2002. Blake's surgery and radiation treatments were successful, and Blake's MRIs look promising these days.

After Blake's treatments, Shane decided it was time to give something back. It was her idea to raise funds for PBTFUS research through a motocross event in Medaryville, IN. She contacted the motocross promoter, and they readily



Shane and Blake Dotlich helped raise PBTFUS funds with a motocross event.

agreed to help. The event, called MX for Life, occurred last August and included about 200 riders, ranging from age four to over 50, and the Dotlich's son Johnny, age seven, rode in the event. Each rider happily paid an additional \$5 fee to ride, and that extra fee was donated to PBTFUS. The track matched the donations, and Shane raised additional funds by sending fundraising letters to businesses. Through their creative efforts, the Dotlich family raised more than \$4,500.

Shane and her family plan to repeat the event next year. "The Leisure Time people who promoted the event were just so supportive. They said they'll do it again next year, and we hope to double the amount we raise," said Shane.

The family will also attend next year's inaugural Ride for Kids® event in Indianapolis.

"We'll help out however we can. When something like this happens, it makes you appreciate things you formerly took for granted.

Nothing is more important than a healthy family." ■



Dedicated Kernion family & friends assured the success of the First Meredith Kernion Memorial Golf Tournament.

Louisiana Golf Tourney Raises \$60,000

The Meredith Kernion Memorial Golf Tournament in Baton Rouge, LA in October 2002 was a huge success. The event raised more than \$60,000 for PBTFUS research efforts.

The idea for a golf scramble, which included some 78 players, started with Steve Wiessenberg, a good friend of PBTFUS Board member Chris Kernion and his wife Jill. The Kernion family lost their daughter Meredith to a brain tumor in 2000. Reaching out to family and friends in Baton Rouge, LA, they formed a steering committee and organized a model event to help raise funds.

Sandy McMullan of Nations Title of Louisiana played a key role. Sandy, Steve Wiessenberg, Ken and Ann Graffeo (Jill's parents), Dennon Goudeau, and a handful of other dedicated friends organized the event. They created a successful corporate-sponsor solicitation campaign, sold hole signs, bartered for services, and received

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generous donations from everyone they asked. Honda Motor Co. donated a Honda Civic for a Hole-in-One contest. "I don't think we got a single 'no;' everyone gave. But then, how could anyone say no to such a critical cause," said Sandy.

One steering committee member worked to have the week of October 18 declared the annual Pediatric Brain Tumor Awareness Week by the Louisiana state legislature. The golf tournament and first Baton Rouge Ride for Kids® event will occur during that same week in 2003.

"It's just remarkable how Jill and Chris have turned their tragedy into helping others find a cure, and we'll do anything we can do to help the kids. This was such a pleasure for me," concluded Sandy.

"Jill and I are blessed to have such wonderful friends and family who share our commitment to help find the cause and

cure of childhood brain tumors. We know these funds will help that cause, and we will continue our fundraising efforts until we find the cure," said Chris Kernion.

For more information or to volunteer for the 2003 golf tournament, contact Sandy at smcmullan@louisiana.nationstitle.com. ■

Photographer Creates Unique Fundraising Program

Mel Morganstein, owner of Photography by Mel in Silver Spring, MD had thousands of archived photo negatives and video tapes from clients going back more than 25 years. He also had a commitment to raise funds for the Columbia, MD Ride for Kids® event last fall. Although these two facts



Mel Morganstein, photographer, sold his original negatives and video tapes to clients to raise funds for PBTFUS.

seem to have little in common, Mel used his creativity to combine the two.

Mel gathered his old wedding, bar mitzvah and bat mitzvah tapes and negatives, input existing old addresses for them

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PBTFUS President Mike Traynor with Michael Hoefflin.

Together for 20 years

As we ride into the 2003 Ride for Kids® season, we enter our 20th consecutive year of devoting our lives to helping children with brain tumors. This is a phenomenal achievement when five of those years had only one RFK event, yet we raised \$20 million for childhood brain tumor research in that time.

Together we have estab-

lished the Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation which today stands as the single largest non-governmental funding agency in the world for pediatric brain tumor research. And we have established an enviable history of service to the families of these children through our extensive family support programs.

For 20 consecutive years, we have set new records, found vitally important new discoveries in the laboratory, and brought hope to thousands of families throughout the world. We have been honored with awards of recognition by prestigious medical organizations and universities

that have called our efforts crucial to the research and treatment progress in brain tumors for children and adults. And many of us have received big hugs from little boys and butterfly kisses from little girls, all of them brain tumor survivors thanking us for caring about them.

Reports from the laboratories tell us that most importantly we are making progress in understanding this terrible disease that steals babies from their mother's arms. Today children with brain tumors live much longer than they did 20 years ago. And each year more of them survive to adulthood. We continue to support these children by providing scholarships for those who might not go on to college or technical

school due to physical and financial challenges they face post-operatively.

In the final analysis, you are the heroes in this historic occasion. You have steadfastly cared and helped where little was formerly being done for these children. Because of you, they have hope that we will bring this disease under control just as was done with other consuming diseases of the past.

If you have ridden with us in the past, or were a contributor previously, or are brand new to our cause, we ask you to join with us for the momentous occasion of the 20th anniversary of the Ride for Kids® when the Ride comes to your city in 2003.

From the President's Desk

... by Mike Traynor

all, and sent letters to some 160 former clients offering to sell them the negatives and/or tapes of their personal events at very reasonable rates.

He offered them a super deal—purchase their negatives for only \$100 if they would also match it with a \$100 check to PBTfUS. He offered to sell the videos for \$30, with a matching check to PBTfUS for another \$30. His unique fundraising idea generated about \$1,800 in donations, and helped him reduce the amount of negatives he stores. “My clients thought it was a great idea and gave generously,” he said. “You know, a friend of mine lost a daughter to a brain tumor years ago, and I believe our children deserve to grow up and give us grandchildren to spoil. I want to help the kids, and I *can* make a difference.” ■

Young BMX Riders Raise Research Funds

About 1,400 riders from 15 National Bicycle League BMX tracks across Florida took part in “racing for research” events in 2002, netting nearly \$7,000 in donations to help fund PBTfUS research.

Florida BMX Race Commissioner Alice Bixler is a motorcyclist and avid fan of the Ride for Kids® events. She tells a story about meeting a young man, a brain tumor



A young BMX rider at a Florida fundraiser for PBTfUS

survivor, at her first Ride for Kids® in 2001. That young man returned for the 2002 event, and Alice was thrilled to see him. “I just pray that the funds we raise will help find the cure for this devastating disease,” she explained.

Alice loves children and believes strongly in teaching them the value of being generous. “It’s great to see kids helping other kids. Our sport is mostly about children, and we wanted to make our children aware of others who need help. I went to each track and explained the need to our kids.”

The inaugural fundraising effort with the Florida BMX tracks started in 2001. In 2002, the number of participating tracks nearly doubled, and the donations also increased substantially. Alice is already hard at work to repeat the fundraising events at Florida BMX tracks in 2003. “So many tracks have already committed to do this again, and I’m excited about raising more money for this cause.” ■

“Joni’s Hope” Golf Tournament

Two-year-old Joni Thompson was diagnosed with a rare brain tumor, a hemangiopericytoma, at five months old. Today, after four surgeries, she is making good progress. Her mom, Bobbie Thompson of Hayesville, NC tells about finding PBTfUS during Joni’s initial diagnosis.

“We were on our way to see the oncologist when we received a call from a friend of Mike and Dianne Traynor who had heard about Joni’s tumor,” she recalled. “We were going to Asheville, so we just drove to the Foundation and met Mike. Finding them has been



Joni and her mom, Bobbie Thompson at the Joni’s Hope Golf Challenge

Baby Joni as she appears on the Foundation’s brochure

great for us, and they have provided us with so many answers.”

Grateful for the help from the PBTfUS, the Thompson family decided to help raise funds for childhood brain tumor research. A family friend, Brent Moody, suggested a golf tournament to honor Joni and help raise funds for research. Moody coordinated the “Joni’s Hope Project Golf Challenge,” which included many corporate sponsors, a dinner, a raffle, and a silent auction.

The event took place in October 2002 at Mountain Harbor Golf Course and included 98 golfers who competed in a 27-hole tournament. Cameron Forrest of Mountain Harbor Golf Course donated the entire day at the golf course for the event, and dozens of volunteers helped make the event successful. After the tournament, the golfers joined about 300 people for a “mountain pig-picking” dinner at Shiloh Stables. Jackie McClure of Shiloh Stables donated the facility and the dinner. The event raised more than \$8,500 for Foundation research efforts.

For more information or to volunteer for next year’s event, you can contact Bobbie Thompson at (828) 389-8966. ■

Foundation *News*

Benign Brain Tumor Legislation Becomes Federal Law

One bill passed into law by Congress in 2002 is great news for the pediatric brain tumor research community. The “Benign Brain Tumor Cancer Registries Amendment Act” will require that federal cancer data include data on benign brain tumors, which has not been the case in the past.

For many types of tumors, the distinction between benign and malignant is significant. For tumors of the brain, the distinction is not as clear. A significant percentage of all brain tumors are benign, but based on location or size, even benign brain tumors can be life threatening.

“I am absolutely thrilled that the bill passed,” commented Carol Kruchko, President of the Central Brain Tumor Registry of the U.S. (CBTRUS). “It’s really important that we have an idea of the number of patients affected by benign tumors so that we can investigate the reasons why they occur, and plan for health care for this population.”

The bill will go into effect with data collection beginning in 2004. This process will take time to implement due to changing state legislation to comply with federal legislation and training tumor registrars in data collection. There will be a lag time for data analysis; data will be available in 2006 or 2007. During that time, the PBTfUS will continue to support CBTRUS so that data on all primary brain tumors (malignant and benign) will be available to the medical community during the implementation process.

“Without PBTfUS, there would not be a CBTRUS, and we couldn’t have gotten the bill passed. Our registry gave them the scientific proof they needed to see that this data collection could be done. It all goes back to their funding. The spirit of motorcyclists and their tenderness is just amazing,” added Kruchko. ■

Annual Planning Session Revitalizes Task Force Leaders

Ride for Kids® Task Force Leaders from across the country—nearly 100 strong—converged in Asheville, NC in November to share and learn about the PBTfUS accomplishments and initiatives.

During the two-day meeting, PBTfUS staff members provided updates and talked about organizing club/dealer visitations and local task forces. Task Force Leaders reviewed 2002 event experiences. Dr. Jack Su of Baylor College of Medicine, a Foundation research grant recipient, talked about research advances and answered questions.

The absolute stars of the two-day event were three-year-old Ethan Gumabay, aka Rocketman, and his parents, Kim and Albert. Ethan, currently in radiation therapy following brain tumor surgery, charmed everyone he met.

Kim Gumabay shared her family’s experience of dealing with a brain tumor. She told the group about the day Ethan was diagnosed. “Today’s treatments are appalling to children, the process they must go through; there’s got to be a better way,” she said. “I just wanted all of you to understand how important the research is, and how important it is

to keep raising money. Don’t ever second guess the good you are doing.”

What was the most valuable part of the meeting? “The learning started Friday morning and is still going on,” commented Kerry Abrams at the closing dinner. Abrams is a new Task Force Leader organizing the first Richmond, VA Ride for Kids® event this June.

Bob Henig, 2002 Top National Fundraiser and Top National Dealer, has attended many of these annual meetings as the Columbia, MD Ride for Kids® Task

Force Leader. He commented that the most important part of the meeting to him was the chance to refresh and reinforce all the leaders on the basics. “The Foundation trains us to make things happen in a certain way, and that’s the way they happen. It works,” he emphasized.

Veteran Ann Arbor Task Force Leader Bob Lorenz stated, “One of the most important things about this meeting is realizing all the growth in this organization and meeting all the new volunteers.”

Larry Little, publisher of Cycle World magazine, also attended the

meeting to discuss the 2003 Cycle World Motorcycle Raffle in partnership with PBTfUS. Little also announced plans for a

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Young Ethan Gumabay helps Bob Henig hold his Top National Fundraiser award as Mike Traynor looks on.



Family Support

Internet Conference Focuses on Brain Tumor Patient Sibling Experience

The January 16, 2003 Informed Parent Internet Conference gave brothers, sisters, and parents of children with brain tumors the chance to listen and learn from other siblings who are sharing the same experience. Several young siblings of brain tumor patients talked about how they coped with their brother or sister having a brain tumor, including discussions about family issues.

Nancy Barbach, a certified social worker on staff at Schneider Children's Hospital at North Shore on Long Island, NY, moderated this conference. With more than 20 years of experience in oncology, she has dedicated the past 10 years to pediatric hematology/oncology. She is the president of the Association of Pediatric Oncology Social Workers and serves as its representative to the Alliance of Childhood Cancer. After discussing the general impact of being part of a family whose child has a brain tumor, she asked the young siblings to share their experiences based on questions from conference attendees.



Nancy Barbach, social worker, Schneider Children's Hospital, NY



Tabitha was the 1995 Ride for Kids® Poster Child

To listen to this conference or other previous Informed Parent Internet Conferences, go to the PBTfUS Web site, www.pbtfus.org, and click on the Informed Parent icon. ■

Tabitha Dykes: A Shining Example of Hope and Grace

Tammie Taussig, mother of 13-year-old brain tumor survivor Tabitha Dykes, knows why Tabitha (aka Tabby) was given to her. "God gave me Tabby so she could help other people, I believe that," she quietly explained.

A nine-year survivor of a PNET brain tumor, Tabby's vibrant presence inspires all of us to continue working hard to find the cause and cure of childhood brain tumors.

Tabby attends the Atlanta Ride for Kids® program each year, always riding with Gary Thayer. "She's grown up with these wonder-



Brain tumor survivor Tabitha Dykes gets ready to ride with Gary Thayer at the 2002 Atlanta Ride for Kids®

ful motorcyclists. They've seen her bald headed when she was very sick, and they see her today as a beautiful young woman," said Tammie.

In 1991 Tabby was 18 months old when she was diagnosed with a PNET tumor. At the time of her diagnosis, the hospital nurse told her family the terrible news, and then informed them there had been some research done on PNET tumors, but the research was outdated. Tabby's family had little choice but to agree to the treatment plan based on this old research. "As a parent, the last thing I wanted to hear was that what they were going to do to Tabby was based on outdated research, and it scared me to death. But we had no other options," said Tammie.

The treatment called for surgery, which Tabby endured. The night after her surgery, she began to hemorrhage; her prognosis was grim. Tammie and her husband spent the night praying. That morning, the blood clots that had formed as a result of her

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Where Hope Springs Eternal

Stories of Hope from Doctors and Patients

Anne Gieseking tells a story of a young boy, diagnosed with a metastatic glioma, whose parents took him to Disneyland for a cherished last trip. Today his parents are planning his second birthday. His MRI scans are clean, and their family is thrilled.

She continues with the story of another young patient who had four recurrences of a low-grade ependymoma tumor and recently had an MRI that showed the tumor was going away.

Nineteen years ago, Anne made a decision that would shape her life forever. She became a registered nurse and started working in patient care at Phoenix Children's Hospital. In short order she became chemotherapy certified and moved to the hospital's outpatient center, serving the needs of children with cancer. Nearly nine years ago, when the hospital decided to specialize in children with brain tumors, she volunteered for the assignment.

"The need is so great, and we want to see more progress with this disease," she explained.

Today, Anne, RN, BSN, is an oncology nurse clinician at Phoenix Children's Hospital in Phoenix, AZ. Her title doesn't do her justice. It should probably read nurse, caretaker, problem-solver, scheduler, coordinator, and counselor. Anne works exclusively with children with brain tumors and their families. Her job involves helping educate the children and their

families about their disease, helping them understand and work with the diagnosis and treatment plans, teaching them about in-home care, and setting up follow-up care. She juggles all these responsibilities with love and under-



Anne Gieseking speaks from her heart.

standing born from years of experience.

"This disease is mostly a chronic illness, with recurrence and far-reaching developmental effects. Many times it's up to us to help families adjust their thinking, because it's hard to know what to expect at diagnosis," she said.

To many people, working in a job like Anne's would be difficult, but her

attitude and hope make all the difference. "I truly want to help the kids and families, and I usually receive more than I give."

"All the research that the PBTfUS and others are doing is adding up and helping us make progress. It's exciting to be in a field where there's so much progress to be made. Hopefully the trend will be that more people will come together and join in their efforts to make even more progress," she noted.

Last year Anne attended her first Ride for Kids® event in Phoenix and was one of the featured speakers. "It was great fun. I got to ride with a police officer at the head of the ride; that was really cool. I was a bit nervous about speaking, but several of our patients and their families were there, so that made it easier. I came back to the hospital and told our whole pediatric team about the Ride."

"Our patient families are hungry for information and support, and the PBTfUS is providing that," she added. She wants the motorcycling community, researchers, caretakers and families to know her thoughts. "Don't give up hope, keep a good attitude, and keep looking for new ideas.

Keep riding and raising funds. We don't have all the answers, but we're constantly amazed at how well things work out."

Helping find the cause and cure for childhood brain tumors is not just a job for Anne, it's a calling. Her fondest desire? "I hope that soon we can have more hope to offer better treatments, fewer side effects, and a better quality of life for our kids," she said. ■



Ride for Kids®

Enumclaw Ride for Kids® Exceeds \$91,000

The Seattle area's Enumclaw, WA tenth annual Ride for Kids® set a new record of \$91,344 in donations on September 8, 2002. The 250 hardy motorcyclists braved crisp, cool early autumn air as they rode toward the beautiful snow-capped peak of Mt. Rainier, ending the ride at Crystal Mountain ski resort. Congratulations to Task Force Leaders Dick Stryker, Ella Ralstin, and the many volunteers who helped organize this impressive event.

At the Celebration of Life program, Jeff Stark, father of three-year-old Sara, told the assembled riders Sara's story. Diagnosed with a brain tumor at 22 months, Sara endured major surgery to remove the deadly tumor and is now becoming an avid rock climber with her dad, mother Christine,



Big sister Alicia and three-year-old brain tumor survivor Sara Stark at the 2002 Enumclaw Ride for Kids®

and five-year-old sister, Alicia. "You, the motorcyclists, have had a profound impact on the treatment of my family. Due to the comprehensive programs funded by the PBTfUS, the Ride for Kids® is more accurately a 'Ride for Families.' We thank you from the bottom of our hearts for everything you are doing," said Jeff. ■

Columbia Ride for Kids® Celebrates 21 Percent Fundraising Increase

Undeterred by the approaching rains of Tropical Storm Hanna, some 850 motorcyclists raised a remarkable \$210,884 at the 11th annual Columbia Ride for Kids® on September 15, 2002. This was a 21percent increase from the 2001 event. Scores of volunteers and Task Force Leaders Bob Henig and Jackie Cooke worked diligently to insure that the event went off without a hitch.

At the Celebration of Life program, Kim Gumabay brought tears to the eyes of the riders as she described how her family's



PBTfUS President Mike Traynor interviews three-year-old brain tumor patient Ethan Gumabay at the Columbia Ride for Kids®.

world stopped when her three-year-old son Ethan was diagnosed with a brain tumor this past May. Gumabay explained that her brothers, who have attended the Columbia Ride for Kids® for nine years, mobilized their family's support and contacted the PBTfUS for guidance. She thanked the PBTfUS for providing information and a ray of hope within days of Ethan's diagnosis. ■

Inaugural St. Louis Ride for Kids® a Huge Success

Some 375 motorcyclists raised \$36,550 to defeat the devastating disease of childhood brain tumors at the first-ever St. Louis Ride for Kids® on September 22, 2002. Task Force Leaders Guy and Margie Miller and Greg and Mary Hoette did a phenomenal job, recruiting dozens of volunteers who worked throughout the year to ensure a smooth event.

David, Debbie, and their five-year-old son Zachary Piel talked to the group at the Celebration of Life about Zachary and their



Five-year-old brain tumor survivor Zachary Piel thanks Larry Halverson for his first motorcycle ride at the St. Louis Ride for Kids®.

family's struggle with his malignant tumor. Zachary's high energy and exuberance charmed the audience.

Brain tumor survivor Melanie Hatch's mom Loretta, from the Chicago area, spoke of her family's life since Melanie's diagnosis at five months of age, crediting 13-year-old Melanie's survival in part to the funds raised by the motorcyclists and the research funded by the PBTfUS. Melanie held the audience spellbound later in the program as she sang Elvis Presley's "If I can Dream." ■



At the Sacramento Ride for Kids® Celebration of Life, PBTfUS Manager Allen Hughes interviews young Austin Creech, one of 11 kids that participated in the event.

Sacramento Ride for Kids® Raises Nearly \$140,000

More than 800 riders gathered in Sacramento, CA in October, bringing with them \$138,431 in donations to fund PBTfUS research programs. Congratulations to Task Force Leaders Jon and Kathy Carlson and their hard-working volunteers for creating a day full of fun, joy, and hope for families and motorcyclists alike.

Eleven young brain tumor survivors, including Trina, a 13-year-old cross-country runner and track star who came dressed as a clown, shared brave stories about themselves and their families at the Celebration of Life program after the ride. Mark Ford, a 32-year-old survivor, brought tears to everyone's eyes as he related how important the research is to him personally, because the results have allowed him to have a great

life that includes a wife and two kids. "When it comes to treating these kids, we're doing things today that were only just dreams a few years ago," said Dr. Michael Edwards, a neurosurgeon who rode his own motorcycle in the event. ■

Phoenix Ride for Kids® Event Tops \$160,000

Nearly 375 motorcyclists raised \$160,560 in donations at the Phoenix, AZ Ride for Kids® event held on October



Katie Gordon, brain tumor survivor, was one of six kids present at the Birmingham, AL Ride for Kids®.

Birmingham Ride for Kids® First-Ever Event Exceeds Expectations

The remnants of a passing hurricane did not dampen the spirits of 450 motorcyclists as they launched a successful first-annual Birmingham, AL Ride for Kids®, raising \$42,620 to find the cause and cure for brain tumors. Kudos to Task Force Leaders Jimmy and Gail Horn, Ray Freeman, and the more than 100 volunteers who made the first-time event a success.

"This money is a gift from Heaven riding on a motorcycle," said Melanie Gordon, who attended the event with her 10-year-old

daughter Katie, a brain cancer survivor. "The researchers' work is so important to us, and we'd like to thank the riders and PBTfUS for caring so much." Katie was one of six brave kids present with their families at the Celebration of Life event, and many spoke to the group about their struggles and their hopes in fighting this disease. ■

20, 2002. Congratulations to Task Force Leaders Nick & Ginny Hoppner, Dave & Edie Hewitt for this successful fundraising effort.

At the Celebration of Life at the end of the ride, motorcyclists listened to several brain tumor survivors and medical workers relate emotional stories. Mary Jo White related how they had lost their daughter Nikki to a brain tumor in 1998 as the riders listened with hushed emotion. Steve Westerhoff, a brain tumor survivor, also spoke, saying that research is the key and that the riders were doing a lot of good. Steve works in the very same Radiation and Oncology department of St. Joseph's Hospital where he was treated 15 years ago. ■



The Phoenix Ride attracted many families, as this mom and her young son demonstrate.

Motorcyclist's Side Car Carries Messages of Hope from Nevada Kids

It's a beautiful sight. A shiny white motorcycle side car is now adorned with colorful drawings created by first grade students attending Northside Elementary School in Elko, NV. There are American flags, butterflies, rainbows, handprints, and many other wonderful images. But the beauty of the children's artwork is far outweighed by the beauty of their message to kids with brain tumors.

"With their drawings, these special first graders want children battling brain tumors to know, 'We know about them, care about them, and send our hugs, kisses, and wishes for recovery to each one of them,'" said first grade teacher Rebecca Alexander.

This unique side car's proud owner is Harry Risley, an avid supporter of the Sacramento Ride for Kids® event. It was his idea to ask Rebecca Alexander's first grade students to paint his new side car to show support for children with brain tumors and their families. The children, Risley, and Alexander planned the designs and drawings together, and the side car was taken to the classroom for the children to do the painting. Once the paintings were completed, a special finish was applied to preserve the children's work. ■



Northside Elementary class with Harry Risley and his unique side car.

Ride for Kids® Events Top Fundraisers and Motorcycle Winners

Top Individuals	Top Club/Chapter	Top Dealer/Shop	Honda Motorcycle Winner*
Enumclaw, WA Dick Stryker \$41,185	Gold Wing Touring Assoc., WA, Chapter E \$36,538	Everett Power Sports \$50,483	Joel Woods Everett, WA
Columbia, MD Bob Henig \$47,250	Team Ethan \$18,498	Bob's BMW \$72,624	Tommy L. Hicks Middletown, DE
St. Louis, MO Tom Bartels \$7,222	Honda Sport Touring Association \$7,682	Niehaus Cycles \$7,694	Tom Bartels Hamilton, OH
Birmingham, AL Bob McCarthy \$4,150	Southern Cruisers \$21,656	Smith Brothers \$13,118	Carl Towery Springville, AL
Sacramento, CA Eugene Radin \$10,010	Redwood Riders \$17,373	Wing Nut \$12,501	John Grow Gilroy, CA
Phoenix, AZ Scott/Mary Jo White \$45,000	Nikki White Club \$46,342	Western Honda \$41,140	R. Clark Roushey Tucson, AZ
Dunellon, FL Randy Lifshotz \$3,301	Honda Red Riders \$14,985	Hap's Honda \$22,021	Robert Long Winter Garden, FL

*American Honda generously donates a new motorcycle to be given away at every Ride for Kids®.

Florida Motorcyclists Raise \$61,474

The Sunshine State's motorcycling community, 325 strong, showed their support for finding the cause and cure of childhood brain tumors by raising \$61,474 at the November Dunnellon, FL Ride for Kids® event. Congratulations to Task Force Leaders Scott & Elaine Bennett, Sharon Richens, and all the volunteers for a successful event.

At the Celebration of Life ceremony after the ride, several brain tumor patients expressed gratitude and told their stories. "The generosity that you riders show is overwhelming," said LeAnne Phalen, whose son Chris was diagnosed with a brain tumor just over two years



Brain tumor survivor Nicole Coombs is joined by her dad Mike, mom Deborah and sister Kathy, having a great time at the Dunnellon Ride for Kids®.

ago. "Thanks to your efforts, new treatments have been developed for my son's tumor." Chris added, "This was the best day I've had since I learned I had the tumor!" ■

PBTFUS Honors Top 2002 Ride for Kids® Performers

Ride for Kids® fundraisers and volunteers cherish a very real hope of finding the cause and cure of childhood brain tumors. The Foundation is deeply grateful to every person who raises funds for research. In 2002, 22 events and sponsorships raised more than \$3 million for Foundation research programs.

Every dollar makes a difference. Thanks to the motorcyclists and friends who support Ride for Kids® programs, PBTFUS is now funding 35 active research and family support grants totaling more than \$3 million.

Thousands of enthusiastic people helped make these events the most successful ever. We

especially thank Bob Henig, the 2002 top national individual fundraiser, from Columbia, MD, who raised \$47,250. Close behind were Scott and Mary Jo White of Gilbert, AZ with \$45,000. The following clubs and dealers earned the top national fundraising spots last year. The Foundation offers heartfelt thanks for a terrific job in 2002.

2002 Ride for Kids® Top Clubs/Chapters

Club/Chapter	Top Performer	Location	Total Raised
Gold Wing Road Riders Assoc. (GWRRA) IL G2 Gold Wing Touring Assoc. (GWTA) WA E Northwest Red Riders Honda Riders Club of America	Top Chapter Top GWTA Chapter Top HRCA	Gurnee, IL Washington Houston, TX	\$66,460.00 36,538.00 23,822.00
Ann Arbor American Harley Owner Group (HOG) Chapter 2171 Southern Cruisers - Birmingham	Top HOG Chapter Top Southern Cruisers	Ann Arbor, MI Birmingham, AL	22,155.00 21,565.00
Christian Motorcyclist Assoc. (CMA) Desert Disciples Connecticut Retreads American Gold Wing Assoc. (AGWA) Chapter H	Top CMA Top Retreads Top AGWA	Mesa, AZ Connecticut Illinois	16,000.50 13,955.00 13,083.61
Honda Sport Touring Assoc. (HSTA) BMW Motorcycle Owners of GA Blue Knights Chapter 7	Top HSTA Top BMW Top Blue Knights	Hamilton, OH Canton, GA Houston, TX	7,682.00 6,653.00 2,115.00
Red Knights NY #8 ABATE NW Suburban Chapter Women on Wheels (WOW) LA	Top Red Knights Top ABATE Top WOW	Croton on Hudson, NY Arlington Heights, IL Louisiana	1,580.00 1,266.00 940.00

2002 Ride for Kids® Top Dealers

Dealership	Top Performer	Location	Total Raised
Bob's BMW Nielsen Enterprises, Inc.	Top Dealer Top Honda Dealer	Jessup, MD Lake Villa, IL	\$72,624.40 71,349.00
Gary's Hobbie Shop American Harley Davidson	Top Shop Top Harley-Davidson Dealer	McDonough, GA Ann Arbor, MI	60,219.17 25,296.00
Jim & Jim's Yamaha Lee's Honda Kawasaki Haverstraw Motorsports	Top Yamaha Dealer Top Kawasaki Dealer Top Suzuki Dealer	Santa Rosa, CA Redding, CA Haverstraw, NY	14,728.40 8,931.26 5,800.00

2003 Ride for Kids® Event Schedule

Event Name	2003 Date	Type of Ride	Event Name	2003 Date	Type of Ride	Event Name	2003 Date	Type of Ride
San Bernardino RFK	March 16	Dual Sport	Chicagoland RFK	July 20	Road Ride	Puget Sound, WA RFK	September 7	Road Ride
Houston RFK	April 27	Road Ride	Utica RFK	July 20	Road Ride	Columbia, MD RFK	September 14	Road Ride
Pittsburgh RFK	May 4	Road Ride	Marysville RFK	July 26	Road Ride	St. Louis RFK	September 21	Road Ride
Washington, GA RFK	May 4	Off Road	Minnesota RFK	July 27	Road Ride	Birmingham RFK	September 28	Road Ride
Torrance RFK	May 18	Road Ride	Hudson Valley RFK	August 3	Road Ride	Sacramento RFK	October 5	Road Ride
Atlanta RFK	June 1	Road Ride	New England RFK	August 17	Road Ride	Dallas-Ft. Worth RFK	October 12	Road Ride
Richmond RFK	June 1	Road Ride	Ann Arbor RFK	August 24	Road Ride	Louisiana RFK	October 19	Road Ride
Knoxville RFK	June 21	Road Ride	Asheville RFK	August 24	Road Ride	Phoenix RFK	October 19	Road Ride
Indianapolis RFK	July 13	Road Ride				Dunnellon, FL RFK	November 2	Road Ride

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hemorrhaging were gone. Tabby's family knew, and her doctor admitted—it was nothing short of a miracle.

Tabby spent a month in the hospital after her surgery. Over the next two years, she endured numerous chemotherapy treatments. She was almost four years old when the treatments ended.

In 1994 PBTfUS co-founder Mike Traynor first met Tabby and was totally charmed. He asked her to do one of the first PBTfUS public service announcements, and she became the poster girl for the Foundation. The same year, Tabby and her family attended the Atlanta Ride for Kids® event—a tradition they continue each year.

“One reason we always come to the Ride for Kids® event is to show our gratitude to all the motorcyclists for raising money for research. Because they continue to raise funds, perhaps no other parent will have to feel the horrible feelings we did when we were told her treatment plan was based on outdated research,” said Tammie.

“I wish all the motorcyclists really knew how much I appreciated them. I look at my daughter and I think back, and I'm just so grateful. What they do is so personal to me, because they helped my daughter. Just keep doing what you're doing, don't stop raising funds,” she continued.

Now in the seventh grade, Tabby is a friendly, polite 13-year-old young lady. She has a few challenges resulting from her treatment, but according to her mom, if you didn't notice the scar on her head, you'd never know she'd had a brain tumor. She looks forward each year to the Atlanta Ride for Kids®.

“I love going to the ride because I get to see my friends. I just want to say thank you to all of them for raising all that money. I also want other kids with brain tumors to know I made it through this and they can too—they've just got to keep pulling and believing,” stressed Tabby. ■

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silent auction at the upcoming motorcycle dealer trade show in Indianapolis in February 2003. All proceeds will benefit the Cycle World Joe Parkhurst Memorial Education Fund at the PBTfUS. “I'm here to say ‘thank you’ to all the volunteers. We are going to be your partner for a long time,” said Little.

As the meeting ended, Mike Traynor addressed the volunteer leaders, speaking from his heart. “We feel deep gratitude for the enormous sacrifice you make. I'm in tremendous awe of all of you. You are the glue that makes things happen, and it's because of you we are going on.” ■

Traynors Honored by Duke University

Mike and Dianne Traynor received Duke University's prestigious William Shingleton Award at a celebration of the Duke Comprehensive Cancer Center's 30th anniversary in November 2002. This award is given annually to recognize individuals who have made major contributions to the center. The PBTfUS has awarded \$1.6 million to Duke's cancer center through the years for research to find the cause and cure of childhood brain tumors.

“Mike and Dianne work so hard to help children with cancer and their families, and we wanted to recognize them for their contribution. We thank them for all the work that is benefiting researchers, families, and patients, and especially for helping Duke play such a key role in this research,” stated Rita Bigner, Departmental Business Manager of Duke Comprehensive Cancer Center. ■

Help PBTfUS Find the Cure

Your donations will help save children's lives. Here are several ways you can help.

- Make a tax-deductible donation to the Foundation in honor of, or in memory of, a loved one.
- Include the Foundation in your will or estate plans. Check with your lawyer for details.
- Find out if your company offers a matching gift program and if so, take advantage of the program to increase your contribution.

For more information, check our Web site at www.pbtfus.org/donations, e-mail donations@pbtfus.org, or call us at (800) 253-6530.



PBTfUS Founders Mike and Dianne Traynor with Dr. Darell Bigner, Duke Comprehensive Cancer Center.

ResearchUpdate

PBTFUS Research Helps Secure Large NCI Grant

An initial PBTFUS research grant provided to the University of Alabama-Birmingham (UAB) helped pave the way for a \$11.4 million, five-year grant to the Neuro-Oncology Program at UAB from the National Cancer Institute (NCI) of the National Institutes of Health. UAB was one of two research centers in the U.S. to receive this award, called a Specialized Program of Research Excellence (SPORE) grant.

There are five translational projects included in the NCI grant. One of those projects, entitled “Viral and Molecular Chemotherapy of Malignant Gliomas” is a collaboration among:

- Donald J. Buchsbaum, PhD (Professor of Radiation Biology),
- G. Yancey Gillespie, PhD (Professor of Neurological Surgery),
- and James M. Markert, MD (Associate Professor of Neurological Surgery).

This project proposes to refine a novel strategy to use a genetically engineered adenovirus, a common cold virus, to treat brain tumors. The preliminary data suggesting that this approach might work was developed primarily by research funded by a PBTFUS grant to Drs. Buchsbaum and Gillespie.

“This grant from the PBTFUS was instrumental in providing the key experimental data that supported this project in the SPORE grant application. The critical importance of ‘seed funding’ provided by the PBTFUS is quite clear. The \$70,000 two-year PBTFUS grant helped us successfully obtain a \$1,420,000 five-year project within the \$11.4 million UAB SPORE,” explained Dr. Gillespie.

The SPORE project will now “translate” these basic science findings into clinical

trials that will begin within the next three to five years. This final translational step is to test several modifications to the initial approach to establish their safety and determine the best virus-enzyme-drug combination for clinical trials. ■

Two Researchers Honored at Society of Neuro-Oncology Meeting

The PBTFUS presented two research awards at the seventh annual Society of Neuro-Oncology meeting in San Diego, CA in November. The prestigious conference attracts brain cancer researchers from throughout the world to share their recent findings in the ongoing search for the cause

and cure of this deadly disease.

Daniel W. Fufts, MD, of the University of Utah, Department of Neurosurgery received the Award for Excellence in Pediatric Basic Research. Dr. Fufts’ lecture was titled “Combined Expression of Hedgehog and c-Myc in Neural Progenitor Cells Induces Medulloblastoma Formation in Mice.”

Dr. Ian F. Pollack, MD, of Children’s Hospital of Pittsburgh, Department of Neurosurgery received the Award for Excellence in Pediatric Clinical Research. Dr. Pollack’s lecture was titled “Molecular and Biological Markers of Prognosis in Childhood Malignant Gliomas.”

PBTFUS was also a significant sponsor of the conference, hosting two poster viewing sessions and two “Meet the Experts” breakfast sessions. ■



Pictured L to R: PBTFUS President Mike Traynor and Director of Research Grants Dianne Traynor congratulate award recipients Dr. Ian Pollack of Children’s Hospital of Pittsburgh and Dr. Daniel Fufts of the University of Utah, together with PBTFUS Executive Director Peter terHorst.

Foundation Awards 2002 Research Grants

The PBTFS mission is to support the search for the cause and cure of childhood brain tumors. This year's grants—peer reviewed by the Foundation's Scientific Advisory Board—were selected on the basis of scientific excellence much like the standards set by the National Institutes of Health (NIH). The grant recipients and a brief abstract of their projects follow.

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The Role of Glia in Medulloblastoma

Brain tumors are the most common solid pediatric malignancy with medulloblastoma being the most common pediatric primary CNS cancer. The mean age of onset is seven years of age with a 60 percent survival rate. The current treatment of surgery, radiation, and chemotherapy leave the surviving children with significant morbidity, especially progressive cognitive impairment.



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New discoveries in the molecular genetics of medulloblastoma may open the door to novel therapeutic modalities that carry with them less morbidity than current management. To this aim, we are investigating the role of molecules in a pathway known to be dysregulated in medulloblastoma. We will perturb this signaling pathway at various times in the maturation of cells that give rise to this tumor and study the resulting molecular changes. By understanding when and how this dysregulation can change a normal differentiating cell into a cancer

cell, we hope to devise novel therapies that can be used to specifically target the abnormalities found in medulloblastoma. ■

Cynthia Wetmore, MD, PhD
Mayo Clinic, Rochester, MN

Modulation of the Shh/Ptc/Gli1 Signaling Pathway During Normal and Neoplastic Proliferation in the Nervous System

Unlike brain tumors that arise in the adult population that are largely supratentorial and of glial origin, pediatric brain tumors most often occur in the hind part of the brain and arise from cells of neuronal lineage. Our laboratory is particularly interested in the genetic basis of medulloblastoma; those tumors that arise from undifferentiated precursors of the cerebellar granule cells, the most abundant neuronal cell type in the brain.

Progress in understanding the etiology of pediatric brain tumors has been hampered by the lack of an appropriate model. It has been reported that subsets of sporadic and hereditary medulloblastomas contain mutations in a developmental signaling pathway involving mammalian homologues of the *Drosophila* (fruit fly) segment polarity gene, patched (*Ptc*) and its ligand sonic hedgehog (*shh*). We have shown that heterozygous disruption of patched (*Ptc*) results in the spontaneous development of posterior fossa tumors that closely resemble medulloblastoma. However, the normal *Ptc* allele continues to be expressed in these tumors, indicating that additional genetic lesions are required for oncogenic transformation.

The aim of our present research is to



Cynthia Wetmore, MD, PhD

investigate the possible involvement of tumor suppressor genes in medulloblastoma and to investigate other genes that may contribute to the incidence of these tumors. We sought to develop a more feasible in vivo model for investigation of potential therapeutic agents for treating brain tumors. We propose to investigate how activation of the Shh/Gli1 pathway drives cell proliferation in the brain, find specific agents to inhibit this pathway activation, and investigate other genes that contribute to tumor formation in the cerebellum. By understanding the mechanisms that drive the proliferation of cells during normal nervous system development as well as in disease, we will be better able to develop therapeutic agents that specifically inhibit tumor growth. ■

John Sampson, MD, PhD
Duke University Medical Center

Anti-Angiogenic Immunotherapy of Malignant Brain Tumor

Inhibiting the growth of new blood vessels necessary to support tumor growth, or anti-angiogenesis, as an approach for tumor therapy was first proposed more than 30 years ago. However, the recent identification of several specific mediators and inhibitors of angiogenesis have prompted an explosion in investigative studies and clinical trials directed at halting the angiogenic process involved in tumor progression. Unlike previous anti-angiogenic strategies, which primarily involve static inhibition of tumor blood vessel growth through the use of competitive inhibitors or antagonist ligands,



John Sampson, MD, PhD

we propose to exploit the differences in protein expression between normal blood vessel endothelium and tumor blood vessel endothelium for cytotoxic destruction of the tumor blood vessels using active immunotherapy. Our preclinical studies in murine models have demonstrated that immunization with dendritic cell (DC) transfected with messenger ribonucleic acids (mRNA) expressed specifically within tumor vasculature can elicit potent protective responses against the growth of tumor metastases. These findings demonstrate that tolerance to 'self' antigens expressed on tumor blood vessel endothelium is either limited or can be overcome using dendritic cell immunization. We propose to investigate the safety and efficacy of inhibiting the growth of malignant brain tumors using active immunization with DC transfected with tumor blood vessel antigens. In order to choose the best candidate tumor blood vessels antigens for targeting, we will evaluate the pattern of expression of previously identified tumor blood vessel markers within fresh brain tumor specimens and normal brain in terms of frequency and heterogeneity.

In this study, we will also evaluate the use of a novel imaging modality measuring cerebral blood volume as a surrogate to evaluate response to anti-angiogenic therapy. The outcome of this research should further our understanding of the dependency of brain tumor growth on the angiogenic process, extend our ability to monitor anti-angiogenic therapy in human patients, and provide insight into the validity and safety of choosing the tumor vasculature as a novel target for active immunotherapy. ■

Rosalind A. Segal, MD, PhD
Dana Farber Cancer Institute

Loss of Coordinate Regulation of Migration and Proliferation in Medulloblastoma

During the development of the nervous system, precursor cells divide in specialized zones, then migrate away from these zones and differentiate into mature neurons and glia. The relationship between migration and the cessation of proliferation can be examined in the developing cerebellum, where there is a clear anatomical separation between dividing and migrating precursor cells.



Rosalind A. Segal, MD, PhD

Cerebellar granule cell precursors can be stimulated to proliferate by various growth factors, as well as by interactions with other cells. Other

factors, such as brain-derived neurotrophic factor (BDNF) and astrotactin can stimulate granule cell layer—the final destination of these cells.

Analyses of mutations that prevent migration of granule cells from the external to the internal layer suggest there is a tight link between migration and proliferation during normal development—a link that does not work properly in tumors. If granule cell proliferation relies on cues found in the external layer, then migration of cells away from this zone would lead to cessation of cell proliferation. On the other hand, if proliferating cells were less responsive to cues that induce migration, these cells would remain in the proliferative zone. In the proposed experiments, we will analyze the relationship between migration and cessation of proliferation. Identifying the factors that regulate the relationship between migration and proliferation will enhance our understanding and treatment

of pediatric brain tumors, in which deregulated precursor cells proliferate and migrate too much.

Medulloblastoma, a tumor of cerebellar granule cells, is the most common malignant brain tumor of childhood. These tumors have a higher level of proliferation and also are highly mobile. This combination explains the malignant nature of the tumors. Prior studies on factors that regulate granule cells have provided considerable insight into the biology of medulloblastoma, showing the importance of understanding the mechanisms that regulate both proliferation and migration of granule cells. ■

David Ashley, MBBS, PhD, FRACP
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Molecular and In Vivo Analyses of Glioma Apoptotic Pathways

Half of high grade glioma patients die within a year of diagnosis. In susceptible cancer cells, conventional anti-cancer treatments such as radio- and chemotherapy work by activating cellular self-destruction pathways. The poor prognosis associated with high-grade glioma is partly due to the inability of these tumor cells to undergo this cellular suicide in response to irradiation and chemotherapy.

This study focuses on the molecules that control the tumor cell suicide process, and how their activity is regulated in glioma cells. The experiments will encompass molecular analyses using cell lines. Models will also

be used to investigate the effect of proteins, which regulate the cellular suicide machinery on responses to anti-cancer therapy.

This project will provide important insights into the reasons that high-grade glioma resists current therapies, and will help in the development of novel therapies aimed at overcoming this resistance. ■



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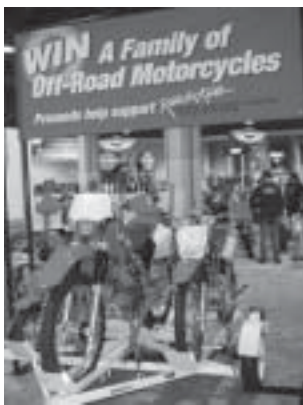
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Win a “Three-Bike Family-to-Go” at the Third Annual Cycle World Ride for Kids® Raffle

The popular Cycle World/Ride for Kids® motorcycle raffle is continuing for the third year to raise funds to help find the cause and cure of childhood brain tumors. In 2003, the grand prize winner will receive a “family” of three Honda off-road motorcycles on a Kendon stand-up trailer.



The motorcycles are donated by the Honda Rider's Club of America (HRCA), and the trailer is donated by Kendon Industries, Inc. The lucky winner will be selected from entries received during the 14 Cycle World International Mo-

torcycle shows held in 2002/2003.

“Since the Ride for Kids® is about families, we thought a family of Honda dirt bikes, ready to go on a Kendon trailer, would be a lot of fun,” said Larry Little, Cycle World’s publisher.

See the motorcycles and trailer and purchase raffle tickets at the Cycle World booth at the International Motorcycle Shows.

Raffle tickets are \$5 each, or five tickets for \$20. Tickets may also be purchased by mailing a check to PBTBUS marked “Cycle World Raffle.” The drawing for the winner will be held at 12 noon EDT, on May 2, 2003 at the

PBTBUS headquarters in Asheville, NC.

If you are a Honda Rider’s Club of America (HRCA) member, be sure to show your membership card at the Cycle World booth. For each card-carrying member, a \$1 donation to the PBTBUS will be made by Advanstar Communications, the company that manages the Cycle World shows. ■

Remaining 2003 International Motorcycle Show Schedule

New York	January 10-12, 2003
Atlanta	January 17-19, 2003
Minneapolis	January 24-26, 2003
Ohio	Jan. 31- Feb. 2, 2003
Chicago	February 7-9, 2003
Detroit	February 14-16, 2003
Daytona	March 5-9, 2003
Wash., DC	March 21-23, 2003

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