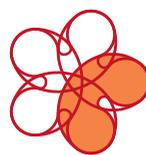




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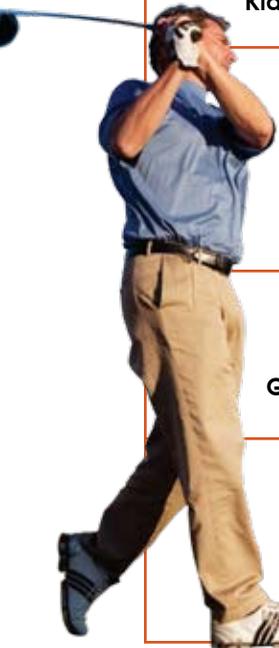
National Kidney  
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# 2008 by the numbers



**110**

Used cars donated to  
Kidney Cars every day



**7,472**

Health Care  
Professionals  
joined NKF as  
members

**7,000**

Teed off at NKF  
Golf Classic events

**31,469**

Volunteered for  
NKF nationwide

**7,413**

Kidney patients sent  
letters to Congress

**22,053**

Clinicians received CME/CE  
credits through NKF



**58,000**

Walked the  
Kidney Walk



**5,250,000**

visitors to  
kidney.org

**\$3,963,829**

In direct financial assistance  
to kidney patients

**\$4,153,569**

In grants to researchers  
and scientists

**412,224,362**

Media impressions  
helped tell  
the NKF story



**National Kidney  
Foundation®**

Kidney disease is a major health problem in the U.S. and around the world. More than 78,000 Americans are on the waiting list for a lifesaving kidney transplant, 355,000 rely on a dialysis machine to keep them alive and 26 million Americans currently have chronic kidney disease.

Because symptoms may not appear until the kidneys are actually failing, millions of people with kidney damage remain unaware and are not tak-

ing steps to protect the health of their kidneys.

The National Kidney Foundation (NKF) is dedicated to preventing kidney diseases, improving the health and well-being of individuals and families affected by these diseases and increasing the availability of all organs for transplantation.

With more than 50 local offices nationwide, the NKF provides early detection screenings

and other vital patient and community services, conducts extensive public and professional education, advocates for patients through legislative action and supports organ donation and kidney research to identify new treatments.

The NKF relies on individual and corporate donations, foundation and government grants, membership and special events to support its range of programs, services and initiatives.

Learn more about NKF and how you can help at [www.kidney.org](http://www.kidney.org)



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Dianne Miller of Phoenix (*bottom left*) and Mari Teitelman of Denver (*bottom right*) met the night before they faced off against each other in a freestyle swimming event at the National Kidney Foundation 2008 U.S. Transplant Games in Pittsburgh. Dianne, a liver recipient, and Mari, a kidney recipient, became friends after spending only an hour together. “We were two peas in a pod,” Dianne remembers.

Dianne trains for the Games year-round so that she can break records, win gold medals and give them away to other transplant athletes. “I offered Mari the gold I won in the swimming event,” says Dianne. “But she said that just being able to compete was enough of a victory for her.”

Over the last few years, Dianne has racked up 27 gold medals, setting both U.S. and World Transplant Games records. Yet, as she sees it, her biggest accomplishment is offering support and inspiration to fellow transplant athletes and survivors.

Sadly, Mari passed away this fall. NKF fondly recalls and salutes her spirit, her joy and her feeling that every day lived was a miracle worthy of celebration.



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## A MESSAGE FROM OUR LEADERS

### Dear Friends,

The year 2008 was challenging in many respects, but it was also filled with hope.

For tens of thousands of Americans, it was the hope that a new kidney would become available to end their long wait for a transplant. For others with transplants, it was the hope that they would remain healthy and be able to afford their vital medications. For children challenged by kidney disease, it was the hope for a chance to play like regular kids. And for those in the Midwest and Gulf Coast whose communities were washed away by disaster, the hope was simply to have their homes back, and a place where they could receive lifesaving dialysis treatment.

The National Kidney Foundation (NKF) worked to keep hope alive for millions of our constituents in 2008. We provided financial assistance to help patients get to lifesaving dialysis treatment and to rebuild their homes and lives after severe flooding. We successfully advocated in Congress for Stage 4 Chronic Kidney Disease patient education and saw it signed into law. We worked to extend immunosuppressive drug coverage for transplant recipients. We also sent children on dialysis to summer camp and showcased the lifesaving power of organ donation by presenting the Olympic-style U.S. Transplant Games.

Our professional education, from scholarly journals to clinical tools and Continuing Medical Education courses, helped health care professionals apply the latest proven therapies to provide optimal care for kidney patients worldwide. In communities around the country, our education programs and new "Love Your Kidneys" public outreach campaign conveyed the message that early detection can make healthy kidneys a reality for many of those at risk.

While we made great progress in 2008, we also suffered a significant loss along the way, namely the passing of Chuck Fruit, a beloved volunteer, leader and former NKF Chairman. A transplant recipient for 22 years, Chuck made invaluable contributions to NKF, many related to his expertise in marketing, that continue to flourish today. But perhaps most significant about Chuck was his positive and hopeful attitude. He embodied the spirit of a patient who refused to be defined or defeated by his condition. We continue to be inspired by him.

As you can see in the stories that unfold in the pages of this annual report, we all share the hope that we can and will succeed in our mission to prevent kidney disease, improve the lives of patients and families affected by the disease and increase available organs for transplantation.

Our achievements this year would not have been possible without the dedication of our volunteers, members, sponsors and donors. We thank you for your interest and support and for helping us bring hope to millions.

Allan J. Collins, MD, President

Thomas McDonough, Chairman

John Davis, CEO

## THE NKF 2008 U.S. TRANSPLANT GAMES—EVERYONE WINS



She's a competitive swimmer from Baltimore, but unlike Michael Phelps, Tracey Serpi (*above, in her Team Maryland uniform*) didn't return home from her big event this summer decorated with gold medals. A two-time kidney transplant recipient, Tracey says her medals are "impossible to see from the outside...they're my kidneys."

A triumph at the Olympic-style National Kidney Foundation U.S. Transplant Games is about so much more than speed or strength. For Tracey and her fellow competitors who survived near death from organ failure, just pushing off the side of the pool, mounting a bicycle or throwing a discus is a victory.

The four-day event, held in July in Pittsburgh, attracted 1,300 athletes who had received lifesaving organs of every type. Hailing from all 50 states, they competed in 12 different sports, showcasing to the world the success of transplantation and the lifesaving power of organ donation. The athletes were joined by thousands of family members, donor families and living donors.

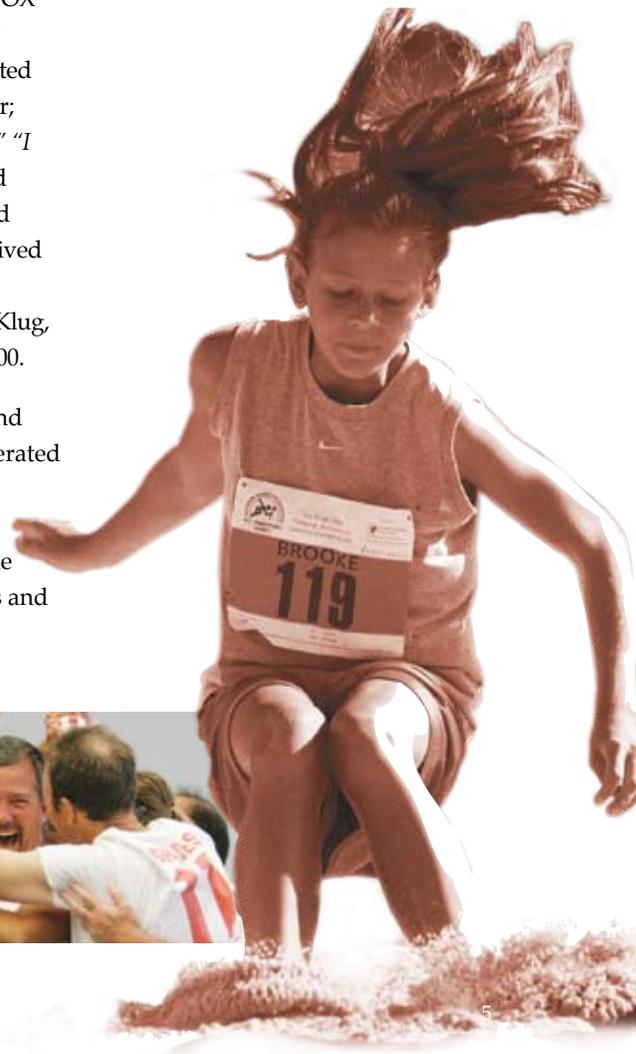
The festivities included participation by famed surgeon Dr. Thomas Starzl, known as the "Father of Transplantation" (*bottom left*); FOX News National Correspondent Catherine Herridge, who donated part of her liver to her son Peter; actors Larry Hagman ("*Dallas*," "*I Dream of Jeannie*") who received a liver in 1995 and Ken Howard ("*The White Shadow*") who received a kidney in 2000; and Olympic snowboarding medalist Chris Klug, who received a new liver in 2000.

A true celebration of the second chance at life, the Games generated more than 250 million media impressions through national and local news coverage of the incredible feats of the athletes and organ donors. Thousands of

Americans signed up to learn more about organ donation as a result.

For Tracey, who didn't know how to float until she decided to compete in the Transplant Games, finishing the 100 meter individual swimming medley was an achievement worthy of a smile as broad as Phelps'. An astonishing 1,400 medals were awarded for numerous events, but each individual athlete at the Transplant Games had already arrived as a winner.

[www.transplantgames.org](http://www.transplantgames.org)





## NKF Promotes World Kidney Day

From Stockholm to Sydney, in small towns and big cities all over the globe, the role of the amazing kidneys in maintaining overall health was celebrated on March 13. In the United States, the National Kidney Foundation led the effort to promote kidney awareness and health, emphasizing the critical importance of early detection and encouraging those at risk to get checked out by offering 40 free screening events nationwide.



### World Kidney Day Gallery:

(top) NKF CEO John Davis Rang the Bell at the New York Stock Exchange; (left to right) Fox 5 News covered NKF's kidney health screening in New York City; NBA All-Star and kidney recipient Alonzo Mourning headlined Kidney Awareness Night at the Miami Heat game; Congressional Kidney Caucus co-chair, Representative Mark Kirk (R-IL) talked with Florida "People Like Us" patient advocates Denise Martinez (l) and Ken Hendrickson (r) at the Congressional Reception in Washington DC.

CNN aired a segment focusing on early detection for kidney disease that was picked up by 50 network-affiliated local stations around the country. News coverage and public service announcements on the issue filled the pages of *USA Today*, *Ladies Home Journal*, *Woman's Day*, hundreds of daily newspapers and lit up the airwaves on local TV stations in Boston, Dallas, Denver, Miami, Atlanta, Detroit, Chicago, New York, Los Angeles, San Francisco and more.

NKF was honored to ring the opening bell at The New York Stock Exchange and coverage of the ceremony aired on CNBC, FOX Business News Channel and CBS stations in key markets.

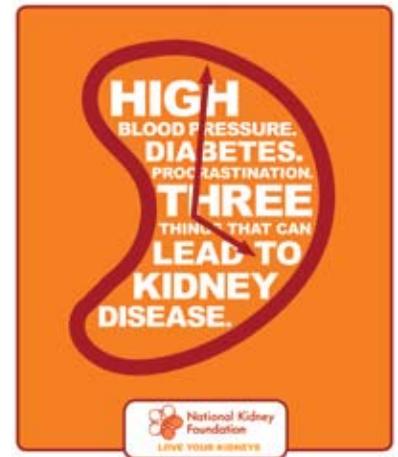
Over 155 million kidney health messages were delivered through the media and the headlines spurred action. More than 2,500 Americans got tested on World Kidney Day, more than 12,000 educational brochures were distributed, hundreds took the online Kidney Quiz and 225,000 visited our website, [www.kidney.org](http://www.kidney.org), seeking information.

## LOVE YOUR KIDNEYS™!

The kidney itself took center stage this year as NKF launched a new campaign urging Americans to get to know and love two hardworking organs: the kidneys.

Built around the idea and theme line “Love Your Kidneys,” the campaign began educating the public about all the vital functions the kidneys perform, what happens when they don’t work properly and who’s at risk.

**Love Your Kidneys** is a direct call to action to take care of the kidneys through early intervention that also piques interest to learn more about exactly why and how kidney health is important. The campaign integrates the theme across TV, print, radio and online advertising that incorporate one basic message and brings consistency to NKF’s communication nationwide. Check out the campaign at [www.kidney.org](http://www.kidney.org) in the “About Us” section.



## NKF Expands Global Vision

With diabetes, high blood pressure and obesity on the rise in developing countries all over the world, chronic kidney disease is striking in epidemic proportions. In 2008, NKF stepped up its efforts to meet the challenge head on. Building on the success of U.S. initiatives such as the Kidney Early Evaluation Program (KEEP), NKF launched a global effort to combat kidney disease through early detection and education.

KEEP screenings are being provided to the at-risk population in Japan and Mexico and expansion plans are in the works. Clinical practice guidelines published through Kidney Disease: Improving Global Outcomes (KDIGO), a global organization managed by the NKF, are changing the way kidney disease is identified and treated. Additionally, NKF’s myriad educational resources and tools for professionals have been translated and adapted for use in many countries.

“We are proud to share our kidney disease experience with organizations in other countries that have the same goals,” says John Davis, NKF CEO. “With our international partnerships, we have plans to increase worldwide early detection, improve patient outcomes and broaden the distribution of materials to the general public, patients and health care providers.”



# PATIENT SERVICES

From emergency relief for kidney patients affected by natural disasters to support for children and families dealing with kidney failure, NKF's patient services reached out to thousands of Americans touched by kidney disease from coast to coast.

## NKF Provides Disaster Relief

Thousands in the Midwest and the Gulf region faced homelessness and devastation due to floods and hurricanes that hit hard this year, but the difficulty was compounded for those with chronic illnesses such as kidney disease. To help kidney patients rebuild their lives and homes, the NKF established a financial assistance program that offered support and ensured that medical care was not compromised. The relief funds covered the cost of travel to dialysis centers as well as replacement of damaged possessions, homes and basic necessities such as groceries and clothing. NKF's disaster relief fund granted \$100,000 to nearly 400 patients in six states.

But beside the physical havoc that natural disasters wreak, these storms take an emotional toll on survivors as well. Beyond the material support, NKF was there to help kidney patients cope with the trauma experienced post-hurricane. Hundreds of dialysis patients took part in "People Like Us" *Stepping Back Into Life*, a program that helped them deal with depression and anxiety. Participants reported improvements in stress levels, social functioning and overall health after completing *Stepping Back Into Life*.



NKF's financial assistance program ensured that medical care was not compromised for kidney patients affected by floods and hurricanes in 2008.



*National Kidney Foundation of Michigan's Kids' Camp in Fenton, Michigan.*

## **Helping Kids with Kidney Disease**

Kids should get to be kids, even if they need to be hooked up to a dialysis machine three times a week. More than 20 NKF local offices around the country made the dream of summer camp a reality for children with kidney failure. Kidney Camps gave kids a chance to take part in recreational activities such as horseback riding, swimming and athletics while providing regular on-site dialysis treatment and top quality medical care. For many of these children, the freedom to experience what most kids take for granted, was life-changing.

To help these kids and their families keep that feeling throughout the year, NKF local offices organized holiday parties and trips to local attractions such as major league ball parks and aquariums. Support groups and family gatherings offered a safe place for kids and parents dealing with kidney disease to meet and share experiences.

## **Long Distance Support**

A coffeehouse with a latte on the table and a friend at your side is the perfect setting for a serious talk about what's on your mind. This year, kidney patients enjoyed that supportive ambience without getting in the car or spending a dime. The "People Like Us" *Coffeehouse Conversations*<sup>™</sup> enable people to empower each other as they share and learn through teleconferencing. Patient and professional panelists provide information and offer interactive question and answer sessions for participants to learn about key issues affecting their lives and health.



# PATIENT SERVICES



*Mary and Caroll Carnahan in the trailer they bought with NKF's help.*

## **Mary Carnahan | Starting Over at Seventy...With NKF's Help**

Mary Carnahan has more reason than most to feel sorry for herself. She lives with end-stage kidney disease and must be hooked up to a dialysis machine three times weekly. She also has emphysema and needs a walker and infinite reserves of patience to get around.

So, when a flood last June ravaged her modest Cedar Rapids, Iowa home, no one would have blamed her if she had belly-ached a bit. But that's just not who she is: "Oh, I was upset that I lost everything in the house – and the house!" says Carnahan, 70.

"But I try not to get too riled up. We just grabbed my oxygen tanks, pills, some clothes and drove away. Then my husband, Carroll, said to me, 'We didn't have anything when we got married, so we'll just start over again.'"

For a few weeks, the retired couple (she was a telemarketer, he was a truck driver) made do in a motel. Then they had to move, and they had no money. The National Kidney Foundation, which had established a disaster relief fund for kidney patients, stepped in.

"We found a trailer we really liked and they helped us make the down payment," says Carnahan. "We wouldn't have a home without them."

With \$1,000 from NKF and \$1,000 from close friends, the couple bought a used trailer in a mobile park. Carnahan still looks on the bright side. She loves her trailer, which "looks just like a little house inside, with wood floors and lots of cupboards in the kitchen." She is still able to keep a date every second week for coffee with her high school gal pals. "Between the NKF and my girlfriends," Carnahan says, "Carroll and I have had the best of luck!"

# PUBLIC EDUCATION

## “KEEPing” Kidneys Healthy

Early detection helps prevent major health issues later on and tens of thousands around the country took advantage of NKF’s Kidney Early Evaluation Program (KEEP) to assess their own risk and check out their kidneys. More than 125,000 have participated in KEEP screenings in the U.S.

KEEP provided free screenings for African Americans and numerous others at risk — anyone with high blood pressure, diabetes or a family history of kidney disease.

As a result, many participants learned they had early signs of kidney damage and began taking steps to save their health, including monitoring blood pressure and blood glucose levels, changing their diet and medication.



Most Americans pay close attention to the warning signs of a headache, sore throat or flu. But chronic kidney disease (CKD) can go undetected until it has reached later stages, because it often has no recognizable symptoms.

This year, NKF educated the public about risk factors and sounded a call to action for those at risk to get checked out. Free nationwide screenings, community outreach and news stories brought the message to life and reached millions with critical information about kidney health.

# PUBLIC EDUCATION



## Virtual Education

Attracting 5,250,000 visitors in 2008, NKF's website, [www.kidney.org](http://www.kidney.org), continued to educate and serve as a rich resource on kidney disease. Medical information seekers flooded our A-Z Health Guide pages for comprehensive information on a variety of kidney conditions and related issues, including nutrition and treatment options. More than 7,000 tested their kidney IQ with our online Kidney Quiz.

*E-Kidney*, NKF's monthly e-newsletter, offered news, kidney-healthy recipes and stories of courage to an ever-increasing audience of nearly 35,000. Subscribers read the stories and learned more by visiting related pages on NKF's website. *E-Kidney* readership rose 40% this year and the click-through rate from the newsletter to specific pages on [www.kidney.org](http://www.kidney.org) went up 35% in 2008.

*Kidney News Daily*, a daily e-newsletter, delivered breaking news from the print, broadcast and online media to thousands in the kidney care community.

## Reaching Out to Groups at Risk

Nearly half of African Americans have at least one risk factor for kidney disease, but less than 3% believe that chronic kidney disease is a "top health concern," according to a report released this year in the *American Journal of Kidney Diseases*, the official NKF journal. Since African Americans with CKD progress more quickly to kidney failure, NKF doubled its efforts to reach out to this group with information and free screenings held in churches, schools and community centers in African-American neighborhoods.

## Making Headlines

News stories and public service announcements highlighted the rising toll of kidney disease, the importance of blood pressure control in minority populations, dietary measures that can help diabetics prevent kidney failure, the kidney-heart connection and simple but lifesaving tests. Coverage appeared in *The New York Times*, *Washington Post*, *WebMD*, *USA Today*, CNN and many more, drawing thousands to NKF's website, [www.kidney.org](http://www.kidney.org), to learn about the kidneys, kidney disease and local screenings.



The Washington Post

The New York Times



## Steven Cojocar | Fashionista Promotes Kidney Health

One of the many interviews Steven Cojocar gave on World Kidney Day was granted to a TV anchor named Sheinelle. “Good morning, Chanel,” said Cojo, who claimed one-name fame and the red carpet as *Entertainment Tonight’s* fashion diva. “You’re named after my favorite designer!”

Then in a seamless segue, Cojo turned serious. A kidney recipient and author of *Glamour Interrupted: How I Became the Best-Dressed Patient in Hollywood*, Cojo urged viewers to do exactly the opposite of what he had done: ignore his health until he was so ill that he needed a transplant.

“I had high blood pressure,” he told viewers. “It’s one of the leading causes of kidney disease.” In a satellite media tour, Cojo also told his TV audience to get screened for free through NKF’s Kidney Early Evaluation Program. He recounted seeing a specialist and shouting in disbelief, “Kidneys? Do I even have kidneys?”

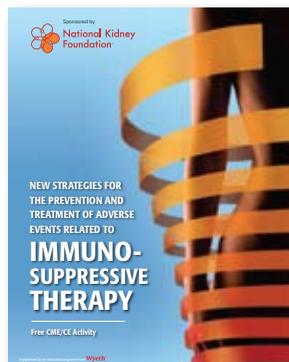
He ignored the doctor’s advice, instead wrapping himself in “deep denial.” The disease soon demanded his attention. A dear friend offered him a kidney, but his body rejected it.

He then underwent dialysis until his mother, Amelia, a Holocaust survivor, gave him one of her kidneys.

Cojo still insists on the skin deep perfection that Hollywood demands, but he now pays equal attention to what’s happening beneath the bronze blusher. He’s determined to raise the profile of the kidney’s role in keeping the body healthy, the importance of routine doctor visits and early detection. He’s had a wake-up call and he’s helping NKF arouse others in the same boat before it’s too late.

# PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

Disseminating new research findings, developing cutting edge tools, providing Continuing Education (CE) and Continuing Medical Education (CME) opportunities for professionals—in print, in person and online—are a few of the ways NKF improved patient care in 2008.



## Cutting Edge Tools

NKF's Kidney Learning System continued to provide comprehensive education about chronic kidney disease (CKD) and how to prevent, treat and manage complications. New resources developed in 2008 focused on the Team Approach to Treating CKD stages 4 and 5 and Improving Outcomes for Kidney Transplant Recipients.

## The NKF 2008 Spring Clinical Meetings

Over 2,000 kidney care professionals convened in Dallas last April to share information and learn the latest about key issues that affect the way they practice medicine. A record 300 posters were presented, and this meeting also saw the highest-ever participation in the Internal Medicine and Pediatric Trainees Program. An Advanced Practitioner Program track was introduced, designed specifically for Physician Assistants and Nurse Practitioners, a group that is now caring for kidney patients on the front lines.



## Peer-Reviewed Medical Journals

Since 1981, NKF has published peer-reviewed journals that provide timely insights and information on kidney disease research to the global kidney community.

This year, three of the prestigious medical journals published by NKF joined ScienceDirect, the premier web distributor of professional-level scientific and medical information. With more than 11 million users accessing the site, NKF journals reached a larger audience than ever before.

*American Journal of Kidney Diseases (AJKD)* is widely regarded as the world's leading journal in clinical nephrology, with a circulation of over 6,000. The *AJKD* website offers free, exclusive, online-only content to an average of 3,700 registered visitors each month—a significant portion of the kidney research community.



Many of the journal's findings are reflected in the educational resources that NKF produces for professionals. This year, studies published in *AJKD* addressed a broad spectrum of clinical issues, from cardiovascular health of dialysis patients to prevention of diabetic complications in kidney patients. NKF tools helped physicians and other nephrology professionals apply the latest research in their daily interaction with patients.

*Advances in Chronic Kidney Disease (ACKD)* provides detailed, issue-length coverage of challenging clinical problems affecting patients with chronic and acute kidney disease, as well as those at risk. *ACKD*, unique among nephrology journals, is designed for use by the entire multi-disciplinary kidney care team.

*The Journal of Renal Nutrition (JRN)* is recognized as the foremost source of information on renal nutrition science, metabolism and renal dietetics. *JRN* was recently adopted as the official journal of the International Society of Renal Nutrition and Metabolism.

*Journal of Nephrology Social Work (JNSW)* publishes original research, reports and commentaries on the psychosocial aspects of chronic kidney disease, End Stage Renal Disease, dialysis and kidney transplantation. *JNSW* provides the nephrology social work community with a scholarly resource that is used to inform clinical practice, advance policy and advocacy efforts, and enhance patient care.

NKF members receive subscriptions to these peer-reviewed journals as a membership benefit.

# PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

## Jane Davis | Passionate about Patients

*"I added teaching nursing students to the mix. I wanted to have a say in the way my patients were treated and in their health care. I became a nurse practitioner to be more involved in planning, implementing and evaluating patient care."*

*—Jane Davis*

Blame Jane Davis's passion for helping kidney patients live better lives on the Nurse Nancy books she devoured in childhood. Or, it could have been those high school years as a candy striper. In college, Davis discovered journalism, then earned a master's degree in English and threw her energy into teaching college freshmen and sophomores.

"Then, in my mid-thirties my mother had a major stroke," says Davis, now 62 and a nurse practitioner at the University of Alabama Medical Center. "It sounds corny but I saw what a difference a good nurse could make and I wanted to make that difference." The best place for that, she decided was with kidney patients. "It satisfied so many of my needs," including, she says, "building relationships with patients and their families. Unlike an acute illness, kidney disease is progressive and patients are not coming in, getting fixed and leaving. Our patients are some of the most challenging, and rewarding."

This year, she and five others established the Council of Advanced Practitioners (CAP), a new professional membership council within the National Kidney Foundation, especially for nurse practitioners, clinical nurse specialists and physician assistants.

"Historically, physician assistants, clinical nurse specialists and nurse practitioners are groups who want to get together but are separated by a chasm, and there is no bridge." Davis is helping to build that bridge. "Through CAP we can have a voice in upcoming legislation and regulations affecting our patients and our practices," she says proudly. There's also a quarterly online newsletter and brainstorming meetings, and whatever else Davis can think of to help her colleagues and their patients.

Throughout her service-filled life, Davis has made time for a wonderful 40-year-marriage to a veterinarian. "I also love animals," she says. And she loves their three-year-old granddaughter, who lives in New York City, and gets "a record number of visits" from her grandparents. "I am an active person," Davis says, in a supreme understatement. "I'm a former runner who still has a hard time accepting walking."



# ORGAN DONATION

The waiting list for organ transplants in the U.S. reached 100,000 for the first time in history in 2008. As a result, 18 people died every day while waiting for a lifesaving transplant.

NKF responded to the crisis with public awareness and education, including outreach campaigns, legislation, special events and online resources.



## Online Resources for Living Donors

Educating and informing the public about living donation is one way NKF addressed the need for organs this year. NKF's dedicated website, [www.livingdonors.org](http://www.livingdonors.org), answered the most commonly-asked questions about living donation and connected potential living donors with those who have already given the gift of life.

More than 95,000 people visited the site in 2008. Additional resources were posted online, such as information on organ donor chains, state tax deductions, state donor leave laws and sources of financial support for non-medical expenses related to living donation.

## The Gift of Life Campaign

The lifesaving power of organ donation took center stage during the holiday season as well. NKF encouraged Americans to give a gift with lasting value that wouldn't cost them a cent. The Holiday Gift of Life Campaign spread the message that the best kind of gift is the one that truly enhances or saves lives—organ donation.



## Removing Barriers to Early Transplantation

Last year, NKF published guidelines that recommended early transplantation as a way to improve kidney patient care. The report mentioned several obstacles to early transplantation, including difficulty finding living donors and not enough education relating to treatment.

This year, progress has been made to address some of these roadblocks, particularly in the area of patient education. NKF advocated for the Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act of 2008 and this law, enacted in July, includes educational benefits for chronic kidney disease patients. As a result, Medicare now covers the cost of educational classes that discuss the full range of treatment options, including all aspects of transplantation.

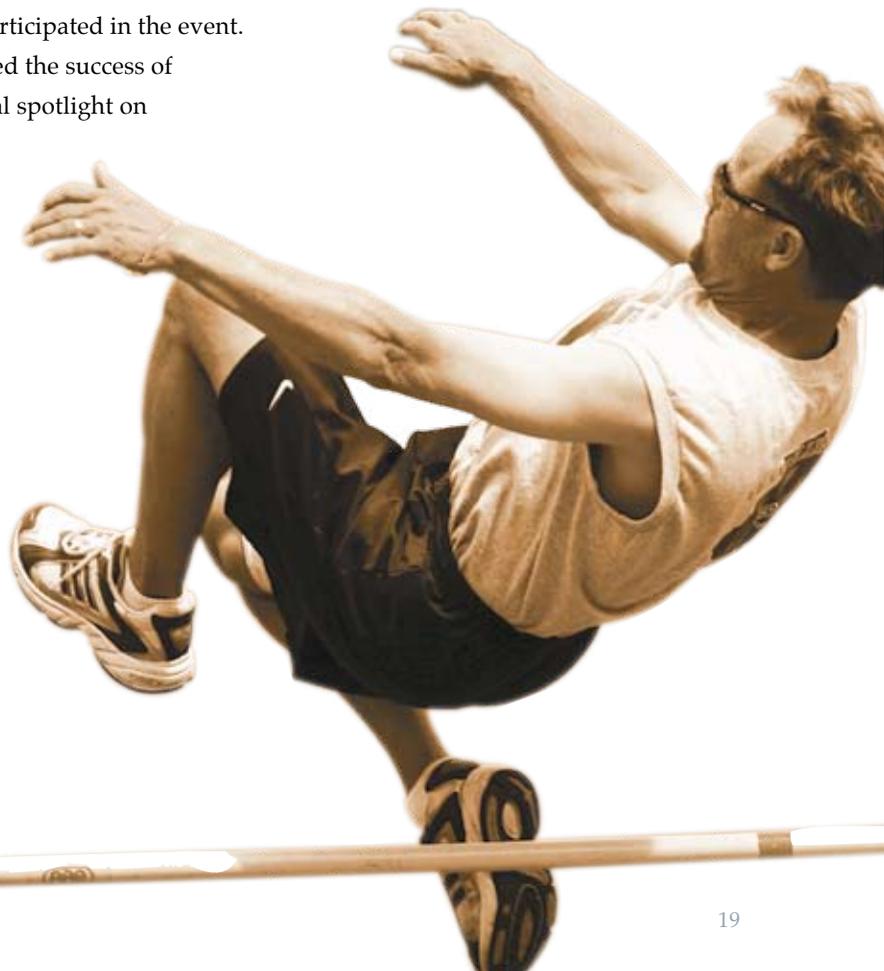
## NKF U.S. Transplant Games

For proof of the lasting and positive effects of transplantation, one has to look no further than the National Kidney Foundation U.S. Transplant Games, an inspiring biennial Olympic-style event. In July 2008, more than 1,300 transplant recipients from across the country convened in Pittsburgh to celebrate their second chance at life as they competed in 12 different sports at the Transplant Games.

A record-breaking 7,000 participants —athletes, families, friends, donor families and living donors—participated in the event.

The Transplant Games truly showcased the success of transplantation and shone the national spotlight on the critical need to increase organs for transplantation.

More than 250 million media impressions were generated through news stories that covered the personal triumphs of our athletes and more importantly, thousands of Americans visited [www.transplantgames.org](http://www.transplantgames.org) to find out how to become an organ donor.



# ORGAN DONATION

## Holly Miyagawa and Darlene Navarette

### Cousins Who Couldn't Be Closer

*"The surgery was a piece of cake, but what nearly killed me was that I couldn't have caffeine for two weeks. I don't give up my Dr. Pepper for just anyone ... I wish I had other kidneys to donate, I would do it again in a heartbeat."*

*—Darlene Navarette, 46 (right) on giving a kidney to her cousin, Holly (left)*

Give up a kidney to keep her 29-year-old cousin alive? No problem. Give up Diet Dr. Pepper to prepare for the transplant surgery? Now that was a real sacrifice. Darlene Navarette found out at an annual New Year's Day family get-together at her grandmother's house that her cousin, Holly Miyagawa, needed a kidney transplant. Navarette offered hers on the spot. The successful transplant surgery was performed two months later in March of 2000.

Miyagawa was just 16 and a star athlete — volleyball is her passion— when a nurse noticed she had high blood pressure. It turned out that Miyagawa's kidneys were abnormally small and working at half capacity. The doctor said that at some point she would need a transplant.

Thirteen years later, during a beach volleyball game she felt weak and her legs were swollen. "I had less than five percent kidney function left," she recalls. Her mother and brother were tested as potential donors (Miyagawa's father died in 1996). Neither was a match. Miyagawa grew so ill she was put on dialysis three times a week. Navarette stepped in to save her life.

Today, Miyagawa, 38, who works in the corporate offices of Skechers and lives in Hermosa Beach, California, is the picture of health. "Kimi's gift has given me a purpose in life and I don't take a minute of it for granted," she says, using Navarette's family nickname. "She gave me my life back!" That life includes playing in two indoor volleyball leagues and participating in the National Kidney Foundation 2008 U.S. Transplant Games, where Miyagawa won gold medals in volleyball and the 100 meter run.

"The Games are a great opportunity to spread the word about organ and tissue donation and transplantation. On a personal level, the Games allow me to continue my athletics — something I thought I'd never get to do again. The Games have also given me a chance to meet and befriend other recipients and to develop a second 'family.'"

Her cousin flew from Los Angeles to share the experience and the glory. "Funny thing about this trip is my cousin's fear of flying," says Miyagawa. "Kimi didn't hesitate to give me a kidney, yet it took her months to decide if she could get on a plane!" Once again, she rose to the occasion.



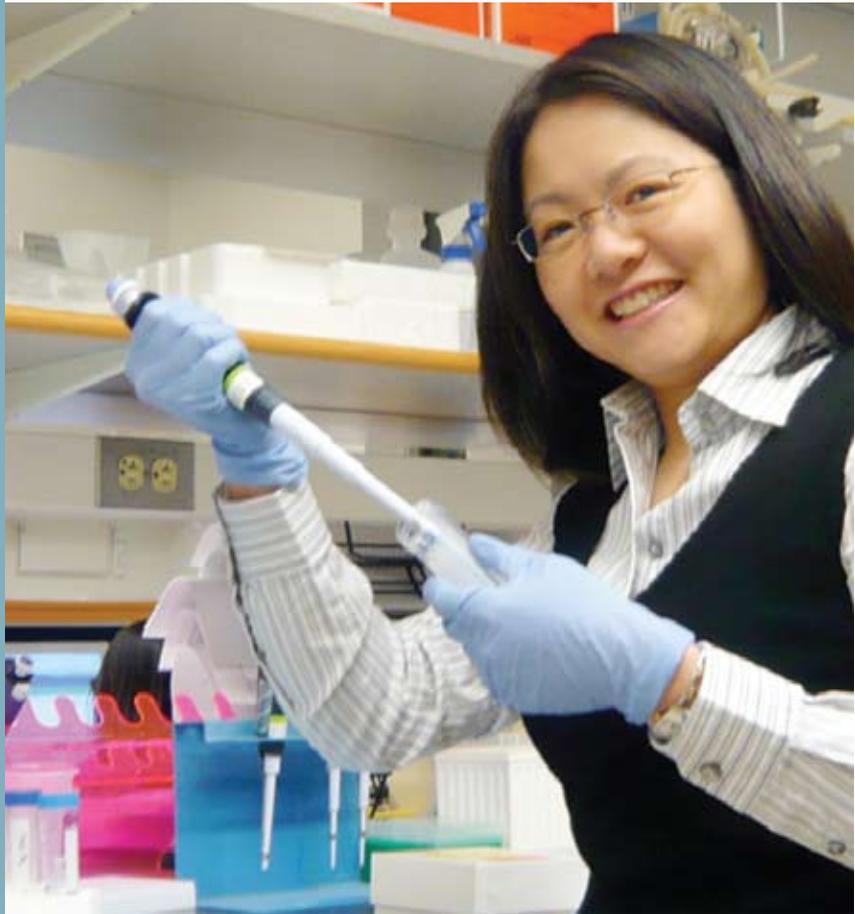
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# RESEARCH

Research is the foundation of scientific initiatives that improve the care and outcomes of kidney disease patients.

This year, NKF and its local offices around the country granted more than \$4 million to promising scientists who conduct research that may one day lead to new therapeutic interventions and better care models.



With a robust research program, improved treatments for chronic kidney disease, more successful transplants and additional methods of early detection and prevention may be on the horizon in the near future.

## Improved Transplant Medications

Transplant patients rely on immunosuppressive drugs that prevent their bodies from rejecting new tissue or organs. Melissa Yeung (*above*), recipient of an NKF Fellowship Award at Brigham and Women's Hospital, is conducting research on how to minimize the chances of organ rejection over a long period of time. The ultimate objective of this research is to create improved transplant medications that specifically target cells responsible for organ rejection, thereby ensuring more successful long-term survival of the transplanted organ.



## Improving the Dialysis Process

Much research has been done on water-soluble compounds that are removed during dialysis. But not much focus has been on protein-bound solutes, which are not as efficiently cleaned from the blood in the dialysis process.

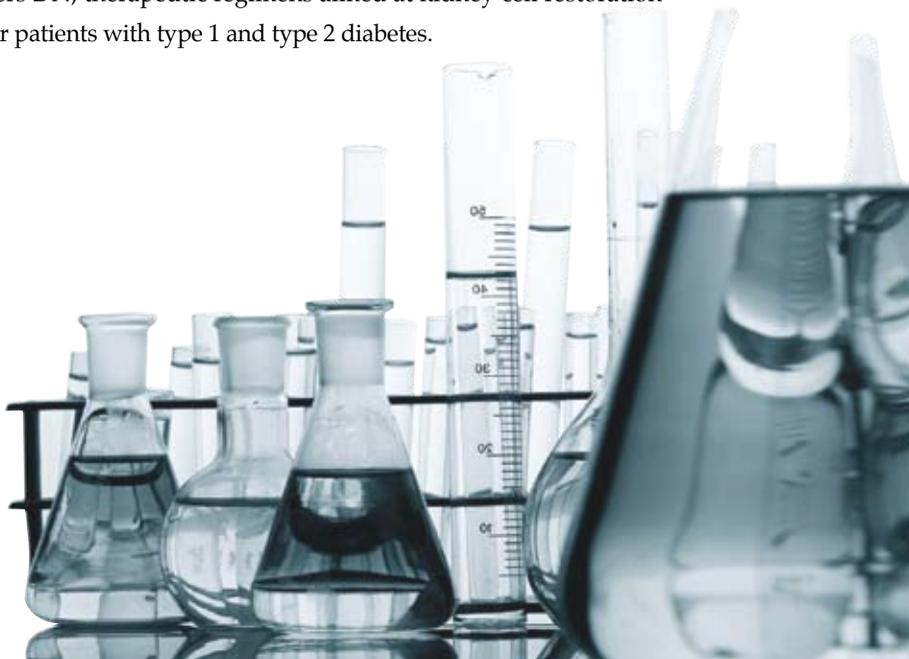
NKF researchers like Dr. Frank Luo believe that this class of chemicals may be responsible for some of the poorer results that come from dialysis treatment. One disturbing trend is that younger dialysis patients in their 30s and 40s often have outcomes similar to elderly patients—a problem that requires further investigation. Dr. Luo and his colleagues hope to find some answers on how to more efficiently remove protein-bound chemicals, thereby improving dialysis itself.

## Cardiovascular Disease and Kidney Disease

Cardiovascular disease, especially heart failure, is the leading cause of death for kidney patients. Ammar Almehti, who was awarded an NKF Fellowship at the Kansas University Medical Center, is looking at how vitamin D and the immune system are related to cardiovascular disease in kidney patients. This study may lead to specific therapeutic interventions that target innate immune responses to prevent damage to the vascular system.

## Finding the Cause of Diabetic Nephropathy

Diabetic nephropathy (DN), a serious and life-threatening progressive kidney disease, is the most common cause of kidney failure in the U.S. Discovering the mechanism behind DN is the goal of researchers like Assaad Antoine Eid, an NKF Fellowship Award Recipient at University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio. With a better understanding of what triggers DN, therapeutic regimens aimed at kidney cell restoration can be created, which would be beneficial for patients with type 1 and type 2 diabetes.





# RESEARCH

## Sun Woo Kang | His Research Hits Home

*“Of people suffering from hypertension there is a small group that is genetically at a high risk of developing hypertensive kidney disease (HKD). I’m here to find out why, and to help them get more intensive treatment, reducing the onset of HKD. Those without the genetic markers won’t need that level of treatment, and will avoid risking serious side effects.”*

—Sun Woo Kang

Normally a reserved and modest man, Sun Woo Kang’s paternal pride overrides all shyness when the topic turns to his two boys. “They look just like me,” he says of nine-year-old Seung-Oh Kang, and four-year-old Minseong Kang (shown right, watching his dad work). “Though they are really much more handsome than me!”

What keeps Kang working long hours in the laboratory at the Center for Human Genetics and Genomics, at the University of California at San Diego, is the fear that with his handsome genes, he also may have passed along a more lethal legacy to his sons: a precursor to kidney disease.

“My grandfather has had hypertension for 45 years,” says the South Korean-born nephrologist and Ph.D. researcher. “My father has had diabetes and hypertension for 25 years, and had bypass surgery in 2002. When it was recently discovered that I had certain precursors for cardiovascular or kidney disease similar to my father, and my father’s father, I became even more interested in human genetics as it relates to cardiovascular disease and kidney disease.”

The irony is that Kang, whose research is funded by the National Kidney Foundation, was passionate about his work long before it became entwined with his personal history. Now, however, there is an added urgency to his quest. He believes that testing blood samples and genomic DNA of patients with kidney failure or End Stage Renal Disease, recruited from dialysis units at three Southern California medical centers, will help him discover if any genetic factors exist when it comes to cardiovascular and kidney disease.

When not in the lab, Kang loves playing basketball with his boys at Carmel Valley Park. “I would very much like them to grow up strong,” he says. “And healthy.”



# ADVOCACY

During a presidential election year, public policy agendas assume greater importance for most Americans.

Health care plans made headlines this year. NKF continued its tradition of vigorously advocating for key issues of importance to kidney patients and their families, with an ongoing presence in Washington and a national network of patient advocates.

## NKF's "People Like Us" Furthers Advocacy Agenda

NKF's "People Like Us" patient advocates took a two-pronged approach in 2008, filling the halls of the U.S. Congress and connecting with state legislators in their home states to sound the alert for research funding, education for dialysis patients and screening for early detection. "People Like Us" advocates, including chronic kidney disease patients, transplant recipients, organ donors and health professionals, visited over 200 Congressional offices in 2008 and saw the fruits of their labor this year on a number of fronts.



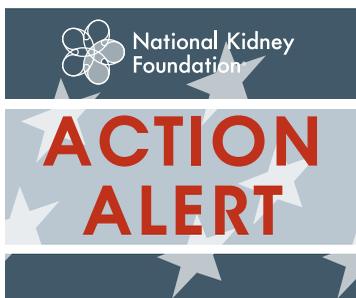
*"People Like Us" advocates Barbara Breckenridge and Amy Nash visit Capitol Hill*

## New Legislation – Triumph for the Kidney Community

Kidney patients scored a victory on July 15 when Congress overrode a presidential veto and passed the Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act of 2008. The bill contains a number of important kidney-related provisions, most notably coverage of pre-dialysis education for which NKF and “People Like Us” advocated in a patient “Fly-In” to Washington, DC in May.

The passage of this legislation will help ensure that patients fully understand their treatment choices and how best to manage their disease before they experience kidney failure.

On the prevention front, NKF had requested additional funding for the Chronic Kidney Disease Control Program at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). The response came in the form of a grant to NKF to develop and implement a pilot program to screen those at risk for kidney disease. This program, rolled out in 2008, targets Americans who have diabetes or high blood pressure or are above the age of 50.



## Online Advocacy Network Doubles in Size

Advocates who couldn't make the trip to DC brought chronic kidney disease, transplantation and organ donation issues to the attention of lawmakers with the click of a mouse as part of the NKF “People Like Us” *Take Action Network*.

Through this electronic tool, advocates received action alert emails that outlined specific issues and proposed legislation and offered sample letters that were personalized and emailed directly to Members of Congress.

The *Take Action Network* doubled in size this year to 6,000 members, including advocates in every U.S. Congressional district. They strengthened the voice of kidney patients, organ donors and recipients, generating nearly 7,500 email messages to 95% of Congressional offices.



# ADVOCACY

## Andreas Price | The Power of Positive Thinking

*"I jumped at the opportunity to go to DC with NKF's "People Like Us," a group that I am proud to advocate with on a regular basis. Meeting other dialysis and transplant patients, in Washington, who were passionate about patient advocacy was great and sharing my story and the importance of patient education with legislators and the media was very meaningful." And fruitful, it turns out: The new law was passed.*

*—Andreas Price*

With one degree in communications and a second from divinity school, there was no way Andreas Price was going to keep silent and not share. Price, a Louisville native, has been through hell and back many times since age 15, when the star high school football player was benched with a diagnosis of kidney failure. On that very day, the terrified teenager also began dialysis treatments. "March 3, 1980 is a day that for me will live in infamy!" says 43-year-old Price, Associate Minister of Oakland Baptist Church in Louisville, Kentucky.

Two transplants—the most recent in July 2008—and many years of grueling dialysis treatments later, Price preaches, educates and comforts his parishioners and perfect strangers on everything from the particulars of various dialysis delivery systems to the importance of a positive attitude.

This past May, Price accepted an invitation from the National Kidney Foundation's "People Like Us" patient advocacy group and headed to Capitol Hill to talk about his personal experience. He was also there to urge lawmakers to pass legislation to provide education to people about their options before they begin the dialysis treatments that Price knows about firsthand. In fact, Price credits home dialysis for having made it possible for him to travel back and forth to Indianapolis each week, allowing him the dream-come-true of completing his masters of divinity degree.

An avid reader who loves to play and listen to music, Price sings the praises of the National Kidney Foundation's work in advocating, educating and encouraging people with the disease. "Feeling empowered is so important," he says. "One personal revelation I received during my struggle with chronic kidney disease is the power of a positive attitude. Keep pressing no matter the obstacles and the setbacks. This, for me, is a matter of faith."



# FUNDRAISING

NKF signature programs, local special events and the support of corporate partners and individual donors continued to be critical to our success in raising awareness for kidney disease and providing much needed services to patients.

## NKF Golf Classic

NKF's Golf Classic is one of the largest amateur charity-based golf programs in the U.S. This year, the event attracted more than 7,000 golfers who hit the links at local tournaments throughout the country, raising over \$4 million. The program received support from national corporate partners, including PING, Golf Digest Publications, Pioneer and AT&T.



*NKF 2008 Golf Classic National Champions from Connecticut*

## Kidney Cars

With more than 100 used cars donated every single day online through [www.kidneycars.org](http://www.kidneycars.org) or by phone through the toll-free 800.488.CARS hotline, Kidney Cars continued to lead the nation as the largest vehicle donation program. Kidney Cars launched the very first nationwide drop-off program in 2008, reducing the costs associated with towing, and thereby increasing profit. This year, more than 40,000 vehicles were donated to Kidney Cars, pumping nearly \$13 million into NKF's programs in research, early detection and education.

NKF also celebrated the 25th anniversary of Kidney Cars with a national sweepstakes that offered donors the possibility of winning 25 prizes, including \$25,000 in cash or a year's worth of gas. One lucky Utah couple donated their 4th vehicle to Kidney Cars, an 18-year-old truck, and got the drive of their life with the grand prize weekend for four at The Pebble Beach Resorts in California.



## Special Events

NKF supporters dined, danced, taste-tested, surfed, hobnobbed with celebrity authors and learned about risk factors at local events around the country. From the Great Chefs in Los Angeles and Denver to the Pro-Am Surf Festival in Cocoa Beach, Florida, the Chili Cookoff in Washington DC, the Chocolate Fantasy in Memphis and Authors Luncheon in San Francisco, NKF events attracted thousands, raising needed funds and drawing attention to kidney disease, organ donation and the importance of early detection.

## Kidney Walks

If one short walk goes a long way, then 105 short walks truly have lifesaving power. In 2008, the enjoyable, inspiring community fundraiser known as the Kidney Walk experienced dramatic growth and hit the 100 mark, reaching a new milestone. With 105 Walks taking place in cities across the country, the fundraising program reached more patients, supporters, potential organ donors and people at risk than ever before. Thanks to the participation of over 58,000 walkers, the Kidney Walks raised widespread awareness of the need for early detection as well as a record \$5.5 million — a 57% increase over the previous year.

## Corporate Partners

Our corporate and organizational partners contributed to the development and implementation of world class initiatives. This year, contributions from national corporate partners supported NKF in the development of programs and resources, as well as risk factor awareness and screening initiatives. Our patients and professionals benefited from this support through key programs such as the Kidney Early Evaluation Program, NKF Clinical Meetings, World Kidney Day, NKF U.S. Transplant Games and clinical practice guidelines developed through the Kidney Disease Outcomes Quality Initiative (KDOQI).





## Joe Abruzzese | From Friend to Fundraiser

To Joe Abruzzese, Chuck Fruit was more than a friend. He was a hero, who wore his power—and his pain—ever so lightly. A top marketing executive and a kidney transplant recipient, Fruit, who died last year, was also a passionate cheerleader in his role as NKF’s Chairman. So when he asked Abruzzese, President of Sales for Discovery Communications, to chair a gala at Lincoln Center, it was a done deal.

Abruzzese, who grew up in Newark and won a baseball scholarship to college, considered Fruit’s wish akin to a revered coach’s command.

“I always played catcher... the guy who faces every player, and who they all look to for guidance and inspiration,” says Abruzzese, 61, explaining his determination to do Fruit and the NKF proud, as well as his philosophy of life. “People are counting on you. You don’t let them down!”

Already, Abruzzese helped get the National Advertising Council to endorse NKF’s “Love Your Kidneys,” campaign, crucial to securing free ad space. He is also happy to report that Discovery Health Channel will give airtime to NKF public service spots. “I’ve only just begun,” he promises. “The best is yet to come!”

In his spare time, Abruzzese, a married father of three, cycles competitively, builds model ships and restores antique Corvettes. Not a day goes by, however, that he doesn’t miss his friend Chuck.

“He was a great guy and a brilliant marketer, but most of all he had a wonderful demeanor, he was a true gentleman,” Abruzzese says. “He never complained. He was on dialysis for a long time before he got transplanted, and yet his health issues never stopped him from being a great advocate for others with kidney disease.”

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*Long before he passed away, Gerald talked about repaying the kindness he received by bequeathing money to the National Kidney Foundation Serving Delaware Valley to fund programs for kidney patients.*

*—Nancie Beinhower*



## **Nancie Beinhower | A Legacy of Love**

One of the memories that helps Nancie Beinhower cope with the loss of her husband after 60 years of marriage, is how well he was treated at the dialysis center in Lancaster County, PA. A retired railroad division engineer, Gerald Beinhower had been on dialysis for five years before he died in April.

“The last few years weren’t easy on Gerry, but he felt so well taken care of by the nurses and doctors,” says Beinhower, who lives in the same Manheim, Pa., home she and her husband shared for 32 years.

There was only one stipulation to the planned gift, says Beinhower: “The money was to be spent locally.”

Beinhower’s \$35,000 gift to NKF will translate into free screenings, local health fairs and a support group, based at the dialysis center. Joining patients and family members will be social workers, nurses and a nephrologist who will educate and empower those touched by kidney disease.

“He would be so pleased,” says the 82-year-old Beinhower, who still cares for his hunting Beagles,

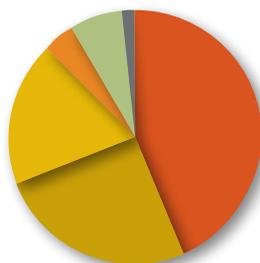
Nugget and Molly. These days, Beinhower goes to movies with friends and loves spending time with grandchildren, all of whom call her Nana. “One of them, a five-year-old girl, still sleeps with Gerry’s picture,” she says. “Children just loved Gerry.” So did she.

She is thrilled to honor him with the bequest to the NKF. “I was so happy Gerry suggested it, and that I followed through on our plan. It makes me happy to know the money will go to help those who need it!”

# FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

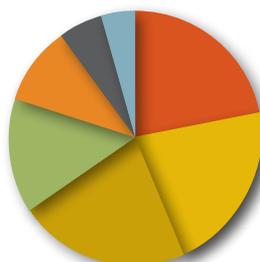
Figures below depict the combined financial activities of the National Kidney Foundation and its Affiliates for Fiscal Year 2008.

## PUBLIC SUPPORT AND REVENUE



Contributions	\$27,863,466	39.9%	
Program Service Fees	\$19,441,468	27.8%	
Net Special Events	\$15,427,844	22.1%	
Government Grants	\$4,208,532	6.0%	
Membership Dues	\$745,673	1.1%	
Other Income	\$2,172,331	3.1%	
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$69,859,314</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	

## EXPENSES



Patient Services	\$16,682,249	21.2%	
Professional Education	\$15,493,021	19.6%	
Public Health Education	\$13,950,403	17.6%	
Community Services	\$9,918,939	12.5%	
Research	\$5,668,047	7.2%	
Management & General	\$10,945,978	13.8%	
Fund Raising	\$6,424,343	8.1%	
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$79,082,980</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

### ASSETS

Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$22,838,590
Investments	\$37,299,016
Accounts Receivable	\$9,272,195
Inventories of Educational & Campaign Materials	\$559,999
Prepaid Expenses	\$2,348,037
Property, Plant & Equipment, net	\$4,566,001
Other Assets	\$701,675
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$77,585,513</b>

### LIABILITIES

Loans Payable	\$218,527
Accounts Payable & Accrued Expenses	\$9,098,255
Deferred Income	\$5,744,217
Other Liabilities	758,620
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>\$15,819,619</b>

### Net Assets

Unrestricted	\$38,994,511
Temporarily Restricted	\$20,307,957
Permanently Restricted	\$2,463,426
<b>Total Net Assets</b>	<b>\$61,765,894</b>

**Total Liabilities and Net Assets** **\$77,585,513**

A complete copy of fiscal year 2008 NKF financial statements audited by Ernst & Young, LLP and the combined statements for NKF and its Affiliates as compiled by NKF staff are available at [www.kidney.org](http://www.kidney.org) or by request from the National Kidney Foundation, Marketing & Communications Department, 30 East 33rd Street, New York, NY 10016.

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## VOLUNTEER

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