



The Northern California Chapter of The Neuropathy Association

Hope through caring and education

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Our mission is to provide support, information and referral to people with neuropathy and to those who care about them, to inform and to connect with the health care community, and to support research.

"It means so much to us to be a part of a movement which is helping a very underserved population. THANK YOU, NCCNA."

—E. Lorene Stack, Leader, Livermore PN Support Group



November 14, 2007

Dear Friend,

I am writing to invite you to make a contribution to our 2007 fund drive for peripheral neuropathy. Your donation will bring hope through caring and education to over 500,000 people in Northern California suffering from peripheral neuropathy (PN). IT MAY BE THE MOST COMMON DISEASE YOU'VE NEVER HEARD OF. An estimated 2 million California residents suffer from this disease.

Neuropathy is a painful, debilitating disease caused by damage to the peripheral nerves that come from the spinal column and connect to the skin, muscles, and internal organs.

"Thank goodness for this group! I was diagnosed with PN and given pills on a hit and miss trial basis. My doctors were helpful, but I was depressed and alone. I read about a 2-day seminar in the newspaper put on by the Northern California Chapter Neuropathy Association at a local church. I called the number in the newspaper and talked with another PNER named Martha Chandley who immediately made me feel I was not on my own. I attended the event and their support groups to find there ARE answers and I was not ALONE! Please join me in expanding our mission with a generous donation to help other Neuropathy sufferers in our community." —D.E. "Red" Banes, Sacramento

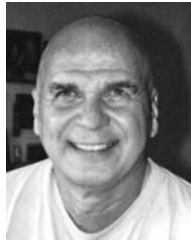


The Northern California Chapter of the Neuropathy Association (NCCNA) is an all-volunteer, non-profit, tax-exempt corporation. We have 32 support groups and 450 members throughout Northern California.

"Neuropathy: a term for all disorders of peripheral nerves"
American Medical Association Home Medical Encyclopedia

"I am so grateful to NCCNA for giving me a support group that understands my pain, and is searching for a cure. As a group leader, NCCNA has provided a local (Reno) venue for me to help others in my area. With our dedicated leaders and your generous donations, we will find a cure!!"

—Marsha Campbell, Leader, Reno, NV, PN Support Group



"The NCCNA compiles and disseminates much needed information about Neuropathy and the challenges we must face everyday. This information given to our support groups is immeasurably helpful to our members and greatly appreciated. We all seek answers and the NCCNA helps find them."

—Michael Colozzi, Leader, Elk Grove PN Support Group

"My mother [Eppi Donald, left] has indicated that NCCNA has provided a forum for her to have a support group locally that she looks forward to attending monthly. It provides an opportunity to share her thoughts about her Neuropathy and give support to others.



NCCNA has given me the privilege of knowing special people like Bev Anderson our NCCNA President and Martha Chandley who suffer from Neuropathy yet have such motivation to help so many. I am constantly learning about Neuropathy and have met many wonderful people through our local support group in Yuba City, CA. It's wonderful to have a group of people

come together to share their feelings and support each other."

—Nancy Escudero and Eppi Donald, Leaders, Yuba City PN Support Group

Your gift will help us reach the following goals for 2008-09:

- Support the continuance and expansion of NCCNA
- Network with the media to publicize, promote, and develop collaborative relationships to raise awareness of NCCNA and peripheral neuropathy.
- Develop support groups so there is one within 50 miles of each person in Northern California suffering from PN.
- Cover travel expenses for individuals assisting with support group development.
- Support research on the care, treatment, and cure for PN.
- Fund printing and postage costs for NCCNA publications, including brochures, handouts, and the newsletter.
- Provide training and updated materials to all leadership teams.
- Connect with the medical community throughout Northern California through use of a greater variety of communication channels.
- Establish a toll-free line.



"It is difficult to articulate how incredibly important NCCNA is to me and others across Northern California. The support groups, public awareness and education provided is outstanding and should be emulated across the country to ensure that neuropathy is a disease that all Americans have heard of."

—Dominick V. Spatafora
President, DVS Governmental Consulting Solutions
President, Neuropathy Action Foundation

Please help us reach our 2007 Campaign Goal of \$25,000 by December 31. Your dollars will provide hope to people with peripheral neuropathy and assurance that they are not alone with this disease. Just fill out the card and mail it with your check in the enclosed envelope. Your fully deductible gift will be acknowledged by mail.

With much appreciation,

Bev Anderson

Bev Anderson
President

P.S. You can make a difference. Please send your contribution today to support our organization as it continues to give hope through caring and education to those suffering from peripheral neuropathy.

"Now that I have friends who have been diagnosed with neuropathy, I have become much more aware of the ravages of this disease. Based on my own experience with MS, I know just how important it is to have the support of people who understand your situation and who can offer support. I urge your support of the NCCNA so they can continue to offer hope and help to those who suffer with this misunderstood disease."



—Heather Fargo, Mayor of Sacramento

WHAT YOUR SUPPORT CAN DO

- \$250 helps establish a new support group
- \$100 prints and mails 100 copies of the newsletters
- \$75 pays for three months of a toll-free line
- \$50 helps a local support group for six months
- \$25 prints 200 copies of our brochure
- \$10 supports our website for a month



HOPE
THOUGH CARING
AND EDUCATION

Yes! I want to help those suffering from peripheral neuropathy.
Enclosed is my gift for:

\$250 \$100 \$75 \$50 Other: \$_____

Please make checks payable to NCCNA and mail to the address below

Name: _____

Address: _____

Would you like to join the NCCNA? Yes No Already a member

Yes, you may acknowledge me in a list of donors (amount will not be listed)

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