Summer 2014 Newsletter

Upcoming Events

2014 Scleroderma Foundation National Meeting

Anaheim, California

July 25-27, 2014

Doris Frazier of the Piedmont Area Support Group will be attending the National Meeting this year! Doris is excited about this opportunity and is looking forward to learning the latest news about Scleroderma, meeting the National Office folks, and making new Scleroderma friends. When Doris returns, we will ask her to share her experience with us! Watch for the Fall 2014 Newsletter for Doris’ report.

South Carolina Chapter Ninth Stepping Out to Cure Scleroderma Event

Greenville, South Carolina

September 14, 2014

We hope you will join us at our Ninth Stepping Out to Cure Scleroderma Event to be held on Sunday, September 14, 2014 at Furman University Amphitheatre, Greenville, SC. Information Page, Directions and Registration Form are included with this mailing.

NEW THIS YEAR is a 5K Race, “Betty’s Run”, named in honor of the memory of Betty Whaley of Taylors, South Carolina. We will also have our usual fun walk around the lake (Amy’s Walk). Brunch will be served for all. Dr. Richard Silver will be present again this year; he will be running the 5K and he will give a talk on Scleroderma News, followed by a Q&A.

Many of you have asked why we are doing this Event on a Sunday. The reason is that this was the only day this fall that Furman University could accommodate a 5K Race. We originally had our event scheduled for the second Saturday in June, our traditional date. When we started to plan the June event, all but one member of the Planning Committee told me that they would be unable to help this year due to other commitments. This event is just too big for one person to do all the work. After discussion, the SC Chapter Board made the sad decision to cancel the event altogether, hoping that we could come up with alternative fundraisers for 2014. Just after we made this decision, Betty Whaley’s family asked us about putting on a 5K in her memory. A planning committee was formed and the SC Chapter Board realized that we could have our Stepping Out Event after all. We contacted Furman for a date that could accommodate a 5K (which involves a great deal of the campus, not just the Lake loop). Sunday, September 14th was the only date available. In 2015, we will be able to have a Saturday since we will be able to reserve a date with much more notice to Furman University.

We hope to see you at our 2014 Event! Go to www.scleroderma.org/steppingoutsc or fill out the registration form included in this mailing. Your registration must be received either by regular mail or online by AUGUST 27, 2014 to guarantee your t-shirt size.

2015 Amy K. Parrish Patient Education Conference
Charleston, South Carolina

January 31, 2015

Mark your calendars for the FIFTH Amy K. Parrish Patient Education Conference. We will have a full day of education, socializing and good food! Information and Registration Forms will be mailed to you in December, with online registration available by December 15, 2014. Speakers and meeting agenda will be announced in the Fall Newsletter.

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Best wishes to everyone for a healthy, not too-hot summer! If you have any comments or questions, please e-mail the Chapter at scchapter@gmail.com.

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