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Spring 2019 Newsletter

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FRED SEIDELL MEMORIAL ALS TEXAS HOLD'EM TOURNAMENT

** Part of the Ed Tessaro 6th Annual Texas Hold-em National Poker Tournament **

FRIDAY, MAY 10
6:00 PM - 10:00 PM



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Food ♠ Drinks ♠ Silent Auction ♠ Great Prizes
Raffle Drawing for a **\$2,000** Diamond Package!

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Still time to register for ALS Texas Hold 'Em Tournament THIS FRIDAY

Part of the Ed Tessaro 6th Annual Texas Hold 'Em National Poker Tournament, the event **this Friday, May 10th** directly benefits Emory ALS Center.

Come for the Food * Drinks * Silent Auction
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diamond package!

CLICK HERE to register and for all event
details.



RESEARCH UPDATE

Dr. Glass was quoted in a recent article about an experimental ALS treatment:
Experimental treatment could be 'game-changing' for genetic ALS, experts say

By Jacqueline Howard, CNN, May 1, 2019

(CNN)An experimental treatment for the rapidly progressive disease ALS, or amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, has been called

potentially "game-changing."

The treatment, called tofersen, was found to slow the decline of muscular function associated with a genetic form of ALS in a study to be presented next week at the annual meeting of the American Academy of Neurology.

"ALS is a devastating and fatal disease that has no effective treatment options, so there is an opportunity to pioneer innovative treatments," said Dr. Timothy Miller, professor of neurology at Washington University in St. Louis and first author of the study, which has not been published. Tofersen is still in its developmental stages, and how much it could cost is not yet known. **Read the full article here.**

Our **Spring Research Update** is now available. Make sure to check the **website** regularly for the most current information on clinical trials and clinical research taking place in the Emory ALS Center laboratory.



The financial burden of ALS is well-documented and can devastate a family's ability to make ends meet. The ALS Association has implemented a scholarship program to provide financial assistance to students pursuing college degrees and vocational certificates, and whose ability to cover the costs is severely compromised as a result of their family's financial burden of ALS.

The Jane Calmes Scholarship Fund was established to create a sustainable scholarship program that will provide much-needed assistance to those who might not otherwise have the opportunity to achieve their higher education goals. The intent of the program is to provide financial assistance to students who meet certain criteria and might not otherwise have the opportunity to achieve their higher education goals.

AWARD
At least thirty students will receive \$2,500 per semester or \$5,000 per year.

ELIGIBILITY
To be considered for The Jane Calmes ALS Scholarship Fund, an applicant must be:

- An individual who has had their finances negatively impacted due to having a diagnosis of ALS themselves, or having a parent, guardian, or family member (living or deceased) diagnosed with ALS.
- a high school senior, high school graduate, current postsecondary undergraduate student, or currently enrolled in a vocational program.
- planning to enroll for a minimum of six credits per semester in undergraduate study at an accredited two- or four-year college, university or vocational-technical school for the entire upcoming academic year, in pursuit of completing a degree program, and
- able to demonstrate financial need.

APPLICATION DEADLINE
May 21, 2019
3:00 pm CT
For Fall 2019 semester

Applications accepted beginning April 22, 2019. To learn more and apply or donate to the fund, please scan the QR code with your smartphone camera or visit: alsa.org/CalmesScholarshipFund



The Jane Calmes ALS Scholarship Fund is administered by Scholarship America.

The goal of The Jane Calmes ALS Scholarship Fund is to make sure students from families impacted by ALS can still pursue the dream of going to college or vocational school.

alsa.org/CalmesScholarshipFund

ALS Scholarship Fund for Secondary Education - MAY 21ST DEADLINE

We are excited to announce The ALS Association is launching a new scholarship program that will fund up to \$5,000 per year for at least 30 students whose personal or family finances are compromised by the financial burden of ALS. The scholarships apply to students seeking college degrees or vocational certificates. **If someone in your family qualifies for this opportunity, we encourage you to share this information with them and apply by May 21st.**

You can read more about The Jane Calmes ALS Scholarship Fund **HERE.**



There are many ways you can support the

Emory ALS Center, including upcoming events. [CLICK HERE.](#)

13th annual Fiesta 5k Challenge Achieves Record Fundraising

On Saturday, April 27, 2019, nearly 700 people came out to Fowler Park to #runLOCO4ALS in the 13th annual Fiesta 5k Challenge. **A record fundraising total was set this year as the race raised over \$46,000 for ALS research.** This event has now passed \$330,000 in funds donated to the Emory ALS Center.

The 5k race began on the track at Fowler Park and proceeded onto the beautiful Big Creek Greenway. All runners and walkers enjoyed the peaceful setting in this pretty area maintained by the Forsyth County Parks & Recreation Department. Brian Skoglund was the Overall Winner for the Males and Mia Van Peteghem the Overall Female Winner.

[Read more here.](#)

The next Newly Diagnosed/Clinic Orientation Meeting is THIS SATURDAY, May 11th.



This is an education group to help answer questions between diagnosis and the first clinic visit. Our **ALS Clinic Social Worker, Michelle Hammond-Susten** will connect you with important resources, guide you towards reliable research, provide information about what to expect at clinic and how to connect with the ALS Center Team.

Time: 9:00-10:30 AM

Location: Emory Brain Health Center
12 Executive Park South NE (Room 331C1– follow signs)
Atlanta, GA 30324

Questions: Michelle Hammond-Susten, LCSW (ALS Clinic Social Worker) at 678.467.9307 or hamsus10@gmail.com.

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