

Brittany Roche

Foundation

Committed To Finding A Cure For Neurofibromatosis & Improving The Lives Of Those Afflicted

www.brittanyrochefoundation.org

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A Message from the Board of Directors:

As we have completed our first full year of fundraising, we are extremely proud of what we have been able to accomplish. We began with a Spring Fling held at the Milford NH Commons. At this event our family and friends gathered household items that we sold in a flea market fashion, as well as running a food tent in which we sold breakfast sandwiches and lunch items. All proceeds from the event went to the Foundation and items we did not sell were donated to the Goodwill.

We began immediately after the Spring Fling to start preparations for our 1st Annual Brittany Roche Foundation Fall Golf Classic that was held at the Amherst Country Club on September 18th. We had a wonderful turnout for the event and we were overwhelmed by the support from our volunteers who worked tirelessly to help us make it so memorable and rewarding. We have already begun to work on our 2018 2nd Annual Brittany Roche Foundation Fall Golf Classic to be held on September 10th at the Amherst Country Club. Please visit our website in the ensuing months for details.

After the golf tournament, we started brainstorming our next fundraising endeavor. In the spirit of Brittany and what the butterfly represents to the Foundation, we began making our butterfly bird feeders. We rented a table at a local craft fair and sold them to the public. We then decided that we would put them on our website for online ordering year round. We will also be renting tables this fall at local craft fairs to continue our efforts in raising funds and raising awareness of Neurofibromatosis.

Through these events we strive to make a difference and support the programs that meant so much to Brittany and we strive to continue the research in finding a cure for NF. We have been fortunate enough in the past year to be able to make contributions to Special Olympics, Jimmy Fund Clinic, The Make-A-Wish Foundation, Brainy Camps, and for NF research thanks to our continued support.

Just when the caterpillar thought her life was over she became a beautiful butterfly

Sincerely, Cindy Bourgeault **Brittany Roche Foundation** Vice President

Mission Statement:

Our mission is to create opportunities to financially, emotionally and physically support any persons that are afflicted with the disorder known as "NF", specifically, Neurofibromatosis, as it is called in the medical profession. We intend to support the families going through this by raising funds through golf outings, personal and corporate donations, as well as any other method we find that helps us fulfill the purposes of this corporation. We will disburse these funds to non-profits that support research, to families, in the form of scholarships to NF camps and to nonprofits like "Make-a-Wish" and the "Jimmy Fund". These are all the people who supported our Brittany Roche as she went through this deadly affliction. We will distribute these funds to any organization we determine is earnestly pursuing a cure for this affliction.



How are the donations being distributed?

In 2017, The Brittany Roche Foundation was able to make sizeable contributions to several organizations. In Brittany's name, \$2,000 were donated to the Make-A-Wish Foundation to help make a courageous child's wish come true. With a \$3,000 donation to Camp New Friends, an NF camp run by Brainy Camps for individuals who have NF, children will be able to enjoy stress free time and make new friends thanks to your help. And finally, a heartwarming \$10,000 donation was made to the Brigham & Women's Hospital to contribute to the work of NF researcher, Dr. Chicowski.

Past Events...

- May 2017 Spring Fling Flea Market and Craft Fair - Successful but rainy day.
- ✓ June 8th, 2017 Dining for Dollars at Bertucci's Customers visited for dinner or ordered take out and our organization received a percentage of sales from the Foundation
- Sept 2017 1st Annual Fall Golf Classic at the Amherst Country Club- a successful day and a lot of fun had by all.
- Dec 2017 Maintained a booth at a local craft fair selling birdseed wreaths and butterfly bird feeders.
- March 2018 Jimmy Fund- The Brittany Roche Foundation once again purchased journals and pens for the Jimmy Fund patients that traveled to the Red Sox Spring Training Camps.
- Ongoing Usborne Books ongoing online fundraiser - Ashley Sipe became a consultant and contributes 100% of her profits to the Brittany Roche Foundation. Information can be found on her FB page.



How else you can help...

- * Know children who love to read? Please consider purchasing some popular Usborne books from Brittany's sister who donates 100% of her profits to the Brittany Roche Foundation. Find her on Facebook under "Usborne Books to benefit Brittany Roche Foundation VIP Group".
- * Amazon shoppers, please use the Amazon Smile website each time you login and enter Brittany Roche Foundation as your charitable organization. A portion of your price will be donated to the foundation at no additional cost to you. Remember to log into smile.amazon.com each time or your profits won't be donated.
- * Please discuss with your employer possible charitable contributions through payroll deductions. Many larger organizations will match your payroll deductions and the funds go directly to our Foundation. Remember that payroll deductions are tax deductible!

Upcoming Events

- May 19- Children of the Arts Festival: The Foundation will maintain a food tent to put our culinary expertise to work.
- June 8- Dining for Dollars at Bertucci's of Nashua. Hopefully we will be securing other Bertucci's locations for that same night for the convenience of diners. Be sure to visit our website as it gets closer for a coupon.
- September 10- 2nd Annual Fall Golf Classic: We're working on making it even better than our successful 2017 tournament. Get a head start by completing the registration card.
- Dates TBD- Craft Fairs: We plan on working a few area craft fairs to once again sell our butterfly birdseed feeders. We currently have orders to ship to two NH state park gift shops in the spring. We currently are taking online orders as well. More information on locations can be found this fall at www.brittanyrochefoundation.org and on our FB page.



2018 FALL GOLF CLASSIC REGISTRATION FORM Amherst Country Club, Amherst NH Sept 10th, 2018 \$110.00/PLAYER

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