

COMING UP...

15TH ANNUAL TRIVIA NIGHT

St. Louis
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Services Provided in 2024

New Referrals	1,054
Clients Served	2,690
Home Deliveries	2,663
Supplements Delivered (cans)	235,789
Transportation to Treatments	4,768
Prescriptions Provided	70
Medical Supplies Distributed	36,273
Equipment Loaned	36

*Service to
Cancer Patients
Since 1949*

Mission Statement

*The St. Louis Peregrine
Society is dedicated to
improving the quality of
life of cancer patients
living in the St. Louis
area.*

Reservation includes:
Refreshments: beer,
wine, water, soda
Event features:
10 Rounds of
questions & answers;
Cash prizes for top 2
scoring tables;
Silent Auction
Pot o' Gold Raffle &
an evening of fun
while raising funds
for area cancer
patients.



THE PEREGRINE STAFF

INVITES YOU

**TO MAKE PLANS TO ATTEND
THE PEREGRINE SOCIETY'S
ANNUAL WEARIN' OF THE GREEN
TRIVIA NIGHT**

When: Saturday, March 15, 2025

Where: Electrical Workers' Hall

Doors Open: 6:15 pm ♣ *Play Begins:* 7 pm

Cost: \$30 per person/\$240 per table of 8

HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE ♣

You can register online at www.peregrinesoc.org or download and mail in your reservation form! **ALL FUNDS BENEFIT PEREGRINE'S PROGRAMS FOR AREA CANCER PATIENTS.**

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From the Executive Director

Sometimes it happens that way...

Yesterday, I had an entirely different article written for my first newsletter of 2025 but a computer glitch at the end of the day prevented me from getting the job done. I was more than a little annoyed. But my annoyance waned after I got home and saw a post on Instagram that grabbed my attention. *“North Lawndale middle schooler helps make scientific discovery molecule with cancer-fighting properties in goose poop.”* Wow! I had to learn more.

A press release from the American Chemical Society on December 2, 2024 had this to say about the discovery. *“A group of young students became bonafide biomedical scientists before they even started high school. Through a partnership with a nearby university, the middle schoolers collected and analyzed environmental samples to find new antibiotic candidates. One unique sample, goose poop collected at a local park, had a bacterium that showed antibiotic activity and contained a novel compound that slowed the growth of human melanoma and ovarian cancer cells in lab tests.”*

Cammaria Williams was the North Lawndale 8th grader who collected the goose poop for testing in the lab and went on to explain, “my mom feeds animals, and I know birds eat everything and anything so I knew there must be in

bacteria in it.”

The findings of the research study have been published in the American Chemical Society Omega publication with Cammaria given credit as co-author. Quite an accomplishment for a 13 year old. Actually, quite an accomplishment at any age.

Brian Murphy, professor at Illinois University and program director stated it’s unlikely the finding will result in a new cancer-fighting drug. However, Murphy continued, compounds like this help us better understand how cancer works and this discovery will aid researchers in making better drugs. He and other researchers will continue to study Cammaria’s novel compound in hopes of finding additional applications for its use.

There are several articles you can find online regarding this research study. My takeaway is these programs are hope for future advancement in the fight against cancer and so many other diseases that have eluded cures. *Congratulatitons* to Cammaria, the other students in the program and the researchers who mentor them.

Cammaria Williams



Peregrine Society Trivia Night Reservation Form

Date: Saturday, March 15, 2025

LOCATION: ELECTRICAL WORKERS’ HALL

5850 ELIZABETH AVE. 63110

1 BLOCK EAST OF HAMPTON

Doors Open: 6:15 p.m. Play begins: 7:00 p.m.

Cost: \$30 per person - \$240 per table of 8

Cost includes: Beer, wine, soft drinks & snacks

Name: _____ Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____

Amount enclosed: \$ _____ for # of tables: _____

to make a reservation online - go to www.peregrinesoc.org—payment goes through PayPal. Or complete this form

2024 in Review...

Now that 2024 is in the rearview mirror, so to speak, it's not a bad time to reflect on all that happened during the year.

White Castle - 2024 was Peregrine's second and final year as round up at the register beneficiary. Total from the three previous round up cycles was over \$72,000! We should receive funds from the most recent round up which ended on December 31 in the coming weeks. Partnering with White Castle has been an amazing experience and a relationship we will continue to nurture. Thank you Cheryl Soest and your dedicated team of managers for all you do in our community.

Mile by Mile Marathon Fundraiser - Early in 2024, John Binder and Cam Oliver came into our Peregrine lives. They had an idea for a fundraiser held in conjunction with the annual St. Louis GO marathon. And raise funds they did! Proceeds from the work John, Cam and a host of other friends resulted in a donation of \$37,500 in support of our service programs. We hope to continue to work with and explore other opportunities with these two highly motivated individuals.

Trivia Night - Trivia Night was successful and gave us a chance to celebrate Peregrine's 75th Birthday with all our friends who attended the event!

Branson Trip - 2024 was the first year we tried moving the trip to Branson for kids with cancer and their families from Mother's Day weekend to the weekend after. It was a good fit and we plan to continue hosting the trip after Mother's Day. This was only our second trip post-pandemic and our first since covid where we had maximum participation. We are already excited and planning the 2025 trip.

Christmas Program 2024 - 126 cancer patients received Christmas packages from the Society in 2024. They were filled with so many beautiful handmade items that so many of our volunteers work on throughout the year. Quilts, one prettier than the next; afghans in beautiful colors; knitted and crocheted winter hats; fleece pillows in holiday colors and design. All labors of love! We are so appreciative to those of you who donated gifts to include in the packages; stuffed animals, books;

pajamas. Each gift package included a \$100 gift card to Schnucks along with other gifts for the patient and children in the household. Again, as they have since 1981, volunteers from Missouri State Highway Patrol, Troop C made the deliveries to patients' homes. Forty-four years is a long time to continue a volunteer activity and we could not be more grateful for the invaluable service they provide!

2025 Came in with a Roar...

The first week of 2025 was certainly interesting. An ice storm, followed by more snow, a water line break on Hampton outside our parking lot, repairs completed to the interior and exterior of the office after the damage done in May when a young woman lost control of her car and ran into our building. It was a crazy, busy start to the year.

I have to say, I am hoping for a week of five full days spent in the office. While working from home is a wonderful option for icy, snowy days, it does present challenges as well. This week is looking pretty good for being on site every day in spite of huge piles of snow along streets and parking lots, especially ours.

As I finish up the Peregram, I hope you will take the time to consider joining us for a night of fun on March **15** at our **15th** trivia night. The 15th on the 15th, hmmm... I think that makes this a golden event and one you definitely don't want to miss. You can mail or make your reservations online, www.peregrinesoc.org.

And finally, I want to wish you all the best the New Year has to offer, time with those you love the most, good health, and prosperity in all its forms. Thank you for continuing to believe in the Peregrine Society mission and supporting its work. We are able to do all we do because of you and your generous heart.

Happy
2025!

**Tributes
In honor of ...**

Christian

Susan Reilly

Family Members

Betty DeLeon

Healing for Kenneth Wayne Ludwig

Josephine Ludwig

Cancer in remission for 5 1/2 years

Phyllis Sandusky

Joe Parisi

Mary Parisi

Peregine's 75 Years of Service

Dorothy Mae Schmidt

Seven Holy Founders

Jeanne Ferrer

Peregrine's Dedicated Staff

Bev Granberry

Peregrine's 75th Anniversary

Anne Marie Mackey

Women of Our Lady of Sorrows

Joe Pavlik

**Thanksgiving for 5 1/2 years of
remission**

Phyllis Sandusky

Carol Zimmer's Special Birthday

Carolyn E. Mulhall

Kay Thurman

Memorials

In memory of ...

Miles Q. Adams

Jacqueline D. Adams

Larry Alfs

Susie Hahn

Josephine Altman

Susan & Scott Alspach

Michael E. Anderson

Barbara Anderson

Rose Armstrong

Karen King

Bernice Atkins

Edward Atkins

June Barber

Bob Stoltman

Irene Barco

Steven J. Barco

Sally Barnhardt

Harry Barnhardt

Mary E. Baumann

Robert A. Baumann

Mary M. Baumann

Robert A. Baumann

Thomas E. Beggs

William S. Beggs, III

Jackie Behrendt

Walter Behrendt

Arthur Beiter

Wanda Beiter

Finette Benner

Ruth & Jerry Benner

Sandra Benz

John Benz

Anton Bettendorf, Jr.

Mary Bettendorf

Margie Bishop

Louise Sommers

Victor & Rose Bliss

Iris Denk

Dr. James Bordley III

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Raymond & Amy Bottoms

Barbara Bottoms

Anna Botz

Pamela Rethy

Michael K. Boyle

Marion F. White

Mary Brancato

Theresa Finch

Marjorie Bright

Patricia Bright

Dorothy Greiner

James Greiner

Sara Broaddus

Dennis M. Byrne

Mary M. Byrne

Jackie Byrne

Robert Byrne

Josephine Cafazza

Marie Leyshock

Conrad Canevsky

Robert Pelc

Theresa Cattoor

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Catherine Greene

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Rose M. Heinemann

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