

Boston Cured Cancer Club for Laryngectomees

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October Newsletter

Hello Folks! These cool nights with early darkness are sure signs that summer is behind us and the glory of fall will soon be upon us. Why not plan to join us on the first Sunday in October? You can catch some of the fall foliage on your ride in to Boston and the view from our gathering spot is quite lovely, too. Our upcoming meeting is scheduled for October 3, 2010 in the 7th floor cafeteria at MEEI in Boston. "Meet and Greet" begins at 1:00PM with our formal meeting starting at 2:00PM. Please join us for refreshments and good conversation.

At our meeting in September, we enjoyed hearing about Brian LaGrant's trip to the International Association of Laryngectomees (IAL) in Indiana this past June. Brian highly recommends the experience for new and seasoned larys. He also encourages all larys to read the IAL News which is a very worthwhile and informative publication for larys and their loved ones. If you don't already receive it, you can contact Bob Mehrman or Andre Charpentier or you can also access it online at <http://www.theial.com>. Click 'The IAL News' under 'Organization' on the left side of the home page. The next meeting of the IAL will be in June, 2011 in Kansas City, Missouri. Is anyone up for an interesting and affirming trip? 'Sounds like a great vacation option.

The BCCCL is honored to have received very generous donations made in memory of Selma Mehrman. Selma passed away after a brief illness on her 79th birthday in July. She was a truly great lady who did so much in support of our members and their families. She is dearly missed.

Please join us on October 3rd. We draw strength from one another's presence. We are not only living, but thriving, as cancer survivors and their loved ones. In closing we would like to share this quote which was found on a bulletin board on the 7th floor of Brigham and Women's Hospital. It is by the well-known author, University of Southern California professor and motivational speaker, Leo Buscaglia.

"Too often we underestimate the power of a touch, a smile, a kind word, a listening ear or the smallest act of caring, all of which have the potential to turn a life around."

This is what we do for each other. Please come and let's share a smile, a kind word and that all important listening ear.

'Hope to see you in October!

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