

## 2015 ANNUAL REPORT

**TO:** Capital Ovarian Cancer Organization (C.O.C.O.) Membership  
**RE:** 2015 Annual Report

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On behalf of the Board of Directors, please consider this submission to be the Annual Report.

COCO held its annual meeting at Serafini on February 24, 2015. Marie Alagia Cull served as Chair. The following officers were elected by acclamation. President, Marie Alagia Cull; Vice-President, Meredith Mucci; Treasurer, Ann Hester; Recording Secretary, Karen Doyle; and Corresponding Secretary, Shirley Rodgers. Beverly Van Houten continued to serve as Executive Director.

On April 9<sup>th</sup>, COCO sponsored The Official Blues Brothers Revue tribute band at the Grand Theatre. Dr. Angela Saxena joined us for dinner at Serafini before the show and gave a brief overview of ovarian cancer while we lined the theater aisles in teal shirts. Dr. Saxena even wore teal boots!

On April 20<sup>th</sup>, the Celebration of Life was held at the home of Sara Sutherland. There was a great turnout and several new members joined. Thanks to Sarah, Kathy Phelps and the Membership Committee for a job well done. Dr. Van Nagel from UK attended the event and after a brief update on the efforts at UK, was presented with a ceremonial donation check.

On June 13<sup>th</sup>, COCO participated in the Franklin County Relay for Life event. For the first time, the event was held indoors to avoid weather issues. The turn-out was less than expected but the money raised was higher so it all worked out. Thanks to Billie Lee and Lisa Grim and their committee for their continued efforts.

September is Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month and, of course, TEAL TIME. And what a month it was! It is always exciting to see the billboards going up to promote COCO and ovarian cancer awareness. This year, we “kicked up” up the billboards a little thanks to Karen Liebman’s help. As always, Karen Liebman and committee did an excellent job promoting awareness.

On September 1<sup>st</sup>, we hosted the most successful ever *Tee It Up with COCO* Golf Scramble at the Frankfort Country Club. This was our 6th annual charity event, and our best so far. We had more golfers participate and additional ladies who just wanted to eat dinner with us. This allowed us to donate \$12,500.00 to the University of Kentucky, \$2,000.00 to the Ovarian Cancer National Alliance, \$1,000.00 to the Ovarian Cancer Research Fund and \$250.00 OCNA dues. A big thanks to Fran Hawkins and all her committee members who helped make this event such a success.

Then on September 4<sup>th</sup>, we set up at the downtown concert in the shade of Harrod Concrete's big teal truck and passed out literature and balloons. This is always a fun time and a great opportunity to increase awareness about ovarian cancer. This was our 8<sup>th</sup> year to participate.

*SO - THANKS TO ALL, IT WAS ANOTHER BANNER YEAR FOR C.O.C.O. AND INCREASED OVARIAN CANCER AWARENESS*