

# Konnnect to Komen

*A monthly e-newsletter for Komen OC Volunteers!*



## VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT: Meet Sally Molnar

Sally Molnar must have pink blood. She is a long-time Komen for the Cure volunteer in Orange County who continues to give her time and expertise to our Affiliate. As the long-time treasurer of the Race for the Cure, she showed up this year despite a bout with salmonella that put her in the hospital in early September. Volunteering for Komen is what she does.



Besides her duties as Race treasurer, Sally is also Public Policy Chair in Orange County for the second year. She has been a long-time champion advocating support for women facing breast cancer, traveling to Sacramento and Washington D.C. in recent years as part of Lobby Day. The California Collaborative – the collective effort of all seven Komen affiliates in the state – was honored by Komen national for their successful campaign to have the *Every Women Counts* program reinstated by the state in 2010. *Every Woman Counts* provides breast cancer screening services to low income California women age 40 and over. The team was honored with the *State Policy Campaign of the Year Award* from our National Affiliate. Sally was instrumental in the early Komen years in Orange County, helping to set up in 1996 what is now the *Komen Fund for Breast Health*. The Fund is a safety net for women. It has paid for breast cancer diagnostic and treatment services not covered by state or federal funding sources for hundreds of underinsured or uninsured women. The fund is doing a lot of good work. Because Sally has done so many different volunteer jobs for Komen over the years – the Board of Directors, Speakers Bureau, the Spring Luncheon and Breast Health Symposium committee and done them so well, she has also



HO HO HO  
We wish you a merry

A HAPPY  
NEW YEAR

Christmas and a Happy New Year!



However you celebrate, we wish you good health and joy for the season.

## Shop Komen OC!

### You asked! We listened!

Did you know that we now have some beautiful running ribbon branded Komen items for sale at our office?

Come on in and see what items you might want for gifts or yourself!



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Wishing all of our special Komen OC volunteers whose birthdays are in *December* all the best in the coming year.



## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

**SAVE THESE DATES!**

- ◆ New & returning Volunteer Orientation  
Wednesday January 25th 5:30-7pm
- ◆ Speakers Bureau Training  
Wednesday February 8th 5:30-7pm
- ◆ Pink Tie Ball April 21, 2012 Laguna Festival of the Arts

*Check our website for other upcoming volunteer opportunities!*

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## **VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT: Meet Sally Molnar (continued)**

been recognized with several Komen awards. Sally was the Outstanding Breast Health Advocate in 2009, the Komen Warrior in 2007 and Volunteer of the Year in 2003, to name a few. In her spare time, she is captain of the Komen Cures Team for Race for the Cure, which raised \$21,510 in 2011.

Thank you Sally, for your tireless work for Komen Orange County.

If you'd like to support Public Policy, go to [www.komen.org](http://www.komen.org) and check out the Advocacy Alliance.

## **CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2012 GRANTEES:**

The Orange County Affiliate of Susan G. Komen for the Cure® awarded a total of \$1,513,463 in grants; there are 15 local nonprofit organizations participating in one or both of the grant programs listed below. These grant programs are possible as a result of funds donated to the Komen Orange County Affiliate to ensure life-saving breast health care services are accessible to all women in our community regardless of their age, race, language, sexual orientation or income level.

### **COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM**

A total of \$1,114,046 was awarded to local nonprofit community organizations to implement innovative, culturally appropriate, and comprehensive breast health initiatives and programs throughout Orange County.

#### **AltaMed Health Services**

Breast Cancer Early Detection and Care Program

#### **Asian American Senior Citizens Service Center**

Breast Cancer Awareness and Prevention Program (BCAPP) to Uninsured Chinese American Women

#### **Breast Cancer Solutions**

Enabling Access: Medical and Financial Aid Program

#### **Breast Cancer Solutions**

Latina Breast Health Support Program Specialist

#### **Hurtt Family Health Clinic**

Access to Care and Treatment (ACT) Now Project

#### **Laguna Beach Community Clinic**

LBCC's Breast Care Commitment Program

#### **Latino Health Access**

Salud de Seno/Breast Health Program

#### **Nhan Hoa Comprehensive Health Care Clinic**

Breast Health Services for Low-Income/Uninsured Young Women

#### **Pacific Islander Health Partnership**

Pacific Islander Navigator Breast Health Project

#### **Planned Parenthood of Orange and San Bernardino Counties**

Breast Health Project

#### **Serve the People Community Health Center**

Women's Wellness Clinic

#### **Share Our Selves**

Women's Health Initiative

#### **The G.R.E.E.N. Foundation**

Act NOW: Be Self Empowered Breast Health

#### **Vietnamese American Cancer Foundation**

Breast Health Navigation and Education Program

#### **YWCA North of Orange County**

Early Breast Cancer Screening and Education Program

### **KOMEN FUND FOR BREAST HEALTH CARE GRANTS PROGRAM**

A total of \$399,417 was awarded to these nonprofit community clinics and organizations so that Orange County residents who do not qualify for any other state or federal programs can have access to life-saving, quality and timely diagnostic breast care services.

#### **AltaMed Health Services**

Chao Family Comprehensive Cancer Center; University of California, Irvine

Hurtt Family Health Clinic

Nhan Hoa Comprehensive Health Care Clinic

Planned Parenthood of Orange and San Bernardino Counties

Serve the People Community Health Center

Share Our Selves

"These grants and the dollars to fund them are made possible because *so many volunteers help Komen to keep costs low* and to spend maximum dollars on mission. Komen volunteers should know where the money goes in the community to fight breast cancer. Thank you for your time, talents and efforts to work towards the Komen vision: A world without breast cancer."