



Sunday, June 7
Milan's Miracle Run
 5K Run/3K Walk/Kids' Fun Run
 Superhero/Princess Themed Run
 Mutt Strut, Silent Auction,
 Police Academy Heroes
 10 am
 Millennium Park
 Walker, MI



Friday, May 29
Trail Point Charity
Golf Outing
 9:00 am Shotgun Start
 Pigeon Creek
 Golf Course



Saturday, May 11
Strike Out Cancer
 Baseball Tourney
 9:30 a.m.
 3835 Baldwin St.
 Hudsonville



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First off I just want to say a heartfelt thank you for all your Love & Support you have given me over the past 9 years! I truly believe that I could not have survived the overwhelming grief that I endured after Milan passed away without your gift!

We have made some tremendous headway with precision medicine and immunotherapy that has led to vital new insights, as well as the development and testing of new therapies, which will improve the outcomes for children with a DIPG!

As you recall when Milan was diagnosed the end of 2006 there was nothing being done.....it's been a long and hopeful 13 years but with that pinky promise to Milan I'm truly proud to say this journey that you have so kindly supported me on has now provided new families with a child diagnosed with this vicious pediatric cancer a tremendous amount of hope!!!!

This could not have been achieved without YOU!!

We are continuing to focus on finding a cure!! I'm committed to NEVER GIVE UP and I believe that along with your continued support we will undoubtedly make that happen sooner than later!!!

"Help us in our fight for the kids, winning the battle against pediatric cancer.....help us remember the ones we lost"
 ~~~Philip Capobianco

Let's find a cure together!

BIG HUGS!

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 Milan's Mom  
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Dear Friends,  
We are continuing to look forward to more and more progress against the devastating brain tumors that threaten so

many of our precious children. In association with the Children's Oncology Group (COG), we have opened four new protocols using precision medicine and targeted drugs for several brain tumors including high grade gliomas. With the addition of our newest partner, Dr. Rebecca Loret de Mola, we are anticipating significant expansion in our program under her leadership. Becca did extra training in neuro-oncology at Lurie Children's in Chicago, and for the last several years, headed up the Brain Tumor program at Doernbacher Children's Hospital in Portland, Oregon, before we were able to recruit her here to HDVCH! These promising advances would not be possible without the environment of excellence, innovation and expertise inspired and empowered by the generous donors and loyal supporters of Milan's Miracle Fund! We are so deeply grateful to each and every one of you! We look forward to keeping you up to date! With much gratitude and admiration,

Jim Fahner, MD

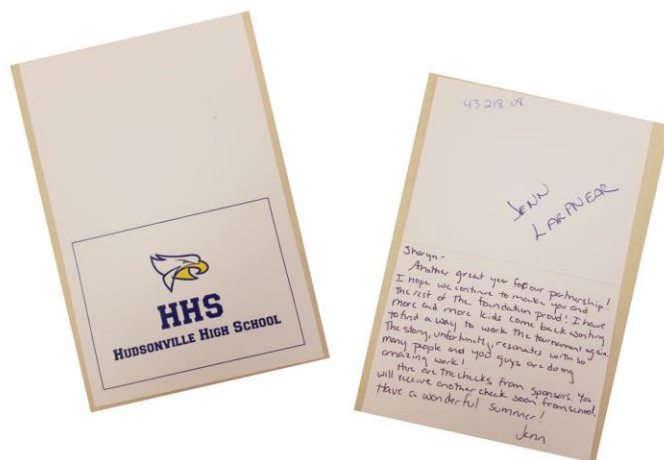
**Strike Out Cancer**  
Has supported Milan's Miracle Fund since 2014; raising awareness and funds for pediatric cancer research and clinical trials.

Thomas Sikkema organized the baseball/softball tournament after he beat brain cancer as a Junior in high school. Thomas won his fight and came back to play in the tournament his Senior year. He has been a faithful supporter ever since.

We want to throw out a big  
**THANK YOU**  
to Thomas and Hudsonville High School!



## Thanks From a Partner



## Fund Stats

**\$78,000** raised by Milan's Miracle Fund in 2019

Over **5,000** runners/walkers in our 9 years

**\$601,940** dollars raised to fight pediatric cancer over the life of the fund!



**Aren't able to attend the event? There are other ways to support Milan's Miracle Fund (MMF):**

Register as a virtual runner/walker and participate from any location. Visit: [Runsignup.com/milans](https://runsignup.com/milans)

Set up a page and fundraise!  
Visit: [2020mmf.everydayhero.do](https://2020mmf.everydayhero.do)

Volunteer at the event.

Shop on [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com) for MMF and 0.05% of qualifying items will be donated.

In lieu of wedding favors or birthday gifts, make a donation.

## Fundraise Your Way

Did you know that you can fundraise with a few of taps on your telephone or computer? Everyday Hero is available to help you do just that. It's as simple as setting up a custom fundraising page, sending emails out to family and friends and using social media to spread the word.

### What is Everyday Hero?

Everyday Hero is a peer-to-peer fundraising platform where individuals make use of their peers and social media to raise money for a cause they care about.

### How do I get started?

Visit [2020mmf.everydayhero.do](https://2020mmf.everydayhero.do) and sign up to create a page. A toolkit will be emailed to you sharing ideas on how to promote your page and sample emails to help you along the way.

For more information, please contact Laurie Alighire at 616.391.9125.

The support from Milan's Miracle Fund has allowed us to reach even more children this year. As we expand to providing tumor genomic information clinically to more patients, this allows more targeted and less toxic therapy to be offered to children with cancer.

The research on DIPG and other cancers within our research lab has created new options for children through the creation of new trials. Specifically this year, we are incredibly excited to embark upon a landmark study with your support. For the first time precision medicine will be available to children with DIPG and Neuroblastoma through a combination approach using both genomic sequencing to identify drugs specific for a patient's tumor as well as using targeted immunotherapy with the patient's own immune system fighting their tumor. We expect this trial to launch in summer 2020.

Thank you all for your commitment to Milan's Miracle Fund who have helped us advance research and provide hope for many families.

Gratefully,

Giselle Sholler, MD

