

Lasting gift to the community she loved

“She felt the community was good to her and her family and she wanted to give back,” said Ron Felger. “She just loved Fort Wayne and wanted to help.”

Ron was a longtime friend as well as the attorney for Dianne Koch, a local businesswoman who devoted her life to making a brighter future for others and helping her community.

Earlier this year, he had the honor of delivering her final gift to her beloved community when he visited several local non-profits, including Cancer Services of Northeast Indiana, and presented substantial donations from Dianne's estate.

Her wish was to help her community.

Dianne, who died in 2016, left a bequest to Cancer Services in her will. Her gift will help thousands of people who are impacted by cancer access needed resources for many years to come.

Ron remembered meeting with Dianne about her final gift to the community she loved so much. “She wanted to get it all down in black and white. She wanted to make sure her wishes were fulfilled. Her wish was to help her community.”

For nearly 20 years Dianne taught English and Television Production at Snider High School. She changed the lives of all her students with more than one going into the broadcasting profession because of her. She was the “favorite teacher” of countless students.

Then she made it her business to keep people safe in their homes. She worked side-by-side with her beloved husband, Steven, at Certified Burglar & Fire Alarm Systems, until she lost him to lung cancer in 2012.

“Cancer Services provided help when it was needed and that stuck with her,” Ron said. “She wanted to make sure the resources would be there for others.”

Dianne's planning and generosity mean that her contributions to the community she loved so much will continue long into the future.

If you are interested in learning more about making a planned gift to Cancer Services, please contact Director of Donor Impact, Katherine Mac Aulay, at 484-9560.



Dianne Koch

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Holiday Closures



Cancer Services will be closed on the following dates:

Christmas - December 24 & 27, 2021
New Year's Eve – December 31, 2021
Martin Luther King Day – January 17, 2022

Happy Holidays!

Join our community!

All programs are free, open to the public and held at Cancer Services' Healing Arts Center, unless otherwise stated. Please call (260)484-9560 or toll free at 866-484-9560 or email Ann Hathaway at ahathaway@cancer-services.org for more information or to make reservations.

JANUARY

Create a sustainable and nourishing diet

Presented by Sue Delagrang, MS, RDN, LD
A healthy, long-term diet should not only be nutritious but also adaptable, meaning you can follow it for life.

In Person at Cancer Services Healing Arts Center:

Monday, January 10, 2022 • 1:00 – 2:30 p.m.

Thursday, January 27, 2022 • 11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Virtual Presentations:

Friday, January 7, 2022 • 1:00 – 2:30 p.m.

Wednesday, January 19, 2022 • 11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Monday, January 31, 2022 • 1:00 – 2:30 p.m.

Real Talk on Cancer Support Group

Meets the third Wednesday of every month from 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Facilitated by Chariee Reason, MSW

This is general cancers support group.

Location: The Impact Center located at
3420 E. Paulding Rd., Fort Wayne, IN 46816

Major and Trace Vitamins

Monday, January 10, 2022 • 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.

Presented by Keyonia Cox, BS, CDM, CFPP Learn the difference and importance between major and trace vitamins.

Location: The Impact Center located at
3420 E. Paulding Rd., Fort Wayne, IN 46816

FEBRUARY

2022 Spiritual Forest Therapy Walk Dates

Facilitated by Christy Knecht, CFTG, Director of Wild Communion

Friday, February 18, 2022 • 1:00 – 3:30 p.m.

(Back up date March 18, 2022)

Metea County Park, 8401 Union Chapel Rd., Fort Wayne, IN 46845

What is Restorative Yoga?

Tuesday, February 22, 2022 11:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Facilitated by Dani Wasson, PranaYOGA Founder, Ayurveda Wellness Counselor, Yoga Therapist

Learn how to unwind stress in our restorative yoga class that includes supported relaxation postures, gentle movement and breathwork. Dani will explain restorative yoga, demonstrate a few practice exercises with participants and answer questions.

Welcome – Natalie Spain



Cancer Services of Northeast Indiana is pleased to welcome Natalie Spain as the new event and marketing coordinator. Natalie previously worked in advertising and sales for the Post & Mail, organizing several events to promote downtown Columbia City and earned her bachelor's degree in Marketing from Indiana Tech.

Natalie shared, "I appreciate working with an organization that makes an impact on people in our community,"

Natalie can be reached at 484-9560 or nspain@cancer-services.org. Please call or email her if you are interested in upcoming events.

SAVE THE DATES

Eyes Wide Open: Self-Portrait Connection



Facilitated by Mary Hilger

Wednesdays, March 16, 23 & 30, 2022

10:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m.

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Special Thank You!

For more than 40 years the students at North Side High School have brightened the holidays for local families dealing with cancer by holding a Holiday Party. Cancer Services of Northeast Indiana is grateful to the students who plan this amazing event and the faculty who guide them (and act as Santa's helpers).



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We hope to see even more volunteers join us in 2022. If you would like to learn more about the ways you can help, please call Haley Strickler at 260-484-9560 for more information.

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