A quick Google search for “camps” brings up pages and pages of information. There are day camps and overnight camps. Adventure and art, sports and technology camps. Tour and travel, outdoor, wilderness, drama and theater camps. They all promise great experiences, amazing adventures, camaraderie and lasting friendships.

Each camp seems to offer something unique, and yet there are many similarities. You can hike, swim, enjoy arts and crafts, fish, zip-line, make and renew friendships. There is almost always a campfire, usually with a sing-along and s’mores. What is harder to find is a camp that provides all of these things and have them adaptable to the needs and abilities of survivors of brain injury.

You can stop your search now. The Donald Danforth Jr. Wilderness Camp is the answer to your search. It is right here in Missouri and sponsored by the Brain Injury Association of Missouri (BIA-MO).

This BIA-MO week-long outdoor Camp provides fun, independence and adventure for survivors of brain injury, while family caregivers receive a week of respite. This year’s camp is May 27 - June 1 at Sunnyhill Adventure Camp in Dittmer.

Traditional camp activities include swimming, arts and crafts, campfires, sports, fishing, karaoke and dancing. Campers are encouraged to test their sense of adventure on challenges like the zip-line, paddle boats, organized nature walks, archery, and an Alpine Tower. All of these activities are adapted to the abilities of each Camper.

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MAUREEN’S MESSAGE

People often ask me, “How is my year-end gift used?” “What happens with my Membership donation?” “What about Bowling for Brain Injury Sponsorship or team fundraising? Or “Who benefits from my Sponsor-a-Camper donation?” The simple answer: “It is used to make a difference every day!”

That difference may be to tell survivors of brain injury and families about the support groups, Survivor & Family Seminars, Donald Danforth Jr. Wilderness Camp or other BIA-MO programs for support, education or recreation.

So far in 2018, your donations have made a difference for more than 75 individuals who contacted the Brain Injury Association of Missouri (BIA-MO) for the first time. This means that an additional 75 survivors and family members now have help and hope as they face challenges of life with brain injury.

That is 75 survivors and family members, in addition to the hundreds who already participate in BIA-MO programs, who find answers and know they are not alone.

Your donations also help persons with brain injury when their professional caregivers are educated in best-practice care through our Annual Statewide Conference or are more aware of resources through the BIA-MO Networking Coffees for Professionals.

Raising awareness about brain injury, its impact on life, and the prevention of brain injuries are all supported through your donations to BIA-MO.

The more family, friends, neighbors, co-workers, elected officials and the general public are aware of the impact on lives from brain injury, the more compassion and assistance there will be for the independence, well-being and quality of life for persons with brain injury.

Your donations to the Brain Injury Association of Missouri - whether through Membership, event participation, tribute gift or “just because” - all gifts make a difference for individuals and families facing their new lives with brain injury. Thank you for your generous support.

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The Good

The FY19 Missouri State Budget version passed by the House of Representatives includes more than $750,000 for a Brain Injury Waiver.

The Brain Injury Waiver would provide rehabilitation and transitional services for individuals, 21 to 64 years of age, who sustain a traumatic brain injury (TBI).

The Brain Injury Waiver would complement the Missouri DHSS Adult Brain Injury Program by providing rehabilitation and support services earlier in the recovery process for individuals who qualify for the Waiver. As of January 2018, there were 90 individuals waiting an average of 250 days for Adult Brain Injury Program Services. Basically, the Brain Injury Waiver will provide access to services earlier for persons with brain injury.

The inclusion of funding for the Brain Injury Waiver has been in the Budget sent to the Governor for the past three years. But each year the revenue was withheld or the funding source bill was vetoed. We will continue working for the implementation of a Brain Injury Waiver by sharing the importance of this funding with elected officials.

The Bad

Safety-related bills are stalled in the Missouri legislative process.

Senate Bill (SB) 903 expands clarification of distracted driving to reduce risks of death, brain injuries and property damage from motor vehicle crashes. SB903 was voted “do pass” by the Senate Transportation Committee in February 2018 but it is not currently scheduled for discussion and vote by the full Senate.

The Ugly

The Senate Transportation Committee and House General Laws Committee voted “do pass” bills that could:

• increase fatalities by 38 percent
• increase brain injuries by 69 percent
• cost the State of Missouri an estimated 2.5 million dollars

We are talking about bills to repeal the Missouri all-rider motorcycle helmet law.

SB556 and HB2158 would only require the wearing of motorcycle helmets for riders ages 16 and 17. This limited requirement of helmet use ignores the fact that in Missouri motorcyclists between the ages of 41 and 55 account for more than 33 percent of motorcycle crash deaths and 34 percent of injuries, including brain injury, for the riders.

The provision in SB556 and HB2158 for the motorcycle driver to have medical insurance does not take into account the fact that brain injury is often a life-long disability. Medical and rehabilitation costs can often exceed the $1 million dollar required medical coverage. When insurance premiums are no longer affordable, the person must rely on government services that are limited and costs covered by taxpayers.

Make My Day – Contact Your Senator and Representative

It only takes hearing from 10 people for an elected official to recognize the importance of an issue. Please contact your State Senator and Representative today to share your personal or professional story about brain injury and its impact on life.

To have an impact, contact your State Senator and Representative with the following requests:

• Brain Injury Waiver – Support funding for the Brain Injury Waiver as in the House Budget Bill (HB 2014) of $266,836 General Revenue (0101) and $500,000 from the DHSS Fund (0143).
• Distracting and No Texting While Driving bills – Vote YES on SB903 to make the roads safer for all of us.
• Motorcycle Helmet Repeal bills – Vote NO on SB556 and HB2158 or any legislation that repeals or weakens the Missouri all-rider motorcycle helmet law. Save lives, prevent brain injuries and save Missouri tax dollars. Action is needed now – The Senate and House of Representatives will be discussing SB556 and HB2158 sometime soon.

For your Senator and Representative contact information, visit the Missouri General Assembly website at www.moga.mo.gov and select the “Member LookUp” option. You can also contact Courtney Stevens, BIA-MO Office Administrator, at Courtney@biamo.org or 1-800-444-6443.
ADVENTURE CAMP FOR SURVIVORS
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Sunnyhill is accredited by the American Camp Association as a Special Needs Camp and the facilities and activities are accessible to survivors of high independence, individuals who use a wheelchair, as well as Campers needing assistance for daily living. The air-conditioned sleeping cabins are fully accessible.

The actual cost is $550 per Camper. Through generous Sponsorships and grants, BIA-MO is able to provide the week of Camp for $390 for Missouri Residents and $475 for Non-Missouri Residents. Transportation is available from Kansas City, St. Joseph, Columbia and St. Louis areas for a small fee.

For questions or more information, contact BIA-MO at 800-444-6443, camp@biamo.org, or visit our website at www.biamo.org. The registration paperwork is due by May 11, 2018.

SPONSOR-A-CAMPER

When we Googled the word “generous” the definition vividly described our many “Sponsor-a-Camper” supporters. Throughout the years your generosity has helped campers move out of their comfort zone, attempt and succeed at new activities, and conquer challenges. You also provide opportunities for survivors to make lasting friendships and memories with individuals who share similar day-to-day limitations as well as celebrate accomplishments in their lives with brain injury.

The actual contracted fee for the BIA-MO weeklong adventure Camp is $550. Through your generous support this Camp is offered for $390 to Missouri residents. However, that is still more than about 40 percent of Campers can afford. Your help is needed for scholarships to allow Campers who need a little help to be able to attend Camp.

To help a Camper enjoy the week at the BIA-MO Donald Danforth Jr. Wilderness Camp, and provide time of respite for their caregivers, please make your Sponsor-a-Camper donation today at www.biamo.org, 800-444-6443 or camp@biamo.org.

MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

You could probably ask almost anyone what matters most to them and the answers would be the same. Family. Friends. Being happy. Helping others is important to many people, and others want to feel like there is a brighter future ahead.

These things probably matter to you, too. They certainly are important to survivors of brain injury and their families. What matters to all of us – to you, to survivors of brain injury, families, professionals, and the community - is within reach through the Brain Injury Association of Missouri (BIA-MO).

Your Membership matters. It provides support, education, recreation and advocacy. Your Membership helps individuals living with brain injury and those working to make their lives better. Your Membership matters in many ways and to many people.

Your Membership matters to you, too. Your Membership benefits include Brain Injury Association of America The Challenge quarterly magazine; discount Registration Fee to the BIA-MO Annual Statewide Professional Conference; and subscription to The Journal of Head Trauma Rehabilitation for Professional and Corporate/Organization Memberships.

Make your Membership matter today. Return the form on page 7 of this newsletter to BIA-MO, 2265 Schuetz Rd, St. Louis, MO 63146. Or make your Membership gift online at www.biamo.org. You can also call the BIA-MO office at 314-426-4024 or 800-444-6443 to make your Membership gift.

Membership matters. Be part of the Voice of Brain Injury. Be part of the shared goal of well-being and happiness for persons with brain injury by BIA-MO Members, donors, individuals we serve, and the community. Make your Membership matter today.
IN MY OWN WORDS

By Mike Bigogno

I am beyond a walking miracle and I want to help as much as I can with brain injuries.

I sustained a traumatic brain injury with a subdural hematoma from a skateboarding accident. I survived with 90 percent of the odds against me. Only 10 percent of people who have a TBI subdural hematoma survive. Even when they do survive, they face many problems for the rest of their lives.

Yes, I face problems that include seizures, anger, etc. However, I am a person who will not be denied or told what I can or cannot accomplish.

After my injury and long road of recovery, I was told that I shouldn’t become a PE Teacher and that I shouldn’t do an Ironman Triathlon. I simply let the naysayers be naysayers and went out there to get what I have always wanted. Today I am a PE/Health Teacher. I completed my first Ironman Triathlon on July 23, 2017 – and I won.

I want to be an inspiration to others, to increase awareness about brain injuries, and to raise money for the Brain Injury Association of Missouri through the Mike Bigogno Foundation. I plan to compete in one to two Ironman Triathons per year to do just that!

Please remember that it doesn’t matter how hard you hit. It matters how hard you get hit and keep moving forward, period!

On Thursday, May 2, 2018 the St. Louis community will show its generosity.

The Brain Injury Association of Missouri will be participating in this 24-hour day of giving, Give STL Day, sponsored by the St. Louis Community Foundation.

Your donation can be doubled! A generous donor has offered to match contributions to BIA-MO, up to $50 each. With your support, and the matching gift, we will reach our goal of $3,000.

Mark your calendar for May 2 for Give STL Day. Or you may preschedule your gift between April 9 – May 1 by visiting www.givestlday.org

SAVE THE DATES...

For Sponsorship and registration information regarding these upcoming programs and events, visit www.biamo.org, email info@biamo.org, or call BIA-MO Office at 800-444-6443 or 314-426-4024.

BOWLING FOR BRAIN INJURY

Fundraising event to raise awareness about brain injury and support services of the Brain Injury Association of Missouri.

Saturday, June 16 from 12:00 noon – 2:00 pm

St. Louis – Brunswick Zone Chesterfield, 176 Four Seasons Shopping Center, Chesterfield, MO 63017
Springfield – Enterprise Park Lanes, 1625 South Enterprise Avenue, Springfield, MO 65804

DONALD DANFORTH JR. WILDERNESS CAMP

Week-long organized outdoor experience for persons with brain injury who are currently age 18 or older. Activities include swimming, ziplining, Alpine Tower climbing, talent show, arts & crafts and more. Registration required by May 11, 2018 and can be obtained by calling BIA-MO at 800-444-6443.

Sunday, May 27 – Friday, June 1, 2018
Sunnyhill Adventure Camp, Dittmer Missouri

NETWORKING COFFEE FOR PROFESSIONALS

Professionals in fields of direct and support services for persons with brain injury increase or refresh knowledge about resources by sharing information with other professionals.

St. Louis – 8:30 am – 10:00 am at the BIA-MO Office, 2265 Schuetz Road, St. Louis, MO 63146
• June 5, 2018 • September 4, 2018 • December 4, 2018
Springfield – 8:30 am – 10:00 am at Preferred Family Healthcare, 2626 W College, Springfield, MO 65802
• May 17, 2018 • August 16, 2018 • November 15, 2018

ANNUAL STATEWIDE CONFERENCE 2018

Professional development opportunity for medical, rehabilitation, vocational, community support, independent living and other professionals providing care for persons with brain injury on a full-time, part-time or periodic basis.

Thursday, October 4 and Friday, October 5
Marriott St. Louis West
Sponsorship, registration and information available soon.

SURVIVOR & FAMILY SEMINAR – EASTERN MISSOURI ANNUAL AWARDS LUNCHEON & ANNUAL MEETING

Practical suggestions of life with brain injury for survivors and their families. We will also recognize accomplishments of a few individuals who exemplify the Mission and goals of BIA-MO.

Saturday, October 6 at 11:30 am – 1:00 pm
Marriott St. Louis West

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EVERY YEAR IS BETTER - SPORTS CONCUSSION SEMINARS

That probably wasn’t a gust of wind you heard coming from the Brain Injury Association of Missouri (BIA-MO) office. It was more likely a huge sigh of relief! What took a year of planning was over in just two weeks and in five different locations across Missouri. “YES!” The 2018 BIA-MO Sports Concussions: Facts, Fallacies and New Frontiers Seminars were a success. Congratulations and “Thank You!” to all who made it possible – volunteers, presenters, sponsors, vendors, staff and the participants.

The BIA-MO Sports Concussions: Facts, Fallacies and New Frontiers Seminars were held in St. Louis, Columbia, Cape Girardeau, Springfield and Kansas City between January 26 and February 12, 2018. Nearly 900 coaches, athletic directors, league managers, licensed athletic trainers, game officials, school nurses, physicians, and administrators attended the Seminars. They represented recreational, community and traveling teams as well as elementary, middle and high schools.

The goal of these Seminars is to help reduce the risk of potential long-term cognitive, physical, sensory and emotional effects that can occur following a concussion. Seminar presenters at this annual educational program are national and local concussion experts, athletic and school representatives, and athletes.

The 2018 Keynote Session of “Changing Your Concussion Culture in Sports” presented by St. Louis University Billiken Sport Psychological Sciences and Consultation Lab was a powerful and important message. Changing the culture – changing the way we think about concussions – and proper concussion care may permit youth to continue playing sports in the future. Hundreds of thousands youth have been influenced by their coach or school officials attending one of the BIA-MO Sports Concussions: Facts, Fallacies and New Frontiers seminars. For next year’s Seminar, contact concussions@biamo.org.

HONORARIUM AND MEMORIAL GIFTS

(January 1 – March 31, 2018)

IN HONOR OF

Mike Bigogno – Iron Man Competitions
Barb, Dani and James Bigogno
Adam Blum
Dylan Harris
Vince Capriano
Gwen Brown
Maureen Cunningham – BIAA Award
Cheryl Price
Beth Dauber – appreciation of service
Ralph Klink
Sarah Davis – appreciation of service
Ralph Klink
David Dyck – BIAA Award
Cheryl Price
Teddy Jayne
Patti and Tom Jayne
Beth Mintner – Birthday
Chandler and George Dortch III
Deb Turley – appreciation of service
Ralph Klink

IN MEMORY OF

Andrew Carr
Kevin Brown
Keith Krebeck
Cheryl and Mark Melville
Maureen Pollitt
Amanda Russell
Braeden Sconce
Penny Felkner
Winston Winter
Robyn Mergen
Beverly Rubenstein
Sharon Weinberg
HOW TO CONTACT US

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I WILL MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

Please use this form to make a difference or request more information.

BIA-MO Membership
My annual Membership is a
☐ New Membership ☐ Renewed Membership
☐ Points of Light ($500 or more)
☐ Corporate Membership ($500 or more)
  with link from BIA-MO
  Website address for link: _____________________
☐ Corporate/Organization ($200 or more) without link

Donald Danforth Jr. Wilderness Camp
☐ Send me a Camp Packet
Sponsor-A-Camper
☐ Full Scholarship ($390) ☐ Partial Scholarship ($____)
☐ Walk-Float-Swim Sponsorship $_______

Bowling For Brain Injury
☐ Sponsorship
  ☐ $10,000 Trophy ☐ $5,000 Perfect Game
  ☐ $2,500 Kingpin ☐ $1,500 Strike
  ☐ $750 Spare ☐ $500 Lane
☐ Team Name: ___________________________

Sports Concussion: Facts Fallacies, and New Frontiers
☐ Add me to the outreach list so I may register in 2019

Networking Coffee for Professionals
Send me information for:
☐ St. Louis ☐ Springfield

Advocacy
☐ Add me to the Advocacy Alert email list.

General Donation $_______

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Donation Payment, if applicable: Check payable to Brain Injury Association of Missouri or credit card.
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Exp Date ______ V-Code (on back) _______
Cardholder billing address (if different than above)
  ___________________________ Zip Code _____________

Mail to BIA-MO, 2265 Schuetz Road, St. Louis, MO 63146-3409, make your donation or request more information online at www.biamo.org or fax this completed form to 314-426-3290.
#CHANGEYOURMIND – BRAIN INJURY, BOWLING AND FUNDRAISING
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Bowling for Brain Injury is a mission-focused fundraising event. As a Team Captain, Event Sponsor, Bowler, or Donor to your favorite bowler, you can help raise awareness about brain injury, the needs of survivors, and BIA-MO services.

Please join us on June 16 for two hours of bowling that will make a lifetime of impact. All money raised helps local survivors and families. Log onto www.BowlingforBrainInjury.org and select your city – St. Louis or Springfield - even as an Absentee Bowler. Select Register and follow the prompts.

Signing up takes about 10 minutes. If help is needed, contact Courtney Stevens with the Brain Injury Association of Missouri at 314-426-4024, 800-444-6443 or Bowling@biamo.org.

Teams are registering now. Fundraising is starting to add up. The only thing that is missing is YOU! #ChangeYourMind and join us for Bowling for Brain Injury on June 16, 2018.
Support
Primary success of BIA-MO within our Support services is our Support Groups. These groups throughout Missouri continue to be the life-line of support for many survivors and families as they connect with others who have been impacted by brain injury. They know they are not alone and are learning from each other. More than 1,200 individuals impacted by brain injury participated in BIA-MO support groups where they shared comfort, challenges experienced and lessons-learned with other family and friends throughout the State.

Another success of BIA-MO Support programs is our Information & Referral Service. Calls and searches for information regarding brain injury and referrals to community resources continue to increase as we helped more than 1,000 individuals find answers. An unknown number of individuals found answers through our printed material.

Advocacy
Our Advocacy efforts make a difference by focusing on long-term “systems” approach for the prevention of brain injury and access to services for survivors.

Specifically, in 2017 we were active with the maintaining of the Missouri All-Rider Motorcycle Helmet Law and securing $500,000 of revenue for the Brain Injury Waiver.

Unfortunately, the $500,000 revenue was vetoed out of the Missouri State Budget. Advocacy continues for this important mechanism for access to services for survivors.

Recreation
The BIA-MO Donald Danforth Jr. Wilderness Camp provides a week of fun, adventure and independence for close to 70 survivors of brain injury. Many Campers attend year after year. This Camp has been making a difference for more than 30 years. The fun, relaxation and independence for survivors and respite for family members have been so valuable every year.

Social activities that are held throughout the State also made a difference for approximately 700 survivors of brain injury and family members in 2017.

Education and Prevention
The BIA-MO Annual Statewide Professional Conference continues to make a difference as a highlight of our Education programs. Attendance in 2017 increased to 180 professionals of various disciplines who provide trauma care, rehabilitation, community support, independent living, mental health and other services for survivors of brain injury and their families.

The Survivor and Family Seminars also made a difference for over 400 individuals who attended one of these Seminars held in Southwest, Western and Eastern Missouri. The same topics were offered at each Seminar.

Over 700 coaches, licensed athletic trainers, athletic program directors, school nurses and administrators attended a BIA-MO Sports Concussions: Facts, Fallacies, and New Frontiers Seminar in 2017. They learned about the difference they can make to reduce the risks of concussions for youth.

These differences made were only possible through the generous support and partnership from individuals, corporations, foundation, community organizations and government services. Thank you for making a difference through help, hope and healing for survivors of brain injury and their families.
Organization and Administration Overview

The Brain Injury Association of Missouri has an all-volunteer Board of Directors that has overall accountability for the organization. Our Board is comprised of survivors of brain injury, family members, professionals in the field of brain injury, business professionals and community volunteers.

Three paid staff members work with more than 300 volunteers involved in the fundraising, program implementation, community education and advocacy efforts of BIA-MO.

Each year, 92 percent of every dollar donated to the Brain Injury Association of Missouri goes directly to support services for persons with brain injury, family members, professionals who provide care and the community. Only eight percent is spent on administration and fundraising, which is much lower than the national average of 25 percent.

Financial Status 2017 (unaudited)

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BIA-MO ANNUAL AWARDS 2017

The dedication and efforts of many individuals make a difference for the brain injury community. Each year the Brain Injury Association of Missouri (BIA-MO) is proud to honor a few special individuals at our Annual Awards Luncheon.

**Courage Award**
Mike Bigogno
Stan Cross
Dollie Eaton
Nathan Franklin
Zach Frith
Don Hatfield
John Patterson

**Bill Buell Memorial Award**
Becky Johnson
Loretta Sparks

**Points of Light Award**
Curtis Jones, MSW, LCSW
Kristy Friedrich

**Legislator of the Year**
Senator Dave Schatz
Senator Jill Schupp

**Volunteer of the Year – Youth**
Conner Cox

**SSM Rehabilitation Network Educational Scholarship 2017**
Centilus Buchanan
Alise Houston

**Jim and Lori Winter Educational Scholarship**
Amy Hartley

**Lifetime Achievement Award**
Andrea Buening

Andrea Buening has lived with brain injury for 20 years and has courageously overcome many challenges. She is always willing to educate others about brain injury and to share her compassion, sincerity, wealth of information about resources, and depth of knowledge with survivors and their families, elected officials, professionals, and the general public. She has served on many BIA-MO committees and given countless presentations to various groups. Andrea truly is a lifetime achiever!
DONOR RECOGNITION

Thank you to all of the individuals, organizations, corporations and foundations who contributed to the Brain Injury Association of Missouri in 2017. Your generosity made it possible to provide services for survivors of brain injury, their families and professionals throughout the state of Missouri. Each gift and sponsorship makes a difference.

BIA-MO 13th Annual Statewide Conference
The only Conference in Missouri to specifically address issues related to brain injury.

Co-Host Sponsor
Missouri Department of Health & Senior Services

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SSM Health Rehabilitation Network

Keynote Sponsors
Mercy Rehabilitation Hospital
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Sunovion Pharmaceuticals
Tim Imhoff and Rachel Dietz
TRISL - The Rehabilitation Institute of St. Louis

Break Sponsors
Maryville University, Dept. of Communication Disorders
Preferred Family Healthcare

Survivor & Family Seminars 2017
Thanks to sponsorships these regional seminars in Eastern, Southwest, and Western Missouri were free of charge for attendees.

Keynote Sponsors
Foam Supplies, Inc.
Tim O’Brien Memorial Fund,
Community Foundation of the Ozarks

Break Sponsor
Department of Health & Senior Services
The Whole Person

Sports Concussions: Facts, Fallacies, and New Frontiers
Education for team and school personnel to reduce the risk of long-term effects of concussions for youth.

Statewide Sponsors
Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services/TBI Grant
UMKC – Institute for Human Development
SSM Health Saint Louis University Hospital

Regional Program Sponsor
St. Louis Children’s Hospital – Trauma Services

Regional Lunch Sponsor
Sports Medicine Center at Children’s Mercy

Regional Break Sponsor
AbilityKC
Advanced Bone & Joint
Athletico
HCA Midwest Health
Nerium - EHT
SSM Health Cardinal Glennon – SportsCare
SSM Physical Therapy
St. Louis District Dairy Council

Bowling for Brain Injury
Special event raising awareness about brain injury and providing support for services of the Brain Injury Association of Missouri.

Lane Sponsors
Bridges of Missouri
James Feuerbacher, Merrill Lynch
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The Rehabilitation Institute of St. Louis
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Diane and Robert Trame
Joan and John Vatterott, Cedar Creek

Third Party Events

GiveSTL Day
A 24-hour giving event with local impact of about $2,400 raised for BIA-MO in May 2017.

Gordonville Grill
Proceeds from 10 Percent Tuesdays fundraiser to underwrite support group outreach, Information & Referral Services, educational programs and advocacy efforts to service survivors, family members, professionals, and the Southeast Missouri community.

Shave a Life
St. Louis resident Sean Campbell raised money to increase awareness about brain injury by shaving his head after reaching his fundraising goal.

Walk-Float-Swim
Campers of the Donald Danforth Jr. Wilderness Camp logged laps around the Camp and in the pool to raise close to $2,000 with Top Fundraisers, Vince Capriano and David Van Dyk, separated by only $1 difference.

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Ozark Neuro Rehab Center
Preferred Family Health Care (pff.org)
SSM DePaul Health Center
SSM Health Saint Joseph Hospital
SSM Health Saint Louis University Hospital (www.ssmhealth.com/sluhospital)

Payroll Deduction and Purchase Proceed donations
This convenient way for individuals to contribute raised more than $2,000 to support programs of BIA-MO. Community Health Charities (CHC)
Combined Federal Campaign (CFC)
Missouri State Employee Charitable Campaign (MSECC)
Company-based Campaign – Amazon Smiles, Benevity, Escript, Network for Good
DONOR RECOGNITION
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Points of Light Champions
Leadership gift of $5,000 or more for organization sustainability and growth
Mrs. Donald Danforth Jr.
William H. Danforth, MD
Sargent Construction Family

Points of Light Members
Annual gift of $500 or more to support all programs of BIA-MO.
Lisa and James Avery
Mrs. Melvin Bahl
Julia Barnes
Laura and Charles Barnes
Susan and Mark Bronson
Maureen and Dave Cunningham
Molly and Chris Danforth
Adele Dilschneider
Lizzie and Chris Dorr
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Kerry and Bill Holekamp
Kathy and David Hollo
Mary and Jimmy Howe
Rachel Dietz and Timothy Imhoff
Patti and Tom Jayne
Jerry Klein
Kory Kleppe
Cheryl and Keith Kowalczuk
Karen Lane
Anne and Charles Mott
Lorea and Rodney Rowe
Judy and Barry Sargent
Lauren and Fred Schwarz
Lisa and Eric Sheldon
Diane and Bob Trame
Barbara and Kurt Van Dyk
Debbie and Jack Van Ryn
Joan and John Vatterott
Kelly Westbrook

Foundation & Corporate Grants
Provide funding for specific programs or all services of BIA-MO

Donald Danforth Jr.
Wilderness Camp
Dana Brown Foundation
Employees Community Fund of Boeing St. Louis
Enterprise Holdings Foundation
Knights of Columbus – Camdenton
John Allan Love Foundation
Tim O’Brien Memorial Fund,
Community Foundation of the Ozarks
St. Louis Recreation Council

Health and Human Services – Jefferson County Residents
Jefferson Foundation

In Honor of:
All TBI Survivors
Mike Patterson
Jim Coerver
Elizabeth Coerver
Beth Dauber
Ralph Klink
Sarah Davis
Ralph Klink
Teddy Jayne
Patricia and Thomas Campbell
Patti and Thomas Jayne
Meredith Roth
Rosemary and Michael Roth
Deb Turley
Ralph Klink

In Memory of:
Carol Danforth
Marion and Van Lear Black
Karen and Kevin Brockman
Mimi and Landers Carnal
Molly and Chris Danforth
Annie, Caroline, Drew and Eloise Danforth
Mary and Robert Glarner
Mary and Jimmy Howe
Sonny and Janey Rouse, III

Earl Essman
Sue and George Orton
Jean Hansen
Bonnie and Dan Schoepke
Nancy Koenig
Barbara Sturmer
Jonathan Marsh
Sue and George Orton

LEGACY OF LIFE OPPORTUNITIES

Memorial Gifts
Inform your family of your wishes for memorial donations to the Brain Injury Association of Missouri (BIA-MO).
If possible, include the BIA-MO mailing address of 2265 Schuetz Road, St. Louis, MO 63146 and website of www.biamo.org in the obituary notice.
Pre-addressed envelopes can be available at funeral-related services, upon request.

Life Insurance Beneficiary
List the Brain Injury Association of Missouri as a beneficiary in a life insurance policy.
This planned giving option can be an affordable way to make a significant gift to BIA-MO since you decide the premium payment amount that fits into your budget. The life insurance policy can be a new or existing policy.
When the policy benefits are paid, your donation will then be received by the Brain Injury Association of Missouri. Our EIN of 43-1264556 and the address of BIA-MO, 2265 Schuetz Road, St. Louis, MO 63146 should be included in the life insurance policy beneficiary section.

Will Bequest
Include the Brain Injury Association of Missouri in your Will, as a benefactor. Your donation can be a specific dollar amount, a percentage of your estate, or the remainder of your estate.
A bequest is an excellent option to provide for your loved ones as well as make a donation to BIA-MO, since you define the distribution of your estate.
To ensure your donation to the Brain Injury Association of Missouri is allocated as intended, included the BIA-MO Employee Identification Number (EIN) of 43-1264556 and our address of 2265 Schuetz Road, St. Louis, MO 63146 in your Will.

BIA-MO MISSION
The mission of the Brain Injury Association of Missouri is to reduce the incidence of brain injury, to promote acceptance, independence and productivity of persons with brain injury and to support their families.