

Recent Changes at TBBCF

Typically it's quiet at TBBCF during the first quarter. This year, however, that was not the case. Changes in the Walk Leadership Team and TBBCF staffing made for an active quarter.

In January, with a vacancy in the Walk Chair role, past walk chairs, Lisa Carroll, Pat Newborg and Ellen Swercewski volunteered to lead the 10th Anniversary Walk. In Ellen's words, "Lisa, Pat and I are very excited and honored to co-chair our 10th Anniversary Walk." It goes without saying that this was great news for the Foundation.



Lisa Carroll



Pat Newborg



Ellen Swercewski

In February, the Board of Directors (BOD) began preparations for the recruitment of an Executive Director when TBBCF Vice President and Co-founder, Sandy Maniscalco volunteered to fill the role as Interim Executive Director through the 10th Anniversary Walk. Recruitment for a new Executive Director will begin in the summer.

Sandy stepped down from the Vice President role which resulted in the BOD having to find a replacement. Past President (2007-2009), Dr. Howie Brensilver was nominated to fill that role. BOD President (2012-2015), Patti Burmahl, volunteered to lead the BOD as President for another year.

Board elections will be held at the April meeting. The new Board of Director officers will be announced at the May 12 Annual Meeting.

There was also considerable focus first quarter on our research grant program. In addition to announcing the 2015 grant recipients, Ellen Swercewski and Dr. John LaMattina began an effort in January to place a spotlight on our past research successes. One of the outcomes from this effort was a listing of published research completed by our past grant recipients supported by TBBCF grant monies. This endeavor was undertaken by TBBCF Scientific Advisory Committee (SAC) member, Dr. Susan Logan. The Publications listing is a living document. Click [here](#) for the latest version of TBBCF Publications with acknowledgements of support from the Terri Brodeur Breast Cancer Foundation.

Finally, on March 16, TBBCF BOD and SAC members visited the 2015 grant recipients, Drs. Eugen Dhimolea and Nina Ilic at the Dana Farber Cancer Institute. Dr. Howie Brensilver, Sandy Maniscalco, Dr. Mike Morin and Pat Newborg represented TBBCF.

An April visit to Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center has been planned. TBBCF will be represented by Sandy, BOD Treasurer and Grants Administrator, Stacey Gualtieri and Drs. Michael Garabedian and Susan Logan.

