Beat the Odds

Retreat Schedule* May 26th to May 30th 2013

Sunday, May 26th

1:00 pm – 1:45 pm: Registration of patients and support persons

1:00 pm – 1:45 pm: Session for **Trainees** only

2:00 pm – 5:45 pm: Introduction, Orientation, Program overview.

Increasing joy & vitality, dealing with stress & fatigue

Understanding and Resolving Emotional Pain (Belief Work)

6:00 pm – 6:45 pm: **Dinner**

7:00 pm – 8:30 pm: Imagery in Healing: Transforming Fear into Peace of Mind

8:30 pm – 9:00 pm: Session for **Trainees** only – review of practical applications of presented concepts

Monday, May 27th

8:00 am - 8:45 am: **Breakfast**

9:00 am - 11:45 am: Healthy Hope vs. False Hopelessness.

Addressing the Spiritual/Existential Dimension of Life.

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm: **Lunch**

1:00 pm – 2:30 pm: Time for individual/family sessions and homework

2:30 pm – 5:45 pm: Meaning of Illness, Patterns of Stress, Benefits of Illness (**homework due**)

6:00 pm - 6:45 pm: **Dinner**

7:00 pm – 8:30 pm: Integrative Medicine: Vital Energy Work - Qigong

8:30 pm – 9:00 pm: Session for **Trainees** only – review of practical applications of presented concepts

Tuesday, May 28th

8:00 am - 8:45 am: **Breakfast**

9:00 am - 11:45 am: Integrating Life and Death, Resolving Fear of Death to Increase Energy for Life

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm: **Lunch**

1:45 pm – 2:15 pm: Session for **Trainees** only: Practice in presenting the basic concepts

1:00 pm – 2:30 pm: Time for individual/family sessions and homework

2:30 pm – 5:45 pm: Resolving Common Negative Emotions (fear, worry, anger, resentment, guilt)

Emotional Re-Learning, Unconditional Self-Acceptance (USA)

6:00 pm – 6:30 pm: **Dinner**

6:30 pm - 8:30 pm: Beat the Odds Alumni Gathering

7:00 pm – 8:30 pm: Integrative Medicine: Creative Expression and Play **Drumming Circle**.

8:30 pm – 9:00 pm: Session for **Trainees** only – review of practical applications of presented concepts

Wednesday, May 29th

8:00 am – 8:45 am: **Breakfast**

9:00 am - 11:45 am: Resolving Interpersonal Stress: Communication and Support (homework due)

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm: **Lunch**

1:45 pm – 2:15 pm: Session for **Trainees** only: Practice in presenting the basic concepts

1:00 pm – 2:30 pm: Time for individual/family sessions and homework

2:30 pm – 4:30 pm: Health Plan: (nutrition, play, exercise, creative thinking, purpose, social support)

4:45 pm – 5:45 pm The Science of Laughter and Play in Healing

Integrative Medicine: Laugh Your Cancer Off

6:00 pm – 6:45 pm: **Dinner**

7:00 pm – 8:30 pm: Integrative Medicine: Deep Muscle Relaxation and Imagery

Thursday, May 30th

8:00 am – 8:45 am: **Breakfast**

9:00 am - 11:45 am: Mind-Body Symptom Management (pain, fatigue, nausea, shortness of breath)

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm: **Lunch**

1:00 pm – 2:30 pm: Time for individual/family sessions and homework

2:30 pm – 5:45 pm: The Science of Beating the Odds, Integrating BTO with daily life

5:45 pm – 6:00 pm: Conclusion of the retreat

^{*}Schedule is subject to change