## May is National Lupus Awareness Month



#### May 1st Let's spread Lupus Awareness in Louisiana & Mississippi by

Tying purple ribbons on trees, mailboxes, poles, fences and other appropriate places. We are using the purple plastic tablecloths that can be purchased from your favorite Dollar Store – you can get at least 3 or 4 by cutting them length ways & 6 inches wide or more if you want them wider (each one will be 6 X108).

Celebrate this month with us Lupus Friends & Family

#### May 2nd

#### The Avi's Flight Foundation in honor & memory of Avionne Thomas

Fundraiser & Lupus Awareness Event \* May 2, 2021 \* 12 pm – 5pm \* Choice International Multi-Purpose Complex \* 1005 Cambridge Drive, LaPlace LA - Please help support our first scheduled event! Free and Open to ALL!

#### May 6th 2021 Lupus Scientific & Patient Education Virtual Symposium

Stay informed. Stay Connected. May 6, 2021 \* 12:30 – 6:30 pm \* RSVP – FREE ADMISSION REGISTRATION REQUIRED \* 1-877-NO LUPUS, www.lupusne.org

#### May 8th City to City Riders Cycling Club, Baker, LA

The First (1<sup>st</sup>) Annual Lupus Bike Ride Awareness Event This event will be held on the parking lot behind the new Wafflle House in Baker (14522 Plank Rd.) at the corner of Plank and Groom Rd. near Walmart. 11 AM – 5 PM \* Bike Ride begins at 7 PM.

For more information, Contact Donald Green : (225) 953-6815 See flyer for details.

May 9th -Happy Mother's Day to Or Mothers



#### May 10<sup>th</sup> World Lupus Day

Luncheon in Lafayette, 4A's Lupus Group

Governors Mansion lights up **purple** for Lupus - Downtown BR Call Brenda 337 258-1666 /Brenda\_andrus@yahoo.com

#### May 15th LOOMS FOR LUPUS – 1<sup>ST</sup> Annual Lupus, Fibromyalgia & Mental Health Day

Online Event: 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM Free Bilingual (Spanish) Event in celebration of May Awareness for, Fibomyalgia & Mental Health. Register (Free) at Eventbrite <u>http://bit.ly/L4LWellness2021</u>

#### May 22<sup>nd</sup> – Purple Spring Fling for Lupus Awareness - Luncheon & Fashion Show

Come out for an afternoon of fellowship, and a message from our guest, Aliciee Griffith BSN, BS, RN – Patient Engagement Liaison, from GlaxoSmithKline (GSK)

#### May 29<sup>th</sup> PUT ON PURPLE DAY (POP)

Louisiana & Mississippi let's show our support on this day, PUT ON YOUR PURPLE!

Visit us at <u>www.louisianalupusfoundation.org</u> & facebook: louisianalupusfoundation for more information about the events for the month of May.



# The Avi's Flight Foundation In honor & memory of Avionne Thomas Fundraiser & Lupus Awareness Event

May 2,2021 12pm-5pm

Choice International Multi-Purpose Complex 1005 Cambridge Dr LaPlace LA

Asking Community Members and Businesses to come out and support Vendor Opportunities available

For Donations and Vendors info call Krishell 504.352.3159 Email: Avifly96@gmail.com Donations to Cashapp: \$Avifly96



2021 Lupus Scientific & Patient Education Virtual Symposium

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### AGENDA

Lupus Scientific Program 1:00pm – 1:45pm - Dr. Johann Gudjonsson, MD PhD, University of Michigan "Why is Lupus More Common in Women?"

1:45pm - 2:00pm - Scientific Q&A

2:00pm - 2:45pm - Dr. Marko Radic, PhD, University of Tennessee Health Science Center "CAR-T Cell Therapies for Lupus"

2:45pm - 3:00pm - Scientific Q&A

Break 3:00pm - 3:15pm

**Patient Education Program** 3:15pm - 3:45pm - Marisa Zeppieri-Caruana, Lupus Chick "Chronically Fabulous – Finding Wholeness and Hope Living with a Chronic Illness"

3:45pm - 4:00pm - Aida Crosson, LFNE Ambassador RI "Building a Lupus Community"

4:00pm - 4:15pm - Ruth Wilson, UMass Medical School - Fitzgerald Lab "How COVID Impacted Lupus and Autoimmune Patients"

4:15pm - 5:00pm - Patient Q&A Panel

5:00pm – 5:30 pm – Dr. Jinoos Yazdany, MD, MPH, University of California San Francisco "Are Lupus Patients More Likely to get Severe COVID?"

5:30pm - 6:15pm - Physician Q&A Panel







LOOMS FOR LUPUS 1ST ANNUAL LUPUS, FIBROMYALGIA & MENTAL HEALTH WELLNESS DAY!



Saturday May15, 2021 9:00am-3:00pm PT

DIA DE BIENESTAR PARA LUPUS, FIBROMIALGIA Y SALUD MENTAL

FREE-Virtual Event\* Registration Required\* GRATIS- Evento Virtual\* Requiere Registracion



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