This page illustrates a guiding principle for our charity: namely, the importance of Outreach.

No matter how valuable a charity’s free-of-charge services, the charity will not reach its full potential unless the community has an awareness of those services.

We work hard to create events that will increase community awareness of Fighting Chance and our role in helping patients navigate the Cancer Journey.

Sometimes our events raise no money at all - like our tour of 12 East End libraries in early 2017, to introduce our improved resource directory and revamped website.

In other cases we may call it a ‘fundraiser’ but the donation is modest and the event’s main goal is to raise our profile in some of the more remote communities - like Montauk and Shelter Island.
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When patients complain about cancer fatigue at Fighting Chance, our first job is simply to explain the condition, including the inability of scientists to agree on a single specific cause ... although some evidence points to inflammation as a causal factor.

There also is a body of scientific thought which attributes cancer fatigue to a virtual constellation of almost every adverse condition that accompanies a cancer diagnosis and its multiple treatments.

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Outreach

September 2017 . . .

"LOBSTER BASH" AT DURYEA’S

Our Most Beloved Outreach Event Celebrates Its 10th Anniversary

The Tradition Continues . . .

Lobster Bash 2016 . . . some of the new operators pose with Duncan Darow, Founder and Chairman of Fighting Chance.

The Lobster Bash

Sag Harbor
September 22, 2016

Dear David,

One of our charity’s most popular fund-raisers — and not too pricey at $50 for a three-course lunch and wine — is the Lobster Bash. Traditionally, it was hosted by Perry (Chip) Duryea III at his restaurant in Montauk. Always at least 100 guests.

Last year, as you know, Perry sold his restaurant to Marc Rowan, but Marc has continued to run it under the Duryea name. A few months ago I spoke with Marc about continuing the Bash tradition, and he very generously agreed. So, come tomorrow; our fund-raiser tradition continues at Duryea’s, just “under new management.”

Warm regards,
DUNCAN DARROW
Founder and Chairman
Fighting Chance

End of an Era

Lobster Bash 2015 . . . The last year Perry Duryea served as host, before transferring his facility to a new owner . . . he is honored with a poster by the celebrated artist Paul Davis.
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