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**Project Purple Jayne Snyder Fellowship Grant for Pancreatic Cancer Research**

*Project Purple announces a new grant to fund one year of research for a designated fellow in the field of pancreatic cancer.*

BEACON FALLS, CT –Pancreatic cancer is the fourth most common cause of cancer related deaths in the United States and has a five year survival rate of less than six percent. Helping patients and their families, Project Purple is a leading nonprofit organization dedicated to raising awareness and funds toward a cure for pancreatic cancer.

This month, Project Purple announces the creation of the Project Purple Jayne Snyder Fellowship Grant through a $52,000 gift to the University of Nebraska Medical Center. The grant will support pancreatic cancer research at the University of Nebraska Medical Center in Omaha, Nebraska. It will pay for one year’s salary for a designated research fellow at the medical center, researching a cure for the disease and working on a potential clinical trial. The grant is named in memory of long time Lincoln Track Club board member Jayne Snyder, who lost her battle with pancreatic cancer in 2011.

Project Purple Founder and Chairman Dino Verrelli had this to say: “This grant is a testament to the support from all those who have believed in our mission in the state of Nebraska. We feel this is the right thing to do to provide more opportunities to the university in its mission of helping to find a cure of pancreatic cancer.”

For more information or to learn about running for Project Purple, please visit www.run4projectpurple.org

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**About Project Purple**

Project Purple is a 501c(3) not for profit organization with a mission of raising awareness and funds toward a cure of pancreatic cancer. Pancreatic cancer is the 4th largest killer of all cancer killers and one of the least funded by the NCI. It is the only cancer in the top 10 killers of cancer with a single digit survival rate after 5 years. To learn more about Project Purple visit – [www.run4projectpurple.org](http://www.run4projectpurple.org)