Dear Friends,

This 2014 Annual Report covers the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2013, and ending September 30, 2014. The report contains information about our mission activities and fundraising events in Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, and Vermont. Our community of nearly 16,000 individuals and families affected by MS is vibrant, passionate, and diverse. Everyone from the person who has MS to the volunteer who cheers on fundraisers to the researchers seeking a cure to staff members organizing activities all share a promise to end multiple sclerosis forever.

2014 was a year of great challenge and great opportunity. Our fundraising in some major events like Walk MS and Bike MS did not meet our goals, but others like MuckFest MS, MikeStores Gala and Marathon Strikes Against MS exceeded our expectations. Our broad fundraising portfolio and the unwavering commitment of our donors, participants, and volunteers are the reasons for the sustained success shown in this report.

From a program perspective, we also experienced a good year providing services and facilitating access to resources that enable individuals with MS to live their best lives. One very high-profile event stood out. The world’s largest gathering of MS health professionals, the Americas and European Committees for Treatment and Research in Multiple Sclerosis (ACTRIMS/ECTRIMS), held their joint conference in Boston, Mass., for four days in September. Our chapter played a central role in organizing related activities, including a press conference of the International Progressive MS Alliance announcing a $30 million investment over six years in progressive MS research.

We were thrilled with the induction of three new chapter members into the Society’s Volunteer Hall of Fame. The Greater New England Chapter is very well represented there with now 28 members. 2014 inductees were: Robin Steinwand of Maine for Advocacy, Maxine Michaud of Maine for Programs & Services, and Bob Keeley of Massachusetts for Funding the Mission.

We had another very successful year inducting new members into the Greater New England Chapter. Fiscal Year 2014 was also a time of important transition for the chapter. We celebrated the outstanding achievements of former Chapter President Arlyn White on her retirement at the end of December 2013. I started my term as Chapter President in January of 2014, after being appointed by the Board of Trustees. And, as the fiscal year was winding down, we were preparing to welcome Rhode Island into our family of states as a member of the Greater New England Chapter.

I am very pleased with the results of fiscal year 2014, and am eager for our chapter to leverage the Society’s great history of work in each of our now five states into an even more successful team. Working as one, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, and Rhode Island will make every connection count toward creating a world free of MS.

Lori A. Espino
Chapter President

The Greater New England Chapter and the National MS Society continue to gain momentum toward a world free of multiple sclerosis.

Dear Friends,

It was a great honor for me to be elected by my fellow Trustees as Chairman at the October 2014 Annual Meeting. My service on the Board began in 2003, but I joined the movement to create a world free of MS when my sister Pam was diagnosed with multiple sclerosis in 1983.

My parents taught my siblings and me to pitch in and work together. Many hands make light work, my mother would say. This spirit of working together, of collaboration, has both organically and intentionally been growing throughout the National MS Society. We are blessed to have so many dedicated people working together with a unified vision.

Engaging each person whose life is affected by MS is extremely important to moving forward. Engagement means many things. Most importantly it means identifying the skills, talents, and experience that people possess and matching them with those parts of the Society’s mission that give them an opportunity to express their abilities in a way meaningful to them. Making these kinds of connections is a key focus for the Society as we move into fiscal year 2015.

Another strategy for the Society is amplifying the voices of the MS movement to drive policy change. To date, we’ve had successful advocacy efforts in each of our states to effect positive change in public policies. Continuing and strengthening this effort is essential, because public policies directly affect the ability of people affected by MS to lead their best lives.

Of course, our fundraising strategy is central. I’ve been a Bike MS fundraiser since my sister’s diagnosis. We have come so far, but you all know how much further we have to go. Without effective fundraising, we won’t have the financial resources we need to do the mission work. We’re focused on fundraising events like Walk MS, Bike MS and Challenge Walk, plus MuckFest and Jet Pull and many other activities. There are many fundraising opportunities, and you can find them all on MSnewengland.org.

I promise you that we will fight this disease on every front: with every technology, with every research dollar, with every volunteer hour, and every therapy that keeps MS at bay until such time as we find a cure. That is our goal. I am honored to lead this chapter as someone whose family has been touched by this disease and who is dedicated, as all of you are, to find a cure for my sister, your brother, your father, your co-worker, your mother, your aunt, and everyone who has MS.

Thank you for the opportunity to lead the chapter as Chairman.

Piper R. McNealy
Chairman of the Board
ABOUT MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS

Multiple sclerosis, an unpredictable, often disabling disease of the central nervous system, interrupts the flow of information within the brain, and between the brain and body. Symptoms range from numbness and tingling to blindness and paralysis. The progress, severity, and specific symptoms of MS in any one person cannot yet be predicted, but advances in research and treatment are moving us closer to a world free of MS. Most people with MS are diagnosed between the ages of 20 and 50, with at least two to three times more women than men being diagnosed with the disease. Even teens and young children can have MS, which affects more than 2.3 million people worldwide.

ABOUT THE NATIONAL MS SOCIETY

THE VISION OF THE NATIONAL MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS SOCIETY IS A WORLD FREE OF MS

The National MS Society helps each person address the challenges of living with MS. In 2014 alone, through our national office and 50-state network of chapters, the Society devoted more than $120 million to programs and services that improved the lives of more than one million people. To move us closer to a world free of MS, the Society also invested $48 million to support more than 380 new and ongoing research projects around the world. We are people who want to do something about MS now. Join the movement at nationalMSsociety.org.

CREATE A WORLD FREE OF MS

We Support Research
Society donors have seen their contributions launch breakthroughs in understanding MS, and in developing new treatments aimed at stopping disease progression, restoring function, and ending MS forever. Since 1958, the US FDA has approved ten disease modifying drugs. And, there are more emerging therapies on the horizon, including a possible treatment for progressive MS.

We Partner with MS Clinical Centers
The chapter promotes access to comprehensive, coordinated medical care, and we know these highly-skilled physicians and other health professionals are making a difference. The chapter counts on MS Clinical Centers for expert coordinated care for people with MS. They count on us to spread awareness and to raise funds to support their work.

We Educate, Support, and Advocate for those with MS
The chapter is a reflection of the families who have been touched by MS. We meet them at educational programs and fundraising events. We talk to them over the phone, minutes after their diagnosis and throughout their lives. We honor our shared promise to provide those families with help for today and hope for tomorrow.

JOIN THE MOVEMENT

ABOUT THE GREATER NEW ENGLAND CHAPTER

In fiscal year 2014, the Greater New England Chapter spent 83 percent of monies raised on MS education, emotional support, public policy advocacy, direct services, and MS research for nearly 19,000 individuals and their families affected by multiple sclerosis. The chapter is governed by a dedicated volunteer Board of Trustees who work in partnership with a committed professional staff to advance the Society’s mission.
WE DEVELOP, DELIVER, AND LEVERAGE RESOURCES TO ENHANCE CARE FOR PEOPLE WITH MS AND QUALITY OF LIFE FOR ALL THOSE AFFECTED BY THE DISEASE.

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

- 19,000 people with MS subscribed to the Chapter’s MS Connection newsletter keeping people linked to the latest information on MS research, treatments, self-advocacy, and strategies addressing quality of life issues for all affected by MS.

- Chapter-sponsored in-person and teleconference classes helped 1,440 people with MS and their loved ones gain a better understanding about a myriad of topics from treating MS and its symptoms to employment and legal issues.

- Our MS Information Resource Center helped 1,799 individuals navigate the challenges of life with MS, connecting them to information, literature, and valuable resources in the community.

- In addition, the Chapter staff provided more in-depth consultation and tailored support for 730 people with MS to access the medical care they needed by partnering with leading centers for MS care, providing case management services, offering referrals to health providers with a special interest in MS, and providing financial assistance for necessary medical equipment and other medical needs.

- Accessing quality MS care can be difficult wherever you live. But, MS-related health care resources fall short the further someone is from an urban center. This year, the Chapter reached out to over 80 rural health centers, agencies, and health care providers in our rural communities across Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, and Vermont to provide information and resources to improve health care delivery to those with MS.

- Public awareness and community health fair opportunities provided information to hundreds of people interested in learning more about multiple sclerosis and the National MS Society.

- In order to increase our capacity to support our mission, conferences held chapter-wide prepared 28 new volunteers to plan programs and public awareness events in their communities, complete site accessibility evaluations, and advocate for public policy changes locally and at the federal level.

- We offered a wide array of customized health and wellness programs and exercise classes that encourage positive lifestyle choices and improve wellness and independence. These life-changing programs helped 130 people optimize function, overcome challenges, and feel more confident in their ability to manage life with MS. These programs included CogniFitness, Everyday Matters, Rehab and MS: A Shop in the Right Direction, Free from Falls, Fatigue: Take Control, Ask the Doctor, Relationship Matters, Physical Wellness Reimbursement, and MS specific-collaborative programming with YMCAOs in eastern MA.

- Our emotional support programs and services helped over 500 people cope with the emotional challenges MS can bring by connecting people to others through one-on-one peer support, 70 community-based self-help groups, and professional counseling services.

- As MS progresses, the Chapter fosters quality of life across the continuum of the disease providing support to 150 people in partnering skilled nursing facilities at the Leonard Florence Center for Living in Chelsea, Mass. and the Boston Home in Dorchester, Mass. as well as BFit!, the Chapter-supported MS Adult Day Program offered in partnership with the Boston Home.

- We provided $208,782 in direct financial assistance to 367 people addressing the greatest needs, including emergency rent, utilities and food, durable medical equipment, home modifications, home care and more. In addition to its own financial resources, the Chapter leveraged an additional $52,548 in community financial resources to support individuals and families and fill the gap when personal resources fall short.

- 12 college-bound students who have MS or who have a parent with MS received scholarships totaling $31,000 to help defray the cost of their first year of studies.

- We served as a resource for neurologists throughout our four states and supported two medical student fellowships that provided focused exposure to treating people with MS.

- Our Partnerships with 10 MS Comprehensive Clinical Care Centers allows us to make available the comprehensive resources of the National MS Society to complement the multi-disciplinary specialty health care provided for people with MS.
Since 1947, the National MS Society investment in innovative research totals $888 million, and with this investment we’ve:

- Recruited more than 800 new MS researchers to the field
- Provided early career support and funding to nearly every thought leader in MS research
- Set standards in diagnosis, symptom management, pediatric MS, complementary and alternative medicine, rehabilitation research, clinical trial strategies and stem cell research
- Established the MS field of nerve and myelin repair which resulted in trials for treatment
- Drove research uncovering genes contributing to MS susceptibility and new treatment avenues
- Paved the way for all existing therapies – none of which existed 20 years ago. Today there 15 therapies specifically approved for treating and managing MS

Activism is an integral component of our organizational mission. Everyone who is affected by MS is called upon to be an activist. MS activists drive public policy by making their voices heard and by sharing their stories with public officials.

**STATE & LOCAL**

Chapter advocacy activities included lobbying state lawmakers about MS issues and holding MS Days at the State House. In Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, and Vermont, volunteer members of our Government Relations Committee (GRC) help define priority issues and engage in legislative, regulatory, and private sector advocacy.

Our chapter delegation attended the Society’s 23rd Annual Public Policy Conference in Washington D.C. to advocate for continued funding for National Institutes of Health, the Department of Defense’s Congressionally Directed Medical Research Program, the Food and Drug Administration, and the Complex Rehabilitation Technology Act.

**INDIVIDUAL ACHIEVEMENT**

John Pierce was inducted into the Society’s Volunteer Hall of Fame in the advocacy category. Sarah Jacoby of Vermont and Robin Steinwand of Maine received advocacy recognition at the chapter’s annual meeting.

**LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES**

**MAINE**

- Allocated for expansion of Medicaid eligibility up to 138 percent of the Federal Poverty Level.

**MASSACHUSETTS**

- Successful advocacy for state funding for the Chapter’s MS Home LivViks care management program and improved public accessibility standards.

**NEW HAMPSHIRE**

- Enactment of Medicaid eligibility up to 138 percent of the Federal Poverty Level and Accessible Parking Awareness.

**VERMONT**

- Improving public accessibility and identifying gaps in care and supports.

The National MS Society continues to pursue all promising paths to uncover solutions for everyone with MS, wherever those opportunities exist, while focusing on the three priority areas of progressive MS, nervous system repair, and wellness/lifestyle. We continue to see the fruits of previous investments, and we are committed to growing our research funding over time.

Significant research progress occurred over the course of 2014, offering new leads that are driving efforts to stop MS in its tracks, restore function, and end MS forever. We now have a better idea of what’s causing MS damage and progression, understand more than ever the benefits of early and continuous treatment, and know more about what factors influence the body’s brain repair mechanisms.

To read about the significant research progress made this year, including links to details, go to nationalMSsociety.org/research for a complete list of recent research progress and news.

In 2014, The National MS Society invested $50 million to support 380 research initiatives worldwide.

**LOCAL RESEARCH AWARDS**

- **21 Research Grants** $9,127,983
- **6 Postdoctoral & Career Transition Fellowships** $1,087,651
- **6 Health Care Delivery & Policy Research Contracts** $2,351,946
- **9 Pilot Research Grants** $350,169
- **1 Institutional Clinician Training Award** $304,374
- **1 Commercial/Drug Development - General Fund** $300,000
- **1 Strategic Initiative** $927,400
- **Total Research Investment** $16,029,723
- **1 Pilot Grant via International Progressive MS Alliance** $75,000

**LOCAL GRANTEES**

- **Harvard Medical School**
  - Sun-Ling Ng, M.A., Ph.D.
  - Dhruti Dhangeav, Ph.D.

- **Harvard School of Public Health**
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  - Francesco Quinata, Ph.D.
  - Howard Weiner, M.D.
  - Chuan Wu, M.D., Ph.D.

**ACTION ALERT NETWORK**

There are more than 3,500 registered Greater New England Chapter activists in the MS Action Alert Network. A number of MS activists also have appointments to local disability commissions, advisory boards, work groups, and councils.

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8 BIKE MS RIDES $3.7 million raised
3,349 cyclists
2-DAY RIDES:
- Cape Cod Getaway - Massachusetts, June 28-29
- Green Mountain Getaway - Vermont, August 2-3
- Great Maine Getaway - Maine, August 9-10
1-DAY RIDES:
- Ride the Vineyard - Massachusetts, May 3
- Ride Bar Harbor - Maine, May 17
- Minuteman Ride - Massachusetts, July 19
- New Hampshire Seacoast Escape - New Hampshire, August 23
- Bike & Hike the Berkshires - Massachusetts, September 20

40 WALK MS SITES $2.335 million raised
12,139 walkers
Walk MS connects people living with MS and those who care about them. It is an experience unlike any other — a day to come together, to celebrate the progress we've made, and to show the power of our connections.
Walk MS is not just a fund raising event; walk is about community and rallying around those living with MS.

MS CHALLENGE WALK $815,000 raised
674 Challenge Walk participants
Three days, 50 miles, closer to a cure, with a two-day, 50k option. The thirteenth annual MS Challenge Walk brought together an incredible group of 454 walkers, 178 three-day crew, and 42 one-day volunteers for an exciting and rewarding journey on Cape Cod. The weekend featured moving personal testimonials plus an emotional candlelight ceremony that bonded walkers, crew, and volunteers. The Challenge culminated with an exhilarating finish on the Hyannis Village Green.

SPECIAL EVENTS
$2.45 million raised
- Fashion Plates - Boston, MA
- Boston Volvo Village 5k Road Race - MA
- Authors’ Luncheon - Burlington, VT
- Climb to the Top - Boston, MA
- Marathon Strides Against MS - Boston Marathon®
- MileStones Gala - Boston, MA
- Muckfest MS - Devens, MA
- MS Plane Pull - Portland, ME
- Link Up for MS - Ipswich, MA
- MS Harborfest - Portland, ME
- Falmouth Road Race - MA
- Labor Day 5K - Taunton, MA
WE ARE LEADERS IN THE WORLDWIDE MS MOVEMENT, MOBILIZING MILLIONS OF PEOPLE TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT MS NOW.

VOLUNTEERS

THE CHAPTER MOVES FORWARD BECAUSE OF VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers lead the Chapter into new directions and help to expand the impact of the MS movement by fully integrating volunteer talents and skills Society-wide and by developing new and enhanced community collaborations and partnerships.

In 2014, the Chapter worked with over 3,000 individual volunteers who filled over 5,500 volunteer positions. They gave 68,000 hours of their time, talents and expertise. All of the Chapters volunteers are always relentlessly positive about their passion for our mission.

VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION 2014 AWARDEES

MAINE

Cliff & Debra Rhome ................................................. Self-Help Group Leader Achiever Award
U. of Maine Ladies Soccer Team ........................................ Special Recognition So. ME Walk MS
Harley Baker ................................................................. Special Recognition So. ME Walk MS
Martha Gribb ................................................................. Special Recognition So. ME Walk MS
David Brackett ................................................................. Special Recognition So. ME Walk MS

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Cliff & Debra Rhome .................................................. Self-Help Group Leader Achiever Award

MASSACHUSETTS

Mark Butler ................................................................. MS Challenge Walk Volunteer Award
Linda Thomson-Clem ................................................. Walk MS Volunteer Award
Terah Dixon ................................................................. Photography Volunteer Award
James Moynihan ................................................................. Programs and Advocacy Volunteer Award

Tom McCusker ................................................................. Walk MS Volunteer Award
Sanj Mahoney ................................................................. Self-Help Group Leader Achiever Award
Stephanie Anicichario ...................................................... Community Programs Volunteer Award
Pauline Ellis ................................................................. Community Programs Volunteer Award

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Kenneth Jones ................................................................. Ultimate Advocate Volunteer Award
Patrick Hunt ................................................................. Bike MS Volunteer Award
Mark Watson ................................................................. Walk MS Volunteer Award
Elyan Penkey ................................................................. Event Support Volunteer Award
Carolyn & Dane Howard ...................................................... Community Programs Volunteer Award
Richard Vincent ................................................................. Community Programs Volunteer Award

VERMONT

Bonnie Wich ................................................................. Event Support Volunteer Award
Steve Gooch ................................................................. Photography Volunteer Award
Carolyn Hackwell ........................................................ Programs and Advocacy Volunteer Award
Melissa Carter ................................................................. Walk MS Volunteer Award
Jody Burke ................................................................. In House Volunteer Award

Complete, audited financial statements are available on request.

CHAPTER FINANCIALS

2014 REVENUE

Total Income: $11,802,398

- Bike MS.................................................. $3,716,655
- Walk MS.................................................. $2,334,520
- Challenge Walk MS ................................ $815,981
- Special Events ........................................ $2,448,716
- Contributions ........................................ $1,777,693
- Government Grants ............................. $77,499
- Legacies ................................................ $390,142
- Other Revenue ........................................ $241,192

Less Benefit to Donor .............................. $1,601,556

Net Total Revenue ................................. $10,200,842

2014 EXPENSES

Total Expenses: $10,199,081

- Research .................................................. $2,513,256
- National Programs ................................. $1,675,116
- Client Programs (ME, MA, NH, VT)........... $1,932,038
- Community Programs ............................... $1,052,826
- Professional Education & Training coverage $294,104
- Public Education ...................................... $1,072,555
- Fundraising ............................................. $1,482,096
- Management & General ........................ $252,390

Change of Net Assets ............................... $1,761

Net of Benefit to Donor

EIGHTY-THREE PERCENT OF MONIES RAISED DIRECTLY SUPPORTED THE SOCIETY’S MISSION.
We are grateful to all our friends who support the Greater New England Chapter of the Multiple Sclerosis Society through their energies, talents, and gifts. This list represents those who have made contributions of $1,000 or more to our Annual Campaign, our fundraising events, or in honor or in memory of another. Thank you for this significant outpouring of assistance. We could not continue to move forward without your participation.
The following are individuals whose estate gifts goes into each of these gifts, and we thank you for providing any information in this publication, please know that we are grateful for your support. For information about making a planned gift or becoming a member of the Legacy Society, please email Alanna Brennan at 761-805-5155.

**Bequests**

The Greater New England Chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society is gratified to receive many contributions in honor of, or in memory of more than 2,000 individuals during fiscal year 2014. While space does not permit us to acknowledge all of these wonderful intentions in this publication, please know that we do recognize the heartfelt emotion that goes into each of these gifts, and we thank you for assisting our efforts while honoring those you care about.

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**Bike MS Bike MS**

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**Boston College Rollins College**

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### Milestones - Boston

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### Partners in MS Care

The following are recognized by the National MS Society as a Partner in MS Care: Center for Comprehensive Care.

- Partners Multiple Sclerosis Center at Brigham & Women’s Hospital
- The Mt. Auburn Hospital Multiple Sclerosis Comprehensive Care Center
- The Multiple Sclerosis Clinic at Newton-Wellesley Hospital
- The Multiple Sclerosis Center at the University of Massachusetts Memorial Medical Center
- The Multiple Sclerosis Center at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center

### Partners

- **Lahey Clinic Multiple Sclerosis Center**
  - *Location*: Lexington, Massachusetts
  - *Partners*: Multiple Sclerosis Center at St. Elizabeth’s Medical Center
  - *Location*: Brighton, Massachusetts

- **MS Center at Northern New England Fletcher Allen Hospital UHC Campus**
  - *Location*: Burlington, Vermont

- **Partners Pediatric MS Center at the Massachusetts General Hospital for Children**
  - *Location*: Boston, Massachusetts

- **Multiple Sclerosis Specialty Care Program, Concord Neurology Associates**
  - *Location*: Concord, New Hampshire
An outstanding group of key volunteers serve on the Chapter Board of Trustees and Clinical Advisory Committee to establish the Chapter’s goals and strategic direction, and to guide the staff as they deliver on the promise of the Society’s mission.

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Thank you for your dedication, compassion and hard work in helping me get a wheelchair. I am extremely grateful for all your help and time. Wishing you all the best. You’re forever in my thoughts.
Respectfully, Karen (diagnosed 1999)

The scooter is my legs. I thank you. Thank you does not seem to be enough. Thank you.
God bless you,
Fred (diagnosed 2007)

I was diagnosed with PPMS in 1991. I am so grateful to the (National) MS Society for their support with information and financial assistance when available.
Thank you so much,
Debbie (diagnosed 1991)

As I sit here on my new Buzz-Around Scooter, I am reminded of the kindness and professionalism shown to me in this experience.
Jane (diagnosed 2009)

Thank you so very much for assisting me with a portion of my rent. I’m so grateful and appreciate your kindness! May God bless you as you continue to bless others.
Sharon (diagnosed 1992)

Thank you very much for assisting me with a portion of my rent. I feel safe and don’t worry about falling down the stairs. Also, because I was having difficulty climbing the stairs to get into my home due to my worsening symptoms, I am now able to stay in my home. I am so thankful to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society and the generosity of all the donors who help people with multiple sclerosis.
Elaine (diagnosed 2004)

Thank you for your generous support and donations that made it possible for me to get a stairlift for my home. Since having it, my legs have stayed stronger throughout the day and the best part: I am no longer afraid of falling on the stairs.
Ron (diagnosed 2000)

Due to the stairlift being installed in my home, I feel safe and don’t worry about falling down the stairs. Also, because I was having difficulty climbing the stairs to get into my home due to my worsening symptoms, I am now able to stay in my home.
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