

May 2023

Dear Friend of the Komen Vermont Ride for the Cure,

I am pleased to tell you that we are hosting our 14th Annual Vermont Ride for the Cure on Monday, October 9, at the Green Mountain Horse Association (offering a virtual participation option as well). But, sadly, I share the news that our founder of the Vermont Ride for the Cure, and dear friend, Lois Steele Whidden died on April 20, 2023.

For those of you who knew Lois as the founder and chair of Vermont Ride for the Cure, you know how big a loss this is for her family, friends, and community, as well as for all of us at Susan G. Komen connected to the VT Ride.

Lois was always pleased to share the impact of the Komen VT Ride. This year I report that over the past 13 years more than \$447,000 has been raised through Ride for the Cure events in Vermont and New Hampshire, allowing Susan G. Komen to assist people facing a breast cancer diagnosis with direct to patient services such as breast care navigation, as well as financial and emotional assistance, and to support breast cancer research and advocacy pursuing health equity.

Please note that the 2023 Vermont Ride for the Cure is being dedicated In Memory of Lois Steele Whidden!

I look forward to your sponsorship support, whether monetary or in-kind. Please contact me to discuss your interest: LManess@komen.org or (802)-548-4691.

For more information about the 2023 Vermont Ride itself, please visit <https://komen.org/vermontride> .

In addition to a sponsorship, I ask you to consider making a General Event donation "In Memory of Lois Whidden". Please let me know if you would like information on how to do this.

Thank you for your valued support!

Most Sincerely,
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