



# Annual—Dave Hanson Memorial Football Game

Saturday September 28th - Waterford Union High School Football Field

In 2009, the Civil War game started out as an in town rivalry game between two Waterford teams, one coached by Pat Eulgen and the other team was coached by Brett Geerdts. This game was set up to allow the 8<sup>th</sup> grade teams to experience what it's like to play on a high school field, a field they will play on for their time at Waterford High School.

In 2010 Jordan Addis, a player coached by Pat Eulgen since 1<sup>st</sup> grade, was diagnosed with Leukemia, and this game quickly changed from an in town rivalry and was transformed into a charity game that still counted for the league standings. The first game was quickly organized after the news of Jordan's diagnosis and Jordan was the first beneficiary of this event in 2010. Even though the game was quickly put together, this event has grown through the years, into the event it is today with the work from the program and the support of the Waterford Community. In 2012 Dave Hanson, who was actively involved with the Waterford Youth Football Program as a coach, mentor, and huge fan, sadly passed away. This game was then renamed to the "Dave Hanson Memorial Civil War Game" in his Honor.



In 2011, Jordan sadly lost his battle with Leukemia and the WYFB Board/Coaches created a memorial sportsmanship award to honor Jordan. In 2017 the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Jordan Addis sportsmanship award was put into place for 1 player from each team from Waterford that demonstrated fairness, self-control, courage, and respect towards their teammates and opponents. This award celebrates Jordan's ideals, qualities, and his actions on and off the field because of what the program and the game of football meant to Jordan.

This year's game will mark the 14<sup>th</sup> season that this game has been a community support event. Each year, the Waterford Youth Football program nominates a community member that is part of the organization, past or present, that has been affected by a medical condition or serious injury as a way to help fundraise to offset those medical expenses, and raise awareness for the illness. Previous beneficiaries include, the Addis Family, Ratkovec family, Dugansic family, Harry family, Poznanski Family, Kurth Family, Fiehweg family, Laney family, Wendt family, Hancock Family, Senft Family, Wagner Family, Tyacke Family, and Ziarek Family.

For 2024, this game will feature the 8th Grade Waterford Wolverines. This special event will provide each of the players with the experience of playing "Under the Lights" on the high school field and teach some valuable lessons of the true meaning of COMMUNITY along the way.

This year we will be supporting Christine Knapp and her family during her fight against Invasive Ductal Carcinoma, a type of breast cancer. Christine and her husband Tyler have 4 boys together: Bennett (8), Graham (6), Burke (3), and Jensen (2). Christine was just 35 when she discovered a tumor in her breast and had it confirmed by imaging that there were multiple cancerous tumors. Initially doctor's believed that surgery would be enough to rid of the cancer but upon surgery learned the masses were double in size from what they initially thought and had spread to lymph nodes and a suspicious mark on her lung. Christine underwent a mastectomy with reconstruction, 16 rounds of chemotherapy (4 rounds of what is called the red devil and 12 Taxol). This was followed by 28 rounds of daily radiation and now immunotherapy for 10 years and a new chemotherapy pill for 2 years). Her boys have kept her and her husband busy and positive while they navigate this experience and all the hurdles that have come up throughout. She is set to have another surgery in February and is hoping for all the best!

This years Dave Hanson Memorial Game will be held on September 28th, 2024 at the Waterford Union High School football field. Game time is 7:30pm; Doors will open at 5pm. The event and game will feature a Pig Raffle, 50/50 Raffle, Silent Auctions, drop basket raffles, bake sale and full concessions during the event. All proceeds from this event will go to Christine and her family.

We will also be hosting other games here this same day so the pig raffle, and concessions will be available all day to help benefit the family as well.

Waterford Youth Football invites everyone to come out and show your support on this special day!

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## 2024 WYF DAVE HANSON BENEFICIARY CHRISTINE KNAPP

The official Dave Hanson Memorial Game will be on Saturday September 28th, 2024 beginning at 5:00 pm and this year we are proud to announce that there will be additional games at Waterford High School on this day as well. This will allow our program to have the annual basket raffle, the pig and meat raffle, and the concession stand sales to be extended over the course of the entire day.

There are many ways you can help us make this the largest event to date and these opportunities are listed below:

**VOLUNTEERING** - SPECIAL DIB SHIFTS WILL POSTED THROUGH OUR WEBSITE AS THE EVENT GETS CLOSER

**DONATIONS** - WE WILL BE ACCEPTING RAFFLE BASKET DONATIONS FROM EACH OF OUR TEAMS WITHIN THE FLAG/TACKLE FOOTBALL AND CHEER PROGRAMS WITH EACH TEAM BEING RESPONSIBLE FOR A MINIMUM 2 BASKETS. WE WILL ALSO BE TAKING DONATIONS OF LARGER ITEMS TO BE USED AS SILENT AUCTION ITEMS.

**SPONSORSHIPS** - MONETARY SPONSORSHIPS/DONATION AND IN-KIND SPONSORSHIPS TO HELP OFFSET THE COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE EVENT- COMPANY/FAMILY NAME ON BANNER AT THE FIELD FOR THE DAY AND THE REMAINDER OF THE SEASON

**TO DONATE OR TO HELP PLEASE CONTACT:**

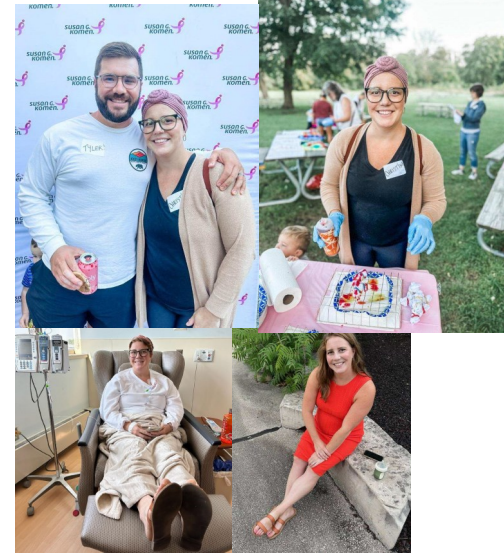
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**CHRISTINE AND HER FAMILY WILL RECEIVE ALL OF THE PROCEEDS OF THE EVENT TO HELP WITH ANY RECOVERY OR OTHER FAMILY NEEDS DURING THIS TOUGH TIME**

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## INSTRUCTIONS for DONATIONS/SPONSORS FOR EVENT

To Donate/Sponsor please follow the link here:

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8<sup>th</sup> Grade Sponsorships — all sponsorships collected by 8<sup>th</sup> grade will go to offset the cost of the specialized jerseys they get for the event along with the family of the beneficiary and the remaining balance is used as a cash donation to the event fund.

Overall Sponsorships — Since this is a **COMMUNITY** event there are opportunities for an outside company or individual(s) interested in sponsoring the event can do a monetary donation, a cash sponsorship, or donate direct items to the silent auction that will be conducted during the game itself, or donating a good or service.

Direct Item Donations — Direct Item donations will be accepted to be added to the silent auction table or to add an additional basket.

Team Baskets — All teams involved within WYF (Flag, Tackle, and Cheer) are expected to put together 2 team baskets designed around a theme for your team. The families within each team donate to assemble those baskets via monetary donations from the player/player families – and an estimated valuation placed on the baskets. Teams are allowed to take cash donations from outside sources (individuals or businesses) however this will need to be tracked on the registration site above and will be turned in as a Donation from “XYZ Team”

The Dave Hanson Committee will be in contact with all Team Moms in assembling items into baskets or possibly moving these to a silent auction item, or possibly having a direct monetary donation to the event.

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