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**TO LIFE! PRESENTS ITS 5<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL *BEAT THE ODDS* EDUCATION PROGRAM  
AT SARATOGA RACE TRACK ON AUGUST 4**

Albany, NY (July 22, 2003): The latest information about developments in breast cancer chemotherapy protocols, research, and genetic testing will be explored at the **To Life! 5<sup>th</sup> Annual *Beat the Odds*** education program on **Monday, August 4** in the **Paddock Tent** at the **Saratoga Race Track**.

Medical experts will present on the following topics:

- Current breast cancer treatments including the latest reports on dose density therapy;
- Genetics: testing, markers and targeted therapy; and
- Breast cancer research at the Albany Medical Center.

***Beat the Odds*** will begin with sign-in and a continental breakfast at 8:30 A.M., followed by presentations at 9:00 A.M. At noon, the Paddock Tent's famous buffet lunch will be provided for those attending the education program.

The day's program is **free of charge** and **open to the public**. Those wishing to attend must pre-register by contacting To Life! by telephone (518-439-5975) or email ([tolife@msn.com](mailto:tolife@msn.com)).

An **AMGEN USA, Inc.** representative will be present at the program. After the education program, participants will be able to shop from vendors of specialty merchandise including fabulous summer hats by **Le Beau Chapeau** and dazzling costume jewelry and accoutrements by **Addie's Trinkets and Cleopatra's**. **Holly Wilkie** and **Balance Massage Studio** will offer 10-minute chair backrubs/massages, enabling To Life! supporters to sample the benefits of therapeutic massage.

To Life! is a not-for-profit organization serving the 10 counties of the greater Capital Region.

It was founded in 1998 by a breast cancer survivor who saw a need to provide more comprehensive services for local breast cancer patients and their families, including support and education through treatment and beyond.

In addressing this need, To Life! presents nine education forums each year, offers Awareness Connection and Education (ACE) support groups for patients and their loved ones, provides breast self-exam instruction and houses the *Abracadabra Boutique*, which sells mastectomy bras, breast prostheses and fashionable wigs.

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