

SEPT 2021

TALES FROM THE POND



LILY'S PAD NEWSLETTER

OCTOBER ROUND-UP AT ACE!

"Would you like to round-up your purchase?"

How many times have you been asked this over the years at various retail establishments? And how many times have you said yes? "Sure, you can keep my dime!" "Go ahead and keep my fifty cents!"

Have you ever wondered how much impact your pocket change can make? Those of us here at Lily's Pad can tell you that it is HUGE! Our story with a Round-Up campaign starts with the Kabat family and their generous support of Lily's Pad since December of 2019. They started by selling "lilies" for us in their five Ace stores and this year, they opened up "Round-Up" at the registers and raised almost \$10,000 in just two months!

For the month of October, you can "Round-Up" at any participating Ace store to support the build-out of Lily's Pad!

With over 20 stores participating, we are excited to see the impact of what a simple yes to "keeping the change" can mean!



Ashley and Brian Kabat at the Lily's Pad Open House and Hidden Hearts Fundraiser

ACE Hardware

Round-Up at the Register
FOR LILY'S PAD

LILY GILBERT, AZ

What are your best memories of childhood?
Trips to the park? Playdates with friends? School sporting events?
Imagine if those childhood moments were not only off limits but potentially deadly.

You can help your neighborhood Ace Hardware build Lily's Pad, a hyper-clean, indoor playground designed to meet the needs of children battling medical conditions that weaken their immune system.

Round-Up at the Register and help make a difference in the lives of immune compromised children and their families.

To learn more visit www.lilyspadaz.org



\$5 OFF

\$25 OR MORE

VALID THROUGH 10/10/2021

Standard Terms & Exclusions Apply

Valid at Participating Phoenix Area

Ace Hardware Locations Only

Limit 1 per customer.



Look for these flyers at participating stores!

MEET LILY!



On December 19, 2017, Lily Taylor was diagnosed with leukemia. She was just 3 years old. She lived over a month at Banner Desert Children's hospital fighting for her very life. She would spend the next 2 1/2 years moving from clinic to home and back again. She endured 150 blood draws, 26 surgeries, 70 shots in her thighs and the loss of her hair, not once, but twice. It was an incredibly challenging time in her life.

In spite of all those terrible experiences, Lily remained full of energy, love and joy. But her spirit often suffered from the loneliness and isolation her treatments required. We knew she was longing for community and childhood freedoms, and we began to search for a safe place to take her to play. Our search found nothing safe enough for a child with a compromised immune system like hers.



With Lily's blessing and encouragement, we have set out to create a space to serve all children in medical battles. Today, Lily has been cancer free for almost 18 months and she is a part of the team helping to build Lily's Pad. We anxiously await the day we open the facility and she can walk in and say, "I'm Lily and I helped build this place!"



Lily is now seven, cancer free and thriving! She loves swimming, the outdoors and her dog, Gus. ❤️

HAVE YOU SIGNED UP?!?

LILY'S PAD'S 2ND ANNUAL OCTOBER VIRTUAL CHALLENGE!

CHOOSE YOUR CHALLENGE!

WARRIOR	150 miles in 30 days
HARD-CORE	100 miles in 30 days
CHAMP	60 miles in 30 days
CHALLENGER	30 miles in 30 days
MOVER	"I'm taking the challenge to move more but I'm not tracking miles"

You can run, you can walk, you can skip, you can jump! Why? Because it's the "Live, Laugh and Play Your OWN Way" Virtual Challenge!

A \$20 donation signs you up and a \$40 donation earns you some SWAG! Register [HERE!](#)

Hurry! The Challenge starts October 1st!

LOVE WITH LILIES - FLORAL ARRANGING CLASS

Join us September 29th at 5:30 pm at Bogeys!

\$75 registration fee includes:

- 2 arrangements that you make (one to keep and one to donate to pediatric nurses)
- Flower arranging instruction
- A donation to our Play Packs

Details can be found [HERE!](#)



UPCOMING EVENTS

September 29th, 5:30 pm

Love with Lilies Floral Arranging Class

October 1st - October 30th

October Virtual Challenge

["Live, Laugh & Play Your Own Way!"](#)

December 19th

Project "Gift" Back

