



The Dan-Gulf Biking Team will join hundreds of other cyclists from around the region to participate in the Tour de Cure's 25th Anniversary cycling event to benefit the American Diabetes Association. The 10, 25, 50, and 100 mile ride will take place on April 16th, 2016 from Mandeville, Louisiana. Our purpose, however, is far more important than the personal challenge of completing this ride. As participants in the ride we share the common goal of raising money to support the American Diabetes Association in its mission to prevent and cure diabetes, and to improve the lives of all those affected by this disease.

We again have the privilege of dedicating this ride to Elizabeth Netherland, our office manager. Liz was diagnosed with diabetes 25 years ago and has endured a number of serious complications including kidney failure which requires dialysis 3 times per week while she waits for a double transplant (kidney and pancreas).

In spite of all these complications, Liz's attitude is positive and her outlook on life is bright. We are grateful for the many advances in research that have helped her and many others to live productive lives. We now fully understand the powerful impact of contributions made by companies, foundations, and individuals such as you.

We ask that you consider helping us raise the funds needed for us to complete this ride. More importantly, we ask that you consider Liz and the other 29.1 million people in this country who suffer from diabetes, as well as the more than 86 million with pre diabetes.

Your financial support will ensure that the many programs, education, and research accomplished by the American Diabetes Association will continue.

We appreciate your continued support, and look forward to hearing from you or receiving your contribution in the mail within the next week. Please make checks payable to *The American Diabetes Association C/O Dan-Gulf Shipping, Inc., 3117 7th Street, Suite 300 Metairie, LA 70002.* or www.diabetes.org/tour. Your contribution is tax deductible. Please feel free to call us at (504) 830-3900 if you have any questions.

Thank you in advance for your help.

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