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Award-Winning Journalist and Author Lawrence Ingrassia to Join Family Camp for Those Impacted by Genetic Cancer Disorder

Non-profit organization Living LFS is excited to welcome author Lawrence Ingrassia to its upcoming family camp at Flying Horse Farms in Mt. Gilead, Ohio on August 24.

Ingrassia's newest book, *A Fatal Inheritance: How a Family Misfortune Revealed a Deadly Medical Mystery*, chronicles his family's battle with Li-Fraumeni syndrome (LFS), a rare genetic disorder that dramatically increases the risk of developing cancer for those affected. *A Fatal Inheritance* has received coverage from MSNBC's *Morning Joe*, NPR's *Weekend Edition*, The Washington Post, The Boston Globe, and others. Amazon Editors selected *A Fatal Inheritance* as both one of the Best Nonfiction Books and one of the Best Biographies and Memoirs of May 2024, when it was published.

Ingrassia isn't just an author; he's a multi-award-winning journalist with a distinguished career at The New York Times and The Wall Street Journal. In his decades-long newspaper career, journalists working for him won five Pulitzer Prizes, and Ingrassia directed coverage of the 2008 financial crisis that was a finalist for a Pulitzer Prize in the public service category.

Living LFS' family camp will provide LFS families and individuals with psychosocial tools and support, including clinician-led sessions on managing life with cancer and Li-Fraumeni syndrome, caring for caregivers, understanding genetics, and more. LFS families will also have the opportunity to bond through fun activities like hiking, orienteering, and a talent show.

Ingrassia will hold a Q&A and book signing on Saturday, August 24th beginning at 11am. This is a unique opportunity for families and individuals affected by LFS to connect with a renowned author who understands their experiences.

"Having Lawrence Ingrassia join our family camp is a tremendous honor," said Living LFS president Andi Last. "His journalistic background and personal story with LFS will provide invaluable insights and inspiration for our families."

Learn more and interview camp organizers, LFS families in attendance, and author Lawrence Ingrassia by contacting Andi Last at <u>andi@livinglfs.org</u> or 619-375-7008.

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Lawrence Ingrassia is an award-winning author and business journalist. His first book, Billion Dollar Brand Club, was selected by the New York Times Book Review as an Editor's Choice on March 1, 2020. Ingrassia has worked as a senior editor at the New York Times, Wall Street Journal and Los Angeles Times. In his decades-long newspaper career, journalists working for him won five Pulitzer Prizes as well as Polk, Loeb and other awards. He was honored with the Minard editor award by the Gerald Loeb Awards for directing coverage of causes of the financial market meltdown in the fall of 2008; that coverage was a finalist for a Pulitzer Prize in the public service category. The Society of American Business Editors and Writers gave him its distinguished achievement award in 2017. Learn more at <u>larryingrassia.com</u>

Flying Horse Farms (FHF) is a medical specialty camp that provides healing and transformative experiences for kids with serious illnesses and their families. Located in Mt. Gilead, Ohio, FHF provides year-round and summer programming including week-long residential summer camps and family camp weekends for kids and young adults ages 7-21 and their families, with diagnoses including cancer, heart conditions, rheumatologic diagnosis, blood disorders, lung conditions, gastrointestinal disorders, craniofacial diagnoses, spinal cord diagnoses and internalized mental health diagnoses (anxiety, post-traumatic stress disorder, mood disorders, depression, obsessive-compulsive disorder, panic disorder for campers ages 11-15). Learn more at <u>flyinghorsefarms.org</u>

Living LFS is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization with the mission to encourage, empower, and educate those living with Li-Fraumeni syndrome by connecting them with care, resources, and others who are Living LFS. Learn more at <u>livinglfs.org</u>

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