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***Tri-State Brain Aneurysm Support Group
To hold 4th annual picnic in Ft. Thomas July 15***

The Tri-State Brain Aneurysm Support Group invites survivors, caregivers, family, and friends to its 4th annual picnic, scheduled for 4 p.m. until dark on Saturday, July 15, at shelter #1 at Highland Hills Park in Ft. Thomas, Ky. Dinner will begin at 6 p.m.

Hot dogs, metts and hamburgers will be provided. Attendees should bring their own soft drinks and one side dish to share.

To RSVP (by July 10) please:

- call (513) 475-8636 and leave a message
- call Linda Reller at (859) 441-4581
- or send an e-mail to sross21@fuse.net.

Please give the name and number in your party, children's ages, and meat preferences.

The Tri-State Brain Aneurysm Support Group, a nonprofit corporation, gratefully acknowledges support for this event from Opportunities for Family Leadership and the Department for Mental Health/Mental Retardation Services, Commonwealth of Kentucky.

Mario Zuccarello, M.D., a neurosurgeon with the Mayfield Clinic, and Laura Sauerbeck, a registered nurse and stroke researcher at the University of Cincinnati College of Medicine, launched the support group for aneurysm survivors and their families in 2002. The support group, which meets the first Wednesday of every month, was among the first of its kind in the United States.

The Mayfield Clinic is recognized as one of the nation's leading physician organizations for clinical care, education, and research of the spine and brain. The group includes 22 neurosurgeons and treats 20,000 patients from 35 states and a dozen countries in a typical year. Mayfield's neurosurgeons are active participants in important clinical trials and have pioneered surgical procedures and instrumentation that have revolutionized the medical art of neurosurgery for brain tumors and neurovascular diseases and disorders.