

MARQUEE SPORTS NETWORK COMMEMORATES LOU GEHRIG DAY WITH SPECIAL GAME BROADCAST

Network partners with Project Main St., charity founded by friend of Marquee broadcaster Jon Sciambi, and the Chicago Cubs to raise awareness and money for those living with ALS

"I'm rarely at a loss for words but I couldn't find the right adjective to say how much Project Main St. has meant to my family." - John Kennedy, Cubs fan, diagnosed with ALS in 2011. View John's story <u>here</u>.

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CHICAGO – Marquee Sports Network, Project Main St. and the Chicago Cubs this week are partnering to raise awareness for ALS, in conjunction with Major League Baseball's inaugural Lou Gehrig Day on June 2, sharing stories of ALS heroes and raising money for Project Main St. through unique auction items, on-air features and t-shirt sales through Obvious Shirts. These initiatives and charitable efforts will be highlighted tomorrow beginning with *Cubs Live!* at 12 p.m. and a special game broadcast beginning at 1 p.m. as the Cubs host San Diego.

Marquee Sports Network broadcaster Jon Sciambi is on the Board of Directors for Project Main St., a charity founded by his friend Tim Sheehy, during his courageous battle with ALS in 2007. As part of the special game broadcast on June 2, Sciambi will sing the seventh inning stretch for the first time since joining Marquee Sports Network. Sciambi will also be interviewed by Taylor McGregor during *Cubs Live!*, talking about his experience as an advocate for those dealing with ALS and the mission of Project Main St.

"When my friend Tim Sheehy was diagnosed with ALS, I saw firsthand the difficulty this terminal disease brings to patients and their loved ones," said Sciambi. "So we started Project Main St., a charity dedicated to patient care and improving the quality of life for ALS patients. I'm looking forward to raising more awareness for our mission through Major League Baseball's inaugural Lou Gehrig Day."

Project Main St. has made life-changing impacts on the families of many impacted by ALS. This week, Marquee Sports Network is profiling five of these individuals, sharing their stories of resilience, hope and determination in the face of overwhelming adversity. These heroes were chosen by the Cubs and Project Main St. to be featured on unique prints that will be auctioned through Cubs Authentics. Each print will feature a "Super-Hero" illustration of a Cubs player alongside the story of these ALS real-life heroes.

Beginning at 1:20 p.m. CDT tomorrow and continuing through June 6 at 8 p.m. CDT, fans will have the opportunity to bid on a series of exciting auction items, benefitting Project Main St. Auction items include numerous Marquee Sports Network experiences, including a trip to 2022 Spring Training, dinner on the warning track with Sciambi and Cubs manager David Ross, and autographed memorabilia. For the full list of auction experiences, visit www.cubs.com/auctions.

"Project Main Street provides financial help to people living with ALS, but more than that, we let families know that they are not alone," said Katie Sheehy, wife of Tim Sheehy. "This, I believe, was Tim's true mission. Thank you to Jon and Marquee Sports Network for raising awareness on this very special day!"

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"Project Main St. has done so much to improve the quality of life for people dealing with this devastating illness. We're immensely proud of the work that Jon Sciambi has done as an ALS advocate, and we're of course honored to do anything we can to work with Project Main St. and share their mission on our network," said Marquee Sports Network General Manager, Mike McCarthy.

Additionally, Obvious Shirts has partnered with Sciambi on a series of t-shirts, including one reading "ALS SUCKS," for a which of portion of all proceeds benefit Project Main St. Visit www.obviousshirts.com/boog to purchase a shirt.

For more information about Marquee Sports Network and Project Main St., visit <u>MarqueeSportsNetwork.</u> com/ALS. For interview requests for Jon Sciambi, please contact Alex Wilcox.

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