

Honor Ball raises \$765,000 for Piper Cancer Center

Scottsdale Healthcare Foundation's 34th Honor Ball raised \$765,000 to support patient care and research at the Virginia G. Piper Cancer Center at Scottsdale Healthcare.

The Virginia G. Piper Cancer Center at Scottsdale Healthcare opened in 2001 at Scottsdale Healthcare Shea Medical Center as the first major cancer center in greater Phoenix to offer comprehensive cancer research, diagnosis, treatment, prevention and support services in a single location.

Attracting patients from across Arizona and the U.S., groundbreaking clinical trials of new therapies are offered in collaboration with leading universities and the Translational Genomics Research Institute. The cancer program at Scottsdale Healthcare recently was granted Accreditation with Commendation by the Commission on Cancer of the American College of Surgeons.

"Our friends, families and neighbors can look to Scottsdale Healthcare for the best in cancer care close to home," said Lindsay Thomas, R.N., oncology services director.

"Thousands of patients have sought hope and healing here knowing that we are doing everything in our power to defeat cancer with our leading physicians, latest technology and compassionate staff."

The 34th annual Honor Ball was held Feb. 6 in The Phoenician Resort Grand Ballroom and honored cancer researcher

Daniel Von Hoff, M.D. A world-renowned oncologist, Dr. Von Hoff holds dual roles as chief scientific officer at Scottsdale Health-

care and as physician-in-chief at TGen. The Honor Ball committee was chaired by Paradise Valley resident Sandy Trznadel.



Honor Ball Chair Sandy Trznadel, a resident of Paradise Valley, presents a check representing proceeds from the 34th annual Scottsdale Healthcare Foundation Honor Ball to Dr. Daniel Von Hoff in the Virginia G. Piper Cancer Center at Scottsdale Healthcare.

"It is so rewarding knowing that our committee's efforts were enjoyed by our guests, and that the evening's proceeds are helping patients and their families with their cancer journey. As a community-based cancer center, these dollars will directly benefit our friends, families and neighbors," said Ms. Trznadel.

Accreditation with commendation for Scottsdale Healthcare's cancer program means that patients with cancer from throughout greater Phoenix have access to:

- Comprehensive care including state-of-the-art services and equipment;
- A multi-specialty team approach to coordinate the best treatment options;
- Information and access to ongoing clinical trials and new treatment options;
- Access to cancer related information, education and support;
- A cancer registry that collects data on cancer, treatment and results, and offers lifelong patient follow-up;
- Ongoing monitoring and improvement of care; and most importantly,
- Quality care closer to home.

Free resources are available from Scottsdale Healthcare for anyone with questions about cancer, including general information and referrals from Cancer Care Coordinators, literature from the cancer center's resource library and research coordinators for information about clinical trials.

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