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Scottsdale Healthcare Foundation will present its 36th annual Honor Ball Feb. 4 at the Phoenician Resort, 6000 E. Camelback Road. One of the Valley's premier fundraising events, the Honor Ball benefits the Virginia G. Piper Cancer Center. Among those attending last year's Honor Ball, from left, Dr. Alan Roga and Ilana Roga with Mary Sadvary and Tom Sadvary. Dr. Roga is CEO of Scottsdale-based Stat Health Services; Mr. Sadvary is president & CEO of Scottsdale Healthcare.

Honor Ball celebrates 36 years of community philanthropy

Feb. 4 event honors Kyl, benefits Piper Cancer Center

The Honor Ball presented by Scottsdale Healthcare Foundation is celebrating its 36th edition on Feb. 4 at the Phoenician Resort, once again benefiting the Virginia G. Piper Cancer Center at Scottsdale Healthcare.

Honoree of the 36th Honor Ball is Senator Jon Kyl, recognized for his more than 25 years of service to Arizona in the U.S. House and Senate.

One of the Valley's most enduring, fun and successful black-tie events, the 36th Honor Ball is chaired by Paradise Valley resident Helene Presutti. Great entertainment, great food and no silent auctions mean the focus is on fun. The Ball has raised more than \$9 million to support patient care and services at Scottsdale Healthcare.

The Virginia G. Piper Cancer Center just marked its 10th anniversary, and Scottsdale Healthcare will be celebrating its 50th anniversary in 2012. The Virginia G. Piper Cancer Center at Scottsdale Healthcare opened 10 years ago as the first comprehensive cancer center in greater Phoenix to offer cancer treatment, Phase I clinical trials research, diagnosis, prevention and support services in a single location.

Thanks to its national reputation for innovative care and access to many first-of-its-kind cancer treatments, thousands of cancer patients from across Arizona and the U.S. seek care at the Virginia G. Piper

Cancer Center at Scottsdale Healthcare.

The Honor Ball's heritage can be traced to the summer of 1976, when the late Paradise Valley philanthropist Virginia G. Piper was inspired by the St. Francis Hospital Crusader's Ball in Evanston, Ill. She thought, "If they can do it, why can't we?" The Honor Ball began in 1977 with and continues to receive outstanding support from Scottsdale Healthcare physicians and their wives, community leaders and area businesses.

The Virginia G. Piper Cancer Center is named for Mrs. Piper, whose charitable trust donated \$15 million as a cornerstone grant to establish a comprehensive cancer center at Scottsdale Healthcare.

The Honor Ball has earned the reputation as one of the Valley's best black-tie dance parties. The 36th annual event will be held in The Phoenician Resort Grand Ballroom, with entertainment by The Jacqueline Foster Orchestra. Cocktail reception begins at 7 p.m., with dinner at 8 p.m. and dancing at 9 p.m.

The Phoenician Resort is located at 6000 E. Camelback Road in Scottsdale. Tickets start at \$500 per person or \$1,000 per couple, and tables start at \$7,500; call 480-882-4510 or click on www.shc.org/honorball.

Editor's note: This information was provided by Keith Jones of Scottsdale Healthcare