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Debbie's Dream Foundation: Curing Stomach Cancer Hosts 3rd Annual Dream BIG Luncheon to Celebrate DDF President's 50th Birthday

Event proceeds will benefit the organization and its goal to raise awareness and advance funding for stomach cancer.

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. – (**July 25, 2017**) – Debbie's Dream Foundation: Curing Stomach Cancer (DDF) is excited to host its 3rd Annual Dream BIG Luncheon on Monday, September 25, 2017 at the Bonaventure Resort & Spa in Weston, Florida beginning at 10:30 a.m.

The luncheon will feature a fabulous silent auction and amazing raffles followed by lunch and dessert. Auction items include priceless experiences, sports memorabilia, jewelry, fine dining, vacations, and travel. Not only will the luncheon raise awareness about stomach cancer, but a 50th birthday celebration will be held for DDF President and Founder, Debbie Zelman, a 9-year stage IV cancer survivor. Kristi Krueger, News Anchor for WPLG South Florida, will be the Mistress of Ceremonies for the afternoon.

Linda Gendler and Sabrina Kurzman are co-chairing this event for the third year in a row. "It is an honor to be a part of such an important foundation that helps to raise money to ultimately find a cure for stomach cancer. I am so excited to co-chair the Dream BIG Luncheon again this year and keep the tradition alive," said Linda Gendler. "This year is extra special since we will be celebrating our special friend and "Super Survivor," Debbie Zelman's 50th birthday," said Co-Chair Sabrina Kurzman.

Tickets are available at \$100 for an individual ticket, \$125 for those who would like to sign Debbie's birthday card, or \$1,500 for a table of 10 guests. Other sponsorship levels are available and include seats. For more information how to purchase tickets, place an ad or tribute in our program book, join the committee, donate, or to become a sponsor, please visit <u>http://www.debbiesdream.org/portal/dream-big-luncheon</u> or contact <u>Events@DebbiesDream.org</u> or (954) 475-1200.

About Debbie's Dream Foundation: Curing Stomach Cancer

Debbie's Dream Foundation: Curing Stomach Cancer (DDF) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization dedicated to raising awareness about stomach cancer, advancing funding for research, and providing education and support internationally to patients, families, and caregivers. Debbie's Dream Foundation seeks as its ultimate goal to make the cure for stomach cancer a reality.

DDF was founded in 2009 by Debbie Zelman after she was diagnosed with stage IV incurable stomach cancer in 2008 and given only weeks to live. DDF now has a Medical Advisory Board of world renowned doctors and has chapters throughout the United States and also in Canada and Germany. Considered a "Super Survivor," Debbie is still receiving chemotherapy 9 years later and is thrilled to be able to watch her three children grow up. To learn more about DDF, please

visit us at <u>www.DebbiesDream.org</u>.



Photo One: Luncheon Committee Co-chair and DDF Board Member Linda Gendler, DDF Founder and President Debbie Zelman, and Luncheon Committee Co-chair Sabrina Kurzman.



Photo Two: Aura Morales-Guzman, Angela Perez, DDF Board Member John Nash (of 2016 Silver Sponsor Amerijet International), Todd Vitko, Jennifer Torlone, Yvonne Rohrbacher, Evan Karp, and Linda Duffey.

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