

Debbie's Dream Foundation: Curing Stomach Cancer Hosts Its 9th Annual Night of Laughter to Raise Awareness and Funds to Find A Cure For Stomach Cancer

Comedians bring comic relief for a cause

Fort Lauderdale, FL – (November 20, 2017) – Debbie's Dream Foundation: Curing Stomach Cancer (DDF) is excited to announce its 9th Annual Night of Laughter will be taking place on Sunday, January 28, 2018 at Signature Grand in Davie, Florida. Doors open at 5:30 p.m., and the show begins promptly at 7:00 p.m. The evening will feature hilarious comedy, a raffle with fantastic prizes, dinner, and delicious drinks. All proceeds will help fund research initiatives in hopes of finding a cure for stomach cancer.

The night wouldn't be possible without the leadership of Co-Chairs Sheri Albert, Mitch Starr, Dr. Stephanie Davis, and the assistance of their amazing committee. Special recognition is also given the National Title Sponsor Lilly Oncology for their generosity and continued support. Sheri Albert, who is leading the event for the 8th year in a row, has helped raise over \$250,000 through this event to aid research efforts for stomach cancer.

"Being a part of this event means more to me now than ever before," said Albert, who was recently diagnosed with invasive breast cancer. "Even though I have my own battle to fight, knowing that stomach cancer receives the least federal funding per cancer death of any cancer inspires me to fight harder to help find a cure. We may not be there yet, but I think that we can all agree that laughter is the best medicine."

Tickets are \$75 and include a buffet dinner, 2 soft drinks, 2 raffle tickets, and a comedy show. Sponsorship opportunities are available and include reserved seating along with many other perks. For more information about the event, to place an ad/tribute in the program book, to become a sponsor, or to purchase tickets, please visit <u>http://www.debbiesdream.org/portal/night-of-laughter</u>, email <u>Events@DebbiesDream.org</u>, or call (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 gastric 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 gastric cancer in 2008 and given only weeks to live. DDF now has a Scientific and Medical Advisory Board of world renowned doctors and chapters throughout the United States and in Canada and Germany. Considered a "Super Survivor," Debbie is still receiving chemotherapy almost 9 ½ years later and is thrilled to be able to watch her three children grow up. To learn more about DDF, please visit us at www.DebbiesDream.org.



Picture One: Night of Laughter Chair Sheri Albert, Eric Saunders of National Title Sponsor Lilly Oncology, and DDF President and Founder Debbie Zelman at the 8th Annual Night of Laughter



Picture Two: DDF Board Members (I to r) Ira Kaplan, Libia Scheller, Jonathan Perrillo, Linda Gendler, Cynthia Peterson, DDF President and Founder Debbie Zelman, John Nash, David Kubiliun, Madelyn Zelman, Charles Snyder, and Clay Rusch at the 8th Annual Night of Laughter

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