



AZMN News

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The Newsletter for People Interested in Multiple Myeloma

President's Message....

We have had a very busy couple of months getting ready for our 4th Annual Living with Myeloma Conference. Details about the conference are included and also on our website. Register yourself, friends and family soon so that you don't miss out.

We are very excited about the outstanding faculty and grateful to our sponsors for again supporting myeloma patients and families in Arizona. And, for those who can't attend, please make a donation in honor of a friend, family member or just someone who needs your help! Our mission is always about reaching out to cancer patients in need of information and resources to battle this devastating disease. We are grateful for the generous faculty, scientists, and other cancer groups who join together with us to provide these much needed services.

We have an exciting year ahead of us with our 3rd Annual Ft. Defiance Cancer Awareness and Advocacy Conference with our partner, the John Wayne Cancer Foundation, June 5th, 2010, and, our 6th AzMN /United Association Golf Tournament. Details on both of these events are on **updated** www.azmyelomanetwork.org, which will be launched on **March 15th**.

We hope to see you at all of our AzMN events and look forward to a very productive 2010!

--Barbara Kavanagh

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www.azmyelomanetwork.org/donation.html



You are cordially invited to join us for the
4th Annual

Arizona Myeloma Network



Living with Myeloma Conference

Saturday, March 27, 2010

8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Scottsdale Conference Center

7700 E McCormick Pkwy

Scottsdale, AZ 85258

480-991-9000



MILLENNIUM
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Arizona Cancer Coalition



Free continental breakfast and hot lunch will be provided.

Register by March 24th at

<http://www.azmyelomanetwork.org/2010confreg.html>.

Summary of the Agenda

Registration starts at 8:00 a.m. The conference concludes at 4:30 p.m. Our Faculty includes Dr. Robert A.Kyle, internationally renowned myeloma researcher and clinician, Mayo Clinic, Rochester, MN; Dr. Bodour Salhia, TGen; Dr. Clarence Adoo, Arizona Center for Cancer Care, Angela Arnone Mayo, Mayo Clinic, as well as other outstanding professionals from Banner Thunderbird Medical center and Cancer Treatment Centers of America.

See full Agenda with topics on our website at

www.azmyelomanetwork.org/files/2010ConferenceAgenda.pdf.

BREAKING NEWS!

AzMN has been awarded their second Susan G. Komen Foundation Phoenix Affiliate grant to continue the AzMN/Diné Breast Cancer Awareness and Prevention Training Program at the Navajo Nation.

2nd Race for Hope for all Cancers

5K Run/Walk - 1 Mile Fun Run/Walk

Presented by:



Black Bear
Diner

When: Sunday, April 18, 2010

Where: Westgate City Center
6520 N. 91st Ave, Glendale, AZ

Registration: 7 a.m.

Start: 5K Run/Walk @ 8 a.m.,
1 mile Fun Run/Walk @ 8:05 a.m.

Awards: Start/Finish at the Westgate Water Dance Plaza
5K Run/Walk - Top 3 Male/Female*
1 Mile Top Overall Male/Female

All entrants receive an event t-shirt • Post race refreshments & music

* 5K-in 10 year age groups

Our 2nd Race for Hope for All Cancers, on Sunday, April 18th, represents our belief that only by working together, regardless of the type of cancer, can we truly make the advances in awareness and research that are needed to conquer Cancer.

You can help by registering to 'run or walk', make a donation, volunteer, and/or 'build your own team' with family, friends and neighbors, or inviting everyone you know to 'sponsor' you at the Race! We have invited other cancer groups to participate with their own 'team' and to bring information about their organization's cancer services.

Mail-in or fax registration form at:

www.azmyelomanetwork.org/files/hope_10.pdf

Online registration at:

www.arizonarunningeventsco.com/calendar.htm

John Wayne Comes To The Rescue!

For the third year, the John Wayne Cancer Foundation will support the Annual AzMN/Ft. Defiance Cancer Awareness and Advocacy Conference at Window Rock, AZ.

Arizona Myeloma Network (AzMN) And John Wayne Cancer Foundation

are proud to host the

3rd Annual AzMN/Ft. Defiance Cancer Awareness and Advocacy Conference Saturday, June 5, 2010



- WHERE:** The Navajo Nation Museum
Hwy 264 and Postal Loop Road
Window Rock, Arizona
- TIME:** 8:30 a.m. – Registration, Opening Prayer
9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
4:00 p.m. – Closing Ceremony
Box Lunch will be provided
- CONTACT:** **Mechelle-Morgan-Flowers**, Utilization
Review/Discharge Planner, 928-729-8024
(Ft. Defiance Hospital)
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For more information and to register, go to our website:
www.azmyelomanetwork.org



The conference is free
and open to all. CME's
will be available.
There will be a raffle
for all attendees and a
special door prize.

The AzMN/Ft. Defiance Cancer Awareness and Advocacy Program, CAAP™ is a collaboration of many groups and individuals, including Ft. Defiance hospital staff and services as well as other leading cancer specialists, scientists, agencies, and hospitals. We will work together as a 'community' to improve and expand cancer services and resources, and to improve access for earlier diagnosis and new treatments.

AzMN is a nonprofit charity 501(c)(3) organization that conducts outreach Events and Educational programs for Arizona Myeloma cancer patients, their families and caregivers, with special consideration for the under served: African American, Asian/Pacific, Hispanic American and Native American.

NEWS FROM LEUKEMIA AND LYMPHOMA SOCIETY

Effective February 1, 2010, eligible myeloma and Waldenström macro-globulinemia patients will now be able to receive up to \$10,000 in support to help offset the costs of prescription drug co-pays and other insurance related expenses. This increase is retroactive for expenses incurred from July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010 and is available to new and currently approved patients. More information is on their web site at www.lls.org.

6th Annual Arizona Myeloma Network Charity Golf Tournament October 23, 2010 McCormick Ranch Golf Course



Bill Hite of UA and Jack Kavanagh, above.



Jack with Ray Romano, Honorary Chairman, Left

Sponsored by: United Association of Plumbers and Pipefitters

- 7:00 a.m. - Registration
8:00 a.m. - Shotgun Scramble
12:30 p.m. - Barbecue Luncheon, Silent Auction,
Live Auction, Raffle, Prizes

Music will be provided by Mike Howard,
Myeloma Patient and well known jazz musician

Register for golf at
www.azmyelomanetwork.org/golf_onlineregform.htm

or call Barbara Kavanagh at 623-388-6783 or
Ron Baker, Golf Event Manager, at 623-266-2045

Smashburger Opens new Location and Kicks Off 2nd Race for Hope



Kurt Riske, Regional Manager and AzMN Board member, Jack Kavanagh, AzMN, Scott Tyrell, San Diego Padres, and David Doti, Partner, celebrate the Smashburger opening.

Picture taken at the Smashburger opening on Tuesday, March 9th. Smashburger is the sponsor for the 2nd Race for Hope for all Cancers, Sunday April 18th and Scott Tyrell, San Diego Padres, is also supporting the Race and will be a Celebrity Golfer at the AzMN golf tournament October 23rd, which is also sponsored by Smashburger and the Black Bear Diner. For

more information/locations on the new Smashburger restaurants, check out www.smashburger.com. To register for the Race or Golf and get more information, go to www.azmyelomanetwork.org.